

MAN KILLED

**IN VICTORIAN EXPLOSIVES
FACTORY**

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

An explosion at the Maribyrnong Explosives Factory this afternoon resulted in the death of one man and injury to another, while a third worker suffered severe shock. The victim was S. J. R. Newton, aged 32 years, single, of Essendon who was senior charge man of the fuse filling shop.

W. Washington, aged 24 years, single, of Port Melbourne received superficial injuries to the hands and shock; while E. Poluter, aged 29 years, single, of Essendon, received severe shock.

Owing to the system of confining filling operations to small houses protected by heavy earth walls, the explosion was confined to a limited area. Little material damage was caused within the section of the fuse shop concerned. This is the first fatal accident at the explosives factory since it began operations in 1921.

An inquiry has been opened.

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