

ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

UNIT 7 SQDN Prince Rupert	COM W	PLACE M.A.	DATE 19-12-43	TIME 2245
A/C TYPE CANSO "A"			NO. 9786	CRASH CAT. "A"
H.Q. FILE 1700-9786		SE. x	ME. x	DAY x
NIGHT x		COMMAND		

PERSONNEL	RANK	NUMBER	DUTY	INJURIES	SIGNAL	
McCallum, H.W.	F/O	J12651	FI	Slightly Inj.	NO.	DATE
Fereday, E.J.	P/O	27191	2ndP	Killed	A.466	20-12
Smith, J.S.	F/O	27363	1stN	Slightly Inj.	D 14 (REVISED)	
Gannett, W.M.	F/O	J8833	2ndN	Slightly Inj.	NO.	CHECKER
Lindsay, JS.	P/O	J37347	WAG	Slightly Inj.	1	
Spratt, J.W.	SGT	R169484	WAG	Slightly Inj.	#2	
Skelton, J.C.	SGT	2198	1stE	Slightly Inj.		
Kanonowicz, J	WO2	R116262	WAG	Slightly Inj. (over)		

ENGINE	ENGINE NUMBER(S)	HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS					
		INST		ON TYPE		TOTAL	
Twin Wasp	Pt20624/10855 totally St29525/9958 "	48	48	SOLO	DUAL	SOLO	DUAL
		27	20	72 2P	5	332P	131
				8 2P	8	136P	147

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

FORCES LANDINGS
TAXIING
LANDING
TAKE OFF
FLIGHT
STAIRY
FATAL
INJURY
3RD
RACE
M 2

PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

Night Navigation cross-country experience.

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

A poor approach which resulted in the aircraft striking water in a steep nose down attitude, with too much air speed.

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~~32 Pilot error~~

4. Heavy 4

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

~~40 Heavy landing - flying into ground.~~

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Nil

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No. 2216

CIRCUMSTANCES: Subject a/c crashed on landing, broke in two at rear of pilot's and observer's compartment. The forward portion of a/c disappeared the remaining portion overturned.

CAUSE: Error in judgment on part of the Captain of the a/c in not deciding to go around again before landing.

This error was probably caused by fatigue, as may be inferred from the evidence.

RECOMMENDATIONS: That all pilots be definitely instructed to go around again before landing when night flying in a direction indicating possibility of overshoot.

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B. Agree with findings.

NOTE: The I.O. reported that is is proposed to endorse the log book of F/O MacCallum.

ACTION TAKEN:

This captain should not have been detailed for the flight in his fatigued condition and under the circumstances his log book should not be endorsed.

Duckworth
Sgt. P89309 FE. Slight Inf.