

MAN BURNED TO DEATH AFTER WEDDING PARTY

MELBOURNE, Sunday.—Donald Pilkington, aged 38, of Verdun street, Maidstone, received fatal burns in a fire which completely destroyed a Housing Commission home in Camp Pell, Parkville, last night. Jack Pilkington, aged 39, of Nicholson street, Fitzroy, brother of the dead man, received minor burns.

Earlier in the night a wedding reception was celebrated at the house, which was occupied by William George Bell and his family. Both the Pilkingtons stayed the night and were apparently caught in bed by the fire.

It is thought that the fire may have broken out near a sawdust fire store.

The Pilkingtons were taken to the Royal Melbourne Hospital where Donald died a few hours after admission.