

ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

UNIT 9 A.O.S. St. Johns	COM. 3	PLACE 144 miles S.W. of Base on Jay Peak, Jay, Ver. Near Newport USA	DATE 10-11-48	TIME 1145		
A/C TYPE ANSON V	No. 11736	CRASH CAT. "A"	S.E.	M.E. X	DAY X	NIGHT
H.O. FILE 1700-11736						

PERSONNEL	RANK	NUMBER	DUTY	INJURIES	SIGNAL	
Crooks, S.J.	SGT	R178570		Serious Inj.	No. 1.106	DATE 10-11
Johnston, D.W.	GB LAC	1521462	1st N	Killed	D 14 (REVISED)	
Lines, J.V.	GB LAC	1803576	2nd N	Slightly Inj.	No.	CHECKED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Smith, S.F.	SGT	R184309	WOAG	Slightly Inj.	#1	

ENGINE	ENGINE NUMBER (S)	HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS	HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS				
			ON TYPE	TOTAL	SOLO	DUAL	
Wasp Junior	43-4653/20839 seriously 43-4654/20840	NIGHT	SOLO	DUAL	SOLO	DUAL	
		32	26	30	15	114	134

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COMMAND MONTH STAGE OF FLIGHT

- FORCED LANDING ()
- TAXYING ()
- LANDING ()
- TAKE-OFF ()
- FLIGHT ()
- STATRY ()
- FATAL ()
- INJ ()
- 3RD ()
- INJURY ()
- RAF ()
- M ()

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A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Search for missing a/c from another unit.
Liberator - 10 Sqn.

Nil

1100/1951/1000

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.

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.

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19. ~~Bad weather.~~

20 Flew into ground

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

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

32. ~~Pilot error.~~

ACTION TAKEN: