

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

GUNNERY EXERCISE

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

Court of Enquiry

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

FORCED LANDING FOLLOWED BY CRASH AND
BURNING AIRCRAFT. Aircraft took fire
in the air and made a belly landing
in farmer's field.

DATE: June 23rd, 1941. Monthly Accident Return.

COMPOSITION:

President	- Ripley, R.C.	Squadron Leader.
Member	- Diamond, C.H.	F/Lieutenant.
Member	- Kelley, T.E.	Pilot Officer.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Periodic inspections and replacement of faulty fire traps - Fire extinguisher system attached internally to the induction system with controls for same available to the Pilot. Investigation on quality of Oil used. (All flame traps being examined on Merlin engines at this Station.

PRIMARY CAUSE:

FLAME TRAPS BURNT OUT AND GASES IN INTAKE
MANIFOLD IGNITED AND SET CRABURRETTOR/AND
BLOWER SYSTEM ALIGHT

ACTION TAKEN:

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

FB/AOP/EF/FT/NK/I/AE/GE
Nil

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

AIRCRAFT LANDED ON ROAD, WITH UNDERCARRIAGE
RETRACTED, AND BURNT OUT.

RECORDED BY _____ DATE _____

CHECKED BY _____ DATE _____