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DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

Night navigational exercise.

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

Whilst on a night navigational detail, pilot flew into snowstorm, decided to turn back towards London aerodrome. During turn to left, port wing struck ground and A/C crashed.

DATE: 7-4-43.

COMPOSITION:

S/L McLaren, R.D. #31 A.N.S. Port Albert.

*1206/PS1/WWM ✓*

RECOMMENDATIONS:

No reasonable recommendation can be made. A high percentage of A.N.S. pilots are inexperienced. A certain element of risk as to weather must be taken or training would be seriously curtailed. More I.F. and if possible more stress laid on cloud flying at S.F.T.S.

PRIMARY CAUSE:

19. ~~Bad weather.~~

20. *Flew into ground.*  
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ACTION TAKEN:

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

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B.

A/C crashed on routine night navigation air exercise due to poor airman's ip on the part of the staff pilot who although experienced on Anson A/C, was inexperienced on type of flying. Pilot erred in attempting to fly contact when snow showers were encountered and then neglected to pay attention to his altimeter when descending. It is considered that this pilot's instrument flying practice had been neglected, in the past.

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

32. ~~Pilot error~~

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DATE