

ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

UNIT No.10 L.F.F.S. Pendleton, Ont.		COM. # 3	PLACE 3 mi. S.E. of Haven, Ont.	DATE 25-7-43	TIME 1600
A/C TYPE Tiger Moth		No. 9683	CRASH CAT. A	S.E. X	M.E. 
				DAY X	NIGHT 
				H.Q. FILE 1700-9683	

PERSONNEL	RANK	NUMBER	DUTY	INJURIES	SIGNAL	
Loffatt, D.E.	PO	1110388	PI	Total	NO.	DATE
Stevens, J.	PO	1110395	PI	Severely		
				Died 2330 hrs.	D 14 (REVISED)	
				25-7-43	NO.	CHECKED
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					No.67	

ENGINE	ENGINE NUMBER (S)	HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS						
		INST.	NIGHT	ON TYPE		TOTAL		
				SOLO	DUAL	SOLO	DUAL	
G. Mjr. IC	12883/89093	Total						
			55	69	681	102	803	133
			5	2	23	28	23	28

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TYPE OF A/C

TYPE OF UNIT

CATEGORY

COMMAND

MONTH

STAGE OF FLIGHT

- 7
- 4
- 2
- 1
- 7
- 4
- 2
- 1
- FORCED LANDING
- TAXIING
- LANDING
- TAKE-OFF
- FLIGHT
- STATIONARY
- FATAL
- INJURY
- 3RD
- 5
- 2

PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

) Cross-country Richmond-Winchester.

) Final Navigation Check

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

) On cross country and 3 miles off  
) course, A/C circled farm house then  
) dived or glided to 100' over the  
) house, failed to gain height to clear  
) trees 450' from house, stalled about  
) 50' from ground.

CLASSIFICATION:

) ~~16. Unauthorized low flying or~~  
) ~~aerobatics.~~

) *19. Out of contact*

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

) ~~22. Stalling~~

) *42. Unauthorized Low Altitude  
Flying*

R. C. A. F. L 20 (REVISED)  
7M.4.43 (3202) K. P. 5051  
H. Q. 885-L 20

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

No technical failure involved.

*1 LOC / 1100 / 100*

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No. 1082

Low flying with reckless disregard of flying instruction and/or common sense.

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B.

A/C with instructor and pupil on an authorized cross country navigation exercise deliberately engaged in unauthorized low flying, stalled near the ground and crashed.

Instructor was probably so interested in looking at his relatives in the yard of the Armstrong home that he failed to notice his aircraft reach the stalling speed until too late to prevent the crash and being so low he was unable to regain control.

ACTION TAKEN: