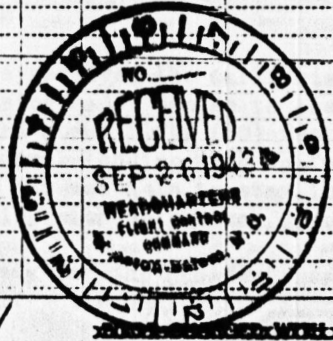


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WAR DEPARTMENT  
U. S. ARMY AIR FORCES  
REPORT OF AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT

51071  
(1) Place Freeman Army Air Field, Seymour, Indiana Date 18 September 1943 (2) Time 2314Z  
AIRCRAFT: (4) Type and model AT-10 BH (5) A. F. No. 42-2064 (6) Station Freeman Army Air Field  
Organization: (7) AAFFTC (8) 28th Wing (9) 1080th TEFTS  
(Command and Air Force) (Group) (Squadron)  
EFT PERSONNEL AFT AFT 5173

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)
<u>30</u> S	<u>Wayer, F. R.</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>0-804483</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>101</u>	<u>A.C.</u>	<u>AAFFTC</u>	<u>Minor</u>	<u>No</u>
<u>31</u> SD	<u>Walls, D. E.</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>32730343</u>	<u>A/C</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>A.C.</u>	<u>AAFFTC</u>	<u>None</u>	<u>No</u>



Aircraft Case #1

(20) Wayer, Ferdinand R. (21) 0-804483 (22) 2nd Lt. (23) 18 (24) Air Corps  
(Last name) (First name) (Middle initial) (Serial number) (Rank) (Personnel class) (Branch)  
Assigned (25) AAFFTC (26) 28th Wing (27) 1080th TEFTS (28) Freeman Field  
(Command and Air Force) (Group) (Squadron) (Station)  
Attached for flying (29) AAFFTC (30) 28th Wing (31) 1080th TEFTS (32) Freeman Field  
(Command and Air Force) (Group) (Squadron) (Station)  
Original rating (33) P (34) 5-28-43 Present rating (35) F (36) 5-28-43 Instrument rating (37) 7-29-43  
(Rating) (Date) (Rating) (Date) (Date)

FIRST PILOT HOURS:  
(at the time of this accident)  
(38) This type 116:30 (43) Instrument time last 6 months Not involved  
(39) This model 116:30 (43) Instrument time last 30 days Not involved  
(40) Last 90 days 139:45 (44) Night time last 6 months Not involved  
(41) Total 256:00 (45) Night time last 30 days Not involved

AIRCRAFT DAMAGE

DAMAGE	(49) LIST OF DAMAGED PARTS
(46) Aircraft <u>Minor</u>	<u>See attached list.</u>
(47) Engine(s) <u>0 y</u>	
(48) Propeller(s) <u>M y M y</u>	

(50) Weather at the time of accident Cloud unlimited, high broken, visibility 10 miles, wind SE 8.  
(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 mission Local Transition  
(56) Nature of accident Slight collision in air with other aircraft, made normal landing.  
(57) Cause of accident Pilot error.  
(58) Has Form # 54 been submitted? No

DESCRIPTION OF ACCIDENT

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

Mayer, F. R., 2nd Lt., instructor pilot and A/C Wells, D. E., student co-pilot were flying local transition in AT-10 SH A.F. No. 42-2064 from Freeman Field on 18 September 1943.

Lt. Mayer was demonstrating a single-engine landing to his student when the accident occurred. The pilot states that he made a normal approach, slightly below traffic altitude, as he was on single engine. He did not see another ship approaching to a landing that was above him and slightly behind. The Control Tower saw the two (2) ships on the approach and told the first ship to pull up and go around. Lt. Mayer stated that he received the message from the Tower but as there was another ship landing ahead of him he assumed the call was for them.

Shortly after he received the call, his ship was struck from above by another airplane causing major damage to the propellers and top of fuselage. The two ships collided about fifty (50) feet from the ground, but Lt. Mayer was able to make a normal landing with no further damage to the airplane. The ship that had struck him was able to stay in the air and go around the pattern to make another landing with only minor damage to the ship.

The responsibility for the accident rests with the pilot in that he did not properly clear himself while making his approach.

In the future there will be no simulated single-engine landings made at the main field at times when the traffic is heavy.

5 Incl.

- #1 - Pilot statement.
- #2 - CO-pilot statement.
- #3 - Damaged parts list.
- #4 - Form 1.
- #5 - Form 1A.

Signature

*Robert J. DuChaine*  
(Investigating Officer)

ROBERT J. DU CHAINE

Captain, Air Corps

Aircraft Accident Off.

