

PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

Dual Instruction

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

Cause of accident unknown at this stage.
A/C written off and no sign of wheel
or skid marks, pointing to the fact
that it hit the ground steeply.

CLASSIFICATION:

23. Not known

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Nil. ILOC/ACC/PSE/AN/AFD

REPORT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

CAUSE: Obscure. Pilot may have been approaching to make a practice landing with the airspeed just above the flaps down stalling point, when suddenly the flaps come, up, thus raising the stalling point. a/c stalls and before recovery can be achieved, hits ground. Investigation disclosed that on several occasions they have had flap trouble with this a/c.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Continual stressing of the necessity to maintain safe margin of airspeed over stalling point in Cornells when practising Precautionary or F.L., bearing in mind the higher altitude in this part of the country.

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B.: Agree.

ACTION TAKEN: