

ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

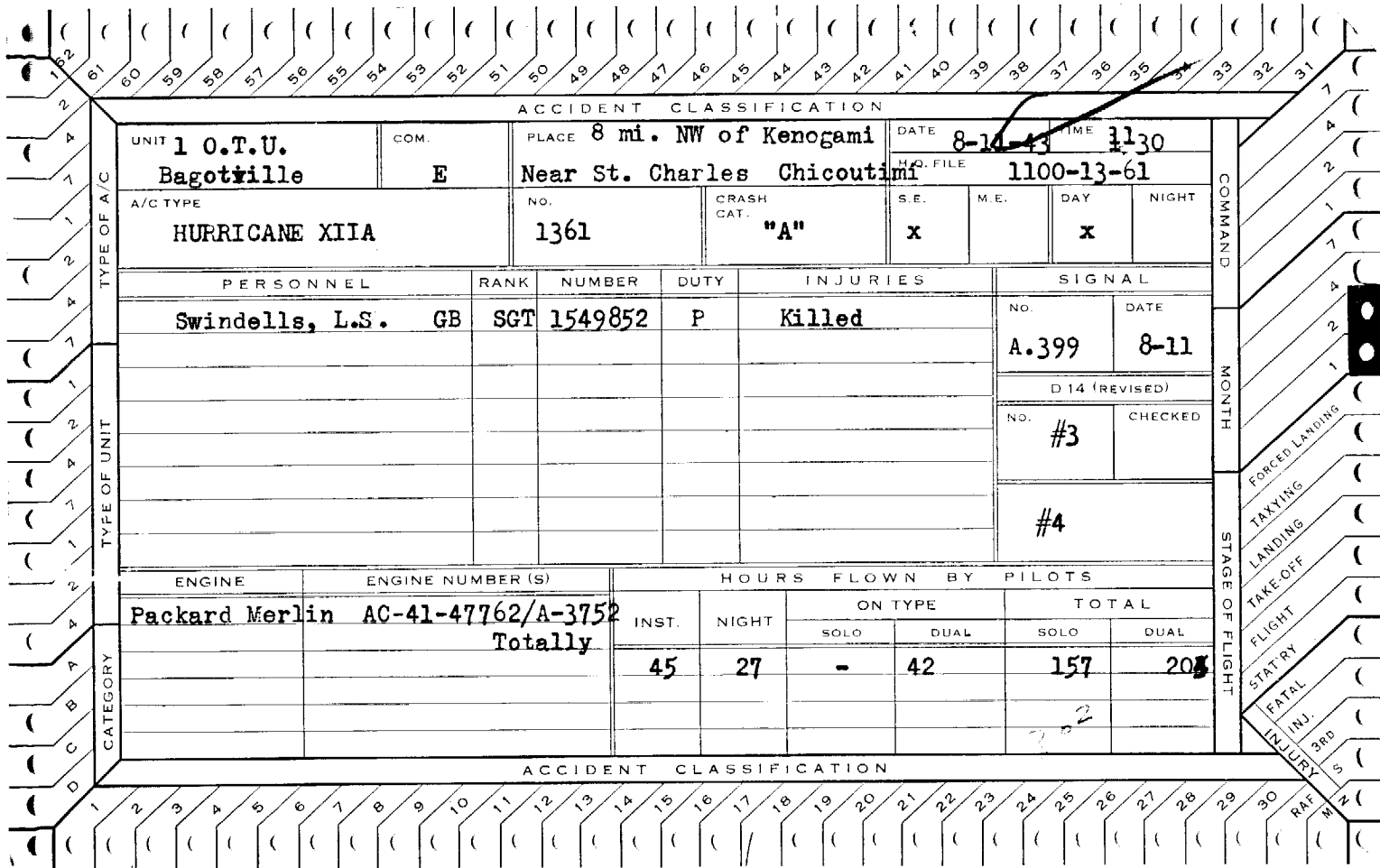
UNIT 1 O.T.U. Bagotville		COM. E	PLACE 8 mi. NW of Kenogami Near St. Charles Chicoutimi		DATE 8-14-43	TIME 1130		
A/C TYPE HURRICANE XIIA		NO. 1361	CRASH CAT. "A"		S.E. x	M.E.	DAY x	NIGHT
PERSONNEL		RANK	NUMBER	DUTY	INJURIES		SIGNAL	
Swindells, L.S.		GB	SGT	1549852	P	Killed	NO. A.399	DATE 8-11
							D 14 (REVISED)	
							NO. #3	CHECKED
							#4	

ENGINE	ENGINE NUMBER (S)	HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS					
Packard Merlin AC-41-47762/A-3752	Totally	INST.	NIGHT	ON TYPE		TOTAL	
		45	27	SOLO	DUAL	SOLO	DUAL
				-	42	157	205

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TYPE OF A/C
TYPE OF UNIT
CATEGORY
COMMAND
MONTH
STAGE OF FLIGHT

FORCED LANDING
TAXIING
LANDING
TAKE-OFF
FLIGHT
STAIRY
FATAL
INJ.
3rd



PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

Formation and deflection attacks.

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Nil *1/1/4*

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

A/C 1361 was doing deflection attacks on other a/c. This went on for about 35 minutes at which time the other a/c

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No. 2148.

"waggled" wings which was signal for Sgt Swindles to formate him. Shortly after this a/c 1361 came down from above and to port in a very steep turn crossing in front of other a/c and continuing steep right hand turn until he disappeared from view. As a/c did not appear again other pilot called a/c 1361 on R/T but received no reply. Hurricane 1361 had crashed, killing pilot.

CIRCUMSTANCES: Hurricane making deflection attack on two other a/c at 2200' passed in front of them in a steep right hand spiral dive and struck ground at a steep angle and high speed. The pilot was killed instantly.

CAUSE

Obscure.

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B.

Agree with findings.

CLASSIFICATION:

18. Loss of control. *23*
23. Not known

NOTE:

Identity of the a/c and of Sgt. Swindells was possible only by a process of elimination.

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

ACTION TAKEN:

Nil