

Two R.A.A.F. Men Killed

When a single engine R.A.A.F. plane crashed at Ravenswood (North Queensland) yesterday, the pilot and his passenger were killed.

They were:—

Flying-Officer Ian Lambton Menzies, 29, son of Dr. G. P. and Mrs. Menzies, of Drummoyne, and Corporal Kenneth Ian Scott, 24, of Brisbane.

A statement issued last night from Central Area Headquarters, Sydney, said:—

"The cause of the accident is uncertain.

"It is thought that the aircraft stalled on a steep turn and crashed."

Flying-Officer Menzies was educated at Sydney Church of England Grammar School.

An oil company salesman with an "A" pilot's licence obtained at the Mascot Flying School, he became a member of the R.A.A.F. in February, 1940.



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Corporal Scott was a storeman, then a farmer, before he joined the service in November, 1939.

He was trained at the No. 1 School of Technical Training, Melbourne, and posted to a unit in Queensland last May.

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Ian Lambton Menzies was a brother of Squadron-Leader Guy Menzies, of the R.A.F., who was reported missing after flying operations in Egypt last November.

Guy Menzies won fame in 1931, when he flew solo across the Tasman.

He joined the R.A.F. in 1931, and was promoted to Squadron-Leader soon after the outbreak of war.

In July, 1940, he piloted the plane that brought the Abyssinia emperor Haile Selassie from England to the Sudan. Selassie entered Abyssinia in January, 1941.

"I have given my two sons to the Empire," Mrs. G. P. Menzies said last night.

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