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ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

UNIT	32 C.F.U.	COM.		PLACE		DATE	19-5-44	TIME	
A/C TYPE	BEECHCRAFT 1	No.	HB129	CRASH CAT.	"A"	H.O. FILE	1300-HB129-1		
				S.E.	X	M.E.	DAY	NIGHT	

PERSONNEL	RANK	NUMBER	DUTY	INJURIES	SIGNAL	
MERRILL, H.	F/O	129346	P	Missing	No.	DATE
MACHELL, E.S.	P/O	164428	NAV	Missing.	A327	29-5
FRASER, A.J.	AUS SGT	430145	WAG	Lissing.	D 14 (REVISED)	
					No.	CHECKED
					2	
					#3	

ENGINE	ENGINE NUMBER(S)	HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS					
		INST.	NIGHT	ON TYPE	TOTAL		
Jr. Wash	AC42-2310/Jr. asp			SOLO	DUAL	SOLO	DUAL
	AC42-23124/Jr. asp			58		1270	

ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 RAF M 4 5

TYPE OF A/C

TYPE OF UNIT

CATEGORY

COMMAND

MONTH

STAGE OF FLIGHT

- FORCED LANDING
- TAXIING
- LANDING
- TAKE-OFF
- FLIGHT
- STATRY
- FATAL
- INJ.
- 3RD
- INJURY

RAF M

PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

Night navigation flight.

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

The 13 a/c took off between 1925 and 1945 hours. HB129 took off within this period and advised base by W/T at 1956 hours that it was airborne. W/T contract was maintained with a/c thereafter until 2059 hours, by base W/T and M/F/DF Station. The last position given by a/c was 50° 3'N 124° 30'W which was contained in message, TOO 2225 hrs. received by base at 2230 hours. The a/c was not heard after 2300 hours.

CLASSIFICATION:

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23. Not known

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

NIL

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COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

CAUSE: Obscure.

RECOMMENDATIONS: It is recommended that consideration be given to the establishment of Meteorological flights in this Command for the purpose of obtaining the data necessary to accurately forecast the weather on the coast of B.C., such flights to have available competent Meteorologists with the necessary equipment to bring or send back, by radio in code, the necessary data.

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CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B. Obscure.

For NOTE see Summary 2378

ACTION TAKEN:

NIL