

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

Running up of engine.

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

DATE:

While engine of aircraft was being "run-up" on tarmac, the tail of the aircraft lifted, causing the propeller to strike the ground, LAC

COMPOSITION:

Lewis standing at one wing tip of the aircraft was struck by a small stone from the tarmac and was slightly

RECOMMENDATIONS:

PRIMARY CAUSE: cut on nose.

Flights instructed to place two men holding down tail of aircraft while running up.

Strong gusty wind blowing on beam of aircraft lifted tail while engine being run up.

ACTION TAKEN:

(A) DISCIPLINARY (B) TECHNICAL (C) OTHER

LAC Howcroft, H.S. was put on charge under Section 39 A (a) of the Air Force Act and was found not guilty. It was established that the wheels of a/c were supported by chocks, brakes on, control column well back and a man on each wing tip during "running-up" period.

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

Airscrew hit ground fracturing two blades and badly bending third blade.

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