

Squadron Leader Delap then continued the reconnaissance which produced valuable results.

Awarded the Distinguished Flying Medal.

580132 Sergeant Richard Samuel GUNNING.

During March, 1940, this airman was the pilot of an aircraft engaged on a reconnaissance flight over a strongly defended area of the Heligoland Bight. When coming through the clouds at 2,500 feet a submarine was sighted on the surface. Sergeant Gunning at once dived and attacked giving the submarine no chance to submerge. Four bombs were dropped the submarine being hit between the stern and conning tower.

Air Ministry,

2nd April, 1940.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

The undermentioned are granted commissions for the duration of hostilities as Pilot Officers on probation. 17th Jan. 1940:—

Sergeants.

565409 Harold Reginald CROWLEY (42971).
560970 George Jacques GROGAN (42972).
566904 Thomas Allen WHITING (42973).

Corporal.

519649 Ranulf TREVOR-ROPER (42974).

Leading Aircraftmen.

524015 William APPLEBY (42975).
527653 John Charles FUNNELL (42976).

The undermentioned are granted temporary commissions as Pilot Officers on being employed with the Royal Air Force on the dates stated:—

Lieutenants.

7th Mar. 1940.

Alan Leigh DAVIS (R.E. (T.A.)) (42977).
Donald Frederick Edgar Charles DEAN (R.A. (T.A.)) (42997).
Christopher Ronal Alastair FORSYTH (Dorset R.) (42983).
Ian Stirling GRIEVE (Leicester R. (S.R.)) (42982).
Thomas Francis GUEST (Gloster R. (T.A.)) (42985).
Harry Woolfenden LINDLEY (Manch. R. (T.A.)) (42978).
Douglas Grant REDMAN (R. Tank R.) (42980).
Owen George Endicott ROBERTS (S. Guards) (43001).
Geoffrey Lawrence ROSCOE (R.E. (T.A.)) (42990).

2nd Lieutenants.

7th Mar. 1940.

John FOTHERGILL (R.A. (T.A.)) (42979).
Arthur Elliott LEE (R. Tank R. (S.R.)) (42981).
Patrick Bernard HALL (D.W.R.) (42984).
Philip Thomas EMPSON (R.E. (T.A.)) (42986).
James Derek THIRLWELL (R.E. (T.A.)) (42987).

Richard Waugh HARRIS (R.E. (T.A.)) (42988).

Ian Malcolm TAIT (R.E. (T.A.)) (42989).
David Kinnell MORRISON (R.E. (T.A.)) (42991).

Peter Jacques MORGAN (3rd H.) (42992).
Stanley William VERNON (R. Tank R. (S.R.)) (42993).

Robert Douglas ROBERTSON (Seaforth (S.R.)) (42994).

John Anthony EDWARDS (Welch R. (T.A.)) (42995).

Robert Vincent NORRIS (Welch R. (S.R.)) (42996).

Michael JUBB (R.E. (T.A.)) (42998).

Algernon Christopher CHALDECOTT (R.E. (T.A.)) (42999).

Hugh CORBETT-WILSON (R. Sussex R. (S.R.)) (43000).

Gilbert Ian THWAITES (King's Own R.) (43002).

John Ernest WHITE (Welch R. (T.A.)) (43003).

Maurice Leslie Perry BARTLETT (Border R.) (43004).

Lawrence Denis EMBLEM (R. Tank R. (S.R.)) (43011).

Raymond Sidney SMITH (R.E. (T.A.)) (43005).

Richard Chester LAWSON (R. Tank R. (S.R.)) (43006).

Walter Bernard St. John MONTAGU (R.A. (T.A.)) (43007).

8th Mar. 1940.

Arthur Herbert LAING (R. Tank R.) (43008).

Roger Montagu Dickenson HALL (R. Tank R.) (43009).

18th Mar. 1940.

Thomas Kenneth KINGSTON (R.A. (T.A.)) (43010).

The undermentioned Flying Officers are promoted to the rank of Flight Lieutenant. 26th Mar. 1940:—

Richard Kemp WILDEY (37437).

John BUTTERWORTH (37380).

Bryan BELL (37375).

Geoffrey Cockayne HYDE (37403).

John MacLachlan Harvey SINCLAIR (37428).

Edward John BROOKS (37378).

Gerald Charles Neil CLOSE, E.C.M. (37383).

The undermentioned Pilot Officers are promoted to the rank of Flying Officer on the dates stated:—

23rd Mar. 1940.

Aubrey Glen CURTIS (36160).

John Ernest EDWARDS (36151).

Henry Hayden HASZARD (36150).

Michael Arnold POULTON (36148).

John Aloysius SIEBERT (36155).

Peter Edward Campbell STRAHAN (36154).

Leonard Henry TRENT (36146).

James Edward VERNON (36145).

Jack Edmund WATTS (36144).

George Peter WILDISH (40275).

Wilfrid Albert BLAKE (40202).

Herome Alexander INNES, D.F.C. (40227).

Peter William Hansford KITE (40231).

Alvin Thomas WILLIAMS (40276).

William Henry TREMEAR (40270).