

PURPOSE OF FLIGHT: TECHNICAL/OFFICER'S REPORT: Routine Training Exercise. NATURE OF ACCIDENT: approx. 1530 hrs. a/c while COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT: decending through 10/10 clouds FINDINGS: SUMMARY No. 2434 crashed into top of a mountain 1,350' CAUSE: Error on part of pilot decending through high. Before coming to rest it cut clouds without checking spot heights and ascertaina swath 75' long through fir trees ing position. on an easterly heading. RECOMMENDATIONS: That steps be taken to ensure that all pilots and student Nav. at this Unit familiarize themselves with importance and necessity of ascertaining the spot heights in land areas over or near to which they are likely to be flying. For further recommendations see Summary 2434. CLASSIFICATION: REMARKS OF C.O.: Concur. It would appear that the 20. Flew into ground. compass itself had an inherant fault. CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B.: Agree with findings C.I. ACCIDENTS: Compass swinging in respect of this a/c was lax. After inacurracy in the compass was SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS: reported nothing was done. This error was a contrib-ACTION TAKEN: utary cause of the accident,