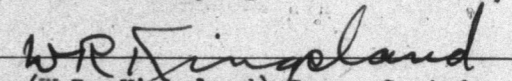


PLACE	DATE	TIME	SUMMARY OF EVENTS	REFERENCE TO APPENDICES
			<p style="text-align: right;">APPENDIX "A" - PAGE 2.</p> <p>need for additional action and co-operation of the pilots and trainees themselves, also pointing out that it is completely within their power to eliminate casualties and disciplinary action due to breaches of flying regulations. I would ask all who wanted to do something about this to read the pledge aloud and to sign it and to forward copies to those dear to them. The same procedure would be followed with each succeeding course of trainees.</p> <p>4. I am convinced that this will go a long way to further reducing breaches of flying regulations and there is no difficulty in putting this into immediate effect at this Unit. It is felt, however, that the idea is worthy of adoption on a wider scale and is accordingly submitted for whatever further action you may deem advisable."</p> <p>Fifteen hundred copies of the attached pledge were lithographed and separate meetings arranged with instructors and trainees at Uplands and at Carp, at which the Commanding Officer gave, in detail, the seriousness of the problem, including the fact that there had been four cases for Court-Martial and one fatal casualty within the past few weeks at this Station alone; set out the steps taken by Headquarters and Command to cope with the problem including dismissal from the Service and loss of grants under the Rehabilitation Program, pointing out the reasonableness of such drastic provisions if they reduced the fatalities as, in fact, they had, and then pointing out that the problem was capable of complete solution if each pilot and trainee on this Station accepted his own share of the responsibility in this problem. The pledge was then read and copies passed around. It was pointed out that this was not an official document, but a pledge on the part of the pilot on his honour to his loved ones, that friends and relatives would be greatly reassured through receipt of the signed pledge; and that fellow instructors and trainees would, no doubt, know how to deal hereafter with anyone who bragged of having broken his honour. In all cases, the pilots and trainees received the proposal as something they should act upon, and there was enthusiastic acceptance of that responsibility by every flying personnel on this Station.</p> <p>The instructors, themselves, proposed and agreed to sign large copies of the pledge to be placed in each Flight Room as a matter of leadership and inspiration to their trainees. This has been done.</p> <p>The instructors also proposed, and all personnel have adopted, the proposal of signing an additional copy of the pledge to those sent to their friends and relatives, to be placed in their log books as a constant reminder of their pledge each time they went flying.</p>	


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