



Aviation Investigation Final Report

Location: MCGEHEE, Arkansas Accident Number: MKC84LA160

Date & Time: June 1, 1984, 17:00 Local Registration: N4816R

Aircraft: CESSNA 188 Aircraft Damage: Substantial

Defining Event: 1 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 137: Agricultural

Analysis

THE ACFT RAN OUT OF FUEL DURING AN APPROACH TO THE ARPT & LANDED SHORT OF THE STRIP. DURING THE LANDING, THE LEFT MAIN GEAR COLLAPSED. THE PLT THOUGHT HE HAD ABOUT 8 GAL OF FUEL REMAINING.

Probable Cause and Findings

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be:

Findings

Occurrence #1: LOSS OF ENGINE POWER(TOTAL) - NONMECHANICAL

Phase of Operation: APPROACH

Findings

1. (C) PLANNING/DECISION - IMPROPER - PILOT IN COMMAND

2. (C) FLUID, FUEL - EXHAUSTION

3. (C) FUEL SUPPLY - INADEQUATE - PILOT IN COMMAND

Occurrence #2: FORCED LANDING

Phase of Operation: MANEUVERING - TURN TO LANDING AREA (EMERGENCY)

Occurrence #3: MAIN GEAR COLLAPSED

Phase of Operation: LANDING

Findings
4. LANDING GEAR, MAIN GEAR - OVERLOAD

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Factual Information

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Commercial	Age:	42,Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land	Seat Occupied:	Center
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 2 Valid Medicalw/ waivers/lim	Last FAA Medical Exam:	January 9, 1984
Occupational Pilot:	Yes	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	2737 hours (Total, all aircraft), 300 hours (Total, this make and model), 2692 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 65 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 5 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	CESSNA	Registration:	N4816R
Model/Series:	188 188	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Restricted (Special)	Serial Number:	18802336T
Landing Gear Type:	Tailwheel	Seats:	1
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	March 30, 1984 Annual	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	4000 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	2791 Hrs	Engine Manufacturer:	CONTINENTAL
ELT:	Not installed	Engine Model/Series:	IO-520-D
Registered Owner:	M.S.&T FLYING SERVICES, INC.	Rated Power:	300 Horsepower
Operator:		Operating Certificate(s) Held:	
Operator Does Business As:		Operator Designator Code:	

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Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site: Visual (VMC) Condition of Light: Day Observation Facility, Elevation: PBF, 206 ft msl Distance from Accident Site: 25 Nautical Miles Observation Time: 16:50 Local Direction from Accident Site: 310° Lowest Cloud Condition: Clear Visibility 10 miles Lowest Ceiling: None Visibility (RVR): Wind Speed/Gusts: 8 knots / Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual: / Wind Direction: 210° Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual: / Altimeter Setting: 30 inches Hg Temperature/Dew Point: 28°C / 12°C Precipitation and Obscuration: No Obscuration; No Precipitation Departure Point: MCGEHEE AR Type of Flight Plan Filed: None Destination: Type of Clearance: None Departure Time: 16:00 Local Type of Airspace: Class G				
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Airport Information

Airport:		Runway Surface Type:	Asphalt
Airport Elevation:		Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Used:	0	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:		VFR Approach/Landing:	Forced landing;Traffic pattern

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:		Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	1 None	Latitude, Longitude:	33.619747,-91.39096(est)

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Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Thorpe, Clint
Additional Participating Persons:	
Original Publish Date:	
Last Revision Date:	
Investigation Class:	<u>Class</u>
Note:	
Investigation Docket:	https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=33697

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