

ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

UNIT	3 O.T.U. Comox. B.C.	CRMO.	WAG	PLACE	De Fuca Approx. Straits of Juan	DATE	2-12-44	TIME	17:00
A/C TYPE	CANSO "A"			NO.	11086	H.Q. FILE			
				CRASH CAT.	A	S.E.	M.E.	DAY	NIGHT
							X		

PERSONNEL	RANK	NUMBER	DUTY	INJURIES	SIGNAL
Nash, R.L.	F/O	J27069	P	MISSING	Killed NO. DATE 2-12
Day, L.O.	P/O	J43866	P	MISSING	
Staples, A.I.	P/O	J45415	NAV	MISSING	D 14 (REVISED) NO. CHECKED
Mahoney, J.A.	P/O	J48161	WAG	MISSING	
Parter, J.F.	F/O	J48269	F/E	MISSING	#1
Ronde, A.T.J. (CAN)	SGT	R211246	WAG	MISSING	
Pautenaude, M.	SGT	R253849	WAG	MISSING	#1
Davidson, R.W.	SGT	K268109	F/E	MISSING	
Ramsay, G.B.N.	F/L	J7200	NAVE	MISSING	

ENGINE	ENGINE NUMBER (S)	HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS					
		INST.	NIGHT	ON TYPE		TOTAL	
				DUAL	SOLO	DUAL	SOLO
Wasp R1830-92	20166-A77329						
	20165/A77320						
		60	124	26	70	143	164
		40	23	16	5	151	90

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COMMAND
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PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

Navigation Training

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

A/G missing. Cause obscure.

The wreckage of the a/e was sighted 1st July/45 and a search party proceeded to the scene. Due to the inaccessability of the crash, no M.O. Photographer or Engineer Officer visited the scene. It is the opinion of the I.O. that a/e 11086 altered course shortly after 1951 hrs, when filters lost their plot, to a N.W. direction due to bad weather in the Juan de Fuca Strait and covered approx 50 miles

CLASSIFICATION: before crashing.

23. Not Known

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

ILCG/PCN/XC1

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No. 2508

CAUSE: Obscure. Aircraft missing.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Nil.

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

Note. 1: With regard to weather reporting facilities at this station., the I.O. stated in his remarks "that plans are now completed for two Met. flights daily from Pat. Bay to 18,000' and 200 miles out to sea and in addition a Navy ship has been fitted with Met. instruments which will patrol the West Coast and take Met. readings. C.I. Accidents: I agree.

I.O. believes the cause of the accident was due to pilot failing to climb to a safe height while flying in cloud when not knowing his exact location.

ACTION TAKEN: