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*Air Ministry,
21st September, 1918.*

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to confer the undermentioned rewards on Officers and other ranks of the Royal Air Force, in recognition of gallantry in flying operations against the enemy:—

AWARDED A BAR TO THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE ORDER.

Lieut. (T./Major) Raymond Collishaw, D.S.O., D.S.C., D.F.C. (late R.N.A.S.).

A brilliant squadron leader of exceptional daring, who has destroyed fifty-one enemy machines. Early one morning he, with another pilot, attacked an enemy aerodrome. Seeing three machines brought out of a burning hangar he dived five times, firing bursts at these from a very low altitude, and dropped bombs on the living quarters. He then saw an enemy aeroplane descending over the aerodrome; he attacked it and drove it down in flames. Later, when returning from a reconnaissance of the damaged hangars, he was attacked by three Albatross Scouts, who pursued him to our lines, when he turned and attacked one, which fell out of control and crashed

(D.S.O. gazetted 11th August, 1917; D.S.C. gazetted 20th July, 1917; D.F.C. gazetted 3rd August, 1918.)

Lieut. (Hon. Capt.) Bernard Arthur Smart. D.S.O. (Sea Patrol).

Led his flight for 160 miles over sea and land, and destroyed by bombs an important enemy airship shed. This service was carried out under exceptionally difficult circumstances, requiring great skill, and was most creditably performed.

(D.S.O. gazetted 2nd November, 1917.)

AWARDED THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE ORDER.

Lieut. (Hon. Capt.) William Forster Dickson (Sea Patrol).

Displayed great skill and gallantry on the occasion of a long-distance bombing raid. He succeeded in dropping bombs on an airship station from a low altitude with destructive effect, and although subjected to severe fire from the enemy obtained valuable information.

Captain (T./Major) David Edmund Stodart. D.F.C.

Whilst commanding a flight of the Royal Air Force the whole of the flying officers had become incapacitated through sickness or wounds, and their duties were then performed by himself, in addition to his

administrative work as commanding officer. During this period Major Stodart dropped 115 bombs on the enemy's position, exposed 326 negatives over enemy territory, and acted as observer for 163 rounds of our heavy artillery. In a period of twenty-one days this officer was thirty-seven hours in the air, performing all the duties of an entire flight, a record which it would be difficult to surpass.

**AWARDED A SECOND BAR TO THE
DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS.**

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Arthur Henry Cobby, D.F.C. (Australian Flying Corps).

One evening this officer, in company with another machine, attacked five Pfaltz Scouts, destroying two; one fell in flames, and one broke up in the air. The officer who accompanied him brought down a third machine out of control. While engaged in this combat they were attacked from above by five triplanes. Displaying cool judgment and brilliant flying, Captain Cobby evaded this attack and returned to our lines in safety, both machines being undamaged. A determined and most skilful leader, who has destroyed twenty-one hostile machines or balloons, accounting for three machines and two balloons in four days.

(The announcement of award of first Bar is also contained in this Gazette; D.F. Cross was gazetted on 3rd August, 1918.)

**AWARDED A BAR TO THE DISTINGUISHED
FLYING CROSS.**

Lieut. William Gordon Claxton, D.F.C.

This officer is conspicuous for his courage in attack. Recently in one day he destroyed six enemy aeroplanes—four in the morning and two in the evening. In thirteen days he accounted for fourteen machines. His utter disregard of danger inspires all who serve with him.

(D.F.C. gazetted 3rd August, 1918.)

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Arthur Henry Cobby, D.F.C. (Australian Flying Corps).

An officer whose success as a leader is due not only to high courage and brilliant flying, but also to the clear judgment and presence of mind he invariably displays. His example is of great value to other pilots in his squadron. During recent operations he shot down five machines in eleven days, accounting for two in one day.

(D.F.C. gazetted 3rd August, 1918.)

Lieut. (T./Capt.) James Ira Thomas Jones, M.C., D.F.C., M.M.

A gallant officer who in the last three months has destroyed twenty-one enemy aeroplanes. On one occasion he attacked a Halberstadt two-seater, which was escorted by two scouts. On his approach the scouts deserted the two-seater, which he shot down in flames. He then pursued the two scouts, one of which he destroyed.

(M.C. gazetted 16th September, 1918, D.F.C. gazetted 3rd August, 1918, M.M. gazetted 10th August, 1916.)

Lt. (T./Capt.) Edgar James McClaughry, D.F.C. (Australian Flying Corps).

In the short space of one month this officer has destroyed ten enemy aeroplanes and balloons. He has organised and carried out numerous raids on the enemy, frequently at very low altitudes. Altogether he has destroyed fifteen aeroplanes and four balloons. Early one morning he crossed our lines to attack a balloon which he had previously located. As soon as daylight allowed he dived and opened fire on the balloon, which was on the ground, descending to within fifty feet of it. The balloon burst into flames. He then attacked some horse transport, dropping bombs and firing some 300 rounds at 1,500 feet altitude.

(The award of D.F.C. is also contained in this Gazette.)

Lieut. (T./Capt.) John Stanley Fleming Morrison, D.F.C.

A distinguished and zealous officer whose success in carrying out photographic reconnaissances is marked. He has also on several occasions led his flight on long-distance bombing raids, displaying sound leadership and powers of endurance.

(D.F.C. gazetted 3rd June, 1918.)

Lieut. (T./Capt.) George Edward Henry McElroy, M.C., D.F.C. (Royal G. Artillery).

In the recent battles on various army fronts this officer has carried out numerous patrols, and flying at low altitudes, has inflicted heavy casualties on massed enemy troops, transport, artillery teams, etc., both with machine-gun fire and bombs. He has destroyed three enemy kite balloons and forty-three machines, accounting for eight of the latter in eight consecutive days. His brilliant achievements, keenness and dash have at all times set a fine example, and inspired all who came in contact with him.

(M.C. gazetted 26th March, 1918, 1st Bar 22nd April, 1918, 2nd Bar 26th July, 1918. D.F.C. gazetted 3rd August, 1918.)

**AWARDED THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING
CROSS.**

Lieut. Charles Torr Anderson.

An exceptionally skilful and intelligent observer, who on numerous occasions has most successfully directed artillery fire on hostile batteries, transport and massed infantry. His reconnaissance reports also have been most valuable and accurate, and of the greatest assistance to our raiding parties. Recently in twenty-four hours this officer was in the air for over seven; during this time he directed fire on four hostile batteries, all of which were silenced, and three heavy explosions were caused. He also reported by zone call ten other batteries, good results being obtained on each position. In addition, he carried out two valuable reconnaissances of enemy wire entanglements at low altitudes.

Lieut. (temp. Capt.) Sydney Anderson (Sea Patrol).

In an engagement between three of our machines and seven of the enemy this officer displayed remarkable courage and determination. Wounded early in the fight and

suffering great pain, he continued the action, and drove down one hostile aircraft, causing it to make a very bad landing.

Lieut. (Hon. Capt.) Thomas Cochrane Angus (Hon. Art. Co.).

A gallant and skilful officer, who has taken part in eleven long distance night bombing raids. On one of these his machine alone, out of the five detailed, reached the objective. The weather conditions were most difficult; despite this, and in face of severe anti-aircraft fire, he successfully bombed his target.

Lieut. Gordon Frank Mason Apps.

A bold and skilful airman who in recent operations has destroyed six enemy aeroplanes, accounting for two in one flight. He displays marked determination and devotion to duty.

Lieut. Owen Morgan Baldwin.

A gallant and skilful pilot who has on many occasions attacked troops and transport at low altitudes. Recently he encountered twelve enemy aeroplanes, two of which he crashed. He has, in addition, accounted for five other machines, showing at all times fearlessness and resource.

Capt. Arthur Thomas Barker (Sea Patrol).

Has led flights of seaplanes on long-distance reconnaissances, attacking hostile aircraft wherever found. He has set a fine example in gallantry and determination to all serving with him.

Lieut. John Ross Bell (Dorset. Regt.).

This officer is an exceptionally gallant and determined pilot, who has taken part in 37 raids, five of which he has led. On a recent occasion, the formation of which he was leader was attacked by twelve aeroplanes. He fought his way to his objective and successfully bombed it. On the return journey continuous fighting took place, and three enemy aeroplanes were driven down.

Lieut. Robert Stevenson Bell.

This officer, while carrying out observation service from a balloon, was subjected to heavy and continuous shell fire for over 2½ hours, his balloon being punctured in nine places; despite this he continued his observation. On several previous occasions he has displayed equal coolness and disregard of danger, carrying on his observation service in face of heavy hostile fire.

Lieut (T./Capt.) William Wedgwood Benn, D.S.O. (London Yeo.).

A gallant observer of exceptional ability. After setting out on a bombing raid, the Scout machines assigned to act as an escort became separated, and it then became necessary for the bombing planes to proceed on their task without support. Captain Benn's machine took the lead, followed by three other bombers, and succeeded in dropping his bombs (direct hits) on an enemy aerodrome. On the return journey the bombing machines were attacked by several enemy scouts, which were eventually driven away. Recently, this officer organised and carried out a special flight by night over the enemy's lines, under most difficult circumstances,

with conspicuous success. He has at all times set a splendid example of courage.

Capt. Eric Bourne Coulter Betts, D.S.C. (Sea Patrol).

An observer officer of great skill who has carried out over 20 long-distance photographic reconnaissances during the past four months, and in conjunction with his pilot, has brought home about 1,000 photographs of enemy positions of inestimable value, in addition to destroying eight enemy machines.

Lieut. George Holyoake Box.

This officer has taken part in eighteen long-distance night bombing raids and ten long-distance night reconnaissances, at all times showing exceptional keenness, untiring energy and devotion to duty. One night he carried out a very important reconnaissance lasting three and a half hours, bringing back most valuable information. Immediately on his return he proceeded on a bombing raid; having found his objective, he descended to a low altitude and successfully bombed the target. He was in the air that night six hours.

Lieut. Albert James Ernest Broomfield.

This officer shows great determination and skill in carrying out night reconnaissances, frequently under adverse weather conditions and at very low altitudes. During last month he was engaged in eight most successful reconnaissances. On two consecutive nights when, owing to the darkness he was compelled to fly at about 500 ft. altitude, he located and bombed with success an important railway junction.

Lieut. Colin Peter Brown (Sea Patrol).

Was engaged in a bombing raid on an enemy seaplane base by night, and dropped his bombs from a height of 500 feet, causing considerable destruction. Shortly afterwards he bombed an enemy aerodrome in daylight, also from a height of 500 feet, and then descended to 300 feet and destroyed an enemy machine. On arriving at his aerodrome fifty-nine bullet-holes were found in his machine. He has since then destroyed two enemy aeroplanes. Lieutenant Brown has been engaged in several other aerial fights, and has proved himself a gallant and resourceful flight leader.

Lieut. Richard Claude Cain.

By his skill and initiative as an observer this officer has on many occasions directed fire on enemy artillery, wagon lines and convoys, causing serious damage. His work has been most valuable, carried out at times under very difficult conditions. On a recent occasion he successfully bombed a bridge, obtaining a direct hit at a low altitude.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) John Foster Chisholm, D.S.C. (Sea Patrol).

A gallant and successful Flight Commander. He has led his formation in twenty-five raids in a period of thirty days, generally to a distance of 25 miles over the lines. On a recent occasion he encountered seven enemy aircraft whilst he was engaged in bombing a particularly dangerous enemy position. He destroyed one enemy machine, and his formation accounted for three more. All our machines returned safely.

Lieut. Leonard Arthur Christian (late R.N.A.S.).

Since joining his squadron this officer has taken part in forty-seven bomb raids, displaying at all times keenness and determination, and rendering his pilot most valuable support. He has accounted for four enemy aeroplanes, destroying two, and driving down two out of control.

Lieut. Henry Edward Clark (Sea Patrol).

An officer of exceptional skill and determination as observer and bomb-dropper. He has been engaged on thirty raids, and recently obtained direct hits on a great enemy war factory which caused immense explosions and fire therein.

2nd Lieut. George Brenton Coward (Sea Patrol).

A very efficient pilot and able leader who has done most valuable service, displaying at all times the greatest courage and devotion to duty. When attacking lock-gates and shipping in an enemy port he sunk a hostile destroyer, obtaining a direct hit on its stern.

Capt. Bernard Charles Henry Cross (Sea Patrol).

Has set a splendid example to young pilots by his gallantry in going up in any weather when the necessity so demands. Captain Cross has carried out a vast number of reconnaissance patrols in hostile waters, and has attacked submarines on many occasions.

Capt. Cyril Marconi Crowe. M.C.

This officer has been engaged on active operations over the lines for over twelve months, and has accounted for ten enemy aeroplanes. He is a most successful leader, distinguished for skill and bravery. On a recent occasion he, accompanied by two other machines, attacked an enemy formation consisting of four biplanes and one triplane. Having destroyed a biplane he engaged the triplane at close range and destroyed that also.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Philip Hildersley Cummings (Seaforth Highlanders).

This officer has carried out over 100 night bombing raids, often under most adverse weather conditions and in face of heavy hostile fire. On three consecutive nights he bombed two enemy aerodromes, obtaining direct hits at 1,000 ft. altitude. On another raid, owing to engine trouble he was unable to climb over 2,000 ft.; he nevertheless reached his objective. On all occasions this officer displays marked determination and courage.

Lieut. Douglas Darby (Scottish Rifles).

This officer has taken part in twenty-four long-distance night raids, displaying at all times remarkable determination and bravery. During recent operations he played a very prominent part in two successful night raids. In one he descended to between 500 and 150 feet altitude, getting well over the target to ensure his bombs being effective; in the other he was one of the first to find his objective, and, descending to 500 ft. altitude, he dropped his bombs.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Francis James Davies.

During recent operations this officer has accounted for five enemy aeroplanes. Bold in attack and skilful in manoeuvre, he is a valuable airman who sets a fine example to all.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Richard Jeffrey Dawes.

During recent operations this officer has destroyed six enemy aeroplanes. A very gallant and courageous officer.

Lieut. Samuel Dawson (Sea Patrol).

Was engaged in a long-distance bombing raid on an enemy aircraft station under very difficult circumstances, and carried out a successful attack from a low height in the face of severe enemy fire.

Lieut. (Hon. Capt.) Hippolyte Ferdinand Delarue (Sea Patrol).

