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ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

UNIT No. 7 SFTS MacLeod, Alta.	COM. 4	PLACE 3 miles WNW Brockett Alta.	DATE 19-10-44 TIME 1145
		H.Q. FILE 1300-PH121-1	
A/C TYPE HARVARD	NO. FW121	CRASH CAT. "A"	S.E. X M.E. X DAY X NIGHT

COMMAND

PERSONNEL	RANK	NUMBER	DUTY	INJURIES	SIGNAL
CHURCHER, A.E.	Sgt.	R207797	FI	Killed	NO. _____ DATE _____
TAYLOR, A.M.	Sgt.	R209531	Pass.	Killed.	
					D 14 (REVISED)
					NO. A310 CHECKED 19-10
					# 2
					21

MONTH

STAGE OF FLIGHT

ENGINE	ENGINE NUMBER (S)	HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS					
		INST.	NIGHT	ON TYPE		TOTAL	
				DUAL	SOLO	DUAL	SOLO
P & W Wasp	21274/42-1350 <i>Totally</i>	44	23	3	5	143	177
		46	21	100	71	155	124

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PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

Practice circuits & aerobatics.

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

Obscure pending investigation. It appears that pilot dived into gully and failed to pull up in time to avoid striking the crest of northern side. A/C seems to have mushed into ground on belly with right wing slightly down and apparently exploded on impact.

CLASSIFICATION:

20. Flew into Ground

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Nil

IOC/AOC/PSF/B/N/POM/CN ✓

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No. 2473

CAUSE: Loss of control following recovery from dive. possible contributory factors: 1. Occupants blacked out on recovery. 2. High speed stall may have resulted from pullout, causing a/c to flick to right and roll to ground. 3. Inexperience of pilot on type.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Nil

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B.: Agree. It is considered that Sgt. Churcher was not qualified to carry aerobatics on Harvard a/c due to insufficient dual inst. on type Flight Commander F/O J. Davidson is responsible for this condition. Sgt. Churcher's Log Book shows no dual aerobatics. Evidence disclosed disobedience on part of Sgt Taylor of a direct order forbidding Sgt. Taylor to fly in Harvard a/c. This shows a "discipline" situation at Unit which should be looked into, whether it

ACTION TAKEN: it is an isolated case or general at

#7 S.F.T.S.

Nil