Ch. Motor Mech. Ernest Victor Smith, R.N.V.R., O.N. M.B.1947.

Dkhnd. James Smith, R.N.R., O.N. 12271

Ch. Motor Mech. Laurence William Courtney Smith, R.N.V.R., O.N. M.B.1696.

P.O. William Richard Smith, O.N. 194997 (Ch.).

A.B. Archer Charles Southgate, O.N. J27981 (Ch.).

P.O. John Caton Spencer, O.N. 207113 (Ch.) P.O., 1st Cl., Walter Stevens, O.N. 201137

Ord. Sea. Robert Danham J38872 (Po.). Symons, O.N.

C.P.O. Edgar Terry, O.N. 166452 (Ch.).

Sergt. William John Thomson, R.M.L.I., No. Ch./15438.

Air Mech., 1st Cl., Keith Hay Thow, R.N.A.S., O.N. F12770.

A.B. Stanley William Trumper, O.N. J21467

Dkhnd. Richard Turner, R.N.R., O.N. 13430 D.A.

A.B. Sidney Vincent, O.N. J20640 (Ch.).

Air Mech., 1st Cl., George Warrington, R.N.A.S., O.N. F26702.

A.B. Alfred Henry Edward Watkins, O.N.

J29668 (Ch.). . Ch. Sto. Alfred John Watts, O.N. 154974 (R.F.R., Ch./A.1784)

A.B. Thomas Edward Wescott, O.N. J34631 (Ch.).

Ldg. Sea. Thomas Westwood, O.N. SS3557 (Ch.).

E.R.A., 2nd Cl., Robert White, O.N. M1159 (Ch.).

P.O., 1st Cl., Thomas Edward White, O.N. 203558 (Po.)

Ch. Motor Mech. Garnet Wolseley Wickson, R.N.V.R., O.N. M.B. 1483.

Sto. P.O. Arthur Nathaniel Wiggins, O.N. 306338 (Ch.).

Ch. Sto. Albert Wilson, O.N. 287554 (Ch.) (Killed in action.).

Sig. Arthur Wilson, R.N.V.R., O.N. Tyneside  $\mathbb{Z}/7210$ . A.B. William Woodhead, O.N. J2076 (Ch.).

Ldg. Sea. Albert Edward Woodley, O.N. 201676 (Dev.)

A.B. George Thomas Worth, O.N. J61680 (Po.).

Dkhnd. Philip Wright, R.N.R., O.N. 3017

The following officers were mentioned by Vice-Admiral Sir Roger Keyes for services in connection with the preparatory work of the operations:-

Rear-Adml. Cecil Frederick Dampier.

Col. (tempy. Brig.-Gen.) Charles Laverock Lambe, C.M.G., D.S.O., R.A.F.

Capt. Alexander Percy Davidson, D.S.O., R.N.

Capt. Herbert Charles John Grant, R.N.

Lieut.-Col. Frederick Crosby Halahan, M.V.O., D.S.O., R.A.F.

Maj. (tempy. Lieut.-Col.) Peregrine Forbes

Morant Fellowes, D.S.O., R.A.F. ng. Lieut.-Cdr. Macleod Gamul Arthur Eng. Lieut.-Cdr. Edwards, R.N.

Staff Payr. Walter Clifford Northcott, R.N.R. Payr. (act. Staff Payr.) Alec Ernest Haine, R.N.

Lieut. Ivan Bromhead Franks, R.N. Lieut. Frank Croome Archer, R.N.V.R. SPECIAL PROMOTIONS FOR SERVICE IN ACTION.

The following promotion has been made, to date the 23rd April, 1918:-

Cdr. (act. Capt.) Alfred Francis Blakeney Carpenter, R.N., to be Capt.

Other special promotions and notations for early promotion were announced in the London Gazette of the 21st May, 1918.

Statements of the services of the officers concerned are as follows:-

Cdr. Ralph S. Sneyd, D.S.O., R.N.

This officer commanded the "Thetis," and was the senior officer and leader of the three Zeebrugge Blockships. "Thetis" forced her way through the net obstruction protecting the inner harbour, by which both her engines were brought up. Her way carried her to the west side of the Channel, where she settled on the bottom in a sinking condition, due to the enemy's fire.

Commander Sneyd, seeing it was impossible to take the ship further, blew the charges to make salvage of the vessel impracticable. In this position, while still under heavy fire, and himself wounded, he gave valuable directions which ensured "Intrepid" and "Iphigenia" taking up the positions in which they were ordered to be sunk, and did not abandon his own ship until he was satisfied that he could be of no further assistance in attaining the objective.

Lieut.-Cdr. Robert R. Rosoman, R.N.

Was First Lieutenant of "Vindictive," and, in the absence of his Captain, who was employed on the Vice-Admiral's Staff, at Dover, was mainly responsible for the very complete preparation of the ship for the special service required. He set a magnificent example during the action, and refused to leave the conning position during the return voyage, though shot through both legs.

Lieut.-Cdr. Hubert E. Gore-Langton, R.N. Was in command of "Phoebe." When Was in command of "Phoebe." "North Star" was disabled, he handled his vessel with conspicuous gallantry under heavy fire. He repeatedly circled round "North Star" making smoke screens, and under their cover he towed her out of action. The hawser being shot away, he stood by "North Star" and took off all the survivors.

Lieut.-Cdr. Henry N. M. Hardy, D.S.O.,

Was in command of "Sirius." Although the ship did not actually reach her objective, she stood in to the shore in the face of tremendous fire from the batteries, the wind having shifted, and driven back the smoke screen at a critical moment. After the ship had been sunk and abandoned, he returned to look for the engineer officer, who was thought to have been left behind. He at once volunteered on hearing that another operation was in contemplation.

Lieut.-Cdr. Francis H. Sandford, D.S.O.,

This officer's staff work in the preparation of the demolition arrangements generally, and in the fitting out of submarines particularly was invaluable. He carried out the rescue of the crew of submarine C.3., by