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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 Service Order.

Acting Wing Commander Herbert Ashton CLARK, D.F.C. (43414), No. 37 Squadron.

This officer has rendered valuable service owing to his exceptional ability, great drive and unflinching devotion to duty. During a period of intense air fighting in April, 1943, his tireless efforts were reflected in the fine work accomplished by the squadron. In addition to his work on the ground, Wing Commander Clark took part in numerous sorties in Tripolitania and Tunisia, all of which were brilliantly executed. He has displayed outstanding leadership, skill and courage which have won the admiration of all.

Acting Wing Commander Jack Fendick ROULSTON, D.F.C. (37640), No. 55 Squadron.

This officer is a brilliant leader, whose courage and tenacity in pressing home his attacks in the face of fierce opposition, have been a splendid example. In April, 1943, he flew the leading aircraft of a formation detailed to attack the airfield at Soliman. When nearing the target, the windscreen of his aircraft was shattered by splinters from a bursting shell. Pieces of the broken screen, smoke and dust filled the cockpit. Unperturbed, Wing Commander Roulston led his formation to the objective which was heavily bombed. By his skill and determination, this officer contributed materially to the success of the operation.

Major John Edward PARSONSON (P.102656), South African Air Force, No. 5 Squadron.

This officer is a fearless, determined and skilful fighter, whose example has proved most inspiring. On two occasions his aircraft has been shot down but, displaying great fortitude, Major Parsonson succeeded in rejoining his squadron. In recent air operations in the Tunisian theatre, this officer flew with distinction. In April, he participated in an engagement during which a convoy of transport aircraft was destroyed off the Tunisian coast. A few days later, he led a formation in an attack on a large number of similar aircraft over the Gulf of Tunis. During the action 20 of them were shot down, 2 being destroyed by Major Parsonson. His fine fighting qualities have been worthy of high praise.

Acting Squadron Leader Roland Prosper BEAMONT, D.F.C. (41819), No. 609 Squadron.

This officer is an outstanding leader, whose great skill, drive and determination have contributed in a large measure to the high standard of operational efficiency of the squadron which has achieved great success. Since January, 1943, Squadron Leader Beamont has put out of action 13 locomotives and many lorries in determined attacks at night. This officer has set a most inspiring example.

Bar to Distinguished Flying Cross.

Squadron Leader Robert Henry GIBBES, D.S.O., D.F.C. (Aus.714), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 3 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.

This officer has displayed exceptional leadership, skill and courage, contributing in a large measure to the success of the squadron he commands. On one occasion, during an attack on an airfield at Bir Dufan, his aircraft was shot down. After walking for about 50 miles he was picked up by friendly forces and enabled to rejoin his squadron. Since then, Squadron Leader Gibbes has taken part in many sorties, attacking the enemy with vigour. He has destroyed at least 10 and damaged several other enemy aircraft.

Acting Squadron Leader Raymond Hiley HARRIES, D.F.C. (87447), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 91 Squadron.

This officer is a highly efficient squadron commander whose great keenness and energetic leadership have set a worthy example. In recent operations he has destroyed 3 enemy aircraft, shared in the destruction of another and damaged 3 more.

Acting Squadron Leader Lewis Macdonald HODGES, D.F.C. (33408), No. 161 Squadron.

This officer has completed many sorties, achieving much success. He is an extremely efficient and gallant flight commander, whose leadership and unflinching devotion to duty have proved inspiring.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Squadron Leader Hugh Beresford VERITY (72507), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 161 Squadron.

Squadron Leader Verity has participated in 118 sorties. He is a skilful pilot whose example of determination and devotion to duty have proved inspiring. He has rendered excellent service, contributing materially to the high standard of operational efficiency of the squadron.

Acting Squadron Leader Francis MURPHY (N.Z.411928), Royal New Zealand Air Force, No. 486 (N.Z.) Squadron.

This officer is a skilful pilot. He has taken part in many determined attacks on shipping while, in air combat, he has destroyed 4 enemy aircraft. His successes have been worthily earned.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Moire Alphonse Jean PIERRE (133525), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 158 Squadron.

In air operations, this officer displayed courage and fortitude in keeping with the highest traditions of the Royal Air Force.

Flying Officer Thomas ARCHIBALD (Aus.412606), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 77 Squadron.

One night in April, 1943, this officer captained an aircraft which attacked Essen. Whilst over the target area the aircraft was repeatedly hit by fire from the ground defences, and one engine was put out of action. It was then discovered that one bomb had failed to release. Displaying great determination, Flying Officer Archibald made a second run over the target and released the bomb successfully. His aircraft sustained much damage but he flew it back to base with one engine unserviceable. This officer displayed great courage and outstanding devotion to duty.

Flying Officer Frank Ernest RYMILLS, D.F.M. (115338), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 161 Squadron.

This officer has completed a large number of operations, some of them of a very hazardous nature. He is a courageous and skilful pilot whose example has won the confidence of all with whom he has flown. He has displayed great determination and his successes have been worthily earned.

Flying Officer John Garn WRIGHT (Can/J.7233), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 112 Squadron.

This officer has taken part in a large number of sorties, including numerous fighter bomber attacks against enemy airfields and mechanised transport. In air combat he has destroyed at least 3 enemy aircraft. Flying Officer Wright has displayed great keenness, skill and determination.

Pilot Officer Peter John Oswald BUCK (N.Z.413377), Royal New Zealand Air Force, No. 75 (N.Z.) Squadron.

Pilot Officer John Henry SYMONS (Can/J.16507), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 75 (N.Z.) Squadron.

One night in April, 1943, Pilot Officers Buck and Symons were pilot and navigator respectively of an aircraft detailed to attack Duisburg. Whilst over the target area, the aircraft was attacked by an enemy fighter and sustained much damage. The rear gunner was mortally wounded, while Pilot Officer Symons was wounded in the hand. Pilot Officer Buck succeeded in evading the attacker and set course for base. On the return flight, the damaged bomber became difficult to control and, when 1 of the engines failed, the aircraft began to lose height. All moveable equipment was jettisoned and, height being maintained, Pilot Officer Buck flew the aircraft to base where he effected a perfect crash-landing. During the return flight, Pilot Officer Symons, in spite of his painful injury, did all within his power to help his pilot, obtaining a number of fixes which proved of great assistance. In a most difficult situation, these officers displayed courage, skill and determination of a high order.

