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AIRMAN KILLED IN CRASH

MELBOURNE, Friday.—L.A.C. Robert Wallace Bruce, of Dubbo (N.S.W.), was killed when a plane crashed into Port Phillip Bay during a night flying exercise early on Wednesday morning.

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TRAINEE KILLED IN VICTORIA

MELBOURNE, Monday.—Leading Aircraftman Charles Willott Floyd, 20, was killed shortly before midnight on Sunday when his plane crashed three-quarters of a mile from the R.A.A.F. station headquarters at Point Cook. He was a former employee of St. Kilda Council.

Floyd was flying solo, and was seen to reach a height of 500 feet after taking off. Swinging sharply to the right, his plane lost height in a shallow dive, pulled out, and then crashed to the ground. It was completely wrecked.

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R.A.A.F. PILOT KILLED

MELBOURNE, Monday.—When the aircraft he was piloting crashed immediately after taking off at Point Cook to-day, L.A.C. Stephen Hunter Rodda, 24, of Canberra, married, was killed instantly. The machine got out of control about 150 feet from the ground, went into a spin, and was wrecked.

Rodda enlisted in Sydney this year. He received his initial training at Somers, Victoria, his elementary flying training at Mascot (N.S.W.), and was transferred to Point Cook for service flying instruction.

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