

ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

UNIT 7 O.T.U., Debert, N.S.	COM. E	PLACE Higgins Mountain, N.S.	DATE 30-11-44 TIME 1430 Z
A/C TYPE MOSQUITO BXX	NO. KB 278	CRASH CAT. "A"	H.Q. FILE 1300-KB-278-1
		S.E.	M.E.
		DAY	NIGHT
		X	X

PERSONNEL	RANK	NUMBER	DUTY	INJURIES	SIGNAL	
BREADNER, D.L.,	F/O	J43299	P.	Killed	NO. A.125	DATE 1-12
BENNETT, K.B.,	F/O	J47955	Nav,	Killed.	D 14 (REVISED)	
					NO.	CHECKED
					6	

ENGINE	ENGINE NUMBER (S)	HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS					
		INST.	NIGHT	ON TYPE		TOTAL	
Packard	P AF-42-247238	Totally					
Merlin	A12242						
Packard	S AF-42-247665	"	66	48	13	30	245
Merlin	A12669						210

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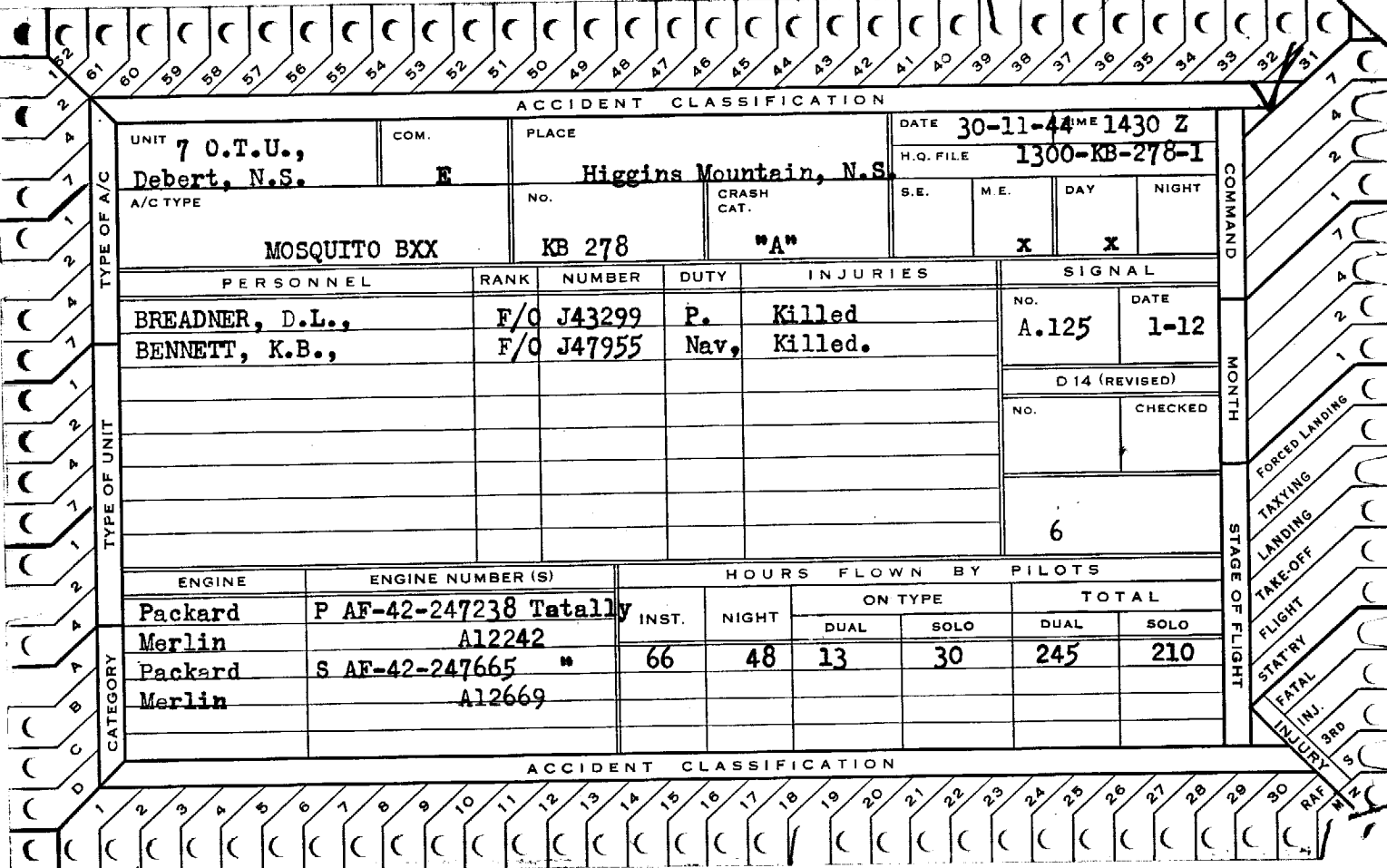
COMMAND
MONTH
STAGE OF FLIGHT

FORCED LANDING
TAXIING
LANDING
TAKE-OFF
FLIGHT
STATUTORY
FATAL
INJ.
3RD
INJURY

TYPE OF A/C

TYPE OF UNIT

CATEGORY



PURPOSE OF FLIGHT: Camera
Gun Ex.

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Nil

1BA/AMS/AMD ✓

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

Aircraft crashed.

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No. 223

CAUSE: (1) Although no evidence to suggest that pilot had been carrying out any violent manoeuvres, wreckage indicated that failure occurred under upload. (2). Condition of timber in main spars of a/c as revealed in Lab. exam. shows that mainplane spars of a/c were below specification strength and this must be considered as contributory cause

RECOMMENDATIONS: (1) Pilots of Mosquito a/c should be warned that care in operation of a/c is necessary. This is fully explained in Pilots Notes. Stressing of a/c may cause partial failure which cannot be detected by naked eye and therefore cannot be checked by routine inspection. (2) Inspection of wing spar material should be tightened up.

FOR NOTE SEE SUMMARY NO. 223.

CLASSIFICATION:

19. Out of Control

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

39. Structural Failure.

ACTION TAKEN:

Nil