



DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

Authorized to do sequences 6,7,8.

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

Accident Report No. 75

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

DATE:

While practicing rolls in the vicinity of the accident, pilot was observed to have dived steeply and failed to recover. A/C crashed to the ground.

COMPOSITION:

F.L. J.M. Dexter, Accident Inspector

RECOMMENDATIONS:

A packet containing Sedormid "Roche" Tablets (Allyisopropylacetylcarbamide), a mild hypnotic and day time sedative; dose 1 to 3 tablets a day was found in his tunic pocket.

PRIMARY CAUSE:

~~59. Obscure.~~

The fact that the pilot may have blacked out can not be overlooked. No part of the aircraft structural controls had failed or developed any defect in flight.

ACTION TAKEN:

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

Conclusions of A.I.B.

The definite cause of this accident remains obscure, but the fact that the pilot may have blacked out can not be overlooked. The accident was most probably due to the pilot's blackout threshold being lowered by slight physical disability. If he had been taking the tablets, which cannot be proved, such liability to "black out" failure would be accentuated.

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

~~18. Loss of control~~

23. Not known

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