

61 60 59 58 57 56 55 54 53 52 51 50 49 48 47 46 45 44 43 42 41 40 39 38 37 36 35 34 33 32 31

ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

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| UNIT 11 SFTS Yorkton | | COM. 2 | PLACE 10 miles south and 1 mile west of Willowbrook | | DATE 24-5-44 | TIME 0100 | | | |
| A/C TYPE CRANE I | | NO. 7951 | CRASH CAT. "A" | H.Q. FILE 1100-79-51 | | S.E. | M.E. X | DAY | NIGHT X |
| PERSONNEL | | | RANK | NUMBER | DUTY | INJURIES | | SIGNAL | |
| LANT, G.N. | | | LAC | GB1608035 | PP | Serious | | No. A36 | DATE 23-5 |
| | | | | | | | | D 14 (REVISED) | |
| | | | | | | | | No. 3 | CHECKED |
| | | | | | | | | #16 | |
| ENGINE | | ENGINE NUMBER (S) | | HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS | | | | | |
| Jacobs L4MB | | P. 21622/4454 S. 22639/4660 | | INST. | NIGHT | ON TYPE | | TOTAL | |
| | | | | | | SOLO | DUAL | SOLO | DUAL |
| | | | | 24:45 | 14:30 | 34:35 | 46:10 | 80:05 | 97:35 |

COMMAND
MONTH
STAGE OF FLIGHT

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

ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32

PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

Solo cross country

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

Student attempted to let down through fog and misjudged height. Vis. and ceiling zero, zero in fog.

CLASSIFICATION:

47. Weather

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

17 -
Forced landing

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

14CG/PST/PCN/ARC/WVI

Fuselage - damaged beyond economical repair.
Mainplanes " " " "
Propellers " " " "

Both engines damaged, repairable at Depot

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No. 2379.

CAUSE: Pilot flew a/c into ground fog. Failing to keep altitude and turn to alternative open airport when encountering bad weather and found he could not establish radio contact with base.

RECOMMENDATIONS: See summary 2379

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B.: Pilot error in attempting to get below ceiling without knowing height of cloud base. Note: CAP 100 Sec.3, Para 38 referred to in recommendation (1) above provides: The pilot of an a/c equipped with radio, flying on instruments is not to descend below a height of 1,000', above the highest point of land in vicinity of area over which he may be flying, without first consulting his base by radio and obtaining accurate information as to the height of the cloud base in the vicinity of proposed descent.

ACTION TAKEN:

None