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Serial: 11736

Title: Avro Anson Mk. V serial:11736 Accident Card

Author: Royal Canadian Air Force (RCAF)

Subject: This accident involved 1 aircraft on 1943-November-10. Anson V s/n 11736. This accident involved 4 people. Crooks SR, Smith SF, Lines JV, Johnston DW This accident had 1 fatality. Leading Aircraftman David Wright Johnston RAFVR Killed in Flying Accident service no:1521462 Anson 11736

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ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

UNIT	COM.	PLACE	DATE	TIME
9 A.O.S. St. Johns	3	144 miles S.W. of Base on Jay Peak, Jay, Ver. Near Newport USA	10-11-43	1145

H.Q. FILE 1700-11736

A/C TYPE	No.	CRASH CAT.	S.E.	M.E.	DAY	NIGHT
ANSON V	11736	"A"		X	X	

PERSONNEL	RANK	NUMBER	DUTY	INJURIES
Crooks, S.R.	SGT	R178570	P	Serious Inj.
Johnston, D.W. GB	LAC	1521462	1st N	Killed
Lines, J.V. GB	LAC	1803576	2nd N	Slightly Inj.
Smith, S.F.	SGT	R164309	WOAG	Slightly Inj.

SIGNAL

No.	Date
A.106	10-11

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No.	Checked
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ENGINE	ENGINE NUMBER (S)	HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS					
		INST.	NIGHT	ON TYPE		TOTAL	
				SOLO	DUAL	SOLO	DUAL
Wasp Junior	43-4653/20839 seriously 43-4654/20840 "	32	26	30	15	114	134

TYPE OF A/C

TYPE OF UNIT

CATEGORY

COMMAND

MONTH

STAGE OF FLIGHT

FORCED LANDING
TAXYING
LANDING
TAKE-OFF
FLIGHT
STAT'RY

INJURY
FATAL
INJ.
3RD
S
NIL

ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:
Search for missing a/c from another unit.
Liberator - 10 Sqdn.

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:
Pilot states that he entered a heavy storm and was turning around to get into the clear again, and as he was turning and climbing, he flew into the mountain at 3100'. It was snowing heavily at the time.

CLASSIFICATION:
~~19. Bad weather.~~
20 Flew into Ground

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:
~~32. Pilot error.~~

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:
Nil

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:
FINDINGS: SUMMARY No. 2166
Pilot flying in snow storm went down to check position: realized he was in valley between mountains. started to climb to get over mountains and crashed.

Recommendations
In cases of searches each a/c should have qualified navigator and more experienced pilots with qualified crews.

Conclusions of A.I.B.
Accident was due to error of airmanship on part of pilot in flying in bad weather below safe height in hilly country.

Note: What weather information was furnished to crew of a/c at briefing is not shown in evidence.

ACTION TAKEN:

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