

ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

UNIT 7 O.T.U. Devert, N.S	COM. EAC	PLACE One mile south-east Truro, N.S.	DATE 18-4-45	TIME 1330
A/C TYPE MOSQUITO		NO. KA988	H.Q. FILE 1300-KA988-1	
		CRASH CAT. MAN	S.E.	M.E. X
			DAY X	NIGHT

PERSONNEL	RANK	NUMBER	DUTY	INJURIES	SIGNAL	
Balkwill, S.H. CAN	F/L	J17111	P	Killed	NO. A54	DATE 18-4
Richard, J.R.	CPL	R73359	Pass	Killed	D 14 (REVISED)	
					NO.	CHECKED
					#5	

ENGINE	ENGINE NUMBER (S)	HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS					
		INST.	NIGHT	ON TYPE		TOTAL	
				DUAL	SOLO	DUAL	SOLO
Merlin	P. V345106/ S. V345081	80	164	5	272	116	883

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COMMAND

MONTH

STAGE OF FLIGHT

FORCED LANDING

TAXIING

LANDING

TAKE-OFF

FLIGHT

STRAY

FATAL

INJ.

9th

RAF

M 2

PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

Air Test.

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

Crashed into ground.

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B. (Cont'd)

The weather at the time of take off was such that the pilot should not have authorized himself out to test a/c.

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20. ~~Flt - 1000~~ Ground.

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

41. Disobedience of Orders.

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Nil.

ILCO/POL/PCL ✓

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No. 2557.

CAUSE: Pilot while flying low, contrary to C.A.P. 100 Sec. 1, para 1, para 25, 25c allowed stbd wing tip to strike some obstruction, ~~tearing off wing tip~~ tearing off wing tip and fouling stbd aileron. Note: Dangerous flying.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Nil

REMARKS OF C.O.: It is considered that the I.O. was correct in finding there was unauthorized low flying amounting to dangerous flying.

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B.: Considered that I.O. gave a reasonable theory of the loss of control, however, in view of the lack of definite proof of the a/c striking a tree or other object while engaging in low flying, it is thought that the cause of loss of

ACTION TAKEN: control should be stated "Obscure".