

one. The success of this raid was mainly due to the brilliant and daring leadership of this officer.

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2nd Lieut. (T./Lieut.) Ronald William Turner (York. R.).

A skilful and determined observer who in recent operations has shot down six enemy machines, accounting for two Albatross scouts in one flight.

Lieut. Arthur Whitehair Vigers, M.C. (R.E.).

A gallant and skilful airman. During the recent operations whilst leading a formation of eight machines he saw a group of twelve Fokker biplanes; without hesitation he attacked them, and, in the engagement, crashed two and shot down another out of control. Since June last he has crashed three enemy aeroplanes and driven down three out of control.

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2nd Lieut. Eric Walker.

This officer has taken part in thirty-five bombing raids, ten photographic flights and twenty-one reconnaissances, many at low altitudes. He is a most efficient and keen observer who has rendered as such most valuable service. Moreover, he is a bold and determined fighter when attacked, and has accounted for four enemy machines.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Frank Roy Walker (Mid'd'x R.).

An officer of untiring energy. In whatever task allotted, whether reconnaissance, attack on enemy troops, creating smoke screens or co-operating with our artillery, this officer displays a bold determination and devotion to duty worthy of very high praise.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) William Walker.

On August 9th accurate information as to the whereabouts of our cavalry patrols was urgently required; Captain Walker undertook to obtain this. After patrolling for three hours at a very low altitude, subjected to intense machine-gun fire, he brought back the requisite information. This officer had already completed two previous reconnaissances that day, and on the day before he had flown for six and a half hours engaging enemy aeroplanes and troops. A striking example of courage, endurance and devotion to duty.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Hazel Le Roy Wallace.

A gallant and most capable leader, who in many engagements has displayed marked ability and courage, notably in a recent attack on an aerodrome when he led his flight against the group of hangars allotted to him at an altitude of between 100 to 200 feet. By direct hits he destroyed three enemy aeroplanes and set fire to a hangar by machine-gun fire. In addition to above this officer has destroyed four aeroplanes and driven three down out of control.

Lieut. Henry Charles Willcox Walters.

Has carried out many successful reconnaissances of the enemy's positions and has brought back very valuable information.

Lieutenant Walters destroyed two enemy machines in air fighting a short time ago, and always displays a fine example of courage and devotion to duty.

Lieut. Wilfred Beckwith Ward.

During the recent operations this officer has shown great enterprise and initiative in observing from kite balloons the fire of our artillery, and his services have been of the greatest value. Whilst on this duty Lieutenant Ward's balloon has been shot down on three occasions; displaying remarkable coolness and courage he has at once ascended in a fresh balloon and completed his task.

Lieut. Edward George Kinton Weakley.

On 8th August this officer attacked an enemy machine gun which was in action against our infantry and tanks. Early in the combat he was severely wounded in the leg; he nevertheless continued his attack and eventually silenced the gun. He then flew back to his aerodrome, where on landing he collapsed. His persistence in continuing the attack after he had been so severely wounded stamps him as an officer of great courage, possessing a very high sense of devotion to duty.

Lieut. Robert Kenneth Whitney, 60 Sqn.

Bold in attack, skilful in manoeuvre, this officer sets a fine example to his whole squadron. Since 6th July he has destroyed four enemy aeroplanes.

Lieut. Ernest John Whyte.

A very gallant Pilot, who has been engaged in forty-four successful operations since the 3rd November, 1917, in seven of which he was leader, and in eleven cases deputy leader.

Lieutenant Whyte has always displayed the utmost courage and remarkable determination in his work. Physically he is weak, but notwithstanding this heavy disadvantage nothing deters him.

Lieut. (T./Capt.) Thomas Melling Williams, M.C.

During recent operations this officer rendered most gallant and valuable service, proving himself to be a very capable and inspiring leader. On one occasion, observing three enemy railway trains, he dived, and in face of very heavy machine-gun fire seriously damaged one by a direct hit with a bomb. He then descended almost to the ground, and attacked the personnel escaping from the ruined train, scattering them in all directions. On returning to his aerodrome his machine was found to be riddled with bullets.

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Lieut. (T./Capt.) Frank Beamish Wilson.

On 9th August Captain Wilson observed that the enemy were bringing up reinforcements in lorries to meet a French attack. Descending to a low altitude, he dropped bombs, and, causing considerable damage, he stopped their advance. He then attacked with machine gun fire the troops descending from the lorries. By this prompt action Captain Wilson rendered very valuable service.