

and has since destroyed at least five, and shared in the destruction of one other. On one occasion he was himself shot down and forced to return on foot to his base. Flight Lieutenant Wykeham-Barnes has displayed dauntless leadership and the finest fighting spirit.

Flying Officer Grenville Edwin Pembroke GREEN (39517), No. 55 Squadron.

In October, 1940, Flying Officer Green, although wounded and with the hydraulic gun control and instrument board out of action, successfully bombed the enemy concentration of aircraft at El Aden and, regardless of prolonged attacks by enemy fighters, brought his aircraft and crew safely home.

Acting Flying Officer George Frederick REID (44129), No. 49 Squadron.

In November, 1940, Flying Officer Reid was the navigator of an aircraft detailed to attack military objectives in Dantzig and to scatter leaflets in Poland. By his skillful and accurate navigation he contributed largely to the success of the operation which was completed in ten and a half hours in spite of extremely difficult conditions. Flying Officer Reid has completed 32 operational flights over enemy and enemy-occupied territory and his work has been of the greatest assistance to his pilots. He has shown outstanding skill, courage and devotion to duty.

Lieutenant Edward George ARMSTRONG, No. 11 Squadron, South African Air Force.

In August and September, 1940, regardless of attacks by enemy fighters, Lieutenant Armstrong, with conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty, obtained photographs of strategical value in the Mogadishu area. The photographs were instrumental in locating important targets which were later demolished by his squadron.

Pilot Officer Reginald Owen BUSKELL (77460), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 18 Squadron.

One night in November, 1940, Pilot Officer Buskell was the pilot of an aircraft detailed to attack Melun aerodrome. After patrolling the neighbourhood for 45 minutes he located his target and immediately delivered a low-level attack from 2,500 feet. The first two 250 lb. bombs were seen to hit the hangers while the third scored a direct hit and destroyed an aircraft on the ground. In spite of intense and accurate light anti-aircraft fire which hit the aircraft in several places and rendered the port aileron useless, Pilot Officer Buskell delivered a second attack from a height of only 800 feet scoring direct hits on the hangers with his remaining bombs. He displayed great courage and determination in pressing home his attack at a low altitude.

Awarded the Distinguished Flying Medal.

741928 Sergeant Gordon Ernest PRICE, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 49 Squadron.

In November, 1940, this airman was captain of an aircraft detailed to attack military objectives in Dantzig and to drop leaflets in Poland. In spite of hazardous conditions involving long periods of instrument flying,

he completed his tasks successfully and returned to base after ten and a half hours flying. A few nights earlier, he carried out a successful attack on Kiel in extremely dangerous flying conditions. In all his operational missions Sergeant Price has shown outstanding skill, courage and devotion to duty.

94188 Air Corporal Phillip Cane SEWELL, No. 11 Squadron, South African Air Force.

Corporal Sewell has displayed continuous gallantry and devotion to duty while photographing points of immense military and strategical value in the Mogadishu area in August and September, 1940.

*India Office,
29th November, 1940.*

The KING has approved the following promotions, appointments, retirements, etc.:—

INDIAN ARMY.

The undermentioned officers retire:—

Maj.-Gen. C. E. Edward-Collins, C.B., C.I.E.,
15th Sept. 1940.

Lt.-Col. J. W. Thomson-Glover, C.B.E., 13th
July 1940.

Maj. M. G. Rowcroft, 1st Sept. 1940.

"Spec. List" of Qr.-Mrs. I.A.

The undermentioned appt. is made:—

R.S.M.I. William Gordon, from I.U.L., to be
Lt. (Qr.-Mr.), 7th Sept. 1940.

Maj. (Qr.-Mr.) G. E. Foster retires 29th Aug.
1940.

Emergency Commissions.

The undermentioned appts. are made:—

To be 2nd Lts.

1st Aug. 1940.

James Archibald Gill.

Robert Charles Harvey Homer.

7th Aug. 1940.

John Peter William Berger.

10th Aug. 1940.

John Robert Seal.

21st Aug. 1940.

Cecil Douglas Smith.

1st Sept. 1940.

William Burfield Hunt.

Thomas Bernard Lawrence.

Edwin George Mackie.

Actg. R.S.M. Denis Ward, I.U.L.

3rd Sept. 1940.

Karel Vaclav Herbrych.

Edward Bernard Lewin Hill.

Thomas James Lever.

Thomas Alfred Taylor, M.C.

4th Sept. 1940.

Thomas Arthur Palmer.

6th Sept. 1940.

John Hamilton Courtney Gayer.

7th Sept. 1940.

Gerald Durand Cole.

9th Sept. 1940.

William Turner.

Charles St. John-Ives.

11th Sept. 1940.

Gavin Smith Johnston.