

naissance of the hangars. During the whole time he was subjected to heavy anti-aircraft and machine-gun fire.

Lieut. (A./Capt.) Adrian William Edmund Reeves. (Sea Patrol, FLANDERS) (FRANCE)

This officer has done continuous good work during the past 4½ months, notably in the recent advance, when, between September 28th and October 5th, he carried out thirteen raids on enemy railway junctions. A bold and determined fighter, he has taken part in sixty-four raids, his observer and himself shooting down four enemy aeroplanes.

2nd Lieut. Albert Abram Robinson, M.C. (L'pool R.). (FRANCE)

On 6th September this officer's balloon was attacked by enemy aircraft and riddled with bullets, and he was compelled to make a parachute descent. On landing he at once obtained permission to re-ascend in another balloon and carry on his observation, displaying marked determination and devotion to duty. During the last month 2nd Lieut. Robinson has been forced to parachute three times.

(M.C. gazetted 26th Sept., 1917.)

Lieut. Oren John Rose. (FRANCE)

A very gallant officer who has accounted for nine enemy aeroplanes. On 29th September he observed an enemy scout attacking some of our machines; engaging it, he drove it down from 15,000 feet to 6,000 feet, when it fell in flames. On his return journey he attacked and destroyed an enemy two-seater.

Maj. George Samuel Sansom, M.C. (FRANCE)

A very able officer, who has completed nearly 600 hours of observation duty from balloons. He handles the balloon section under his command with consummate skill, notably on 18th September, when he advanced his section to forward positions in a manner deserving of high praise.

(M.C. gazetted 18th June, 1917.)

Capt. Gilbert James Scott (R.F.A.). (FRANCE)

A skilful and gallant officer, with a fine record of good service. On 23rd August he carried out a most successful contact patrol. Flying at a height of less than 500 feet, he obtained a most complete and accurate report of the whole corps front. During this patrol he engaged enemy troops, causing heavy casualties. His Observer was wounded and his machine badly shot about.

Lieut. (A./Capt.) William Allan Scott, D.S.C. (FRANCE)

This officer has completed sixty-three raids and has dropped over fifty tons of bombs on various objectives, causing very material damage. The courage, keenness, and skill Capt. Scott displays on these raids is remarkable, and affords a fine example to his squadron.

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Lieut. Harold Ernest Searson.

(FRANCE)

This officer has shown conspicuous courage and ability when on contact patrols, notably on 3rd September, when he made a most valuable and detailed report of a certain area, in consequence of which report our patrols were pushed forward in pursuit of the retreating enemy.

Lieut. (Hon. Capt.) Percival James Slater (S. Staff. R.). (FRANCE)

During the operations in September at every advance this officer went forward with his balloon across difficult country, keeping up with, and often in front of, our artillery. Subjected to heavy bombing, shell fire, and frequent attacks by enemy aircraft, Capt. Slater, with cool courage and marked ability, continued to carry out observations for the artillery, his balloon at times being severely holed.

Lieut. Duncan Ross Solomon (R.F.A.). (FRANCE)

During the operations between 21st August and 1st October this officer has spent over seventy hours in the air in all weathers, and has afforded valuable assistance to our artillery. His gallantry, initiative, and skill in handling his balloon has been most noteworthy.

2nd Lieut. Archie Thomas Sprangle. (FRANCE)

A skilful Observer of great determination. Between 1st and 5th September, under most adverse weather conditions and in face of hostile attacks in the air, 2nd Lieut. Sprangle directed fire on sixty-one enemy batteries, besides infantry, mechanical transport, and artillery on the move. In this service he displayed marked ability, and the successful results were largely due to his keenness and devotion to duty.

Lieut. (A./Capt.) Stanley Stanger, M.C. (ITALY)

A dashing and determined leader who has frequently engaged enemy formations in superior numbers, inflicting heavy casualties. On 4th October he, in company with another machine, engaged six enemy aeroplanes; three of these were destroyed, Captain Stanger accounting for two. In all he has destroyed five enemy machines, displaying on all occasions great courage and skill.

(M.C. gazetted 16th September, 1918.)

Lieut. (A./Capt.) Richard Stephenson (Ches. R.). (FRANCE)

During recent operations this officer has been conspicuous for courage, skill and perseverance, markedly on 4th September, when he carried out a special reconnaissance to ascertain the exact locality of the enemy's position, which information was urgently required; flying at two hundred feet, his machine was subjected to heavy fire, but with fine courage and determination he completed the reconnaissance, rendering a most valuable and accurate report of the situation.