

ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION													
UNIT 3 B.G.S. MacDonald		COM. 2		PLACE 8 miles N of M.A.		DATE 22-1-44		TIME 1030		COMMAND			
A/C TYPE BATTLE I		No.		CRASH CAT. "A"		H.Q. FILE 1100-51-84		S.E. x				M.E. x	
PERSONNEL		RANK		NUMBER		DUTY		INJURIES		SIGNAL			
GILES, A.		F/O		J10752		P		Uninj.		No. DATE			
COONES, M.W.		LAC		R266157		AG		Uninj.		N. 3 22-1			
DAVIDSON, E.C.		LAC		R136518		AG		Uninj.		D 14 (REVISED)			
										No. 3 CHECKED			
										#6			
ENGINE		ENGINE NUMBER (S)		HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS								STAGE OF FLIGHT	
Merlin V		4723/119537 serious		INST.		NIGHT		ON TYPE		TOTAL			
				58		91		SOLO DUAL		SOLO DUAL			
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PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

Gunnery exercise.

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

... connecting rods through side of engine.

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

During a gunnery exercise, engine suddenly became rough and oil pressure dropped almost immediately to zero. Pilot cut throttle and switches and made a good belly landing but struck some rocks hidden by weeds,.

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No.

CLASSIFICATION:

~~54. Engine failure in the air.~~

17. Forced Landing

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SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

~~34. Wheels up landing.~~

ACTION TAKEN:

Nil

~~41. Hitting obstructions.~~

26. Engine trouble accident

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