Pilot Officer Frank Norman PLUM (143236), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 115 Squadron.

This officer has completed 24 sorties and has invariably displayed great determination to complete his tasks successfully. In April, 1943, he piloted an aircraft detailed to attack Duisburg. Shortly after the take-off, engine trouble developed. Despite this, Pilot Officer Plum continued his flight to the target which he bombed successfully, afterwards flying the aircraft safely to base. He displayed great skill and resolution throughout.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Flight Lieutenant Arthur Victor DUFFILL (86398), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 487 (N.Z.) Squadron.

Flying Officer Frederick John STARKIE (118630), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 487 (N.Z.) Squadron.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

1290249 Sergeant Alan William TURNBULL, No. 487 (N.Z.) Squadron.

1461821 Sergeant Lawrence Henry NEILL, No. 487 (N.Z.) Squadron.

Early in May, 1943, Flight Lieutenant Duffill, Flying Officer Starkie and Sergeants Turnbull and Neill, were pilot, navigator, wireless operator/air gunner and air gunner respectively of one of a formation of aircraft detailed to attack a target in Holland. Whilst crossing the enemy coast the formation was intercepted by a large force of enemy fighters. In the combats which followed, Sergeant Turnbull coolly gave a commentary on the attacker's movements and later manned a position until he was seriously wounded. Sergeant Neill used his guns effectively but was wounded in the legs by the enemy's fire, which also caused a fire to break out in the rear of the fuselage. Flying Officer Starkie, acting with great promptitude, quickly extinguished the flames. This accomplished, he tended his wounded comrade, Sergeant Turnbull, and rendered efficient first aid after carrying him across a gaping hole, which had been torn in the fuselage. Meanwhile, Flight Lieutenant Duffill was taking skilful evading action, while Sergeant Neill despite his injuries continued to engage the enemy until all attacks ceased. Flight Lieutenant Duffill, displaying superb airmanship, eventually flew the badly damaged bomber to base. In extremely harassing circumstances, these members of aircraft crew displayed courage, fortitude and determination of a high order.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Flying Officer Charles Beatty ANDERSON (Aus.416735), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 460 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

Aus. 415079 Sergeant Herbert Leonard FUHRMAN, Royal Australian Air Force, No. 460 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.

One night in April, 1943, Flying Officer Anderson and Sergeant Fuhrman were navigator and pilot respectively of an aircraft detailed to attack Stettin. Whilst over the Baltic Sea, the aircraft was repeatedly hit by fire from an armed ship. One engine was put out of action, the tail unit was damaged, restricting practically all rudder movements, while a shell penetrated the bomb bay, exploding amongst the incendiaries. Flying Officer Anderson was wounded in the thigh and buttock by splinters of shrapnel which entered his cabin. The situation was perilous but Sergeant Fuhrman decided to attempt to fly the damaged bomber home. Displaying superb airmanship and great endurance he eventually accomplished his purpose, flying the damaged bomber to an airfield in this country where he effected a masterly landing before collapsing at the controls. During the return flight, Flying Officer Anderson, despite his injuries, refused to leave his post and continued his navigational duties, rendering great assistance to his pilot. Both these members of the crew displayed exceptional courage, skill and fortitude in the face of a trying ordeal.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

Can/R.98109 Flight Sergeant Francis Joseph HIGGINS, Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 427 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.

Flight Sergeant Higgins piloted an aircraft detailed to attack a target in S.W. Germany one night in April, 1943. Shortly after bombing the target the aircraft was hit by anti-aircraft fire. Much damage was sustained. In difficult circumstances, Flight Sergeant Higgins flew the aircraft to an air field in this country, where he effected a successful crash-landing. He displayed great courage and determination.

Can/R.56057 Sergeant Joseph Pierre Gaston BLANCHET, Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 35 Squadron.

633143 Sergeant Ronald Horace David WILSON, No. 35 Squadron.

These airmen have displayed high qualities of courage and fortitude in air operations. Their exemplary conduct has been worthy of the highest praise.

1030317 Sergeant Edward BROADBENT, No. 57 Squadron.

One night in April, 1943, this airman captained an aircraft which attacked Duisburg. On the return flight, the bomber was attacked by an enemy fighter and sustained damage. Sergeant Broadbent was wounded in the hand and shoulder but, displaying great skill, he evaded the attacker and flew the damaged bomber to base. Although the starboard and tail wheel tyres were punctured, and the hydraulic system damaged, Sergeant Broadbent landed the aircraft safely. This airman displayed skill and courage worthy of high praise.

N.Z.414263 Sergeant Herbert James DALZELL, Royal New Zealand Air Force, No. 75 (N.Z.) Squadron.

One night in April, 1943, this airman was the pilot of an aircraft which participated in an attack on Rostock. On the return flight, some 400 miles from base, the aircraft came into collision with another aircraft, overtaking from the rear. Damage was sustained to the fin and rudder, causing temporary loss of control. Skilfully and confidently, Sergeant Dalzell regained control and kept to his course. Several attempts were made to straighten the fin but they proved unavailing. Despite this, Sergeant Dalzell flew the aircraft back to base. This airman, who has completed many sorties, has invariably displayed great skill, courage and determination.

1130713 Sergeant Frederick John PARKINSON, No. 600 Squadron.

On one occasion in April, 1943, this airman was engaged on a patrol. When returning to base, although a considerable distance out over the sea, he saw an enemy aircraft approaching head on in the early light of the dawn. A running fight ensued, lasting for 35 minutes. During the engagement the enemy aircraft took violent evasive action but, displaying great determination and accurate deflection shooting, Sergeant Parkinson eventually shot the enemy aircraft down. In the combat, such was his tenacity that, when the aircraft were approaching each other head on, Sergeant Parkinson would not deviate and forced his adversary to do so. This airman eventually landed at base, having only a few gallons of petrol left in each tank. He has invariably displayed fine fighting qualities and outstanding devotion to duty.

1369446 Sergeant (now Pilot Officer) Francis Hindmarch HUNTLEY, No. 50 Squadron (since missing.)

985652 Sergeant Alan STOTT, No. 50 Squadron (since missing.)

One night in April, 1943, Sergeants Huntley and Stott were pilot and rear gunner of an aircraft detailed to attack Stettin. Whilst over enemy territory the aircraft was attacked by 3 enemy fighters. In the ensuing engagement Sergeant Stott, skilfully using his guns, drove off 2 of the attackers and shot the other one down in flames. The bomber had sustained much damage, however, making it difficult to control. Despite this, Sergeant Huntley flew the aircraft back to an airfield in this country, making a successful landing without the aid of flares. Both these members of the crew displayed great skill and resolution, setting a fine example.