This officer, in a Short seaplane, accompanied by another, formed escort to machines carrying out a long-distance bombing raid. When nearing the objective both machines were attacked by a fast enemy scout, and the companion plane was forced to alight. Captain Delarue at once followed it down, picked up pilot and observer, and returned with the two additional passengers. A brave and meritorious action, for the risk he ran was great in such close proximity to the enemy, it being extremely doubtful if his machine would rise from the water with four on board.

2nd Lieut. Edward Alphonse Dew.

A keen and dashing officer, who has taken part in numerous bombing raids and photographic reconnaissances. Whilst on a bombing raid his machine, flying in rear of the formation, was attacked by five enemy scouts. Two of these he engaged at close range; at the outset he was dangerously wounded in the thigh. Despite this he continued firing his guns until he fainted from loss of blood. He succeeded in bringing down one of the scouts in flames.

Lieut. (Hon. Capt.) Euan Dickson, D.S.C. (late R.N.A.S.).

Since 17th April, 1918, this officer has led eighty-four successful bombing raids. His leadership has been conspicuous for remarkable bravery, skill, and determination. On one raid directed against a town in occupation by the enemy he obtained seven direct hits on the railway station and four on a dump outside. Thrice on a prior date he led his flight to attack enemy billets and horse lines, descending to low altitudes and engaging enemy troops on the ground.

Capt. Grahame Donald (Sea Patrol).

An exceedingly keen and capable Pilot, who has proved himself subsequently to be a skilful Flight Commander. Has carried out valuable escort and reconnaissance patrols, and has brought down at least two enemy aircraft.

Lieut. Cedric George Edwards.

The fearlessness and disregard of danger displayed by this officer in attacking enemy troops, etc., at low altitudes is most marked, and worthy of the highest praise. On one

occasion in an attack on an aerodrome, to enable him to fire on the hangars he descended so low that the wheels of his machine touched the ground. He has in air combats destroyed three hostile aircraft.

Capt. Albert James Enstone, D.S.C. (Sea Patrol).

Has been engaged for eighteen months on active service flying (ten months as Flight Leader). Has destroyed twelve hostile machines and brought down six more out of control. During the past month Capt. Enstone attacked an enemy gun, which was firing on one of our crashed machines, and succeeded in blowing up the ammunition dump alongside the gun, causing a great explosion, with flames reaching to a height of nearly 300 feet.

Capt. Stanley John Fetherston (Sea Patrol).

Has been continuously employed on long reconnaissances for fourteen months, during which period he has been in action many times with hostile aircraft. Capt. Fetherston has always performed his arduous duties with courage and determination. He assisted a few months back in destroying an enemy submarine.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Gordon Fox-Rule.

Whilst on a bombing raid this officer dived to 100 feet and obtained a direct hit on a bridge, completely destroying it. Seeing a body of the enemy on the bank of the river he attacked them, causing them to disperse in disorder. He was then attacked by five biplanes; these he drove off, though his observer had been hit twice, and he landed safely at a French aerodrome. In all, he has taken part in thirty bomb raids and ten photographic reconnaissances, invariably displaying a marked offensive spirit.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Reginald George David Francis (Australian Flying Corps).

During two consecutive days this officer carried out most valuable work in ranging on batteries. Flying 8½ hours the first day and four hours the second, he successfully ranged our artillery on seven hostile batteries. In co-operating with our artillery he shows conspicuous bravery and marked ability.

Capt. John Osborn Galpin, D.S.C. (Sea Patrol).

A skilful and gallant pilot, who has performed valuable services in attacks on enemy aircraft.

Capt. James Lindsay Gordon (Sea Patrol).

A pilot of great experience, initiative and skill. Has led formations over the seas and attacked with success enemy aircraft in their own area. Capt. Gordon has been instrumental in saving life in disabled seaplanes on several occasions, and whenever any arduous duty has to be done, he is always to the fore to carry it out.

Lieut. John Sharpe Griffith.

During the last few months this officer has destroyed three enemy aeroplanes and assisted in bringing down a fourth; he has, in addition, driven down two balloons and shot down two machines out of control. Whilst leading his patrol at 11,000 ft. alti-

tude he observed three enemy aeroplanes at 2,000 ft.; he immediately dived and led his patrol to the attack, destroying two of the machines, one of which he accounted for himself. A gallant and determined officer.

Lieut. William Grossart.

During the last two and a half months this officer has carried out twenty-seven successful bombing raids and twenty-five special photographic reconnaissances, his services on the latter duty being exceptionally valuable. This officer possesses a fine spirit of determination; neither strong opposition nor adverse weather conditions deters him from achieving his object.

Lieut. Alfred John Haines.

During the past three months this very gallant pilot has destroyed five enemy machines, and earlier in the year he crashed another. He was killed in action on 10th August, 1918.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) George Henry Harrison (Middlesex Regiment).

A gallant officer of great initiative and resource, who has carried out seven successful night reconnaissances and sixteen night bombing raids during recent operations. One night when on reconnaissance he remained in the air two and a half hours, despite the fact that his engine was cut out thrice and his machine badly shot about.

Lieut. Thomas Sinclair Harrison.

When on wireless interception duty this officer engaged three enemy machines, shooting down one in flames. He was then attacked by three scouts and a two-seater; the latter he shot down. During the last few weeks he has further accounted for three hostile aeroplanes and a balloon, displaying vigour and gallantry in attack.

Lieut. (Hon. Capt.) Edwin Tufnell Hayne, D.S.C. (late R.N.A.S.).

During the recent enemy offensive this officer carried out forty-eight special missions. Flying at extremely low altitudes he has inflicted heavy casualties on massed troops and transport. In addition he has accounted for ten enemy machines, destroying three and driving down seven out of control; in these encounters he has never hesitated to engage the enemy, however superior in numbers. On one occasion he observed ten hostile aeroplanes harassing three Dolphins; he attacked three of the enemy, driving one down in flames.

Capt. Richard Hilton, M.C. (Royal Garrison Artillery).

An officer who shows remarkable skill and courage in co-operating with our artillery, and in carrying out photographic reconnaissances. He also proved himself a very gallant leader on a recent raid, when he led two low patrols over the lines, attacking with machine-gun fire and heavily bombing enemy reserves. The machine in which he was flying was rendered useless for further service, so intense was the hostile aircraft fire.

Capt. (T./Major) Thomas Hinshelwood (Sea Patrol).

A most efficient squadron commander. With great ability and judgment he has led

his squadron on photographic and long-distance bombing raids, obtaining valuable information. The high standard of efficiency attained by his squadron is largely due to his personal influence.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Jeffrey Batters Home-Hay, M.C. (A. & S. Highrs.).

This officer displayed admirable coolness and resource while leading a raid on an enemy railway station. His formation was heavily attacked by seven aeroplanes, but keeping it well in hand, he fought his way to his objective; proceeding well over the station, he successfully bombed it. In the course of the severe fighting two hostile machines were shot down out of control, one of which he himself brought down. He has taken part in eight other raids, and his consistent gallantry is a valuable asset in maintaining the moral of his new squadron.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Cedric Ernest Howell.

