

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED: COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER Propeller swinging. OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT: INVESTIGATING OFFICER NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT: DATE: 27 Feb./43 S.L. G.C.Draper (C2964), No. 3 T.C. Gagne hit by propeller and killed. COMPOSITION: Investigation by S/L Draper. Starting aero-engine by hand swinging. A/c engine started by hand in normal manner. Civilian RECOMMENDATIONS: mechanic killed by being struck on Nil head by propellor while swinging same. CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B. PRIMARY CAUSE: (1) Civilian mechanic, when swinging propellor -56. Propellor swinging. by hand, was struck on the back of the head & killed. (2) Evidence discloses no blame what-Cause of firing, obscure. soever on pupil pilot. (3) It is considered P.E. Gange, civilian mechanic, from the position of the body & the nature properly qualified & familiarized since August //2 of the injuries that instead of swing away from the blade of propellor the mechanic must have bent forward into it. SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS: RECORDED BY DATE R.C.A.F. FORM L20 REQ. 1247 10M-15-11-41 CHECKED BY DATE