Air Ministry, 25th May, 1943.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following awards:—

Bar to Distinguished Service Order.

Acting Wing Commander Philip Robert BEARE, D.S.O., D.F.C. (37494), No. 70 Squadron.

Distinguished Service Order.

Wing Commander James Reginald LEGGATE (34190), No. 53 Squadron.

Wing Commander Thomas Frederick Dalton MORGAN, D.F.C. (37415).

Flight Lieutenant Alfred Philip Frank SCHNEIDAU (82140), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve.

Bar to Distinguished Flying Cross.

Squadron Leader David Leslie CARTRIDGE, D.F.C. (40590), No. 248 Squadron.

Acting Squadron Leader Donald Marshall CROSSLEY, D.F.C. (63455), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 70 Squadron.

Acting Squadron Leader Ian Douglas Napier LAWSON, D.F.C. (86354), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 70 Squadron.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Wing Commander George Herbert Burgon HUTCHINSON (39233), Reserve of Air Force Officers, No. 235 Squadron.

Squadron Leader Paul Michael John EVANS (37568), No. 89 Squadron.

Acting Squadron Leader Jack Napier DAVENPORT (Aus. 403403), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 455 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.

Acting Squadron Leader John Trevor FREEMAN (43418), No. 608 Squadron.

Acting Squadron Leader Alexander Wheeler McCANDLISH (42412), No. 225 Squadron.

Flight Lieutenant Ronald William ATKINSON (43537), No. 680 Squadron.

Flight Lieutenant Brian Stewart Eamer BEATTIE (83990), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 104 Squadron.

Flight Lieutenant Leonard Jack BROWN (45641), No. 277 Squadron.

Flight Lieutenant Edward BURDON (81387), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 40 Squadron.

Flight Lieutenant John Dawes CROFT (75689), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 462 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.

Flight Lieutenant Donald Raymond Munro FURNISS (89326), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 541 Squadron.

Flight Lieutenant David John Verdun HENRY (N.Z.40299), Royal New Zealand Air Force, No. 93 Squadron.

Flight Lieutenant Ernest George Cuthbert LEATHEM (78087), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 544 Squadron.

Flight Lieutenant Donald MACGREGOR (61476), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 179 Squadron.

Flight Lieutenant George Brunton MIEDECKE (Aus.663), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 10 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.

Flight Lieutenant Harry Robert Godfrey POULTON (84925), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 64 Squadron.

Flight Lieutenant Frederick Scott WILLS (60114), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 206 Squadron.

Flight Lieutenant John Ellis WILLSON (89058), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 219 Squadron.

Captain Peter Allan HATSWELL (103267), South African Air Force, No. 21 (S.A.A.F.) Squadron.

Captain David LIDDELL (103938), South African Air Force, No. 24 (S.A.A.F.) Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Bryan Anthony COLEBORN, M.B.E. (Aus.402186), No. 24 Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Bryan Philip COLSTON (101087), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 225 Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Henry George COOKE (Aus.403860), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 461 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Thomas Ainsworth EGERTON (Aus.3932), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 10 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Hugh Constant GODEFROY (Can/J.3701), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 403 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Ezra Lorne HOWEY (Can/J.15514), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 407 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant John Cowan KILPATRICK (108987), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 13 Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Clifford John Harold LeCOUTEUR (N.Z.404383), Royal New Zealand Air Force, No. 202 Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Eric Gayford LLOYD (Aus. 404380), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 458 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant John Charles Erskine MACDONALD (109524), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 221 Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Terence Arthur McGARRY (105190), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 39 Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Keith Alexander Henry MASON (111704), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 253 Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Anthony John MOTTRAM (64883), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 489 Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Herbert Peter PETERS (Can/J.3512), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 400 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Richard Henry PRIOR (112748), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 458 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant John Lang STEELE (121397), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 114 Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Edward Colston STEWART (87436), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 104 Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Harvey Nelson SWEETMAN (N.Z.40992), Royal New Zealand Air Force, No. 486 (N.Z.) Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Harry Brown TURNBULL (Can/J.6663), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 148 Squadron.

Flying Officer Robert Louis Walter BÄLZ (111941), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 614 Squadron.

Flying Officer Cyril Aubrey Hudson BECK (80204), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 13 Squadron.

Flying Officer John Charles COGILL (123932), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 142 Squadron.

Flying Officer Alexander Litchfield CRAIG (N.Z.403586), Royal New Zealand Air Force, No. 46 Squadron.

Flying Officer Charles Arbuthnot CROMBIE, D.S.O. (Aus. 404099), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 89 Squadron.

Flying Officer Harold EVANS (122409), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 461 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.

Flying Officer Donald Charles FLEMING-WILLIAMS (115711), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 120 Squadron.

Flying Officer Duncan Marshall GRANT (Can/J.5982), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 400 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.

Flying Officer William Allison GREGORY (116966), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 23 Squadron.

Flying Officer Ernest James HENLY (120540), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 142 Squadron.

Flying Officer John Clifford HUTSON (113365), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 680 Squadron.

Flying Officer David John McBRIEN (108811), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 276 Squadron.

Flying Officer Geoffrey Richard MAYHEW (119339), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 48 Squadron.

Flying Officer Alexander Roy NELSON (Can/J.5293), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 59 Squadron.

Flying Officer Charles Maurice RAMSEY (106078), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 153 Squadron.

Flying Officer John Ronald RIDING (125763), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 179 Squadron.

Flying Officer Paul Christopher Wendover SAGE (113425), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 46 Squadron.

Flying Officer Douglas Glyn SHEPPARD (118951), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 277 Squadron.

Flying Officer Kenneth George SPIERS (49288).

Flying Officer Alexander Christian WATSON (115944), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 40 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Ronald Martin McCRAWLEY (Aus.405358), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 40 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Angus McLEOD (49791), No. 540 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Colin Claud STORRY (Aus.404728), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 455 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.

Pilot Officer Harry William WICKMAN (124631), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 462 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.

Warrant Officer Ronald James MOORE (779048).

Warrant Officer John PHILLIPS (580043), No. 248 Squadron.

