

# TWO KILLED IN AIR CRASH

## Plane Hits Men on Ground

MELBOURNE, Thursday.—Two men were killed and two policemen injured when they were struck by an aeroplane which made a forced landing on the property of Mr. Max Armstrong at Goofalibee Park, four miles from Benalla, at 10.30 a.m. to-day.

The victims were:—  
DEAD: Cr. George Forshaw, 60, of Violet Town, and Russell Fleming, 31, of Benalla.

INJURED: First Constables Leslie Hurley and W. Roberts.

The victims went to Mr. Armstrong's property to assist in fighting a bushfire, and were walking together across the paddock when they saw a plane from the Benalla Air School flying low and at close range. It landed and struck the four men, killing Forshaw and Fleming instantly.

Hearing the crash, Mr. T. Fleming, father of Russell Fleming, who was assisting the fire-fighters, hurried to the plane, which was lying with its undercarriage damaged. The flying instructor and mechanic were injured.

Mr. Fleming then saw the four men on the ground, and running to them, found that one was his own son.

Constable Roberts, who suffered serious head injuries, was admitted to the Benalla Bush Nursing Hospital. Constable Hurley was treated at the hospital, and later returned to his home.

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