

Awarded the British Empire Medal (Military Division).

1280 Corporal Leslie Roy Borgelt, Royal Australian Air Force.

Flight Lieutenant Rofe was left at Timor as senior officer in command of a small party of officers and men after the evacuation from Koepang. He organised the destruction of all wireless equipment, bombs and stores before taking to the hills to avoid capture and for two months he kept the party together under great hardship. By means of a portable wireless set Flight Lieutenant Rofe kept Darwin supplied with important information. Although called upon to surrender, and living under appalling conditions, he continued to resist until rescued two months later. Flight Lieutenant Cole, who was second in command to Flight Lieutenant Rofe, rendered faithful and valuable assistance. His courage in assisting the weaker members of the party to fight against fever, was of inestimable value. When the party was seriously attacked by fever in the jungle, and there were no medical supplies, Corporal Borgelt proved himself invaluable in sustaining the morale and spirits of the party. He displayed great strength of character, tenacity and courage.

Air Ministry, 23rd October, 1942.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

Plt. Offs. (prob.) confmd. in appts. and to be Flg. Offs. (war subs.):—

J. F. S. LAWLEY, D.F.M. (48470). 14th Apr. 1942.

E. J. KEENAN (45898). 29th Aug. 1942.

R. D. CAMPBELL (47364). 3rd Sept. 1942.

C. R. BOOTH (46846). 20th Sept. 1942.

F. S. BROWN (46784). 30th Sept. 1942.

Flg. Offs. to be Flt. Lts. (war subs.):—

W. R. MITCHELL (43838). 14th June 1942. (*Seny. 9th May 1942.*)

R. A. HOWARD (44228). 17th July 1942. (*Seny. 9th May 1942.*)

G. J. TRIGGER (44316). 12th Aug. 1942. (*Seny. 8th Aug. 1942.*)

H. HALL (44543). 30th Aug. 1942. (*Seny. 14th Aug. 1942.*)

13th Sept. 1942. (*Seny. 2nd Sept. 1942.*)

H. J. BUTT (44755).

W. JONES (44635).

23rd Sept. 1942.

J. B. ROBERTSON, D.F.M. (44752). (*Seny. 2nd Sept. 1942.*)

H. P. CONNOLLY (44636). (*Seny. 18th Sept. 1942.*)

F. M. OSBORN (44734). 27th Sept. 1942. (*Seny. 2nd Sept. 1942.*)

C. A. NICOLL (44930). 7th Oct. 1942. (*Seny. 25th Sept. 1942.*)

Sqn. Ldr. J. A. S. BROWN (29060) to be Wg. Cdr. (tempy.) 1st Dec. 1941. (*Seny. 1st Jan. 1941.*) (Subs. for notifi. of 16th June 1942, p. 2654, col. 1.)

Wg. Cdr. (temp.) R. P. M. GIBBS, D.S.O., D.F.C. (33250) is granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr. (war subs.) 1st Sept. 1942.

Sqn. Ldr. (tempy.) J. E. MACLENNAN (05080) (Ref.) is granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr. (war subs.) 16th July 1942.

Flt. Lt. S. B. GRANT, D.F.C. (33417) is granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr. (war subs.) 24th Sept. 1942.

Flg. Off. W. S. HERRING, D.S.O., D.F.M. (44709) is granted the rank of Flt. Lt. (war subs.) 8th May 1942.

Amendment.

In notifi. of 2nd Oct. 1942 (p. 4275, col. 1) for W. M. BRISDEE (36136) read W. M. BISDEE.

In notifi. of 9th Oct. 1942 (p. 4384, col. 1) concerning D. SHAWE, D.F.C. (33151) for (33151) read (40267).

TECHNICAL BRANCH.

Flg. Off. (prob.) M. E. RICHARDS (46644) confmd. in appt. 25th Sept. 1942.

Wg. Cdr. D. W. R. RYLEY (16204) to be Gp. Capt. (tempy.) 1st June 1942. (Subs. for notifi. of 1st Oct. 1942 (p. 4256, col. 1.))

The undermentioned Wg. Cdrs. (tempy.) are granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr. (war subs.):—

1st Sept. 1942.