Warrant Officer John STRAIN (740003), No. 489 Squadron.

Warrant Officer Robert Nesbit TURNBULL (936789), No. 89 Squadron.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

982327 Flight Sergeant Donald James APPLETON, No. 123 Squadron.

Can/R.83899 Flight Sergeant Stanley Herbert BALKWILL, Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 39 Squadron.

755741 Flight Sergeant Robert Thomas BEDFORD, No. 120 Squadron.

Aus.404228 Flight Sergeant Roy McDowall BEATTIE, Royal Australian Air Force, No. 37 Squadron.

1064663 Flight Sergeant John COCKBURN, No. 46 Squadron.

778417 Flight Sergeant Arthur Desmond Stanley MARTIN, No. 179 Squadron.

Aus.403958 Flight Sergeant Edward William SALMON, Royal Australian Air Force, No. 142 Squadron.

1237793 Flight Sergeant Reginald Gordon THACKERAY, No. 40 Squadron.

1311066 Sergeant Norman Leonard CHILD, No. 142 Squadron.

1333959 Sergeant Cecil George COOK, No. 142 Squadron.

1177870 Sergeant George Shirley DAVENPORT, No. 142 Squadron.

Can/R.92421 Sergeant William Fisher HARRIS, Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 150 Squadron.

N.Z.413103 Sergeant Murray David MUGGERIDGE, Royal New Zealand Air Force, No. 104 Squadron.

1053090 Sergeant John WEBSTER, No. 142 Squadron.

1375559 Sergeant James Hugh WINFIELD, No. 221 Squadron.

The above awards are for gallantry and devotion to duty in the execution of air operations.

Air Ministry, 25th May, 1943.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

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

Distinguished Service Order.

Squadron Leader Wilfred Stanley ARTHUR, D.F.C. (Aus.565).

Air Ministry, 25th May, 1943.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

To be Plt. Offs. (tempy.) on being employed with the R.A.F. 31st Mar. 1943:—

Bruce Abernethy CHALMERS, Lt., R.A. (51380).
John Stuart Skeffington HASLAM, Lt. (tempy. Capt.) R.A.C. (51381).
John Farquharson MACPHERSON, Lt., R.A. (51382).
Harold Edmund RELPH, Lt., The King's R. (51383).
John HEPBURN, M.C., Lt., R.A. (51384).

Wt. Offs.

566772 Basil John LEWIS (51722). 18th Nov. 1942.
521280 Leonard Robert PAGE, D.F.M. (51635). 18th Jan. 1943.
581284 Percy Albert Edward GRINTER (51634). 21st Jan. 1943.
513810 Charles William STOKES (51632). 26th Feb. 1943.
515958 Leslie Wallace CREASEY (51107). 2nd Mar. 1943.

Flt. Sgts.

517652 Donald Alexander DREWITT, D.F.M. (51514). 4th Feb. 1943.
26th Feb. 1943.
537996 John Joseph MCGARRY (51639).
553485 James Joseph QUINN (51628).
531842 Hebert John COLEMAN (51724). 27th Feb. 1943.
530786 Harry MITCHELL (51129). 6th Mar. 1943.
552463 Basil Arthur CURTIS, D.F.M. (51673). 19th Mar. 1943.

5th Apr. 1943.

566393 Anthony Walter FISH (51685).
626791 Robert Harry GENESIS, D.F.M. (51687).
548495 Harry HAXBY, D.F.M. (51693).
563197 Douglas Charles KNIGHT (51677).
637416 John Maurice MITCHELL, D.F.M. (51711).
567383 William Patrick O'KANE, D.F.M. (51681).
569582 John Trevor PRENTICE (51709).

Sgts.

5th Apr. 1943.

524985 Reginald John BARTON, D.F.M. (51680).
652861 Dennis Raymond BEALE (51683).
545849 George Alfred BERWICK (51682).

571343 Ernest John BOOKER, M.M. (51689).
 521162 Eric Frederick George BORLEY (51695).
 633732 Stephen BURROWS (51696).
 569956 Ronald Lasslett CARTER (51679).
 573135 Richard Towers CLARKE (51703).
 576296 Charles Arthur Raymond CORBETT (51710).
 535129 Thomas Darling FAIRGRIEVE (51686).
 569385 Arthur Alfred FREDERICK (51678).
 618542 David Cooke Meldrane GALLOWAY (51691).
 568558 William Reginald GARDINER (51700).
 569816 Arthur William GRAY (51708).
 570208 Howard HALL (51707).
 264308 James Bernard HARRISON (51688).
 567622 David Colin Tansley JAGGER (51701).
 364844 Thomas George JOHNSON (51690).
 522459 Edward William KEENE (51694).
 633969 William David PERRIMENT (51684).
 570234 Jack Ansell POLLETT (51705).
 571905 Hugh William PRICE (51702).
 563926 Richard Jack SURFLEET, D.F.M. (51706).
 573165 Ivan WHITTAKER (51704).
 568109 Maurice George YOUNG (51699).

Tempy. Sgts.

5th Apr. 1943.

520342 William James Watson McNAUGHTON (51697).
 527786 James HOGG (51698).
 522216 Eric Russell MEARS (51692).

Cpl.

569848 Denys John JOCE (55108). 9th Apr. 1943.

Air Cdre. R. B. MANSELL, C.B.E., to be Actg. Air Vice-Mshl. 19th Mar. 1943.

Gp. Capt. (Actg. Air Cdre.) J. D. BREAKEY, D.F.C., to be Actg. Air Vice-Mshl. 20th Apr. 1943.

Flg. Off. H. J. H. CRESWELL (46637) is transfd. to the Admin. and Spec. Duties Br. 6th May 1943.

Flg. Off. K. I. ANDREWS (Lt. Leicester R.) (48797) relinquishes his tempy. commn. on return to Army duty. 14th Apr. 1943.

Flg. Off. P. A. CLOUGH (42394) resigns his short service commn. 14th May 1943.

Amendment.

In notfn. of 29th Dec. 1942 (p. 5640, col. 1) concerning A. E. WHEELER, D.F.C. (50363) and A. F. APPELBY (50458) for Plt. Offs. read Flg. Offs.

TECHNICAL BRANCH.

To be Flg. Offs. on prob. (emergency). 15th Apr. 1943:—

Wt. Offs.

