

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

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(1) Place Freeman Army Air Field (2) Date May 31, 1943 (3) Time 09150 Z
 AIRCRAFT: (4) Type and model A7-10 M (5) A. F. No. 41-26924 (6) Station Freeman Army Air Field
 Organization: (7) AAFSTO (8) 36th TPTG (9) Hq. & Hq. Sqdn.
 (Command and Air Force) (Group) (Squadron)

PERSONNEL

DUTY	NAME (Last name first)	RATING	SERIAL NO.	RANK	PERSONNEL CLASS	BRANCH	AIR FORCE OR COMMAND	RESULT TO PERSONNEL	USE OF PARACHUTE
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)
SP	Noordyk, Edward P.	SP	3285433	A/O	62	A.O.	FTO	None	No
SO	Murphy, John J.	SP	12082238	A/O	62	A.O.	FTO	None	No

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PILOT CHARGED WITH ACCIDENT

(20) Noordyk, Edward P. (21) 3285433 (22) A/O (23) 62 (24) A.O.
 (Last name) (First name) (Middle initial) (Serial number) (Rank) (Personal class) (Branch)
 Assigned (25) AAFSTO (26) 36th TPTG (27) Hq. & Hq. Sqdn. (28) Freeman Field
 (Command and Air Force) (Group) (Squadron) (Station)
 Attached for flying (29) AAFSTO (30) 36th TPTG (31) Hq. & Hq. Sqdn. (32) Freeman Field
 (Command and Air Force) (Group) (Squadron) (Station)
 Original rating (33) None (34) Present rating (35) (36) Instrument rating (37)
 (Rating) (Date) (Rating) (Date) (Date) (Date)

FIRST PILOT HOUR:

(at the time of this accident)

(38) This type 50.3 (39) Instrument time last 6 months Not involved
 (39) This model 50.3 (40) Instrument time last 30 days Not involved
 (40) Last 90 days 115.4 (41) Night time last 6 months Not involved
 (41) Total 179.0 (42) Night time last 30 days Not involved

AIRCRAFT DAMAGE

DAMAGE

GIVE LIST OF DAMAGED PARTS

(43) Aircraft Minor
 (44) Engines Sudden stoppage
 (45) Propeller(s) M 4

See attached list.

(50) Weather at the time of accident Ceiling broken 2500. Visibility 8 miles. Wind South 12 miles.

(51) Was the pilot flying on instruments at the time of accident No
 (52) Cleared from Freeman Field (53) To Local (54) Kind of clearance Contact

(55) Pilot's action Training

(56) Nature of accident Take off.

(57) Cause of accident Pilot error, carelessness.
100% Carelessness of CG 34 UC 17

DESCRIPTION OF ACCIDENT

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

A/C Edward P. Noordyk, Pilot, with A/C John J. Murphy, Co-Pilot, started to take off in AT-10 aircraft for a local student training flight. In going through his pre-take off check procedure A/C Noordyk carelessly placed the landing gear switch in the up position thinking that he was checking flap operation. As soon as the weight of the aircraft left the wheels and before flying speed had been attained the landing gear retracted causing the aircraft to fall on its belly.

A/C Noordyk is charged with the accident and all students will again be impressed with the fact that the pre-take off check should be an actual check and not just a routine procedure.

Signature

(Investigating Officer)

..... E. S. PERSONE, JR.,

..... MAJOR, AIR CORPS,

..... Operations Officer,

Date