



MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

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(GAA) General Aviation Accidents

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NTSB Accident Number: GAA15CA019
Aircraft Registration & Make/Model: N83643; Aeronca 7AC
Accident Location: Garrison, IA
Accident Date: 091800MAR15
Subject: FAA Inspector Harrison McNaughton

Per discussion, Mr. McNaughton reported an accident involving pilot Mark Noe in Aeronca Champion Airplane. Mr. Noe attempted a landing on the dirt strip of his father's farm in Garrison, IA. The pilot has in times previous accomplished many landings at this location. When pilot applied breaks during the roll, the left break released but the right break did not. The aircraft veered off the runway to the right where the left wing struck a power line pole. There were no injuries to the two persons on board, being the pilot (Mr. Noe) and his wife. The FAA Airworthiness personnel on scene identified at the time of recovery, finding the break in question released and performed normal operability. However, the mechanic did note an excess of oil on the break which could have been the culprit, giving plausibility to the notion of a stuck break. The airplane sustained substantial damage. The pilot reported no known mechanical malfunctions with the airplane prior to flight.