

AEROPLANE'S FORCED DESCENT

Pilot has a Narrow Escape.

SYDNEY, March 13.—Flying Officer Baurosseau, of the Australian Air Force, was compelled to make a forced landing with an aeroplane on a farm near Mulgrave, two miles from Windsor, to-day. He had a narrow escape. When the aeroplane was at a height of 2,000ft. the engine stalled, and the pilot had to make the best landing possible. He was not able to avoid a wire fence, and the aeroplane pulled out five posts, then the resistance against the wires caused it to plunge its nose into the ground damaging the propeller and one of the wings. The pilot was severely shaken, but he suffered only severe bruises and abrasions. The aeroplane was later dismantled and taken back to the aerodrome at Richmond.

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A7-18 Cirrus Moth: Crash near Windsor: Pilot Flying Officer Baurosseau had minor injuries

AIR FORCE CRASH.

'Plane Hits Tree in Fog.

SYDNEY, Dec. 3.—Shortly after 2 o'clock this afternoon, a De Havilland Moth Air Force aeroplane, piloted by Flying Officer Carroll, who was accompanied by a mechanic named Chadwick, crashed about two miles from the village of Hilltop, near Mittagong. The 'plane was forced to fly low owing to a heavy fog, which prevailed on the southern highlands, and it crashed into a tree. Chadwick was thrown 30ft. to the ground and suffered injuries to his back and cuts on the face. Carroll managed to keep his seat in the 'plane, and after swinging the machine backwards and forwards, he was able to reach a branch of the tree and climb down. He walked to Hilltop and obtained assistance. The police and a doctor went to Hilltop and took Chadwick to a private hospital.

Miss Bostock, who is the postmistress at Hilltop, said that the 'plane flew over her house, missing the chimney by a few feet.

The aeroplane is suspended in the tree about 40ft. from the ground.

An Aero Club aeroplane, flying from Goulburn to Sydney, landed at Mittagong, being held up by the fog.

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WHEN 'PLANE STRUCK A TREE

When this plane struck a tree near Mittagong, New South Wales during a fog and lodged there, the engine fell out. The pilot was injured, but his companions escaped unhurt.



A7-15 Cirrus Moth: Crash near Hilltop, Mittagong, Flying Officer Carroll and mechanic named Chadwick, statement made by Miss Bostock, postmistress of Hilltop



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SYDNEY AIR CRASH.

MOTH PLANE STRIKES TREE.

Pilot and Mechanic Injured.

SYDNEY, Feb. 25.—After taking off from the Richmond Aerodrome on a trial flight this afternoon, a new D.H. Moth aeroplane struck the top of a tree and crashed. Flight-Lieutenant Anderson was in charge of the moth, and he was accompanied by Air-Craftsman Colless. Both were injured, and the latter is in a critical condition. The aeroplane was only recently purchased by the Royal Australian Air Force, and had been in use for a little more than a month. In previous tests it had proved satisfactory. To-day, however, it did not rise with the usual alacrity.

Several Air Force officers were watching the machine from the Aerodrome, and saw the accident. The plane was badly damaged. Those who had seen the crash rushed to the scene, and quickly extricated the pilot and mechanic from the wreckage. Anderson was bleeding freely from numerous cuts about the face, hands and legs, but he quickly recovered. Colless was in a critical state. His right leg and arm had been broken, and he was suffering from concussion, extensive abrasions, and bruises. The injured men were taken to the Richmond Hospital.

Flight-Lieutenant Anderson is a Royal Air Force officer. He arrived in Australia from England only a month ago, and, after being stationed at Point Cook, Victoria, he came to Sydney last week. He had, however, made several flights from the Richmond Aerodrome.

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AEROPLANE'S CRASH.

Death of Colless.

SYDNEY, Feb. 26.—Air-Craftsman Lance Colless, who was injured when a D.H. Moth aeroplane crashed at Richmond yesterday, died this morning in the Prince of Wales Hospital, Randwick. Flight Lieut. Anderson, who was the pilot of the aeroplane and who also was injured, but less severely, was slightly improved to-day. He is now in the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital.

The aeroplane, which was the property of the Air Force, when taking off from the Richmond Aerodrome failed to rise sufficiently to avoid a tree, and it crashed through the branches on to the side of the road.

One of Anderson's injuries is a severe cut across the left eye. It is feared that the sight of this eye may be lost. When the aeroplane landed, Anderson was imprisoned in the damaged machine, and it was necessary to saw through the fuselage before one of his arms could be released.

WEST AUSTRALIAN 27.2.29

A7-12 Cirrus Moth: Crash on 25 February 1929 near Richmond NSW. Flight Lieutenant Anderson and Aircraftman Collesse injured. Collesse died on February 26. Anderson had severe left eye injuries.