

TYPE OF A/C		TYPE OF UNIT		CATEGORY	
Battle I		Merlin III		D	
UNIT 9 Rep. Depot, St. Johns, Que.		ENGINE NUMBER (S) 174619/31375		C	
COM. 3		Nil		B	
PLACE Main Aerodrome		INST.		A	
DATE 14-7-43		NIGHT		7	
TIME 0940		ON TYPE		4	
H.O. FILE 1100-19-72		SOLO		3	
A/C TYPE		DUAL		2	
NO. 1972		TOTAL		1	
CRASH CAT. 0		SOLO		0	
S.E. X		DUAL		0	
M.E.		SOLO		0	
DAY X		DUAL		0	
NIGHT		SOLO		0	
PERSONNEL		DUAL		0	
Hill, J.J.		SOLO		0	
RANK F/S		DUAL		0	
NUMBER R132578		SOLO		0	
DUTY P		DUAL		0	
INJURIES Nil		SOLO		0	
SIGNAL		DUAL		0	
NO.		SOLO		0	
DATE		DUAL		0	
D'14 (REVISED)		SOLO		0	
NO.		DUAL		0	
CHECKED		SOLO		0	
7		DUAL		0	
ENGINE		SOLO		0	
ENGINE NUMBER (S)		DUAL		0	
Merlin III		SOLO		0	
174619/31375		DUAL		0	
Nil		SOLO		0	
INST.		DUAL		0	
NIGHT		SOLO		0	
46		DUAL		0	
48		SOLO		0	
21		DUAL		0	
535		SOLO		0	
178		DUAL		0	
ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION		SOLO		0	
ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION		DUAL		0	

COMMAND
MONTH
STAGE OF FLIGHT

4
2
1
7
4
2
1
FORCED LANDING
TAXIING
LANDING
TAKE-OFF
FLIGHT
STATRY
FATAL
INJ.
3RD
INJURY
S
RAF
M N

PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

To test aircraft

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Defect in electrical panel of A/C, apparently result of corrosion of a pair of circuit wires.

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

20 mins. after takeoff, noticed smell of burning and smoke coming from bottom of cockpit. Returned to airport and landed O.K., fire being put out by ground crew.

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No.

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CLASSIFICATION:

~~27. Fire in the air~~

18. Misc. Technical

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

~~33. Technical Defect.~~

18. Fire In Air

ACTION TAKEN:

Nil