On a recent occasion this officer, leading his patrol of three machines, attacked nine enemy aeroplanes, destroying six and driving down one out of control; he himself accounted for two of these. On a former occasion he destroyed three enemy aeroplanes in one flight. He is a fine fighting officer, skilful and determined.

Lieut. Paul Thayer Iaccaci.

A bold and successful fighter, who on four offensive patrols has accounted for six enemy aeroplanes: two he shot down himself, and four were destroyed with the assistance of his observer. In these several encounters the formation in which Lieut. Iaccaci was serving was engaged against heavy odds.

Lieut. (Hon. Capt.) William Douglas Jackson (Sea Patrol).

Led his flight in a long-distance bombing raid on an enemy aircraft station under very difficult circumstances, and carried out a successful attack from a low height, in the face of severe enemy fire.

Lieut. John Kingsley Jeakes (Sea Patrol).

A gallant officer who has taken part in numerous long-distance reconnaissance and bombing raids. While on one of the latter he destroyed an enemy seaplane on the water, obtaining two direct hits.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Norman Cyril Jones (R.F.A., T.F.).

A gallant and skilful patrol leader who has proved successful on many occasions against numerically superior enemy formations. Capt. Jones has personally destroyed six enemy machines this year.

Lieut. Gordon Sheppard Jones-Evans (Australian Flying Corps).

On returning from a raid on enemy rolling stock this officer observed an enemy two-seater machine below him; engaging it, the machine dived vertically and crashed. He was then attacked by a second two-seater; into this he fired a very short burst and it also spun down and crashed. In this engagement Lieutenant Jones-Evans was wounded, but though faint from loss of blood, he succeeded in reaching our lines, where he crashed. In the last few weeks he

has destroyed three two-seaters and brought down one balloon in flames.

Lieut. (Hon. Capt.) William Lancelot Jordan, D.S.C. (late R.N.A.S.).

A brilliant and most gallant leader who has already been awarded the D.S.C. and Bar for distinguished services and devotion to duty. He has led numerous offensive patrols into action, displaying at all times marked ability, determination and dash. He is an ideal Squadron Commander who has personally accounted for twenty-five enemy machines.

Lieut. Solomon Clifford Joseph (Sea Patrol).

A gallant pilot who has accounted for eight enemy aircraft within the past four months. On many occasions the enemy were numerically superior to Lieutenant Joseph's patrol, but this did not prevent his attaining success.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Noel Keeble, D.S.C. (Sea Patrol).

This officer (with an observer) has obtained 1,000 invaluable photographs of enemy positions miles behind the lines, and has brought home extremely important new information during this period. He has destroyed eight enemy machines, including one biplane during the past month. Captain Keeble is a most capable and gallant Flight Commander.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Dennis Latimer, M.C.

When leading an offensive patrol this officer displayed great skill and bravery. Having shot down a scout in flames, he immediately engaged a second, which he destroyed after a short combat. In addition, he has accounted for four other machines.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Frederick Andrew Laughlin.

While bombing an important railway station the formation, of which this officer was leader, was attacked by about twenty enemy scouts. In the engagement that ensued two enemy aeroplanes were destroyed and a third driven down out of control. These results were largely due to his excellent leadership. He has taken part in forty bomb raids, the objectives of many being far over the enemy lines. His knowledge of navigation and skill as a leader have been invaluable in enabling the formation to reach the objectives.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Gwilyn Hugh Lewis (Northamptonshire Regiment).

It is largely due to this officer's ability and judgment as a flight leader that many enemy machines have been destroyed with very few casualties in his formation. He is bold in attack, and has personally accounted for eight enemy aircraft, displaying marked disregard of personal danger.

Capt. (T./Maj.) Gerald Edward Livock (Sea Patrol).

Has rendered valuable services on numerous occasions on reconnaissance patrols in enemy waters, in attacks on hostile seaplanes, and in connection with anti-submarine patrol work.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Edgar James McClaughry (Australian Flying Corps).

Early one morning this officer left the ground, and, meeting an enemy two-seater

ten miles over the lines, he engaged and destroyed it. He was immediately attacked by five scouts; these he out-maneuvred, destroying one and driving the remainder down. He is a determined and successful scout leader, who in recent operations has accounted for nine enemy machines, in addition to three others and one balloon when serving with another squadron.

Lieut. Christopher McEvoy.

A gallant pilot who has destroyed six enemy machines in a few months. He displays great determination in his attacks in high or low flying, and in bombing attacks over the enemy's lines.

Lieut. Clifford McEwen, M.C. (Can. Inf., Res. Bn.).

A skilful and fearless officer who in three weeks destroyed five enemy aeroplanes.

(Notification of this award appeared in Gazette 2nd July 1918.)

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Evans Alexander McKay, M.C.

This officer led a raid on an important railway station; during this operation, which was most successful, 24 hostile aircraft attacked his formation. In the engagement he displayed fine leadership and skill. Three of the hostile machines were destroyed and one driven down. He is an exceptionally good formation leader, and his determination to reach his objective is only equalled by his coolness and courage when attacked.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Donald Roderick MacLaren, M.C.

Accompanied by two other pilots, this officer attacked four enemy aeroplanes; all of these were destroyed; he himself fought two down to within 200 feet of the ground, destroying both. The two pilots who were with him each accounted for one of the remaining two. It was a well-conceived manœuvre ably carried out, reflecting credit on all concerned. This officer has in four-and-a-half months accounted for 37 hostile aircraft and six balloons, displaying great resolution and exceptional tactical ability.

Lieut. Roy Manzer.

While carrying out a solitary patrol he observed a two-seater below him; diving on it he opened fire, and following it down to 1,000 feet, caused it to land outside the aerodrome. During his return to our lines he saw a hostile kite balloon; attacking it as it was being hauled down he closed to point blank range at 300 feet altitude; on reaching the ground, the balloon burst into flames. In addition to the above, this officer has accounted for seven enemy machines, four of which were destroyed and three driven down out of control.

Lieut. (Hon. Capt.) Harold Thomas Mellings, D.S.C. (Sea Patrol).

A very gallant officer who, on a recent patrol, attacked and caused to crash an enemy two-seater. Later, on the same patrol, he was attacked by four Fokkers, one of which he shot down at a range of ten yards; this machine was seen to crash. A second was driven down smoking. Since he was awarded a Bar to the Distinguished Service Cross Captain Mellings has, in addition

to the above, accounted for eleven enemy machines—seven destroyed, and four driven down out of control.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) James Mitchell, M.C.

During the last few months this officer has destroyed five enemy aeroplanes, displaying at all times gallantry and devotion to duty.

(Notification of this award appeared in Gazette 2nd July 1918.)

Lieut. Marthinus Theunis Steyn Papenfus.

This officer displayed excellent judgment in a recent raid. Keeping his formation well together, and, descending to low altitude, he led them well over an enemy factory and so enabled them to use their bombs most effectively. The success of this operation was very largely due to his fine leadership. In addition, he has taken part in eighteen raids as deputy leader of the formation, invariably showing the greatest keenness and devotion to duty.

Lieut. Joshua Parke.

This officer has taken part in 40 long-distance day bomb raids and photographic reconnaissances. His work as an observer has been consistently good, and he displays great gallantry and determination, notably in a bombing raid when he was observer to the leader of our second formation.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Herbert Andrew Patey (Sea Patrol).

