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Lieut. Arthur Wooton Stevenson.

(FRANCE)

This officer has carried out eighty-five bombing raids, often in most adverse weather conditions. In this duty he has done very valuable service, displaying on all occasions fine gallantry and devotion to duty.

Lieut. (Hon. Capt.) Allan Storey.

FRANCE)

On 26th September, while taking part in a general engagement he was attacked by six enemy machines; two of these at the outset withdrew, but Captain Storey, with great courage, took the offensive against the remaining four, driving them down from 15,000 to 5,000 feet. During the engagement he was wounded in both legs and his elevator control was almost shot away; he nevertheless maintained the combat till his engine was damaged, when he withdrew, having shot down one of his opponents with smoke issuing from his fuselage. A very gallant action, the more praiseworthy that Captain Storey was new to service flying, this being the second time he had been over the lines.

Lieut. (A./Capt.) Thomas Stewart Symons (FRANCE) (R. Suss. R.).

This officer has rendered most valuable service on contact patrols, his reports being invariably most clear and accurate. On many occasions he has had to fly through our own and the enemy barrage, but, daunted by no difficulty or danger, he successfully performs every duty allotted him.

Lieut. Cecil Robert Thompson.

(FRANCE)

This officer has destroyed three enemy machines and three kite balloons. times he displays utter disregard of personal danger, notably so on 15th September, when, in company with another machine, in face of a heavy barrage, he dived to attack a kite balloon; as he dived he was attacked from the rear by four Fokkers. Disregarding them, he continued to dive, and shot down the balloon in flames. He then, although wounded in the face and shoulder, turned and engaged the Fokkers, who had, in the meantime, been reinforced and numbered twelve. Finally, after a stern contest, he made his way back to the aerodrome and rendered his report.

2nd Lieut. Joseph Town.

(FRANCE)

On 2nd September this officer performed very gallant service on contact patrol. Flying at a height varying from four hundred to a thousand feet he was subjected to very heavy fire from machine and anti-aircraft guns, and was harassed by an enemy scout which he engaged and drove off. Despite this determined opposition he completed his patrol and brought back a full and detailed report, which proved of the greatest value.

Lieut. Frederick Dudley Travers (Herts. Yeo.). (SALONIKA)

A gallant and able officer who has displayed on many occasions boldness in attack, never hesitating to engage the enemy as opportunity occurs. On June 1st he, in company with two other pilots, attacked a hostile formation of twelve machines; four of these were shot down and the remainder driven off.

Lieut. Stanley Turner. (FRANCE)

A gallant and zealous pilot who has rendered valuable service on photographic and contact patrols. On the morning of 20th September Lieutenant Turner carried out a most successful contact patrol, locating the position of our troops in face of very heavy hostile fire and under adverse weather conditions. Owing to a hostile counter-attack the situation that evening again became obscure, and this officer carried out a second patrol over the same area. Owing to his Klaxon hern being damaged by the intense fire to which he had been subjected he was compelled to descend to a very low altitude to ascertain the position of our troops. this occasion Lieutenant Turner displayed. courage and skill of a high order.

Capt. Lawrence James Wackett (Australian F.C.) (FRANCE)

During recent operations this officer has rendered conspicuous service in taking oblique photographs and in supplying our troops with ammunition. On 25th September, flying at only 1,500 feet, he obtained a. complete series of oblique photographs of an area several miles behind the enemy front line; although his radiator was hit, he, by skilful piloting, succeeded in landing his machine safely at his aerodrome.

Lieut. Guy Wilbraham Wareing.

(FRANCE)

A bold and courageous airman who has destroyed four enemy aeroplanes and shot down in flames a hostile balloon. He is conspicuous for zeal and devotion to duty.

Lieut. Edward Francis Waring.

(Sea Patrol, NORTH SEA)

Whilst on patrol on August 28th this officer observed a hostile submarine submerged, apparently awaiting one of our convoys that was in the vicinity. Skilfully manœuvring into position, he released a 520 lb. bomb which detonated about thirty feet from the bow of the enemy craft. Bubbles and oil rose to the surface, and it has since been established that the submarine was destroyed.

Lieut. John Weston Warner. (FRANCE) This officer has carried out numerous offensive patrols and low flying attacks on enemy ground targets, displaying on all occasions the real offensive spirit, and, when acting as flight commander, he has proved himself to be an excellent leader, full of initiative and courage. He has accounted for six enemy aeroplanes.

Lieut. (A./Capt.) Arthur Treloar Whealey, (FRANCE) D.S.C.

This officer has shown a very high standard of efficiency. Untiring, and full of initiative, he sets a fine example to the younger pilots. During the recent advance he has carried out daring reconnaissances at very low altitudes, invariably bringing back valuable information. He is a bold fighter