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PLANE IN FLAMES

SEQUEL TO NIGHT LANDING SHOCK BROKE PETROL PIPE BRISBANE, Sunday.

After landing at Archerfield in darkness this morning, a Hawk Moth plane piloted by Ron Adair burst into flames and was destroyed.

The machine, which was one of the fastest in Australia, had been returned to the 'drome after having encountered engine trouble while on a trip to Rockhampton with newspapers. Landing in darkness without flares the pilot crashed on one of the wheels, and the jar broke the petrol pipe. Finding no sign of fire, the pilot left the machine, but five minutes later it burst into flames.