

ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

UNIT 8 B.G.S. Lethbridge, Alta 4		COM.	PLACE 20 miles NW of M.A.			DATE 28-1-44	TIME 1700
A/C TYPE LYSANDER IIIATT		No.	CRASH CAT. <del>2</del>		S.E. X	M.E.	H.Q. FILE 1100-24-39
PERSONNEL MCCOMBS, H.E.		RANK P/O	NUMBER J28634	DUTY P	INJURIES Uninj.	DAY X	NIGHT
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ENGINE Mercury XX		ENGINE NUMBER (S) 24121/S101643 serious		HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS			
				ON TYPE		TOTAL	
				INST.	NIGHT	SOLO	DUAL
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PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Practice.

Oil starvation to the reduction gear housing caused thrust bearing on bevel pinions to burn out and allow bearing races to come in contact with housing and shear off housing and prop complete.

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

When flying at an altitude of 2,500ft the pilot states that he smelt something burning, and immediately checked his instruments and found they were all normal, and then all of a sudden, the cockpit filled with smoke and when the smoke cleared away, the propeller was gone from a/c. Proceeded to make a forced landing, and landed in a field 20 miles NW of the M.A.

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No.

CLASSIFICATION:

54. Engine failure in the air.

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

33. Technical defect.

ACTION TAKEN:

Nil