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FRIDAY, 8 NOVEMBER, 1918.

*Air Ministry,
8th November, 1918.*

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Victoria Cross to

Lieut. (actg. Capt.) Ferdinand Maurice Felix West, M.C., Royal Air Force (formerly of the Special Reserve, Royal Munster Fusiliers), in recognition of his outstanding bravery in aerial combat.

Captain West, while engaging hostile troops at a low altitude far over the enemy lines, was attacked by seven aircraft. Early in the engagement one of his legs was partially severed by an explosive bullet, and fell powerless into the controls, rendering the machine for the time unmanageable. Lifting his disabled leg, he regained control of the machine, and, although wounded in the other leg, he, with surpassing bravery and devotion to duty, manœuvred his machine so skilfully that his observer was enabled to get several good bursts into the enemy machines, which drove them away. Captain West then, with rare courage and determination, desperately wounded as he was, brought his machine over our lines and landed safely. Exhausted by his exertions, he

fainted, but on regaining consciousness insisted on writing his report.
(The award of the Military Cross was gazetted on 26th July, 1918.)

AWARDS OF FOREIGN DECORATIONS.

His Majesty the KING has granted unrestricted permission for the wearing of the undermentioned Decorations, conferred on the Officers indicated for valuable services in connection with the War:—

CONFERRED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC.

(FOR SERVICES IN FLANDERS.)

Croix de Guerre avec Palme.

- Major (A./Lt.-Col.) Herbert Arthur Reginald Aubrey, M.C. (Sea Patrol) (Shrops. L.I.).
- Capt. Rene Maurice Bayley (Sea Patrol) (S.A. Horse).
- Major Bertram Charles Bell, D.S.O., D.S.C. (Sea Patrol).
- Lieut. (A./Capt.) Robert Mathan Berthe (Sea Patrol).
- Lieut. William Black, M.C. (Sea Patrol) (Cam'n Highrs.).
- Major Herbert George Brackley, D.S.O., D.S.C. (Sea Patrol).

Lieut. (A./Capt.) Colin Peter Brown, D.F.C. (Sea Patrol).
 Lieut. Archibald Buchanan, D.F.C. (Sea Patrol).
 Col. (A./Brig.-Gen.) Charles Laverock Lambe, C.M.G., D.S.O. (Sea Patrol).
 Lieut. George Selby Lewtas (Sea Patrol).
 2nd Lieut. (A./Lieut.) Hamish Duncan McLaren, D.F.C. (Sea Patrol).
 Lieut. (A./Capt.) Thomas Walter Nash, D.F.C. (Sea Patrol).
 Major (A./Lt.-Col.) Edward Osmond (Sea Patrol).

(FOR SERVICES IN ITALY.)

Major John Tudor Whittaker, M.C. (A.S.C.)

CONFERRED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF ITALY.

Order of the Crown of Italy, Grand Officer.

Lieut.-General Sir David Henderson, K.C.B., D.S.O.
 Major John Lawrence Baird, C.M.G., D.S.O., M.P. (Scottish Horse).

Order of the Crown of Italy, Commander.

Maj.-Gen. Sir Hugh Montague Trenchard, K.C.B., D.S.O.

Maj.-Gen. Sir Godfrey Marshall Paine, K.C.B., M.V.O.

Maj.-Gen. William Sefton Brancker, A.F.C. (Roy. Arty.)

Maj.-Gen. John Maitland Salmond, C.M.G., C.V.O., D.S.O. (Roy. Lanc. Regt.).

Lieut.-Col. (actg. Brig.-Gen.) Guy Livingston, C.M.G. (London Regt.).

Maj.-Gen. Sir Charles Edward Callwell, K.C.B. (formerly attached Air Board).

Order of the Crown of Italy, Officer.

Lieut.-Col. (actg. Brig.-Gen.) James George Weir, C.M.G. (R.F.A.).

Lieut.-Col. (actg. Brig.-Gen.) Cyril Louis Norton Newall (Gurkha Rifles).

Lieut.-Col. Ivan Buchanan Davson.

Lieut.-Col. (actg. Col.) The Hon. William Francis Forbes-Sempill, Master of Sempill, A.F.C.

Order of the Crown of Italy, Cavaliere.

