

TYPE OF A/C		CAUSES OF ACCIDENTS												TYPE OF ENGINE				STAGE OF FLIGHT													
PILOT		OTHERS		AIRFRAME FAILURE						ENGINE FAILURE						TYPE OF ENGINE				STAGE OF FLIGHT											
UNIT		COM.		PLACE				DATE		TIME		TYPE OF ENGINE				STAGE OF FLIGHT															
145 Sqdn. Torbay		RAC		Between Torbay and Dartmouth				14-2-48		2326		TYPE OF ENGINE				STAGE OF FLIGHT															
A/C TYPE		No.		CRASH CAT.		SE		ME		D		NIGHT		STAGE OF FLIGHT																	
Hudson I		771		/				X				X		STAGE OF FLIGHT																	
NAME			RANK	No.	DUTY	INJURIES					SERIOUS		STAGE OF FLIGHT																		
Watterson, T.A.K.			P/O	J21312	P	Missing.					FATAL	INJURY	STAGE OF FLIGHT																		
Stick, J.R.			F/S	R84753	WAG	Missing					6		STAGE OF FLIGHT																		
Rolfe, R.C.			F/S	R104858	NAV	Missing.							STAGE OF FLIGHT																		
Hook,			F/L			Missing							STAGE OF FLIGHT																		
Thompson,			F/O			Missing.							STAGE OF FLIGHT																		
Lt. Snell,						Missing.							STAGE OF FLIGHT																		
TYPE A/F & ENGINE		No.	EXTENT OF DAMAGE		REPORT FORM	SERIAL No.	DATE	HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS								STAGE OF FLIGHT															
Hudson I		771						INST.	NIGHT	ON TYPE		TOTAL		LAST 6 MOS.	STAGE OF FLIGHT																
										DUAL	SOLO	DUAL	SOLO		STAGE OF FLIGHT																
W. Cyc.		P.3058 S.3094													STAGE OF FLIGHT																
SIGNAL No. & DATE		UNIT No. & DATE			COM. No. & DATE			REPORT		FILE		DATE			STAGE OF FLIGHT																
A 44		14-2													STAGE OF FLIGHT																
NATURE OF ACCIDENT																															

CAUSES OF ACCIDENTS

MISCELLANEOUS

STAGE OF FLIGHT

19

18

17

16

15

14

13

12

11

10

9

8

7

6

5

4

3

2

1

PRIMARY

UND'TD

HAND-O.

INSTS.

WEATHER

DRKNS.

ALG SURF.

OTHER

UND'TD

PRIMARY

TAXING

LANDING

TAKE-OFF

FLIGHT

STRATV

FATAL

INJ

3RD.

2

1

✓

X

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

Navigation flight Torbay to  
Dartmouth

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

Missing.

DATE: 13 April/43

COURT OF INQUIRY

COMPOSITION:

G/C. S.W.Coleman (C117)

S/L. R.H.Cowan (C1703)

S/L. G.A.P.Brickenden (C1953)

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- (a) Air Transportation service by RCAF between Nfld. & Canada
- (b) all a/c in operational commands should have at least two receivers & 2 transmitters
- (c) that investigation be instituted into operation of Wright Cyclone engines to eliminate proclivity of carburettor icing
- (d) that continuous instruction in

ACTION TAKEN: Met., Navigation & radio aid of Navigation

(A) DISCIPLINARY (B) TECHNICAL (C) OTHER

to be given to aircrew at operational units.

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B. (887)

A/c missing on night navigation & transportation flight for reasons not definitely disclosed, but probably due to icing conditions causing engine

PRIMARY CAUSE:

60. Missing.

23

~~Cause of accident is obscure, but following may be regarded as possible causes (i) Faulty Navigation, (ii) becoming lost & lack of fuel, (iii) failure of one or both engines by carburettor icing.~~

23 Not Known

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

~~failure, or under conditions of snow, ice & poor visibility became lost & fuel supply ran out. Pilot failed to carry out pre-take off instructions to land at Sydney when bad weather was encountered. Occupants presumed dead. For complete details see summary.~~

RECORDED BY

DATE

CHECKED BY

DATE