of the field before leaving Kapuskasing rather than to arrive with very little fuel remaining and find the field unsuitable for landing. It is also noted that he violated one of the cardinal rules for flying single engine aircraft, namely, if the engine fails on take-off, or very low altitude, land straight ahead. Failure to observe this rule almost invariably results in a crash and the only unusual feature of the present instance is that the pilot walked away from it.

CONCLUSIONS:

The immediate cause of the accident was the failure of the engine for reasons unknown.

A contributing factor was inadequate flight preparation.