361907 Leonard John BARNARD (51236).
 335870 Harold DALE (51478).
 335920 George Sidney Leonard FAULKNER (51481).
 361740 William Edward FLETCHER (51479).
 363946 Harold Henry FREEMAN (51480).
 361968 John Alexander GALE (51482).
 560274 Albert Edward HOLLOWAY (51483).
 355016 George Albert HUGHES (51486).
 347366 George Albert HUGHES (51485).
 363432 Leslie Oliver HURLE, B.E.M. (51484).
 362945 Eric James Obadiah LAMB (51490).
 364126 Maurice Trounce LUGG (51489).
 335407 Frederick Clingo NORMAN (51492).
 349805 James RHODES (51493).
 554659 Ernest ROWBOTHAM (51423).
 552055 John Ernest SMITH (51487).
 335812 Robert Thirlwell SMITH (51488).
 359165 Henry John TOMKINS (51498).
 335664 John Albert YEATMAN (51496).
 363260 Arthur Ernest YELLAND (51495).

To be Actg. Plt. Offs. on prob. (emergency). 15th Apr. 1943:—

Wt. Off.

364515 Charles William Sanford BURTON (51477).

Flt. Sgts.

564808 George Gibson BEVAN (51434).
 566083 William Herbert BOND (51426).
 566585 Jack Walter BUTTERY (51427).
 567218 Frederick George DUMMER (51441).
 566522 Dennis Sidney EBURNE (51444).
 566691 Derek Howard EVERETT (51443).
 565086 Henry John HYDE (51455).
 564923 John Cecil PEARCE (51395).

Actg. Flt. Sgts.

567462 Allan BOND (51428).
 567056 Kenneth Richard KNOWLES (51460).

567075 Douglas MACKENZIE (51470).
 567894 Kenneth Victor MILES (51466).
 566739 Douglas MONKS (51468).
 569231 Raymond Hedley VERNON (51410).
 566288 John Campbell Thomson WILKIE (51413).

Sgts.

568825 Ronald Godfrey AEDY (51425).
 568723 Bernard ASHDOWN (51424).
 568418 Thomas Webster BAGSHAW (51430).
 566631 John BAILES (51433).
 567450 Ronald Oliver BATER (51432).
 570693 Francis Douglas BERRY (51431).
 568569 Thomas Vincent John BOUGHTON (51429).
 571036 Kenneth Patrick CATER (51437).
 566833 Robert Ellis CHAPMAN (51438).
 569731 Eric Samuel COLLINSON (51435).
 568349 Arthur Trevena James CREW (51440).
 569751 Charles Godfrey DAVIS (51442).
 572804 Maxwell John EDMONDS, B.E.M. (51445).
 568548 Walter Stanley EDWARDS (51393).
 567527 Charles Esson FINDLAY (51450).
 568056 Jack FORD (51447).
 567369 Alan Edgar FOSTER (51448).
 568699 Gerald Gordon FOWLER (51446).
 567537 Ellis Vernon FRANSMAN (51449).
 569221 Benjamin Harry GOODSSELL (51452).
 566521 Edward James GREGORY (51453).
 566258 Thomas Marston HAINSWORTH (51456).
 570813 Ronald Owen HENDER (51458).
 569719 Kelvin Oliver LOCKYEAR (51461).
 568461 Eric James Douglas MASTERS (51463).
 567685 Robert Anderson MACPHERSON (51471).
 568213 Arthur Clifford MICHELMORE (51465).
 570695 John Desmond MONICO (51469).
 568452 Roy Sidney NORTH (51473).
 566030 Eric George ORLAND (51475).
 567729 Joseph PALMER (51397).
 570020 Douglas Edward PAY (51391).
 566701 Howard Charles PROBYN (51396).
 567110 Ivor RUDD (51398).
 573715 Edwin Anderson SCOTT (51403).
 568311 Hartley SIMPSON (51399).
 570797 Charles Frederick SLOPER (51407).
 569928 Frank SMITH (51405).
 566692 Florence John SULLIVAN (51401).
 568748 Maurice Vernon TAYLOR (51409).
 567404 Francis Alexander TONKIN (51408).
 568250 Arthur William James UPTON (51394).
 567854 Percival John WAITE (51420).
 570099 Alfred John WALDER (51414).
 567953 Frederick Charles WATSON (51415).
 567857 George Victor WATSON (51416).
 568474 Victor Hill WHITFIELD (51411).
 566883 Joseph Walter Rees Lewis WILKINS (51412).
 568261 Peter Robert WILKINSON (51418).
 570056 Glyndwr Henry Ernest WILLIAMS (51417).
 569536 Arthur WILSON (51419).
 568766 Peter WOOD (51421).

Cpls.

573803 Paul CADMAN (51439).
 570773 Gordon Stanley GEE (51451).
 572538 William George Prescott HACCHE (51457).
 568939 John Francis HARDY (51392).
 575572 Ambrose HUTCHINSON (51454).
 569741 John Watkins JONES (51459).
 570129 Daniel LLEWELLYN (51462).
 570192 John MITCHELL (51472).
 573954 Ian Thomas Alexander MURCHIE (51464).
 575447 John Stuart NEWMAN (51474).
 569782 Douglas Edgar SIDDERS (51406).
 570362 Stanley Bernard SIMPSON (51402).
 570102 Thomas Henry STAPLES (51404).

Flt. Lt. A. B. COLLINS (35257) relinquishes his commn. on account of ill-health and retains the rank of Sqn. Ldr. 15th May 1943.

Amendment.

In notfn. of 12th Jan. 1943 (p. 278, col. 2) concerning 242254 Wt. Off. G. COOPER (48805) for 29th June 1942, read 27th Apr. 1942.

BALLOON BRANCH.

Flt. Lt. W. McQ. PRATT (44736) is transfd. to the Admin. and Spec. Duties Br. 17th Feb. 1943.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SPECIAL DUTIES BRANCH.

To be Flg. Off. on prob. (emergency):—

358796 Wt. Off. Henry APPLETON (51476). 15th Apr. 1943.

To be Actg. Plt. Offs. on prob. (emergency). 15th Apr. 1943:—

Wt. Off.

590587 Albert Henry Thomas TICKNOR (51494).

Flt. Sgt.

591052 Raymond Frank MUSTON (51491).

Amendment.

The notifi. of 12th Jan. 1943 (p. 280, col. 2) concerning 205035 Wt. Off. T. R. POWELL should have appeared under R.A.F. and not R.A.F.V.R.

