CAUSES OF ACCIDENTS

PILOT	OTHERS	AIRFRAME FAILURE	ENGINE FAILURE

UNIT	COM.	PLACE	DATE	TIME
#1 A.N.S. Rivers, Man.	2	Oaklake, Manitoba.	25-2-41 H.Q. FILE	1500

A/C TYPE	NO.	CRASH CAT.	SE	ME	DAY	NIGHT
Avro Anson	6250 1675	A		x		x

NAME	RANK	NO.	DUTY	INJURIES	SERIOUS
					FATAL	INJURY
Butchery, J.G.	Sgt.	R59269	P	Fatal	
Howarth, H.A.	Sgt.	R63614	Nav	Fatal	4
Prest, W.H.	Sgt.	R64134	Nav	Fatal	
Lancaster, L.R.	LAC	R52102	WO	Fatal	

CARD SERIAL No.

TYPE A/F & ENGINE	No.	EXTENT OF DAMAGE	REPORT FORM	SERIAL No.	DATE	HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS						
						INST.	NIGHT	ON TYPE		TOTAL		LAST 6 MOS.
								DUAL	SOLO	DUAL	SOLO	
Anson	1675	Total				26	6	17	37	115	550	
Cheetah	A17417	Total										
Cheetah	AS176393	Total										

SIGNAL No. & DATE	UNIT No. & DATE	COM. No. & DATE	REPORT	FILE	DATE
55	26-2-41	A.9	26-2-41			

NATURE OF ACCIDENT

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED: Navigation training exercise.

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

Flew into surface of lake in poor visibility.

PRIMARY CAUSE:

PILOT DID NOT HAVE ENOUGH EXPERIENCE TO FLY BY INSTRUMENTS AND TRIED TO FLY BY "CONTACT" THROUGH A SNOW FLURRY

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

AIRCRAFT CRASHED INTO SNOW ON A LAKE

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

COURT OF INQUIRY ILCG/PSF/N/I/WVM

DATE: 27-2-41

COMPOSITION:

PRESIDENT - S/L MONCRIEFF, E.H.G.

MEMBER - F/L HONE, J.

MEMBER - F/O SHARPE, E.W.C.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

LINK-TRAINER FOR USE DURING NON-FLYING DAYS.

ONLY PILOTS WITH FULL KNOWLEDGE OF INSTRUMENT FLYING SHOULD BE USED AS STAFF PILOTS IN ANY CAPACITY AT SCHOOLS.

SOME METHOD SHOULD BE INCORPORATED WHEREBY ALL PILOTS RECEIVE FULL AND COMPLETE WEATHER INFORMATION FROM THE METEOROLOGIST PERSONALLY

ACTION TAKEN:

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

RECORDED BY	DATE

CHECKED BY	DATE