

**Plane Crashes, 5  
R.A.A.F. Men Killed**

BRISBANE, Friday.—Five R.A.A.F. men were killed this afternoon when a Liberator crashed and caught fire at Amberley drome, near Brisbane.

Their names will be released as soon as next-of-kin have been notified.

It is believed that the plane's engine failed after it had taken off from the drome.

The pilot obviously made an effort to return, and crash-land. He circled the drome once, but failed to land.

The plane crashed, then overturned and caught fire. All five members of the crew were burned to death.

9.45

**N.S.W. Fliers  
Die In Crash**

BRISBANE, Tuesday. — The five airmen who were killed when a Liberator crashed during a pilot check flight at Amberley late on Friday afternoon included two N.S.W. men.

They were Flying-Officer Raymond Frank Pullin, pilot, Cremorne, and Flying-Officer James Harold Mutton, co-pilot, Dungog.

Others killed in the crash were F/Lt. George Allan Hendy, Flight-Commander East, Malvern, Victoria; F/Sgt. Vincent John Quinn, wireless operator, Largs Bay, South Australia, and Sgt. George Alfred Dureau, flight engineer, Rosebrook, via Port Fairy, Victoria.

18.9.45

**5 DIE IN  
CRASH**

Five R.A.A.F. men were killed late yesterday afternoon when a Liberator crashed and burned at Amberley aerodrome.

All the men were members of the crew.

It is believed that the plane was taking off and had circled the aerodrome once, when an engine appeared to fail.

The pilot attempted to reach the aerodrome, as he came lower, apparently attempting to crash land.

The aircraft lost height and struck the ground short of the runway. It travelled a short distance at high speed, struck some trees, overturned, and burst into flames.

Black smoke could be seen four miles from the scene. The crew were incinerated before help could reach them.

The names will be made public as soon as next of kin have been notified.

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