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TYPE OF A/C		PILOT		OTHERS		AIRFRAME FAILURE										ENGINE FAILURE															
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#36 S.F.T.S. Penhold		#4 TC		4½ miles NW Innisfail, R.1		9.4.43		0945																							
A/C TYPE		No.		CRASH CAT.		SE		ME		DAY		NIGHT																			
Oxford II		X.6555		A				X		X																					
NAME				RANK		No.		DUTY		INJURIES				SERIOUS																	
Gover, K.L.				SGT		657938		P		Killed				FATAL INJURY																	
Smith, C.W.				LAC		1394906		PP		Killed				2																	
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Oxford II #X.6555		Totally										INST. NIGHT		ON TYPE		TOTAL		LAST 6 MOS.													
Cheetah X A171766/AS/1847		Totally																													
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CAUSES
 MISCELLANEOUS
 STAGE OF FLIGHT

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

Dual instructional flight.
Elementary bombing exercise.

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER
OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

COURT OF INQUIRY

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

DATE: 11-4-43.

Sgt. Gover took off to give Lac. Smith dual instruction, and the A/C was later observed to crash from a low altitude and burst into flames on impact. Had apparently broken off from original exercise due to bad weather and was in low flying area.

COMPOSITION:

S/L Finland, E.V. #4 Training Command.
F/L Amey, J.W.T. #36 S.F.T.S.
P/O Andrew, N. #36 S.F.T.S.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Nil.

1200/ACC/PAA/CN

PRIMARY CAUSE:

59*-Obseure.
32. Pilot error

ACTION TAKEN:

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

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B.

A/C with instructor and pupil, stalled on a turn at low altitude and crashed. The evidence does not definitely disclose the cause of the faulty manoeuvre of the A/C but it is considered it was due to an error of judgment on the part of the instructor or pupil or both.

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

13. Loss of control.

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