

WAR DEPARTMENT
 U. S. ARMY AIR FORCES
 REPORT OF AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT

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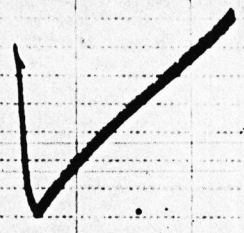
Freeman Army Air Field, Virginia
 (Command and Air Force)
 Flying Training Squadron
 (Group)

NAME (Last name first)	DATE	SERIAL NO.	RANK	PERSONNEL	BRANCH	AIR FORCE OR	RESULT TO	TYPE OF
(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)
Mueller, Edward	11/10/43	58151555	A/O	AFT	Freeman Army Air Field	Army	Engine	None
Schauer, Vincent W.	A/O	16001840	A/O	1E-162	A. C. Freeman Army Air Field	Army	Engine	None

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PILOT CHARGED WITH ACCIDENT

20. **Mueller Edward T.** (21) **58151555** (22) **A/O** (23) **1E-1** (24) **A. C.**
 (Last name) (First name) (Middle Initial) (Serial number) (Rank) (Personnel class) (Grade)

Associated (25) **Flying Training** (26) **Adv. Trng.** (27) **AFT** (28) **Freeman Army Air Field**
 (Command and Air Force) (Group) (Squadron) (Station)

Attached for flying (29) **FTS** (30) **AFT** (31) **AFT** (32) _____
 (Command and Air Force) (Group) (Squadron) (Station)

Original rating (33) _____ (34) _____ Present rating (35) _____ (36) _____ Instrument rating (37) _____
 (Rating) (Date) (Rating) (Date) (Rating) (Date)

Engine Pilot Hours
 (at the time of this accident)

(38) This type	29:15	(42) Instrument time last 6 months	8:45
(39) This model	29:15	(43) Instrument time last 30 days	15:30
(40) Last 90 days	72:55	(44) Night time last 6 months	4:10
(41) Total	162:10	(45) Night time last 30 days	None

AIRCRAFT DAMAGE

DAMAGE	(49) LIST OF DAMAGED PARTS
(46) Aircraft M 3	See attached list.
(47) Engine(s) None	
(48) Propeller(s) M 3	

(50) Weather at the time of accident **C.A.V.U.**

(51) Was the pilot flying on instruments at the time of accident **NO**

(52) Cleared from **Freeman Army Air Field** To **Richmond-Lexington** Kind of clearance **Contact**

(53) Pilot's mission **Student Navigation Training**

(54) Nature of accident **Landing**

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(55) Cause of accident **Pilot's technique** 90% **Prop. Technique** 10% **Structure Landing Gear**
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 (Landing) 23 61 72

DESCRIPTION OF ACCIDENT

(Brief narrative of accident. Include statement of responsibility and recommendations for action to prevent repetition)

A/C Edward T. Mueller, pilot, and A/C Vincent W. Schamer, co-pilot, took off in AT-10 Aircraft Number 41-26987. On the take off A/C Mueller allowed the aircraft to leave the runway and, just as flying speed was attained, the left landing gear struck a pile of dirt and was broken from the fuselage. A/C Mueller retracted the landing gear, and, on instructions from the Control Tower, came in for a wheels-up landing.

Failure of Aircraft structure was due to error in technique.

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