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*Dusty landing for an old seabird - Citizen Photo by Lew Elliott. A 195ft-vintage seaplane's first flight in 4 1 / 2 years yesterday was an ill-fated one, as pilot William P. Mable was forced by engine failure to make a belly-*

*landing on a dirt road southeast of Interstate 10 and Wilmot Road. "I haven't seen so much dust in my life," said Mable, 56, taking a break after the dust had settled beside the nose-damaged Grumman Albatross. Copilot Ray Black, 37, injured his ankle when he jumped from the plane after the crash landing. A Tucson passenger, Randy Robert; 26, of 4967 N. LaCholla Blvd. was uninjured. The plane had been in storage at Davis- Monthan AFB, before it was purchased recently by Bob Bean of Hereford, who planned to recondition it for charter service.*