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ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

UNIT 31 O.T.U.	COM E.A.C.	PLACE 1 mile east of Dodd- ridge N.S.	DATE 6-1-44	TIME 0925 GMT
A/C TYPE HUDSON V		NO. AM 764	CRASH CAT. "A"	H.Q. FILE 1300-AM764-1
			G.E. M.E. DAY NIGHT	X X

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PERSONNEL	RANK	NUMBER	DUTY	INJURIES	SIGNAL	
GORDON, J.A.	RAF P/O	152700	P	KILLED	No.	DATE
JE FREY, D.	AUS SGT	427483	Nav	Seriously Inj.	A102	6-1-44
MERTIE, M.C.J.	NZ SGT	422683		Slightly Inj.	D 14 (REVISED)	
EASTON, J.A.	NZ SGT	417154		Seriously Inj.	No.	CHECKED
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PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Operational training flight - Night.

Nil 1206/PSC

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

A/C crashed while carrying out descent through cloud procedure. A/C arrived over base and was signalled to descend through the cloud and fly at 1,560'. Controller signalled to a/c to turn to port. A/C then passed the word "turning". Then "check drill, runway number, bearing, permission to descend through cloud and three more bearings were passed to a/c by Controller, who, thereafter had no further communication with it. A/C completed the turn and flew into a hill.

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No.

CIRCUMSTANCES: "Upon a duly authorized Navigation exercise a/c crashed into hill while carrying out QGH procedure pilot was killed.

CAUSE: Pilot error-miscalculated speed in approach and let down too soon.

RECOMMENDATIONS: None to prevent the accident but individual flashlights are suggested.

REMARKS OF C.O.: "CONCUR"

CLASSIFICATION:

32. Pilot error.

20. Flew into ground. 20

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

40. Heavy landing - flying into ground.

REMARKS BY A.O.C. Report is being called as to why pilot was not strapped in and why Nav. was not wearing Mae West".

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B. Agree with findings. The A.O.C's remarks are very pertinent. It is possible that the pilot's life might have been

ACTION TAKEN: saved if he had been strapped in. The occupant of the second pilot's seat escaped with serious injuries.