

ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

UNIT #8 O.T.U. Greenwood, N.S.		COM. EAC	PLACE M.A.		DATE 21-8-44	TIME 0840
A/C TYPE MOSQUITO		No. 101872	CRASH CAT. "A"		H.Q. FILE 1300-K7872	
					S.E.	M.E. X
					DAY	NIGHT X

COMMAND	1	2	3	4
	1	2	3	4
MONTH	1	2	3	4
	1	2	3	4
STAGE OF FLIGHT	FORCED LANDING			
	TAXIING			
	LANDING			
	TAKE-OFF			
	FLIGHT			
	STAT'RY			
	FATAL			
	INJ.			
	SRD			
	INJURY			
	SRD			
	M			
	S			

PERSONNEL		RANK	NUMBER	DUTY	INJURIES	SIGNAL	
Grant D.D.S.	CAN	S/N	J16427	P	Killed	No. A30	DATE 21-8
Darrach, F.W.		WD1	3027	P	Killed		
						D 14 (REVISED)	
						No.	CHECKED
						#5	

ENGINE	ENGINE NUMBER (S)		HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS					
			INST.	NIGHT	ON TYPE		TOTAL	
Merlin	242452/49463	Total			DUAL	SOLO	DUAL	SOLO
	256399/72185	Tally						
			52	259	1	19	113	728
			39	143	3	Nil	124	859

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PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

Mer. 1-9 Circu its and landings.

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

A/C appeared to be making normal approach for lan ing. At approx. 200' nose suddenly dropped and a/c lost height rapidly striking the ground in an almost inverted position

CLASSIFICATION:

19. Out of Control

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

26. Engine trouble - Accident.

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Cause Obscure.

LOC/AOC/PSF/A/E/ES/ND/L ✓

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No. 2447

CAUSE: Primary cause was failure in the air of std engine when a/c was about to make a landing. A contributory cause was error on part of instructor in that he either : (a) failed to take corrective action in time or (b) permitted said a/c to fall below single engine flying speed in a position where corrective action with one good engine could not be carried out. It may be that instructors inexperience on type contributed to accident. RECOMMENDATIONS: See Sum. 2447

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B.: Loss of control following complete failure of the std engine in the air. for

NOTE see summary 2447. REMARKS OF A.D.C.: I concur in findings, but in view of S/L Grant's flying ability and experience on Beaufighter a/c I consider he was quite capable and qualified to instruct on ~~Monocraft a/c~~, and there would be no reason to amend

C.A.P. 100, Sec. 8 para.12