Date 23 September 1943

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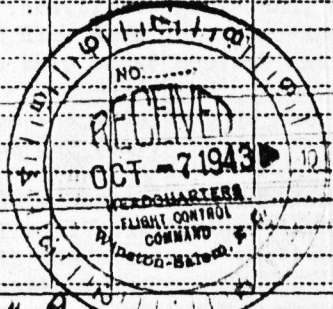
REPORT OF AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT

51071

4-9-18-35

(1) Place: Freeman Army Air Field, Seymour, Indiana Date: 18 September 1943 (2) Time: 2346Z  
 AIRCRAFT: (4) Type and model: AT-10 BH (5) A. F. No. 42-2126 (6) Station: Freeman Army Air Field  
 Organization: (7) AAFETC (8) 28th Wing (9) 1080th TPTS  
 (Command and Air Force) (Group) (Squadron)

DET	NAME (Last name first)	RATING	SERIAL NO.	RANK	PERSONNEL CLASS	BRANCH	AIR FORCE OR COMMAND	RELTY TO PERSONNEL	USE OF PARACHUTE
(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)
	S. Woods, H. D.	<u>E</u>	<u>0-795226</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>01</u>	<u>A.C.</u>	<u>AAFETC</u>	<u>None</u>	<u>No</u>
	SD. Rowe, R. K.	<u>7</u>	<u>14138969</u>	<u>A/C</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>A.C.</u>	<u>AAFETC</u>	<u>None</u>	<u>No</u>



(20) Woods Roy D. (21) 0-795226 (22) 2nd Lt. (23) 01 (24) A.C.  
 (Last name) (First name) (Middle initial) (Serial number) (Rank) (Personal class) (Branch)  
 Assigned (25) AAFETC (26) 28th Wing (27) 1080th TPTS (28) Freeman Field  
 (Command and Air Force) (Group) (Squadron) (Station)  
 Attached for flying (29) AAFETC (30) 28th Wing (31) 1080th TPTS (32) Freeman Field  
 (Command and Air Force) (Group) (Squadron) (Station)  
 Original rating (33) Pilot (34) 1-4-43 Present rating (35) Pilot (36) 1-4-43 Instrument rating (37) 7-26-43  
 (Rating) (Date) (Rating) (Date)

FIRST PILOT HOURS:  
 (at the time of this accident)

(38) This type	<u>271.20</u>	(42) Instrument time last 6 months	<u>Not involved</u>
(39) This model	<u>271.20</u>	(43) Instrument time last 30 days	<u>Not involved</u>
(40) Last 90 days	<u>159.35</u>	(44) Night time last 6 months	<u>Not involved</u>
(41) Total	<u>514.35</u>	(45) Night time last 30 days	<u>Not involved</u>

AIRCRAFT DAMAGE

DAMAGE	(46) LIST OF DAMAGED PARTS
(46) Aircraft <u>Minor</u>	
(47) Engine(s) <u>None</u>	<u>See attached list.</u>
(48) Propeller(s) <u>None</u>	

(50) Weather at the time of accident: ceiling unlimited, high broken, visibility 10 miles, wind SE 6.  
 (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 mission: Local transition  
 (56) Nature of accident: Slight collision in air with other aircraft, made normal landing, wheel came off.  
 (57) Cause of accident: Pilot error.  
 (58) Has Form # 54 been submitted? No

DESCRIPTION OF ACCIDENT

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

2nd Lt. Woods, Roy D., Instructor and A/C Rowe, R. K., Student Co-pilot, were flying local transition from Freeman Field in AT-10 BH No. 42-2126.

Lt. Woods stated that while on the approach he saw only two ships, one in front of him and one behind him. Ship No. 42-2064 was directly under him on a single-engine approach and was not visible. Lt. Woods said that the Tower called the No. 1 ship on the approach to go around, which it did, so he continued on his approach to land.

The Tower again called the No. 1 ship on the approach to go around, and, as he applied the throttle to go around, he struck the ship No. 42-2064 which was directly below him, also on the go-around. Ship No. 42-2064 landed and Lt. Woods kept his ship under control and continued to fly.

The props from the ship that he had struck slashed both tires, the bottom of the fuselage and one flap.

Lt. Woods made a normal approach for another landing and completed the landing successfully without further damage to the ship. Responsibility for the accident rests with the pilots of the two airplanes in not clearing themselves properly before landing.

5. Incl.

- # 1 - Pilot statement.
- # 2 - Co-pilot statement.
- # 3 - Damaged parts list.
- # 4 - Form 1.
- # 5 - Form QA.

Signature *Robert J. DuChaine*  
(Investigating Officer)

..... ROBERT J. DU CHAINE, .....

..... Captain, Air Corps, .....

..... Aircraft Accident Officer .....

1 October 1943.