Whilst leading his flight on an offensive patrol eight enemy machines were encountered. Captain Patey was cut off from his patrol by two of the enemy who got on his tail, and continued in that position until within 2,000 feet of the ground, at which point his machine was hit in the petrol tank. Notwithstanding his serious handicap, he turned four times on his pursuers, destroying one, and driving the remainder away. On previous occasions this officer has destroyed two enemy machines and brought down two more out of control, and, in company with other pilots, he has assisted in destroying or bringing down out of control five additional enemy aircraft.

2nd Lieut. William Russell Patey (Royal Irish Rifles).

For consistent good work, gallantry, and skill as an observer on long-distance bombing raids and photographic reconnaissances. During a raid three months ago, his machine was heavily engaged by hostile aircraft. By very judicious management he remained master of the situation, and eventually destroyed one of the enemy machines. During the past month he has again displayed notable qualities of airmanship whilst encountering large numbers of enemy aircraft. Lieut. Patey is always prepared to carry out any kind of operation entrusted to him, and the spirit he has shown when attacked has been of inestimable value to the squadron.

2nd Lieut. Desmond Philip Pogson.

In a recent long-distance bombing raid his petrol tank received a shot immediately after crossing the line, but he continued on his journey and bombed the distant objective. On the return journey very fierce fighting occurred, during which both leaders and

deputy-leaders of our formations were shot down, and the remaining machines lost touch with each other. At this critical moment 2nd Lieut. Pogson ordered his observer to tie his handkerchief to the gun-mounting to indicate that his was the leader's machine. He then circled over the area three times and picked up five of our machines, and in face of very hostile opposition got them into formation and brought them all safely home. The prompt action of this officer was highly meritorious, and undoubtedly saved the remaining machines, which could not have coped with the greatly superior formations of the enemy.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Walter George Preston.

This officer has taken part in seventy bombing raids, and has rendered most valuable service on reconnaissance duty by night. One night he carried out three most successful bombing raids on hostile rest billets, dropping his bombs and engaging the enemy troops with great effect. He sets an excellent example of skill and gallantry.

2nd Lieut. Hartly Pullan.

This officer has taken part in numerous long-distance bombing raids and reconnaissances. His work has been consistently good. On a recent occasion when on photographic reconnaissance he was attacked by three scouts; he shot one down and the other two dived away. A few minutes later he was again attacked, this time by five triplanes, one of which he shot down out of control.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) John Steele Ralston, M.C. (Scottish Rifles, T.F.).

An intrepid patrol leader who in recent operations has accounted for three enemy machines and three kite balloons. Recently while on patrol he advanced to attack a kite balloon; on his approach the balloon party began to haul it down, but forcing home his attack, he shot the balloon down in flames. In the engagement this officer was seriously wounded. Suffering great pain, he flew back to our lines and tried to land, but fainted and crashed.

2nd Lieut. Cyril Lancelot Rayment.

This officer has taken part in thirty-five successful operations, and his work throughout has been distinguished by clearness, accuracy of observation and disregard of danger, notably on one occasion when he was observer to the leader of our first formation which was vigorously attacked by four hostile machines. In spite of this the formation was led over the target, which was effectively bombed. Subsequently the formation was attacked by five hostile machines, but owing to skilful leadership the fire of our observers was so well controlled and directed that the enemy were kept at a distance and the formation returned in safety.

Lieut. (Hon. Capt.) Robert Redfern (Sea Patrol).

A zealous and very able observer who has carried out extremely valuable photographic reconnaissances on enemy country and bases. He has also taken part in many long-distance bombing raids on important enemy towns

Lieut. Norman Roberts.

This officer has destroyed three enemy machines and driven down two others out of control. He has also distinguished himself in attacking troops at low altitudes, and has carried out valuable reconnaissance service. Detailed to make a reconnaissance of an important area, he realised, on crossing our lines, that the wind was almost at hurricane strength, and that in face of such a wind his return journey would only be accomplished with extreme difficulty. However, knowing the urgency of his mission, he completed his reconnaissance, penetrating 12 miles behind the enemy lines. On the return journey, owing to the strength of the gale, he was forced to descend to a very low altitude, and was subjected to heavy anti-aircraft and machine-gun fire, which badly damaged his machine.

Lieut. Indra Lal Roy.

A very gallant and determined officer, who in thirteen days accounted for nine enemy machines. In these several engagements he has displayed remarkable skill and daring, on more than one occasion accounting for two machines in one patrol.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Thomas Sydney Sharpe (Glouc. Regt.).

A gallant officer who has always led his patrol with marked skill and judgment. On one occasion he chased down an Albatross scout and caused it to crash. He afterwards attacked five enemy machines, destroying two. On the following day, encountering four Albatross scouts, he engaged one, which crashed. Proceeding on his patrol, he met a formation of enemy scouts; he chased one and destroyed it.

Lieut. Richard George Shaw (Sea Patrol).

In company with another machine he recently attacked seven enemy seaplanes and destroyed one of them. Lieut. Shaw has shown exceptional ability as a flight leader. He has carried out successfully 21 bombing raids, 51 anti-submarine patrols, and has descended to very low altitudes to attack hostile submarines, destroyers and trawlers, scoring at least two direct hits. This officer displays great determination and keenness in his work.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Benjamin James Silly, M.C.

For exceptional skill and gallantry on long-distance raids, in 47 of which he has been engaged, and has been the leader on 22 occasions. Within the past month he led a formation of bombers which accomplished their object notwithstanding that the enemy scouts were encountered almost from the start, and at the destination they numbered 40 machines. Capt. Silly's formation destroyed four enemy aircraft, and returned without losing a single machine.

Lieut. Frank Woolley Smith (Notts. & Derby. Regiment, T.F.).

This officer has carried out most valuable work in observing for our artillery from kite balloons. On one occasion his balloon was brought down in flames; his parachute did not open properly, and he fell very rapidly: fortunately, a tree broke his fall and saved

him from what seemed certain death. Although badly shaken he volunteered at once to ascend in another balloon. On a later date, when engaged in registration for one of our batteries, his balloon was burnt; after parachuting down, he at once ascended in another balloon and completed his task. The courage and coolness shown by him under these circumstances deserves the highest praise.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) William Ernest Staton, M.C.

This officer has already been awarded the Military Cross for gallantry and devotion to duty. Since this award he has accounted for eleven enemy aeroplanes—nine destroyed and two shot down out of control. He has proved himself a most efficient flight commander and an enterprising leader, setting a very fine example to his squadron.

Lieut. William Samuel Stephenson, M.C.

This officer has shown conspicuous gallantry and skill in attacking enemy troops and transports from low altitudes, causing heavy casualties. His reports, also, have contained valuable and accurate information. He has further proved himself a keen antagonist in the air, having, during recent operations, accounted for six enemy aeroplanes.

Lieut. Earle Richard Stewart.

For gallantry and skill as an observer on long-distance bombing raids. During a raid a few months back he was in the deputy-leader's machine (which usually has to bear the brunt of an attack), and in the course of repelling vigorous enemy attacks he had a breakage in his gun, with the result that he could only fire single shots. In these circumstances he would have been justified in causing his pilot to close up under the remainder of the formation, but with great coolness and sound judgment he maintained his place, and thus avoided the risk of impairing the squadron's defensive efficiency. By his action he rendered the most valuable assistance to his formation in holding off the enemy, and by the time the enemy had been dispersed he had fired 200 rounds by single shots with excellent effect. Lieut. Stewart has rendered further distinguished services during the past month, displaying very great ability and absolute fearlessness.