EQUIPMENT BRANCH.

Amendment.

The notifi. of 18th Dec. 1942 (p. 5507, col. 1) concerning W. J. SIMPSON (47078) should have appeared under Equip. Br. and not Admin. and Spec. Duties Br.

RESERVE OF AIR FORCE OFFICERS.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

Flt. Lt. E. H. OXLEY-BOYLE (09178) resigns his commn. and retains the rank of Sqn. Ldr. 12th May 1943.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SPECIAL DUTIES BRANCH.

Albert WALTER to be Gp. Capt. in class CC. 18th Jan. 1943.

To be Flt. Lts. in class CC:—

William Vernon FROST. 21st Apr. 1943.

Robert George McFARLAND. 22nd Apr. 1943.

Jack Tudor JONES. 30th Apr. 1943.

To relinquish their commns. in class CC. on cessation of duty. 24th Apr. 1943:—

Wg. Cdr. E. E. CROUCH.

Sqn. Ldrs.:—

E. P. C. NEILL.

J. J. WATSON.

The notifi. of 6th Oct. 1942 (p. 4343, col. 1) concerning H. L. JACKSON is cancelled.

ROYAL AIR FORCE VOLUNTEER RESERVE.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

To be Plt. Offs. on prob. (emergency):—

Wt. Offs.

1st Dec. 1942.

740297 Sidney David ONLEY (143671).

745225 Edwin Herbert OTTWAY (143699).

931917 Arthur Leonard Alfred ROBINS (143090). 30th Jan. 1943.

10th Feb. 1943.

912209 James Edward COLE (143905).

748487 Ernest GOOCH (143717).

1154681 Kenneth Raymond BRAZIER (143907). 14th Feb. 1943.

754058 William Bert PARKES (143727). 18th Feb. 1943.

1167722 Kenneth George ELCOATE, D.F.M. (143084). 23rd Feb. 1943.

903876 John Thomas TAYLOR (143899). 27th Feb. 1943.

742493 Eric John HARVEY (143693). 28th Feb. 1943.

918871 Harald Roy ANDERSEN (143758). 7th Mar. 1943.

1152041 Robert James Henry HOLLAND (143908). 13th Mar. 1943.

754839 Cecil Stewart SANDERSON (143901). 22nd Mar. 1943.

1160971 Sydney Herbert LEWIS (143891). 28th Mar. 1943.

Tempy. Wt. Offs.

1155781 Cyril Thomas PHILLIPS, D.F.C. (143413). 21st Jan. 1943.

1059712 Peter Yeoman STEAD (143662). 19th Mar. 1943.

Flt. Sgts.

746830 William WREN (143406). 4th July 1942.

8th Dec. 1942.

745465 Stanley Lionel HUTT (143680).

908404 George Norton JOHNSON (143679).

1231793 Reginald Gordon THACKERAY (143685). 23rd Dec. 1942.

1365604 William Harper WILSON (143697). 3rd Jan. 1943.

1006762 Thorsteinn Elton JONSSON (143687). 13th Jan. 1943.

759116 Joseph Henry PARRY (143657). 23rd Jan. 1943.

776107 Royce Harold DURHAM (143684). 24th Jan. 1943.

656423 Malcolm Leslie DEWING (143940). 26th Jan. 1943.

31st Jan. 1943.

1381785 James Tilston MADDOCK (143677).

1255723 Bernard Alan SANSOM (143692).

9th Feb. 1943.

777617 Anthony Mark ANTONCICH (160038).

1201670 Patrick Frank Lovell NICKLESS (143686).

1253401 Thomas William HOWARD (143681). 10th Feb. 1943.

979539 John BROWN (143691). 12th Feb. 1943.

1380076 David Harry FRANCIS (143730). 15th Feb. 1943.

16th Feb. 1943.

798518 Eric Martin GOSSE (143674).

798548 Rex TILLEY (143675).

1255787 Vernon Frederick Albert LEWIS (143786).

20th Feb. 1943.

751606 Henry James WELLARD, D.F.M. (143785).

1315658 Paul Hugh Fitzgerald HAWKINS (143729).

23rd Feb. 1943.

865622 William Charles HUGHES (143714).

1379007 John Kenneth MORRISON (143661).

1058645 John METCALF (143895).

1192188 George Walter WORLEY (143700). 24th Feb. 1943.

1060966 David Ian SMITH (143678). 25th Feb. 1943.

746935 James Wallace McCULLOCH (143655). 26th Feb. 1943.

27th Feb. 1943.

984055 Edward Albert NUTT (143897).

1108146 William Albert FORREST (143725).

1128148 Gerald John SOUTH (143664). 28th Feb. 1943.

2nd Mar. 1943.

1253277 Sydney Ernest BEDFORD (143653).

1284576 Leonard Arthur JOHNSON (143776).

702152 Harold Frank WILLIAMS (143656).

771966 Keith Wemyss RHODES (143715). 8th Mar. 1943.

1378950 Alexander HUMPHREYS (143889). 12th Mar. 1943.

1119429 Allan Hugh SCOTT, D.F.M. (143726). 13th Mar. 1943.

1281451 Raymond Alfred BAKER (143896). 14th Mar. 1943.

1377926 Laurence Walter George HEAD (143900). 16th Mar. 1943.

778584 John Charwood LAUNDER (160037). 18th Mar. 1943.

1100068 Tom Kenneth WHITFIELD (143894). 20th Mar. 1943.

979941 Alfred COOPER (143658). 21st Mar. 1943.

978049 George MARSDEN (143779). 29th Mar. 1943.

1109427 Charles GASKELL (143902). 2nd Apr. 1943.

1151328 Douglas Ernest UDY (143808). 5th Apr. 1943.

1169505 St. John HAWKINS (143892). 9th Apr. 1943.

Sgts.

4th July 1942.

947736 Thomas Sibly HIGH (143397).

919704 Frederick Charles NEWLAND (143431).

1164362 Robert Willson KEMP (143399). 12th Oct. 1942.

982850 Charles LEATHEM, D.F.M. (143787). 16th Oct. 1942.

657532 George Harry Pitman POTTER (135879). 4th Dec. 1942.

1333689 John Reasbeck SPIERS (143703). 9th Dec. 1942.

923049 Geoffrey Frank KEEN (143588). 30th Dec. 1942.

1079799 James Ian Hamilton FORBES (143720). 9th Jan. 1943.

1021614 Anthony BRADSHAW (144012). 13th Jan. 1943.

15th Jan. 1943.

