

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:
Night local circuits.

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

COURT OF INQUIRY

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

DATE: 2-2-43.

A/C crashed whilst the pilot was carrying out his first night solo, and appears to have struck the ground at high speed in a shallow dive.

COMPOSITION:

F/L Alan John No. 32 S.F.T.S. Moose Jaw.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That pupils should be constantly reminded of the necessity to adhere to instrument flying at night.

PRIMARY CAUSE:

~~Obscure. possible that pupil while turning towards the aerodrome on his circuit, gave up instrument flying and attempted to fly by visual aids.~~

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ACTION TAKEN:

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

~~21. Inability to maintain equilibrium~~ CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B.

Pupil pilot on first solo at night was unable to maintain equilibrium either on instruments or by visual aids.

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

~~A/C went into spiral dive and crashed. First solo and it was a very dark night.~~

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