Lieut. Harold Waller St. John (Sea Patrol).

An intrepid and skilful observer who has rendered most efficient service on reconnaissance and long-distance bombing raids. He bombed and destroyed an enemy flying boat on one raid, and on another occasion sunk a torpedo boat.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Theodore Quintus Studd (Sea Patrol).

As pilot he has been engaged in more than 60 successful bombing raids many miles behind the enemy's lines. Captain Studd is a most skilful pilot who can always be relied upon to carry out any task that he may be called upon to perform, no matter what adverse conditions may prevail.

Lieut. George Thomson (King's Own Scottish Borderers).

A brilliant and intrepid observer in whom his pilot places implicit confidence when engaged in action. He has personally accounted for nine enemy machines. On one raid, when acting as escort, 15 enemy aeroplanes were encountered; of these this officer shot down two, which crashed, and one out of control.

Lieut. Ernest Henry Tredcroft.

A cool and courageous observer with marked initiative. He has taken part in 41 successful bomb raids and seven photographic reconnaissances. On one raid, having dropped his bombs on a bridge, he attacked and dispersed with gun fire a number of the enemy on the bank of the river although he had received two severe wounds. On the return journey his machine was attacked by five enemy aeroplanes; with great gallantry he drove them off by his fire. He became exhausted by the exertion and severity of his wounds, which caused him to collapse in the machine.

Lieut. William Beresford Walker (H.L. Inf.).

This officer has taken part in twenty-one bomb raids, and has rendered excellent and valuable service in photography and general observation. He has shown himself a brave and skilful officer in action, notably on one occasion when his formation was attacked by twelve hostile scouts which approached to within short range; he engaged one at 150 yards and drove it down in flames. In another engagement he attacked one enemy aeroplane at close range and drove it down; he then engaged several others with good effect.

Capt. Richard Percyvale Ward, M.C. (Royal Welsh Fusiliers).

Has been engaged on thirty-seven bombing raids, and on ten photographic reconnaissances, and has been in nearly all the raids in which severe fighting has taken place. Captain Ward has displayed the greatest coolness and courage in action, combined with ability and keenness in the work entrusted to him.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Leslie Reginald Warren (late R.N.A.S.).

This officer has taken part in forty-six successful raids, fourteen of which he has led. In these operations his formation has only suffered one casualty. This remarkable immunity has been in the main due to his brilliant and skilful leadership; he combines keenness and determination with sound, clear judgment. In addition to raids, he has taken many area photographs, and carried out five long-distance reconnaissances, rendering valuable reports.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Eric Waterlow, M.C.

This officer has carried out thirty-three bombing raids and over forty solo photographic and long-distance reconnaissances far over the enemy lines. In one flight he took no less than 108 photographs. In these services he has proved himself an exceptionally skilful and resolute pilot; his railway reconnaissances have been markedly successful.

Lt. Donald Jayne Waterous.

Has been engaged in twenty-six long-distance bombing raids, and has rendered very valuable services, especially during a raid last month when enemy formations were met in great force. Lieut. Waterous displays great keenness and determination in his work, and is always ready to volunteer for any difficult task.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Eric John Webster (Sea Patrol).

Has carried out several long-distance reconnaissances and engaged enemy aircraft who were in superior numbers on many occasions. A few months ago he was engaged in a fight, and on the return journey home he had three forced landings. When he reached his base one engine had practically stopped.

Lieut. Patrick Eliot Welchman (K.O.S.B.).

A gallant, capable and determined leader of long-distance bombing raids. Within the past month he has rendered as deputy-leader very valuable services by resolute co-operation with his leader, and the success attained was in no small degree attributable to the presence of mind and grasp of the situation which this officer displayed. Lieut. Welchman has taken part in eighteen bombing raids, showing marked ability on all occasions.

Lieut. George Hedley Welsh.

During the last three and a-half months this officer has taken part in seventy-nine bombing raids. Many of these have been carried out by night, and he has displayed conspicuous bravery in descending to low altitudes to successfully attack his objective. One night he carried out four such attacks, exploding a dump and harassing troops on the ground.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Frederick Williams, M.C.

Since this officer was awarded the Military Cross for exceptional leadership of a long-distance bombing raid, he has taken part in twenty-seven successful operations over the lines, ten of which have been photographic reconnaissances. The information he has brought back has been of the greatest value. He is an excellent leader, and a most able instructor. Recently he led a formation to attack an important enemy town. Owing to thick mists and low clouds he was unable to locate his objective. Turning, he succeeded in locating another town, which he bombed with excellent effect, despite heavy hostile anti-aircraft fire.

Lieut. Norman Edmundson Williams (Sea Patrol).

Was engaged in a long-distance bombing raid on an enemy aircraft station under very difficult circumstances, and carried out a successful attack from a low height in the face of severe enemy fire.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Clarence Edward Williamson-Jones (Manchester Regiment).

This officer has completed over 50 successful G.B. shoots, frequently under adverse weather conditions, and in face of severe opposition from aeroplanes and anti-aircraft fire. The success of these operations was in many cases mainly due to his courage and

perseverance. On one occasion, flying at 2,000 feet, he held up for a time the advance of hostile infantry.

2nd Lieut. (Hon. Capt.) Hugh Brian Wilson (A.S. Corps).

This officer has taken part in fourteen long-distance night bomb raids; by descending to low altitudes and directing his machine well over the objective he drops his bombs with great accuracy. On two recent important raids it was entirely due to his skilful observation and resolute determination that the objective was successfully reached and effectively bombed despite unfavourable weather and heavy anti-aircraft fire.

Lieut. Joseph Charles Wilson.

While on a photographic reconnaissance the rudder controls of this officer's machine were shot away. Shortly afterwards he was attacked by three enemy scouts; he handled his damaged machine so skilfully that his observer was enabled to shoot down one out of control, and force the remaining two to retire. He then flew back to his aerodrome, where, owing to his rudder being out of action, he crashed, fracturing both legs and an arm. In all, he has carried out 66 bombing raids, invariably showing fine courage and initiative.

Lieut. Walter Albert Yeulett (Sea Patrol).

Was engaged in a long-distance bombing raid on an enemy aircraft station, under very difficult circumstances, and carried out a successful attack from a low height in the face of severe enemy fire.

Captain John William Boldero Grigson.

Lieut. Oswald Robert Gayford (Observer) (Sea Patrol).

These two officers have flown together for a period of twelve months, during which time they participated in a number of bombing raids, carried out a large number of valuable reconnaissance patrols and escort flights in all weathers, by day and night, during the performance of which duties they have brought down hostile aircraft on several occasions. No task is too difficult for these officers.

Capt. (T./Maj.) Egbert Cadbury, D.S.C. (Pilot).

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Robert Leckie, D.S.O., D.S.C. (Observer).

Lieut. Ralph Edmund Keys (Pilot) (Sea Patrol).

These officers attacked and destroyed a large enemy airship which recently attempted a raid on the North-East Coast, and also succeeded in damaging a second airship. The services rendered on this occasion were of the greatest value, and the personal risk was very considerable for aeroplanes a long way out from land.

