

PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

Training flight.

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

After failing to locate Fredrickton pilot climbed to 1,000 ft where he saw an opening in clouds. He came through and forced landed. When the front main tank gauges showed empty he switched to rear tanks. When turning downwind over field stbd motor seemed to cut out. Closed the throttles, straightened out, touching down lightly with full speed. A/C came to rest on top of a 1 1/2 ton Chev. truck on the road.

CLASSIFICATION:

~~48. Weather and lost.~~

17. Forced Landing

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SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

~~25. Inexperience.~~

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Rapid descent from high altitude would have cooled the motors, that it was quite possible they would cut out for a short time.

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No. 2249

CAUSE : Inexperience and lack of knowledge on part of both pilot and WAG leading to errors by both.
Recommendations: That instructors make certain that pupil pilots fully understand the Ventura fuel system. For other recommendations see Summary 2249.
CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B. Agree with findings.

Note: Investigating officer made several findings on evidence which are contained in para 5 of his findings on page 50. See summary 2249.

ACTION TAKEN: