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Two Pilots Killed ... Military and civilian firemen and security personnel are shown at the scene of Wednesday afternoon's crash of an Air National Guard T-33 jet trainer which claimed the lives of two area men. The plane crashed only minutes after takeoff from the Hensley Field runway and came to land 150 feet away, just north of the Texas & Pacific Railroad tracks and to the rear of a Texas Plywood Lumber Co., warehouse. The crash site, luckily, was in an open field.

Air Force and Air National Guard officers today were combing the scattered wreckage of a T-33 jet trainer in the 2500 block of E. Jefferson, seeking a hint to the cause of a crash at 2:44 p.m. Wednesday which claimed the lives of two area men. The aircraft barely made it airborne before it crashed and killed Capt. Roger A. Jutras, 33, an Irving doctor and father of four, and 2nd Lt. Daniel W. Jacoby, 25, of Dallas. Jacoby, a civilian pilot for Central Airlines, was not married. Destination of the jet trainer, which was on a routine navigational flight, was the Olathe, Kans Naval Base approximately 30 miles southwest of Kansas City. While cause of the crash is still unknown, preliminary investigations show the airplane's brakes were applied on the Hensley Field runway and skid marks measured approximately 100 feet. Witnesses said the plane then broke through a fence bordering the Naval Air Station, skidded across Jefferson Street knocking down concrete barriers, and hit the Texas & Pacific tracks before coming to rest immediately to the rear and west of a warehouse for Texas Plywood Lumber Co. The fact nobody was killed other than the two pilots is considered just short of a miracle since Jefferson, which parallels U.S. Highway 80, normally has a constant flow of travel. Even then, one man had a close call. Fence carried by the airplane whiplashed completely around a Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., repair truck being driven east on Jefferson by D. H. Carpenter of Arlington, police reports said. Carpenter was not hurt and his truck was undamaged. The main line and spur tracks of Texas & Pacific reportedly received undetermined damages, and the fire resulting from the crash caused approximately \$200 damages to the Triple AAA Iron and Metal Co. Air National Guard officers said it is unknown which of the two pilots actually was in control of the airplane when it crashed. A spokesman said on training flights it is not unusual for either to be the senior.

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Air Guardsmen Die in Crash DALLAS (AP)--Two pilots in the Texas Air National Guard died Wednesday when a T-33 jet trainer crashed in flames. They were Capt. Roger Jutras, 33, an Irving physician, and Lt. Daniel Jacoby, 25, a Central Airlines pilot from Dallas. The plane climbed about 100 feet on takeoff and fell at Hensley Field, west of Grand Prairie.

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Grand Prairie (CPI).—Texas Air National Guard training plane crashed and burst into flames Wednesday at Hensley Field, killing the pilot and co-pilot. Killed were Capt. Roger A. Jutras, 33, of Irving, the pilot, and 2nd Lt. Daniel M. Jacoby, 25, of Dallas. Both men were assigned to the 121st Fighter Squadron, Air National Guard. The plane, a T-33 trainer, never got more than 100 feet off the ground. It was only 100 yards from the end of the runway when it crashed to earth. Witnesses said the plane bounced back into the air and then came back down, ramming through a fence and plowing across Jefferson Street. Jutras was a practicing physician in civilian life, Jacoby was a civilian pilot for Central Airlines.

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