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Indian Treaty Plane Lies in 40 Feet of Water in Lake St. Joseph

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

Ottawa, July 7.—Two survivors of the crash of Canada's Indian treaty plane lie in hospital at Sioux Lookout tonight. The ill-fated craft, which carried "Sandy" Morrison, a northerner, to his death, is in 40 feet of water in Lake St. Joseph, 100 miles north of Sioux Lookout. Leading Aircraftsman John Shaw, a third survivor, escaped injury.

Flight Lieutenant F. C. Higgins, despatched from Ottawa to the scene of the disaster, which occurred Friday night, was expected to reach Sioux Lookout tomorrow after being halted at Sudbury by adverse weather. Pilot R. K. Rose, of the Royal Canadian Air force, and Claude Hooker, Hudson's Bay company factor at Osnaburgh House on Lake St. Joseph, were being treated in Sioux Lookout hospital for slight injuries to face and arms, according to information received here.

Indians in canoes rescued all but Morrison, who sank with the plane. Morrison is stated to have arrived in Canada but recently from Aberdeen, Scotland.

Buckling of the left pontoon of the plane as Pilot Rose attempted a landing was mentioned as cause of the plane sinking. It is believed that

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the heavy shock of landing, occasioning the pontoon damage, resulted from jamming of the rudder. Detailed information is expected following Flight Lieutenant Higgins' arrival.

Plane Only Recently Delivered

The treaty plane, a Fairchild "71" delivered to the Dominion government but a couple of weeks ago, was making a flight to Indian settlements in the Pariola district of northern Ontario. It was planned to arrange for allotment of land to the Indians and for the payment of treaty money by the government.

H. M. Awrey, of the department of Indian affairs, and an Ontario government motion picture operator named Rutherford, were members of the expedition. Members of the party not with the plane at the time of the crash were believed to be at White Lake, farther north, marooned with a light plane and a meagre supply of gasoline.