

ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

UNIT 6 B.G.S. Mountain View.	COM. 1	PLACE 1/2 mile N.N.E. of Melville.	DATE 24-2-44	TIME 1415
A/C TYPE BOLINGBROKE IVT		NO. 10241	H.Q. FILE 1700-10241	
		CRASH CAT. "A"	S.E.	M.E. X
			DAY X	NIGHT

COMMAND

PERSONNEL	RANK	NUMBER	DUTY	INJURIES	SIGNAL	
Kennedy, W.E.	F/O	J9401	P	Killed	NO.	DATE
Sangster, D.W.	SGT	R209965	Gunnery	Killed	M382	24-2-44
Watt, R.H.	GB	LAC	1580279	OC	D 14 (REVISED)	
Wright, N.A.T.	GB	LAC	989722	OC	NO.	CHECKED
Wright, H.H.	SGT	R114488	OC	Killed	#10 CR 5/5	

MONTH

STAGE OF FLIGHT

ENGINE	ENGINE NUMBER (S)	HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS		ON TYPE		TOTAL	
		INST.	NIGHT	SOLO	DUAL	SOLO	DUAL
Bristol Mercury P.12620/52846	Total						
XX Star.	S. 12577/50036	55	35	74	6	564	171

FORCED LANDING
TAXYING
LANDING
TAKEOFF
FLIGHT
STAIRY
FATAL
INJ.
3RD
INJURY

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PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Aerial Gunnery Exercise.

NIL 10C/A-C/PSFN/A/CN

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

Aircraft seen spinning at 2000 ft.
Crashed and burst into flames.
Investigation being carried out.

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No.2275

CAUSE: For some unknown reason a/c went into spin and failed to recover.

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B.: Reason for a/c going into a spin and the pilot's failure to fully recover from spin is not disclosed in evidence., therefore must remain obscure. There is a possibility that one engine failed causing pilot to lose control, the a/c going into a spin; recovery was made at too low a height to avoid crashing.

CLASSIFICATION:

59. Obscure.

19. Out of control 19

Conclusions C.I. Accidents : Agree. It is desirable that this pilot who was labelled "definitely dangerous" by the Visiting Flight should have been referred for further instruction under proper instructional control and recategorized by the V.F. or some competent authority. This pilot possessed a pleasing

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

ACTION TAKEN: personality and his colleagues at the NIL. B&G would possibly be lenient in their judgement of his skill.