

- \*Zerbino, Doris Alberta; Italy; Of no occupation; 27, William Street, Totterdown, Bristol. 12 August, 1941.
- \*Zolner, Mary Jane; Russia; Of no occupation; 28, Sussex Terrace, Brighton, Sussex. 21 July, 1941.
- \*Zoob, Sarah; Poland; Of no occupation; 67, Pembroke Crescent, Hove, Sussex. 11 August, 1941.

*Air Ministry,*

*23rd September, 1941.*

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

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

*Distinguished Flying Cross.*

Acting Squadron Leader Joseph Shaw KENNEDY (81351), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 226 Squadron.

This officer has completed twenty operational sorties in daylight with damaging results. In June, 1941, he carried out a very successful low-level attack on railway yards south of Oldenburg causing great damage to rolling stock. Some time afterwards he participated in a raid on Nordeney. After bombing he attacked gun emplacements on the coast with machine-gun fire. In an attack on shipping in July, 1941, Squadron Leader Kennedy, flying at a height of only 50 feet, bombed and destroyed an 8,000 ton merchant vessel. In August, 1941, he participated in an attack on enemy shipping off the Dutch coast. In the face of intense anti-aircraft fire, he pressed home his attack from about 50 feet and destroyed a 4,000 ton merchant vessel. Squadron Leader Kennedy has displayed great leadership, courage and devotion to duty.

Acting Squadron Leader Arthur Deane NESBITT (C1327), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 401 Squadron.

This officer has displayed fine leadership and exceptional devotion to duty throughout a long period of active operations against the enemy. On a particular occasion in December, 1940, Squadron Leader Nesbitt led a section of aircraft over the sea for two hours without wireless assistance in extremely adverse weather conditions; visibility was practically nil. His judgment enabled the section eventually to land safely, although their petrol was practically exhausted, without loss to personnel. Squadron Leader Nesbitt has destroyed two enemy aircraft.

Acting Squadron Leader James Herbert THOMPSON (70671), Reserve of Air Force Officers, No. 269 Squadron.

Flying Officer William John Oswald COLEMAN (42395), No. 269 Squadron.

Squadron Leader Thompson and Flying Officer Coleman, were pilot and navigator bomb aimer respectively of an aircraft in which they carried out a successful attack on an enemy submarine. In very poor weather conditions, Flying Officer Coleman skilfully navigated to the position and, co-operating splendidly with his pilot, attacked with such good effect that the submarine surfaced. When Squadron Leader Thompson opened fire with his machine guns, the submarine crew waved a white flag. One of His Majesty's destroyers later took charge of the submarine. The success of the operation was undoubtedly due to the splendid teamwork of these two officers. Both Squadron Leader Thompson and Flying Officer Coleman have previously carried out numerous operational missions.

SUMMARY.

The foregoing list contains 208 cases, viz.:—  
3 American, 1 Belgian, 1 Danish, 3 Dutch, 2 French, 41 German, 144 Italian, 1 No Nationality, 1 Polish, 1 Roumanian, 6 Russian, 1 Swiss and 3 other Nationalities. Of these, 199 (including 2 American, 1 Belgian, 1 Danish, 1 Doubtful, 3 Dutch, 2 French, 39 German, 144 Italian, 1 Japanese, 1 Polish, 4 Russian) relate to women of British origin.

\*Re-admission to British Nationality.

CHANGE OF NAME.

LIST of ALIENS to whom Exemptions under Section 7 of the Aliens Restriction (Amendment) Act, 1919, have been granted up to 31st August, 1941.

The name printed in larger type is that in respect of which the Exemption has been granted: then follow the former Name or Names and the Occupation or Business of the Alien or Aliens:—

SHEPPERSON, J. R.: Friedrich Stern, Export Agent in Hosiery; 6, Exchange House, Old Change, London, E.C.2.

DOOKER; Eva Chong, 45, Fincham Square, Huyton, Liverpool, 14.

*Factory Department, Ministry of Labour  
and National Service.*

*19th September, 1941.*

The Chief Inspector of Factories has appointed Dr. C. S. Wise to be Examining Surgeon under the Factories Act, 1937, for the Sandwich District of the County of Kent.

*Downing Street,  
12th September, 1941.*

The KING has been pleased to approve the re-appointment of Major Reginald Lewis Nunn, D.S.O. (Director of Public Works), to be an Official Member of the Executive Council of the Straits Settlements.

*Downing Street,  
19th September, 1941.*

The KING has been pleased to appoint The Right Honourable Viscount Knollys, K.C.M.G., M.B.E., D.F.C., to be Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Bermudas or Somers Islands.