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ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

UNIT 5 S.F.T.S.	COM. 1	PLACE SE OF Thornton, Ont	DATE 7-12-43	TIME 1840
Brantford			H.Q. FILE 1700-6118	
A/C TYPE ANSON III	No. 6118	CRASH CAT. 8A"	S.E.	M.E. x
			DAY x	NIGHT

PERSONNEL	RANK	NUMBER	DUTY	INJURIES	SIGNAL	
Matthews, G.C.	LAC	R125317	PP	Killed	No. A.161	DATE 7-12
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ENGINE	ENGINE NUMBER (S)	HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS					
		INST.	NIGHT	ON TYPE		TOTAL	
				SOLO	DUAL	SOLO	DUAL
Jacobs L6MB	16308/2490	totally					
	16326/2505	"	16	8	14	32	56 76

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COMMAND

MONTH

STAGE OF FLIGHT

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

TYPE OF A/C

TYPE OF UNIT

CATEGORY

PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

Day navigation exercise.

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

1200/1200/1200/1200/1200

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

A/C took off on solo navigation at 1425. Student became lost and got 82 miles off track. Darkness set in and pupil tried to make forced landing in field, losing control on turn and diving into ground near Thornton.

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No. 2200

CAUSE: Student lost and trying to make forced landing in field, stalled a/c on turn, losing control and diving into ground.

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.E.: Agree with findings.

NOTE: According to evidence, compass on a/c had not been swung since 15th Aug. 1943. In this regard I.O. had this to show: Personnel entrusted with duties of making and supervising compass adjustments in accordance with C.A.P. 100, Sec.3, Paras. 27, 28 & 35 have been lax in carrying out duties. This was particularly significant with relation to pool a/c. and apparently no system was laid down to ensure that compasses were adjusted on due dates in connection with pool a/c. I.O. discussed these matters with C.P.I. previous to crash, and W/C Drynan was taking immediate steps to rectify situation and see that all orders and regs. would be strictly adhered to.

ACTION TAKEN:

Nil

CLASSIFICATION:

~~51. Lost.~~

14 out of Central

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

~~22. Stalling.~~

~~40. Heavy landing - flying into ground.~~