

AIRLINER CRASH AT MILL HILL

A smouldering wreck is all that remains of a BEA Dakota which crashed near Mill Hill. Of the 29 onboard when she left for Scotland, only one survives. Occupants of two houses had narrow escapes when the plane crashed after losing a wing in collision with a tree. Ploughing across a road, the machine broke through a wall and finally burst into flames as it hit a tree near this house. Two houses were slightly damaged, but no-one in them was hurt. Buried deep, a propeller shows the force of the impact.

Bound for Renfrew, the machine turned back with engine trouble and just failed to reach safety. Alerted by her radio report, firemen were soon on the spot but powerless to help. None survived the crash, except the one man thrown clear.