1365766 Alexander McPherson CAMPBELL (143672).

1344403 James MARTIN (143898).

1196449 Sisson Ede ROTHERHAM (143718). 17th Jan. 1943.

1387946 Ian Godfrey ALLAN (151061). 22nd Jan. 1943.

1214974 Ronald RICHMOND (143906). 30th Jan. 1943.

1055716 Stanley ANSON (144016). 1st Feb. 1943.

658139 George William MAXTED (142479). 5th Feb. 1943.

- 6th Feb. 1943.
 1326868 Alan James HODGSON (136914).
 1800154 Cyril Walter OXBORROW (136919).
 1291611 John Henry BRYANT (143702).
 656993 John Henry Lawson WATKINS (143668).
- 13th Feb. 1943.
 1232125 Kenneth Bosworth JOHNSON (143663).
 1475271 Walter Richard RINGROSE (143713).
 1218340 Thomas Grey ATKINSON (143721). 17th Feb. 1943.
- 18th Feb. 1943.
 1314336 Brian Alfred Calverley SPRANGER (143722).
 1196435 Fred TAYLOR (143724).
- 19th Feb. 1943.
 1247328 Kenneth Frederick Charles BOWMAN (143885).
 923053 James William DARLING (143886).
- 21st Feb. 1943.
 1334722 John Arthur Campbell MUNRO (143701).
 1126026 Robert Clive STOCKBURN (143937).
 655577 Ronald Charles CHAPMAN (144019).
- 24th Feb. 1943.
 1179318 Robert George MILLAR (143417).
 1393864 Norman Peter RADLEY (143719).
 1316072 Herbert James GREEN (143694). 26th Feb. 1943.
- 27th Feb. 1943.
 1134434 Kenneth PUDSEY (143665).
 1385257 Herbert Alfred JOHNSTON (143904).
 1043507 Harold BROADBENT (143698). 1st Mar. 1943.
 1258912 Frank Arthur MASON (143659). 2nd Mar. 1943.
- 3rd Mar. 1943.
 1545949 Arthur Godfrey William WADE (143660).
 656943 Alfred Ernest FISHER (143669).
 655841 Harry RHODES (144038). 4th Mar. 1943.
- 5th Mar. 1943.
 1602871 Francis Herbert DAGGER (136495).
 1354394 John Frederick EDWARDS (143652).
- 6th Mar. 1943.
 1200832 Henry Edward DURELL (143716).
 1387753 William George DIVALL (143890).
 1513776 Peter Ross BUTLER (139994).
 929223 Alfred Walter EDWARDS (139995).
 1559356 James Alexander Welsh TURNBULL (139993).
 1507983 Maurice William CARR (140928).
 655358 Jack CHWICK (140929).
 1577287 Valentine Harold HEMMING (140930).
 1331300 Frederick EASTON (143728).
- 7th Mar. 1943.
 1230668 Robert Geoffrey HIGGINS (143695).
 1400328 Roy Locke HAWKINS (143682).
 1332829 Sidney George BURTON (143888).
- 9th Mar. 1943.
 1330513 Henry Patrick John LOWE (143696).
 997007 Harold NEWELL (143589).
 1028352 Walter Basil HIBBERT (143887). 12th Mar. 1943.
- 15th Mar. 1943.
 1060152 Raymond Frankish ESCREET (143469).
 1040464 William Anthony O'Neill WAUGH (143683).
 657337 Leslie POWELL (144037). 17th Mar. 1943.
 1164196 Ivan Peaceful WAKELEY (143781). 19th Mar. 1943.
 991341 Paul Raymond DAVIES (143583). 20th Mar. 1943.
 1210658 Douglas Arthur Sydney TOMKINS (143676). 21st Mar. 1943.
- 23rd Mar. 1943.
 1389984 Noel Bentley SMYTHE (143667).
 1345931 John Leichman SNEDDON (143903).
- 27th Mar. 1943.
 1334889 Ivor Malcolm Payne MORGAN (143666).
 1333833 Maurice George NORMAN (143893).
 1195401 Gordon John DENNETT (143581). 29th Mar. 1943.
- 5th Apr. 1943.
 995242 Alfred Edwin ADAMSON (143795).
 749748 Arthur Wilfred BAILEY (143799).
 929974 Gerald Theodore BAILEY (143809).
- 909672 Eric BENTLEY (143789).
 999913 Herbert Ernest CROSS (143801).
 902465 Reginald Robert Terance CRUMP (143797).
 939300 Leonard Charles DIVE-ROBINSON (143800).
 1264562 Sydney Frederick Norman FOX (143802).
 1329742 John Raymond HARNWELL (143788).
 1121579 Francis Alan HOUGH (143807).
 939240 Harold John HUDSON (143810).
 1071228 Harold KERSHAW (143804).
 816157 John KIRKPATRICK (143805).
 1110551 Thomas Lister McCANN (143796).
 1055932 Ian McKay PETTIGREW (143790).
 930313 Humphrey Bernard PHILLIPS (143803).
 971126 Alexander Muir RITCHIE (143794).
 996836 William Settle SMITH (143806).
 968957 Frederick David SPENCER (143793).
 1136019 Joseph Thomas TAYLOR (143798).
 939118 Henry Keith CLAYTON (143192). 23rd Apr. 1943.
- Tempy. Sgts.
 1384565 Donald William Jarrett CLARK (143432).
 19th Nov. 1942.
 1019146 Frank BRIGGS (143884). 2nd Apr. 1943.
- Actg. Sgts.
 5th Apr. 1943.
 900512 Cecil Carl BOUNDS (143792).
 936636 Dennis Edwin MARSH (143791).
- Cpls.
 658606 Edward Arthur SLOGROVE (137392). 20th Feb. 1943.
- 27th Feb. 1943.
 843457 William HALL (139892).
 819146 Peter Stanley HOBBS (139887).
 858920 Kenneth HOLME (139880).
 1151460 Harold Ernest BISHOP (151481). 5th Mar. 1943.
 1055563 William George Simpson PAGETT (151630). 19th Mar. 1943.
 950795 Ronald Mark HOGG (150319). 9th Apr. 1943.
- Ldg. Acm.
 25th Sept. 1942.
 657785 Norman Arthur BAGULEY (131010).
 1385414 David Jervis OWEN (130957).
 658301 Harry Edwin BREWER (132027). 9th Oct. 1942.
 954908 John Wallace COLEMAN (137555). 9th Nov. 1942.
- 4th Dec. 1942.
 983730 Cyril Burgess BALL (138137).
 1255521 Charles Sidney DUNCAN (135624).
 1324448 Ronald Willis GARD (138786). 6th Feb. 1943.
 1322687 Lawrence Alexander GREEN (151306). 19th Feb. 1943.
- 20th Feb. 1943.
 1463438 James Franklin BAIRD (137418).
 1392322 Norman Leonard DIAMOND (137419).
 778960 Reginald Cotterall DICKINSON (160003).
 700699 Henry Clive DUFFIELD (137420).
 1430675 Eric Marshall HARDY (137425).
 1578072 Thomas Heatley HUTCHINSON (137421).
 1339869 Desmond Sidney JACKSON (137422).
 1317972 Edwin Donald PYMAN (137423).
 1577870 Frederick Spurgeon Douglas RAWLINS (137424).
 710075 Jack Fettes DAVISON (160002).
 1318002 Robert Beaumont SHEPHEARD (137386).
 657724 Eric Richard STEWART (137400).
 1389637 Owen Glyndwr THOMAS (137402).
 1231247 Jack WEBSTER (137389).
 1457099 Gerald Dennis CARROLL (137405).
 1333808 John Daniel GOODY (137399).
 1551172 Archie HAGUES (137404).
 992699 William Cowieson HUNTER (137387).
 1324375 Kenneth Reginald LOTT (137398).
 1390150 Geoffrey James LOCKWOOD (137395).
 656564 Robert Duff MACKENZIE (137396).
 1315536 Edward Peter PAYNE (137393).
 1332578 Stephen Edward PERRIN (137390).
- 27th Feb. 1943.
 1339904 Roy Antony CHILCOTT (139891).
 1396642 Ronald CREASE (139886).
 1560145 William HUNTER (139885).
 1395756 Alan Eldred BRYETT (138896). 2nd Mar. 1943.

