



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Person Contacted: Frank Wolff, pilot of N22336
NTSB Accident Number: CEN13FA060

Narrative:

In a telephone interview with Mr. Frank Wolff, he recalled that on the day of the accident, his airplane's battery was not charged. He noticed an open hanger to the west of the airfield's fuel pumps and went to see if he could charge the battery. The owner of the hanger allowed Mr. Wolff to charge his battery. While waiting for the battery to charge, the pilot of the Grumman (Mr. Todd Parfitt) and his daughter came to the hanger to put air in the nose wheel of the Grumman.

Mr. Wolff noticed that the airplane appeared dirty with bird droppings on the wings. There was initial difficulty filling the nose wheel with air, but it was reported that the pilot forgot to remove the tire's valve cover. The tire was then filled with air and the airplane departed.

Mr. Wolff remarked to the hanger owner that the airplane looked dirty, like it had been left outside for a period of time. The hanger owner told Mr. Wolff that the airplane was indeed hangered, but that birds were able to get into the hanger.

Mr. Wolff departed the Burlington Airport on runway 29 and did not see the accident airplane. He did not know about the airplane crash until later that day.

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