

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

Formation flying and tail chasing.

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

846

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

A/C did half-roll and dived straight into ground from 4000'.

DATE: 19 March/43

INVESTIGATING OFFICER

COMPOSITION:

F.L. Brady, J.D., #1 O.T.U.

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

Nil.

PRIMARY CAUSE:

~~59. Obscure.~~

~~Probably due to physical disability caused by "black out" while doing aerobatic manoeuvres to avoid other A/C.~~

23. Not known

ACTION TAKEN:

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

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B.

A/C on authorized formation and tail chasing exercises, went out of control and dove into ground from about 4,000 ft. Reason for pilot losing control is obscure

but probably due to physical disability caused by "black out" while doing aerobatic manoeuvres to avoid other A/C. The pilot, although an experienced instructor at an SFTS, on Harvards, was comparatively inexperienced on Hurricanes.

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

~~18. Loss of control~~

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