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Cessna Aircraft Company Golden Eagle

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The Bureau did not conduct an on scene investigation of this occurrence. The information presented below was obtained from information supplied to the Bureau.

Occurrence Number: 199400242 Occurrence Type: Accident

Location: Clermont

State: OLD **Inv Category:**

Date: Tuesday 01 February 1994

Time: 1155 hours Time Zone **EST**

Highest Injury Level: None

Aircraft Manufacturer: Cessna Aircraft Company

Aircraft Model: 421B

Aircraft Registration: VH-YRK Serial Number: 421B0522

Type of Operation: Miscellaneous Test

Damage to Aircraft: Substantial **Departure Point:** Clermont Old **Departure Time:** 1140 EST **Destination:** Clermont Old

Crew Details:

	Hours on		
Role	Class of Licence	Type Hou	ırs Total
Pilot-In-Command	ATPL 1st Class	125.0	3000

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The pilot reported that the aircraft was being landed with about a 10 kt crosswind from the left. After the landing gear was selected down, the pilot viewed the three green landing gear down and locked lights. The approach was normal with the crosswind being countered by flying left wing down. The left wheel contacted the ground first but the right main gear leg collapsed as it contacted the ground. The pilot lost directional control of the aircraft which slid to a halt about half way along the strip near the left side.

Later inspection revealed that the lower forward lug on the bell crank assembly had failed resulting in the over-centre lock not being fully extended and the gear leg to collapse under the weight of the aircraft. The reason for the lug failure was not determined.