NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD PILOT/OPERATOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT

This form to be used for reporting civil and public aircraft accidents and incidents

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Registered Aircraft Owner							
			City: Bowling	Caspoil			
Name: Saving Liberty D	H4 LLC						
Fractional Ownership Aircraft: O Yes			State: <u>Ky</u> ZIP: <u>42101</u> Country: <u>215A</u>				
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"FLIGHT CREWMEMBER	R 1" INFOR	MATIC	NC								
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PILOT'S STATEMENT of Flight of 1918 DH-4 #32517

Date: May 02, 2020

Location: KBWG

Weather: winds calm, 60 degrees

Flight Plan: My flight plan was to perform a 30 minute flight, staying within the BWG airport flight pattern but above it at 2500-3000'. While at that altitude I would run through standard flight characteristics, including slow flight, turns and banks, climbs and then safely descend for a landing. Although weather conditions were calm at this point, winds were expected to increase within 90 minutes.

Pilot Report: At 06:52 am, after a proper engine warm up, DH-4 #32517 under my command, pulled into take off position, northbound on the grass, paralleling Rwy 03-21. I applied full power and the aircraft moved forward and very quickly was balancing on its main gear. The aircraft rotated and lifted off the ground with no unusual characteristics, except a slight dip of the left wing, which could have been an air burble. I immediately corrected with right aileron pressure and the aircraft responded. I was aware from previous pilot reports I read which made note that because of the engine size (V12) and horsepower (400 hp) and large propeller, there was a need to be aware of a corresponding torque. At this point of the take off, I was not aware of any additional torque because I had factored in a bit of left rudder (learned from my 350 hours of 1917 Curtiss Jenny flight time). Tach indicated a power setting of 1650 rpm (considered proper take off rpm). From previous pilot reports, I expected the DH to climb much faster since I only had 25 gallons of fuel on board (aircraft was built to carry 80 plus gallons and 250 pounds of bombs). The aircraft had positive controls in rudder and elevator. I found myself favoring right aileron on the straight out departure. I turned left crossfield, leading turn with rudder followed by ailerons to stay within the traffic pattern. At this point I noted that I was needing to apply a bit more right stick pressure to recover from turn to level position. I could do this with my right hand, keeping my left hand on the throttle. I was not climbing because I became slightly concerned about the aileron pressure, and felt that if I needed to land, adding altitude would not aid me. My rpm was indicating 1500 rpm, normal cruise. I turned downwind, the aircraft appeared to want to continue in a left hand turn, because of the building pressure on the stick, so to return to level flight I was required to use both hands, extending the stick to far right. To accomplish this, I had to remove my hand from the throttle. When I did, the throttle began creeping down to 1300 rpm. I immediately removed my left hand from the stick and pushed the throttle back to 1500 rpm. The aircraft immediately went back into its left wing down configuration. At this point I'm mid-field and realize I need to bring the aircraft back down to the field. I place my left hand back on the stick to reinforce an effort using both hands to keep the aircraft level. The throttle slips again. Again I remove my left hand from the stick and push the throttle back forward and the aircraft continues to dip sharper to the left. I'm now at a point, geographically, that I can turn base to land on the field, rather than nearby neighborhoods. I'm guessing my height at about 250 feet. I can see that continuing in my uncorrectable turn will bring me down close to where I began and on the airport property. I now abandon the throttle, try lowering the nose to

pick up a bit of speed and put all my strength into trying to right the aircraft to achieve a recoverable landing. At this point nothing seems to work in improving my flight condition which from my vantage point had turned into an unrecoverable slip. However, I continue to work the flight controls in the hopes that at the last minute, both speed and luck could return some semblance of a recoverable condition, since I had manhandled the aircraft back to the grass on the east side of the runway, out of public harm. I was also very aware that the aircraft might cartwheel which could mean certain death to me, and since I had some rudder and elevator control, I attempted to keep the tail in a down position, pulling back on the stick just before final impact. I don't know if that helped but I didn't cartwheel. In the final seconds as the ground approached and I realized that there was no apparent recovery, I immediately transitioned into my safety training mode and shut off the fuel lines, turned off the mags, and braced. Good fortune prevailed for me, once the aircraft stopped, I unfastened my seatbelts and exited the cockpit. No fire ensured, and within a minute, recovery personnel approached and checked me out. The main fuel tank was a new bladder lined tank created for the aircraft by Fuel Safe. There were signs of some gas leaking from the original top center section tank which had less than two gallons of fuel. I escaped unharmed other than apparently I bit my tongue enough to produce a small bit of blood. The aircraft however did not do so well.

C. D. Walker Pilot Certificate

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