



# **Aviation Investigation Final Report**

Location: MILLBURY, Ohio Accident Number: CHI90LA038

Date & Time: December 1, 1989, 16:30 Local Registration: N43416

Aircraft: TAYLORCRAFT BC12D Aircraft Damage: Substantial

**Defining Event:** 2 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Personal

#### **Probable Cause and Findings**

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be: FAILURE OF THE PILOT TO PROPERLY SECURE THE AIRCRAFT AND/OR ADEQUATELY BRIEF THE PASSENGER (STUDENT PILOT), AND INADVERTENT BUMPING OF THE THROTTLE BY THE PASSENGER.

#### **Findings**

Occurrence #1: MISCELLANEOUS/OTHER

Phase of Operation: STANDING - STARTING ENGINE(S)

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Occurrence #2: ON GROUND/WATER COLLISION WITH OBJECT

Phase of Operation: TAXI

## **Factual Information**

### Pilot Information

Certificate:	Private	Age:	46,Female
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land	Seat Occupied:	Left
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	
Instrument Rating(s):	None	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	None	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 3 Expired	Last FAA Medical Exam:	October 7, 1987
Occupational Pilot:	No	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	248 hours (Total, all aircraft), 196 hours (Total, this make and model)		

#### **Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information**

Aircraft Make:	TAYLORCRAFT	Registration:	N43416
Model/Series:	BC12D BC12D	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	7075
Landing Gear Type:	Tailwheel	Seats:	2
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	Unknown	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	1200 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:		Engine Manufacturer:	CONTINENTAL
ELT:	Installed, not activated	Engine Model/Series:	A-65
Registered Owner:	JOHNNY J. BROWN	Rated Power:	65 Horsepower
Operator:		Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None
Operator Does Business As:		Operator Designator Code:	
Airframe Total Time: ELT: Registered Owner: Operator:	,	Engine Manufacturer: Engine Model/Series: Rated Power: Operating Certificate(s) Held:	CONTINENTAL A-65 65 Horsepower

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### Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual (VMC)	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	TOL ,684 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	15 Nautical Miles
Observation Time:	16:50 Local	Direction from Accident Site:	275°
<b>Lowest Cloud Condition:</b>	Scattered / 3000 ft AGL	Visibility	12 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	5 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	110°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	30 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	2°C / -3°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipita	ation	
Departure Point:		Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:		Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	00:00 Local	Type of Airspace:	

### **Airport Information**

Airport:	METCALF FIELD TDZ	Runway Surface Type:	
Airport Elevation:		<b>Runway Surface Condition:</b>	
Runway Used:	0	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:		VFR Approach/Landing:	None

### Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	2 None	Latitude, Longitude:	

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#### **Administrative Information**

Investigator In Charge (IIC): Waterman, Day

Additional Participating
Persons:

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Last Revision Date:

Investigation Class: Class

Note:

Investigation Docket: https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=14601

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