AWARDED THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING MEDAL.

222763 Sgt. Percy John Adkins, D.S.M. (Woolacombe).

A highly competent and gallant observer. He was largely instrumental in the success of two long-distance bombing raids. This

non-commissioned officer uses his experience to the greatest advantage, and has set a fine example of devotion to duty.

No. 202615 Cpl. (Aerial Gunlayer) Leonard Albert Allen (Henly-in-Arden).

One of the keenest and most reliable gunlayers in his squadron. He has frequently been in action with enemy aeroplanes, and has flown for 100 hours on photographic and reconnaissance flights.

204157 Cpl. (E) William Norman Blacklock, D.S.M. (Hendon).

Whilst in action the oil tank of one of his engines was struck. Exposed to very heavy fire this mechanic, regardless of danger, went out on the plane, and, with his hand, stopped a heavy leakage of oil, and so enabled the machine to fly a considerable distance and land within reach of help.

K/3007 1st Pte. Aerial - Gunner Sydney Frank Briggs (Brighton).

For distinguished service in an attack on an enemy seaport, when he sunk a hostile destroyer by a direct hit from a bomb.

No. 206181 Serjt. Mech. Thomas Caird, D.S.M. (Edinburgh).

Has assisted to destroy hostile aircraft on several occasions, and has been frequently in action. Serjt. Caird has been twice shot down in flights a long distance away from his base, and always performs his duties with gallantry and zeal.

No. 224573 Serjt. Mech. William George Chapman, D.S.M. (Streatham, S.W.).

Has been a member of a seaplane crew on practically every long-distance patrol. He has taken part with zeal, gallantry, and coolness in numerous engagements with hostile aircraft.

No. 223740 1st Class Pte. (Gunlayer) James Chapman (Percy Main, N.-on-Tyne).

During a recent raid four of our machines were attacked by twelve enemy aeroplanes. The pilot of this observer's machine was badly wounded, and lost consciousness. The machine fell out of control, but Pte. Chapman took control from his seat and flew the machine back to our aerodrome, and landed without breaking a wire, exhibiting skill and presence of mind worthy of the highest praise.

65289 1st Class Pte. (A./Serjt.) Ernest Clare (Chorley).

Has been engaged on seventeen long-distance bombing raids. He has displayed skill and coolness in handling his gun on the numerous occasions on which his formation has been attacked by hostile aircraft. Serjt. Clare has rendered valuable services as an observer on photographic reconnaissances as well as on long-distance raids.

F/9689 Act. A./M. (W.T.) Albert Edward Clark (Woodford).

Has been employed flying as an observer for nine months, during which period he has rendered valuable services; on two occasions he dropped bombs over enemy submarines.

No. 202067 Serjt. Mech. Sydney Hinton Crook (Horley, Surrey).

Has carried out a great deal of useful work as engineer on seaplane long-distance patrols. Has been in many engagements with hostile seaplanes, and has always behaved with courage and coolness.

No. 228395 3rd A./M. (W./T.) Cyril Rupert Deeley (Birmingham).

Has carried out consistently good work on special reconnaissance patrols over hostile waters. On a recent occasion he established wireless telegraphic communication with his base from a distance of 140 miles, after half his aerial had been shot away by hostile aircraft.

No. 121180 Serjt. William Dyke, D.C.M. (Nuneaton).

On all occasions this N.C.O. observer has carried out his work conscientiously and well, notably when engaged on photographic service, obtaining excellent results often under very difficult conditions. Since joining his present squadron he has taken part in twenty-nine bombing raids, ten photographic flights, and fourteen reconnaissances, many at low altitudes. On four occasions he has encountered large formations of enemy aeroplanes, and has himself shot down out of control three machines.

No. 210359 2nd A./M. (W./T.) George Alfred Gibbs (Pláistowe).

Has been engaged on long patrols for twelve months; carries out his duties under fire with gallantry, and can be thoroughly relied upon in any emergency.

113763 Serjt. John Charles Hagan (Ulverston).

A gallant and skilful aerial gunner who shows the greatest keenness in his work on patrol. On one occasion he shot down an enemy machine after he himself had been wounded.

210675 Pte./2 (Gunlayer) Arthur Tom. Harman (Edmonton, N.).

For gallantry in the air in assisting in the destruction of an enemy airship which recently attempted a raid on the North-East Coast of England. One airship was completely destroyed and another was damaged.

222927 1st Pte. (Aerial-Gunner) Albert Edward Humphrey (Plumstead, S.E.).

When escorting an important reconnaissance his machine was attacked by eight enemy aeroplanes. After firing several rounds his gun jammed, when he immediately picked up his spare gun, and, firing from his shoulder, brought down one of the enemy machines and continued firing on the others until he was severely wounded. Aerial-Gunner Humphrey has been 23 times engaged over enemy territory, and has proved himself gallant and resourceful on all occasions.

204706 A./A.Mt. (G) Gunlayer William Jones (Ealing).

He has taken part in 105 successful bombing raids and has shown conspicuous courage and determination often in the face of strong opposition and intense anti-aircraft fire. He has destroyed or brought down out of control six hostile machines.

225232 A./M. 1st Gd. (E) Douglas William Kirby (Swindon).

Whilst in action, his oil tank being pierced by a bullet, this airman climbed on to the wing and endeavoured to stop the flow of oil. Although exposed to heavy fire, he most gallantly remained at his post till the engine finally failed.

7054 Sjt.-Observer Frederick Lee (Ockley).

During a recent long-distance bombing raid the formation to which Sjt. Lee belonged was attacked when over the objective by 20 enemy scouts. He engaged one of them with his double gun, which caused the enemy machine to turn over on its back, and after various gyrations the pilot fell out of the aeroplane. This N.C.O. has proved himself a gallant and skilful observer, and in all respects a most reliable man in the air.

No. 208711 1st A./M. Alexander Robertson Moyes (Lewes).

Has always displayed gallantry and devotion to duty. Has flown for more than 300 hours in seaplanes, and has been in action with hostile aircraft on numerous occasions.

203962 A.M./2 (Gunlayer) David Lewis Moxey (Kennington, S.E.).

An excellent gunlayer observer. During a late raid he shot down and destroyed an Austrian seaplane, displaying marked skill and resource.

No. F.16604 A.C.1 (Gunlayer) William James Middleton (Woodford Green).

He has taken part in 67 raids and has shown conspicuous gallantry and skill in bombing enemy lines of communication, dumps and aerodromes. On one occasion he obtained six direct hits, despite intense anti-aircraft fire.

No. 67162 Pte., 1st Cl., Arthur Newland (Enfield Wash).

He is an excellent shot, and has done remarkably well as an observer, gaining the confidence of the pilots with whom he has served. He has personally assisted in shooting down five enemy aeroplanes.

211300 Sjt. Cecil Arthur Otway (Harringay, N.).

A very skilful observer on long-distance bombing raids. On a recent occasion, owing to exceptionally bad visibility, the objective town could not be found by the pilot. Sjt. Otway persisted, and eventually found the locality, and the great enemy war factory was most successfully bombed. This non-commissioned officer displays exceptional ability and great determination in the carrying out of any task assigned to him.

