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PILOT		OTHERS		AIRFRAME FAILURE										ENGINE FAILURE																	
CAUSES OF ACCIDENTS																															
UNIT <b>12 S.F.T.S.</b>								COM. <b>2</b>				PLACE <b>7 mi. N.E. of Rivers</b>								DATE <b>16-1-42</b>				TI. <b>1025</b>							
<b>Brandon, Man.</b>								<b>2</b>				<b>7 mi. N.E. of Rivers</b>								H.O. FILE <b>1700-7826</b>											
A/C TYPE		<b>Crane</b>		No.		<b>7826 D</b>		CRASH CAT.		<b>A</b>		SE		ME <b>x</b>		DAY <b>x</b>		NIGHT		<b>x</b>		<b>x</b>									
NAME		<b>Crane</b>		No.		<b>7791</b>		DUTY		<b>7791</b>																					
NAME								RANK		No.		DUTY		INJURIES								SERIOUS									
<b>Gibson, H.F.</b>										<b>LAC R107632 P.P</b>				<b>Killed</b>								FATAL		INJURY							
<b>McRae, A.G.</b>										<b>LAC R100265 P.P</b>				<b>Nil</b>								<b>1</b>									
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TYPE A/F & ENGINE		No.		EXTENT OF DAMAGE		REPORT FORM		SERIAL No.		DATE		HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS																			
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<b>Crane</b>		<b>7826</b>		<b>Total</b>								<b>21 2</b>		<b>31 32</b>		<b>61 34</b>															
<b>Jacobs-21327 LAMB</b>		<b>21328</b>		<b>Totally</b>								<b>21 2</b>		<b>31 32</b>		<b>61 34</b>															
<b>Crane</b>		<b>7791</b>		<b>Slightly</b>								<b>20 4</b>		<b>26 39</b>		<b>60 71</b>															
<b>Jacobs-21251 Slight</b>		<b>EQB Nil</b>																													
SIGNAL No. & DATE				UNIT No. & DATE				COM No. & DATE				REPORT				FILE				DATE											
<b>CT7 16-1-42</b>																															
NATURE OF ACCIDENT																															

CAUSES  
 MISCELLANEOUS  
 FLIGHT

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 DRKNS.  
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 TAKE-OFF  
 FLIGHT  
 STAIRY  
 FATAL  
 INJ.  
 3RD.  
 INJURY

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

Formation flying.  
(Solo)

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

*M. J. P.*  
Court Of Inquiry.

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

DATE: 17.1.42

*1000 / P. F. / F. / D.*

COMPOSITION:

7791 cut tail off 7826 while changing formation. (15 minutes after take off on their first solo formation flight LAC McRae, then leading, gave signal to change from port echelon to starboard echelon. LAC Gibson in making the change piloted his Aircraft 8726 in such a way that it came up immediately in front of the leader, of control with its tail cut off.)

President	Sqn.Ldr.	G.V. Smither	(RAF 37742)
Member	Flt.Lt.	C.L.T. Sawle	(C 1489)
Member	F/O	D. Sigler	(C 7718)

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

That a modification be made for repositioning further aft, the trimming control housing of this series of Crane Aircraft, to increase the upward visibility, and the provision of another escape hatch preferably more accessible to the pilot. The Court attaches no responsibility to any persons involved.

ACTION TAKEN:

(A) DISCIPLINARY (B) TECHNICAL (C) OTHER

~~Collision in formation flying  
Pilot of 7826 failed to keep leader  
in sight when changing formation  
Error of judgment due to inexperience  
on the part of LAC Gibson, H.F.~~

Nil

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

~~7826 crashed. Aircraft collided  
and tail assembly of 7826 was  
cut off.~~

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