A. B. KENDALL, M.B.E. (35095).

J. A. C. PRIDE (35112).

Flg. Offs. to be Flt. Lts.:—

G. F. COCKELL, M.B.E. (35256). 12th June 1942.

E. F. PRICE (35240). 23rd June 1942. (*Seny. 10th June 1942.*)

W. L. MILLS (35359). 22nd Aug. 1942. (*Seny. 12th June 1942.*)

Flt. Lt. (tempy.) L. V. MALLINSON (44495) is granted the rank of Flt. Lt. (war subs.) 1st Aug. 1942.

Flg. Offs. to be Flt. Lts. (tempy.):—

1st Dec. 1941.

L. A. SPARKS (43857).

W. W. SMALLEY (43789).

E. WOOD (45097).

G. H. BEAUCHAMP, M.M. (43299).

L. B. P. LEESON (43879).

C. W. JOHNSTONE (43853).

L. F. WOOLCOTT (47048). 1st Sept. 1942.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SPECIAL DUTIES BRANCH.

Plt. Off. (prob.) W. TODD (45577) confmd. in appt. 11th Apr. 1942 and to be Flg. Off. (war subs.) 2nd May 1942. (*Seny. 25th Mar. 1942.*)

Plt. Off. (prob.) J. CABALANE (46243) confmd. in appt. 25th July 1942 and to be Flg. Off. (war subs.) 25th Sept. 1942. (*Seny. 9th Aug. 1942.*)

Plt. Off. (prob.) H. L. ATKIN (47283) to be Flg. Off. on prob. (war subs.) 1st May 1942

Flg. Off. E. L. THOMAS (47107) to be Flt. Lt. (tempy.) 1st Sept. 1942.

Actg. Plt. Off. (prob.) H. F. D. MONK (65320) to be Plt. Off. (prob.) 22nd Sept. 1942.

EQUIPMENT BRANCH.

Wg. Cdr. (tempy.) L. A. JACKSON (31062) is granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr. (war subs.) 1st Sept. 1942.

Sqn. Ldrs. (tempy.) granted the rank of Flt. Lt. (war subs.) 1st Sept. 1942:—

J. E. M. MOULD (31284).

A. M. H. COLE (31263).

E. D. HILLS, M.B.E. (31275).

J. P. W. PURVES (31292).

Amendment.

In notifi. of 2nd Oct. 1942 (p. 4276, col. 1) for F. G. METCALFE read F. G. METCALF.

ACCOUNTANT BRANCH.

Plt. Off. (prob.) D. MACLEOD (46483) to be Flg. Off. on prob. (war subs.) 1st Apr. 1942 and confmd. in appt. 22nd Aug. 1942.

Plt. Off. (prob.) J. E. PHIPPS (46116) confmd. in appt. 11th July 1942 and to be Flg. Off. (war subs.) 12th Sept. 1942.

Sqn. Ldr. (tempy.) A. LEES (21300) is granted the rank of Flt. Lt. (war subs.) 1st Sept. 1942.

Flt. Lt. (tempy.) R. A. WEBSTER (21344) is granted the rank of Flt. Lt. (war subs.) 1st July 1942.

The notifi. of 5th May 1942 (p. 1974, col. 2) concerning R. W. BALDWIN (47139) is cancelled.

RESERVE OF AIR FORCE OFFICERS.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

Flt. Lts. to be Sqn. Ldrs. (tempy.):—

A. C. PEARSON (24138). 3rd Sept. 1942.

C. G. B. McCLURE (70418). 4th Sept. 1942.

Wg. Cdr. (tempy.) G. P. SEYMOUR-PRICE (34056) is granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr. (war subs.) 1st Sept. 1942.

Sqn. Ldr. (tempy.) K. P. SMALES, D.F.C. (39764) is granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr. (war subs.) 10th Aug. 1942.

Sqn. Ldr. (tempy.) J. D. WARNE, D.F.C. (40447) is granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr. (war subs.) 23rd June 1942. (Subs. for notifi. of 2nd Oct. 1942 (p. 4296, col. 2).)

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SPECIAL DUTIES BRANCH.

Sqn. Ldr. G. R. HICKS (07147) to be Wg. Cdr. (tempy.) 11th Sept. 1942. (*Seny. 1st Dec. 1941.*)

The notifi. of 1st Oct. 1942 (p. 4258, col. 2) concerning Flt. Lt. C. K. TURNER (24047) is cancelled.