No. 21530 1st Cl. Air Mech. Cecil Herbert Palmer (Weston-super-Mare).

This airman displays conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On six occasions he has been shelled while on observation duty in a balloon, but he has invariably completed his task. In one attack his balloon was punctured in nine places.

No. 205416 Corpl. Mech. Thomas Mayne Reid (Banbridge, co. Down).

Has flown for 300 hours in seaplanes, and has been engaged in many long reconnaissances.

Recently he was forced to alight after a fight with hostile aircraft, and effected an engine repair on the spot, which enabled the seaplane to return home.

206515 Serjt. Mech. (E) Henry Robert Stubbington (Southsea).

Deserves the highest praise for his coolness and skill in repairing the oil pipe of his seaplane in a very heavy sea. The damage occurred in an attack on a Zeppelin, and his good service in repairing the pipe prevented the machine falling into the hands of hostile destroyers which were in pursuit.

221380 Corpl. (Gunlayer) George Ernest Thrift (Bordon, Hants).

A most reliable gunlayer observer who has taken part in numerous bombing raids, invariably rendering valuable service.

225673 Pte. 1st Cl. Gunlayer, Douglas Wentworth (Ereth).

Whilst taking part in a bombing raid on hostile docks his machine was attacked by several enemy aeroplanes and badly shot about, the petrol supply pipe being perforated. Realising the danger of the machine catching fire, Pte. Wentworth, with great courage and presence of mind, climbed over the pilot and stopped the leakage with his hand.

AWARDED THE AIR FORCE CROSS.

Captain John Auguste Boret, M.C. (R. West Surrey Regt.).
Captain Sidney Robert Stammers.

AWARDED THE AIR FORCE MEDAL.

21929 Signalman Colin Hazlewood (Observer).

The undermentioned Officers and other Banks have been brought to notice in Despatches and Reports, for valuable services rendered:—

Lieut. Edward John Addis (Sea Patrol).
Capt. Rene Maurice Bayley (Sea Patrol).
Lieut. Leslie Wallis Beal (Pilot, temporary Sea Patrol duty, 36th Squadron).
Major, the Hon. Roger Coke (Airship Service).
Lieut. Graham Heath (Sea Patrol).
Lieut. (Hon. Capt.) John Frederick Horsey (Sea Patrol).
Lieut. Gordon Frank Hyams, D.F.C. (Sea Patrol).
Pilot-Ensign P. J. Ives, U.S.A., Aviation Service (Sea Patrol).
Capt. Geoffrey Littleton Lewis (Airship Service).
Pilot-Ensign J. F. McNamara, U.S.A. Aviation Service (Sea Patrol).
Lieut. Jaffray John Walter Nicholson (Sea Patrol).
Lieut. Frederick William Pickup (Sea Patrol).
Lieut. John Nettleton Raby (Observer), temporary Sea Patrol duty (36th Squadron).
Lieut. Albert Cyril Sharwood (Sea Patrol).
Capt. Charles Thomas Tyrer (Sea Patrol).
2nd Lieut. Thomas Willis (Sea Patrol).
208368 1st Class Clerk A. H. Ashton (Basingstoke).
204286 Serjt. Mech. R. H. (C.) F. B. Clark (Folkestone).

219078 Serjt. (G) J. A. Helsden (New Cross, S.E.).
 5485 F./Serjt. C. W. Janes (Tonbridge).
 6312 Serjt. H. A. Longman (Wark-on-Tyne).
 201149 Chief Mech. (E) L. G. Miles (Harlesden).
 208042 Serjt. Mech. (E) R. H. Powell (Brixton, S.W.).
 208284 A./M. 1st Class (A) E. A. Stally (Hastings).

AWARDS OF FOREIGN DECORATIONS.

DECORATIONS CONFERRED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC.

Awarded the Croix d'Officier of the Legion of Honour.

Lieut.-Col. (T./Brig.-Gen.) Tom Ince Webb-Bowen, C.M.G. (Bedford Regt.).

Awarded the Croix d'Officier of the Legion of Honour and Croix de Guerre.

Lieut.-Col. George William Patrick Dawes, D.S.O. (Roy. Berks Regt.).

Awarded the Croix de Chevalier of the Legion of Honour and Croix de Guerre.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Gerald Ernest Gibbs, M.C.

Awarded the Croix de Chevalier of the Legion of Honour.

Capt. (T./Major) Gilbert Ware Murlis Green, D.S.O., M.C.

Awarded the Croix de Guerre.

2nd Lieut. Allan Finlay Alexander.

Lieut. William George Barker, D.S.O., M.C.

Lieut. Thomas Henry Barry (Royal Garrison Artillery).

Capt. (T./Major) Charles Edgar Bryant, D.S.O. (7th Hussars).

Capt. Frederic Carr.

Lieut. Charles Reay Coffey. (Killed 27th May 1918.)

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Stanley Beresford Collett (Durham L.I.).

Capt. (T./Major) John Ogilvie Davis, M.C.

Lieut. Arthur Nooght Dufton.

Lieut. Acheson Gosford Goulding, M.C.

Capt. Augustus Francis Woodward Gregory.

Lieut. Reuben George Hammersley.

2nd Lieut. Earl McNabb Hand.

Lieut. Charles Phillip Harrison, M.C. (Royal Engineers).

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Richard Harrison.

Lieut. Bertram Head, M.C. (North'd Fusers.).

Major George Henderson (Indian Army).

Lieut. (T./Capt.) James Duff Hewett.

Lieut. Harold Woolf Higham (Notts. & Derby.).

Lieut. Hugh Pughe Lloyd, M.C.

Capt. Frederick William Lowen.

Capt. (T./Major) William Robert Brown McBain, M.C.

2nd Lieut. Anthony Nugent.

Lieut. Charles Dudley Palmer (A. & S. Highlanders).

Capt. Samuel Richard Penrose-Welstead D.F.C.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Geoffrey Arthur Hensell Pidcock.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Edmond Robert Harris Pollak, M.C. (R. Artillery).

Lieut. George Augustus Bellair Ross (Liverpool Regt.).

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Edward Telford de Lauret Simpson.

Capt. Richard Percyvale Ward, M.C. (Royal Welsh Fus.).

Lieut. Frederick Williams.

2nd Lieut. Percy Wilson.

240289 Sergt. Mech. (Observer) Francis Leonard Roberts (Finsbury Sq.).

DECORATION CONFERRED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF ITALY.

Military Order of Savoy—Officer.

Lieut.-Col. (T./Brig.-Genl.) Tom Ince Webb-Bowen, C.M.G.

DECORATIONS CONFERRED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF BELGIUM.

Croix de Guerre (Belgian).

Colonel (T./Brig.-Genl.) Charles Laverock Lamb, C.M.G., D.S.O.

Chevalier de l'Ordre de la Couronne.

Lieut. John Cunningham Mitchell.

DECORATIONS AWARDED BY THE HELLENIC GOVERNMENT.

Silver War Medal.

Lieut. (Hon. Capt.) Charles Gilmour, D.S.C.

Lieut. (Hon. Capt.) Harold Thomas Mellings, D.S.C., D.F.C.

Cross of Commander of the Order of the Redeemer.

Lieut.-Col. George William Patrick Dawes, D.S.O. (R. Berks Regt.).

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