Lieut.-Col. Alexander Emil Jacques Reiss, O.B.E.

Major Albert Victor Thompson.

Capt. (actg. Maj.) Fernley Turner Bridger.

Capt. Francis Gordon Hogarth.

Order of St. Maurice and St. Lazarus, Officer.

Lieut.-Col. (actg. Brig.-Gen.) William Alexander, C.M.G., D.S.O. (Roy. Highrs.).

The Order of St. Maurice and St. Lazarus, Cavaliere.

Major The Hon. Edward Alexander Stonor.

Capt. (actg. Maj.) John Evelyn Leslie Wrench, C.M.G.

Major (temp. Lt.-Col. in Army) Thomas Brocklehurst Phillips (formerly connected with Air Board).

Bronze Medal for Military Valour.

Capt. William Wedgwood Benn, D.S.O., D.F.C. (Lond. Yeo.).

CONFERRED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN.

The Order of the Rising Sun, 2nd Class.

Maj.-Gen. Sir Godfrey Marshall Paine, K.C.B., M.V.O.

The Order of the Rising Sun, 3rd Class.

Colonel (actg. Maj.-Gen.) Arthur Vyell Vyvyan, C.B., D.S.O.

Colonel (actg. Brig.-Gen.) Harold Douglas Briggs.

The Order of the Sacred Treasure, 3rd Class.

Lieut.-Colonel Harry Delacombe.

The Order of the Rising Sun, 4th Class.

Capt. (actg. Major) William Peer Groves.

CONFERRED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF BELGIUM.

(For services in France and Flanders.)

The Order of Leopold, Commander, together with the Belgian Croix de Guerre.

Major-General John Maitland Salmond, C.M.G., C.V.O., D.S.O. (R. Lanc. Regt.).

War Office,

8th November, 1918.

His Majesty the KING has approved of the undermentioned rewards in recognition of bravery in the field:—

AWARDED THE MILITARY CROSS.

2nd Lt. (Actg. Lt.) Frank Bacon Palmer, Royal Air Force.

On the night of 24th August, 1918, this officer performed very gallant and meritorious service. In an attack on one of our aerodromes by hostile aircraft, a hangar full of machines was set on fire, illuminating the whole camp, making the aerodrome an easy mark for the raiders, who continued dropping bombs for fifteen minutes. Great confusion ensued, and twenty officers and men were wounded.

Lt. Palmer was blown over by the explosion of a bomb, and although badly shaken he exhibited coolness and courage of a high order, and by his promptitude succeeded in collecting the wounded, placing them in comparative safety, and also managed to remove the machines and transport from the burning hangars and shelters, notwithstanding the continual dropping of the enemy's bombs in the area.

AWARDED THE MILITARY MEDAL.

63289 A./M.2 W. L. Baker, R.A. Force (Einedon).

9521 A./M.1 G. Emmitt, R.A. Force (Spalding, Lincs.).

99481 A./M.3 H. Flather, R.A. Force (Mexborough).

29263 Sjt.-Mech. W. E. Layzell, R.A. Force (Romford).

18387 Cpl.-Mech. F. Ludlow, R.A. Force (Haggerston, N.).

8680 Cpl.-Mech. E. Mabbutt, R.A. Force (Kingston-on-Thames).

114784 Sjt. J. Nichol, R.A. Force (Durham).

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27416 Sjt.-Mech. T. Owens, R.A. Force (Salisbury, Wilts.).	134856 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) S. A. Taylor, R.A. Force (Dundee).
19740 Pte. (1st) K. M. Paterson, R.A. Force (Clodden Moore, Inverness).	17991 A./M.1 A. Teakle, R.A. Force (Westminster, S.W.).
20243 Sjt.-Mech. G. T. Ridler, R.A. Force (Dursley).	104631 Cpl.-Mech. W. Windebank, R.A. Force (Guildford).
12375 Corpl. A. E. Sackett, R.A. Force (Bedford).	33801 A./M.1 A. J. Winter, R.A. Force (Peterborough).
24970 A./M.3 I. F. Sparks, R.A. Force (Sidmouth).	134709 A./M.3 D. A. Wood, R.A. Force (Ipswich).
9891 Sjt. F. W. J. Sibley, R.A. Force (Barking).	

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