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ROYAL AIR FORCE.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the undermentioned appointments and awards in recognition of gallantry displayed in flying operations against the enemy:—

*Appointed Companions of the Distinguished Service Order.*

Squadron Leader John Scatliff DEWAR, D.F.C. (26029).

Before intensive operations started this officer injured his right shoulder in a severe flying accident. Despite this, he flew regularly and led his squadron with skill and dash, more than 60 enemy aircraft being destroyed by them. He remained in command of the squadron throughout the operations, in spite of the injured shoulder, trained his new pilots well and continued throughout to be a very efficient commander, inculcating an excellent spirit in his squadron.

Squadron Leader Edward Mortlock DONALDSON (32043).

This officer has inspired such a fine fighting spirit in his squadron that, on the first encounter with enemy forces, nine aircraft of his squadron destroyed six enemy aircraft, and a further five were believed to have been destroyed. Four or five enemy aircraft were

accounted for on the following day. His high courage and his inspiring qualities of leadership have made his squadron a formidable fighting unit. He has, himself, shot down four enemy aircraft.

Squadron Leader John Oliver William OLIVER, D.F.C. (26208).

This officer commanded a squadron in France until he was invalided to England on 19th May, 1940. The small losses in his squadron were directly due to his leadership and instruction. Over 50 enemy aircraft have been brought down by the squadron, of which Squadron Leader Oliver himself accounted for at least eight. Although ill from the effects of Glycol when his engine was damaged, he did not allow his condition to handicap his flying or his administration. He was an incomparable fighter commander and his personal example in the air and on the ground was a very great inspiration to his pilots. It was, in fact, necessary to restrain him from flying again after his aircraft had been shot down and he had landed by parachute.

Acting Squadron Leader Joseph Robert KAYLL, D.F.C. (90276).

Owing to his inspiring training and leadership this officer's squadron has destroyed 32 enemy aircraft. The squadron responded to every call made and, in particular, made several important and dangerous reconnaissances for the Army. Squadron Leader