

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

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(1) Place Freeman Army Air Field, Seymour, Ind. (2) Date JUNE 15, 1943 (3) Time 2140 Z
AIRCRAFT: (4) Type and model AT-10BH (5) A. F. No. 41-27171 (6) Station Freeman Army Air Field
Organization: (7) AAFSETC (8) AAF (9) 1080th TFFT Squadron
(Command and Air Force) (Group) (Squadron)

PERSONNEL

DUTY (10)	NAME (Last name first) (11)	RATING (12)	SERIAL NO. (13)	RANK (14)	PERSONNEL CLASS (15)	BRANCH (16)	AIR FORCE OR COMMAND (17)	RESULT TO PERSONNEL (18)	USE OF PARACHUTE (19)
SP	Vaughan, E. C.	SP	19103175	A/C	62	A.C.	AAFSETC	None	None
SC	Van Schoar, C. G.	SP	15096574	A/C	62	A.C.	AAFSETC	None	None

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PILOT CHARGED WITH ACCIDENT

(20) Vaughan Elijah C. (21) 19103175 (22) A/C (23) 62 (24) A.C.
(Last name) (First name) (Middle initial) (Serial number) (Rank) (Personnel class) (Branch)
Assigned (25) AAFSETC AF (26) AF (27) 1080th TFFT Sqn. (28) Freeman A. A. Field
(Command and Air Force) (Group) (Squadron) (Station)
Attached for flying (29) AAFSETC (30) AF (31) 1080th TFFT Sqn. (32) Freeman A. A. 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 HOURS:

(at the time of this accident)

(38) This type 2100 (42) Instrument time last 6 months Not Involved
(39) This model 2100 (43) Instrument time last 30 days "
(40) Last 90 days 80.2 (44) Night time last 6 months "
(41) Total 106.1 (45) Night time last 30 days "

AIRCRAFT DAMAGE

DAMAGE	(40) LIST OF DAMAGED PARTS
(46) Aircraft <u>M 3</u>	<u>See Attached List.</u>
(47) Engine(s) <u>M 4</u>	
(48) Propeller(s) <u>M 4</u>	

(50) Weather at the time of accident Broken 3500-Visibility 7 Miles-Wind S. SW-11.

(51) Was the pilot flying on instruments at the time of accident No.

(52) Cleared from Freeman A.A. Field (53) To Local (54) Kind of clearance Contact 0

(55) Pilot's mission Training Flight 71

(56) Nature of accident Landing NG N UN
CG SC WC

(57) Cause of accident Pilot error and field conditions.

DESCRIPTION OF ACCIDENT

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

A/C Vaughan, E. C., student pilot, and A/C Van Schoar, C. G., student co-pilot, landed AT-10, A.C.41-27171 on the main field and ground-looped off the runway. While on the approach the pilot stated he noticed a slight cross wind so he made a wheel landing. When the tail touched the runway, the ship started off to the left and the pilot was unable to control it. On leaving the runway, the ship hit a soft spot caused from recent rains, snapping off the right landing gear. Major damage to right propeller, right landing gear, right engine nacelle. Minor damage to right flap and wing.

The responsibility for the accident rests with the pilot in that he lost control of the airplane. Field conditions were responsible for the major damage.

All pilots will be more thoroughly trained in cross-wind landings and will be notified of field conditions. The condition of the field will be remedied as soon as possible.

Signature

Robert J. DuChaine

(Investigating Officer)

ROBERT J. DU CHAINE

Captain, Air Corps

Aircraft Accident Officer