

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