maintained the combat until rescued by a patrol of our scouts.

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AWARDED A SECOND BAR TO THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS.

Capt. Ross Macpherson Smith, M.C., D.F.C. (Australian L.H. and Australian F.C.). (EGYPT)

On 19th October this officer, with Lieut. A. V. McCann as observer, engaged and drove down an enemy two-seater. As it appeared to land intact he descended to a low altitude and, with machine-gun fire, forced the occupants to abandon the machine; he then landed alongside it, and while his observer covered the enemy officers he set light to their machine and completely destroyed it. To have effected a landing in an unknown country, many miles in rear of the enemy's advanced troops, demanded courage and skill of a very high order.

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AWARDED A BAR TO THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS.

Lieut. (A./Capt.) Frederick Warrington Gillett, D.F.C. (FRANCE)

A pilot of great dash and skill who, since 3rd August, has destroyed twelve hostile aircraft. On 29th September, when on lowline patrol, he attacked three Fokkers, driving down one, which fell in flames.

(D.F.C. gazetted 2nd November, 1918.)

Lieut. (A./Capt.) Sidney William Highwood, D.F.C. (FRANCE)

A courageous officer who has proved himself a skilful and bold fighter. Since 2nd October he has destroyed three enemy machines and four kite balloons, and has in addition rendered valuable service in attacking enemy troops on the ground.

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

2nd Lieut. William Stanley Jenkins, D.F.C. (FRANCE)

An exceptionally skilful pilot, conspicuous for his courage and disregard of danger. Since 5th October he has accounted for four enemy aeroplanes crashed and one driven down out of control. On 10th November he crashed an enemy two-seater, and later on destroyed a Fokker, in addition to attacking enemy troops and transport with marked success.

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Major Allan Murray Jones, M.C., D.F.C. (Australian F.C.). (FRANCE)

By his keenness and enthusiasm Major Jones has inspired his squadron with a fine spirit of emulation and raised it to a high standard of efficiency. On 10th November he led his whole squadron on a low bombing raid against an enemy railway station. Descending to 100 feet, he remained at this low altitude till all his machines had com-

pleted the attack, though subjected to very heavy fire from machine guns. Owing to the steady deliberation of the attack, very serious damage was inflicted on the trains and rolling stock

(M.C. gazetted 26th April, 1917; D.F.C. gazetted 3rd June, 1918.)

Lieut. (A./Capt.) Camille Henri Raoul Lagesse, D.F.C. (FRANCE)

A scout leader of marked ability and daring who, since 28th August, has destroyed thirteen enemy aeroplanes, displaying at all times brilliant leadership and courage. On 2nd October, when leading a patrol of four machines, he dived on eight Fokkers; four, of these were destroyed, Captain Lagesse accounting for one.

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Lieut. (A./Capt.) Walter Hunt Longton, D.F.C., A.F.C. (FRANCE)

Between 29th September and 9th October this officer carried out twelve tactical reconnaissances, bringing back most valuable information; he also displayed great gallantry in attacking enemy troops on the ground. On 9th October, when on a low patrol, he observed a machine-gun nest which appeared to be the sole obstacle to our cavalry advance. Having informed the cavalry and field artillery of the situation, he co-operated with the former in their attack, and, after the enemy had been driven out, pursued them with machine-gun fire as they retreated.

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Lt. (A./Capt.) Oren John Rose, D.F.C. (FRANCE)

A brilliant and fearless leader who, since 9th October, has destroyed seven enemy aeroplanes. His personal example of skill and determination in aerial combats and in attacking troops and transport on the ground is of the greatest value in maintaining the high standard of efficiency in his squadron.

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Lt. (A./Capt.) Benjamin Roxburgh-Smith.

O.F.C. (FRANCE)

A leader of outstanding merit whose influence has had a great effect on maintaining the morale of his squadron. He has engaged in many combats with hostile aeroplanes, displaying marked skill and courage. Since May last he has accounted for twelve-hostile machines.

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Lt. (A./Capt.) William Ernest Shields, D.F.C. (FRANCE)

Bold in attack and skilful in manœuvre, this officer is conspicuous for his success and daring in aerial combats. On 22nd September, when on offensive patrol, he was attacked by fourteen Fokkers; he succeeded in shooting down one. On another occasion he was attacked by six scouts and destroyed one of these. In all, since 28th June, this officer has accounted for fourteen enemy aircraft.

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