5th Mar. 1943.

- 1318922 Leonard Henry MARR (151466).
 1132425 Norman Frederick GREATER (151480).
 1585390 John Gordon JANNINGS (151458).
 1435001 Derek Hampden HALL (151489).
 1351489 Frederick George HARRINGTON (151495).
 1335408 William Edgar HEARN (151490).
 1607265 Charles Stuart Montagu HERBERT (151492).
 1314454 Reginald Walter JORDAN (151491).

6th Mar. 1943.

- 1334162 Stanley Frederick HEARN (139720).
 1437995 Dennis McCORMAC (139718).
 1576904 Frederick Quinn WHEATCROFT (139716).
 1449787 Robert Geoffrey BLAMIRE (139996).
 1558508 John Bertram FOERS (139997).
 1323622 Gordon LAWRENCE (139999).
 1577707 Kenneth LAWSON (140900).
 1507627 Sydney SPARKE (140901).
 1542740 Thomas GREEN (139998).
 1600062 Malcolm Geoffrey STEWART (140902).

19th Mar. 1943.

- 1228427 Thomas Henry BRIND (151631).
 1451569 Harry CLARK (151632).
 1439750 Frank Alan HARPHAM (151637).
 1394542 John INSTON (151635).
 1566778 John Kidston LAW PATERSON (151636).
 1557638 Charles Shepherd PATON (151629).
 1319749 Harold Charles PHILLIPS (151634).
 948041 Robert WALKER (151633).
 1338216 John Hoggan MORRISON (151531).
 1455845 Thomas Ratcliff PARSONS (151529).
 1488618 Harold George PROUDMAN (151577).

20th Mar. 1943.

- 1585209 Joseph Hogarth TURNER (151594).
 1312166 Ronald Louis BUTTERWORTH (141553).
 1255681 John William CUMMINS (141839). 23rd Mar. 1943.
 700730 George HAYTER (141545). 27th Mar. 1943.

7th Apr. 1943.

- 1517307 George Graham BANKS (142349).
 1398927 Ronald Sydney BOWDEN (142347).
 1488234 Martin Arthur ELLIOTT (142351).
 1559984 Edward McPhee GRAHAM (142346).
 1433234 John Edward NORRIS (142348).
 1169602 Charles BARNES (142350).

9th Apr. 1943.

- 915030 William Clifford BOWEN (150320).
 1322662 Kenneth Sydney HEINRICH (150323).
 1175663 Norman Douglas HUTTON (150321).
 1230783 Ben KILVINGTON (150322).
 1388482 John Kenneth MAY (150324).
 1394487 Samuel Edward Glenwood TOY (150318).

13th Apr. 1943.

- 1575918 Albert Eric Barley FREEMAN (141990).
 1338614 Herbert William SHINN (141989).
 1393416 Leo WOLFSON (141988).
 1566570 Robert Beck WOODHOUSE (142611).
 16th Apr. 1943.

17th Apr. 1943.

- 1615917 Edward Denaston William DE GREEFF (142443).
 1347015 Thomas Rutherford THOMSON (142444).

19th Apr. 1943.

- 1561495 Eric Austin ALLISTON (144047).
 1562446 George Mallory BRAID (144048).
 1800042 Peter BROWN (144044).
 1578806 Stanley Roy GWILT (144041).
 1515855 Stanley HALLIWELL (144045).
 1467381 Dennis Harold KENT (144046).
 1545899 Arthur Thomas PARKER (144042).
 1397137 Charles Stanley PATRICK (144043).

Neville Sydenham Fairchild TYAS (80037) to be Flt. Lt. (emergency). 1st Apr. 1940. (Sens. 1st Feb. 1940.) (Subs. for notifi. of 3rd Jan. 1941 (p. 65, col. 1).)

Flg. Off. J. G. NOWELL (64289) is transf'd. to the Admin. and Spec. Duties Br. 6th May 1943.

Flg. Off. J. I. WISEMAN (120629) takes rank and precedence as if his appt. as Flg. Off. bore date 10th Mar. 1943. Reduction to take effect from 10th Mar. 1943.

Flg. Off. G. F. STENT (67627) relinquishes his commn. on account of ill-health and retains his rank. 16th May 1943.

Actg. Plt. Off. J. O. BOOTHBY (123342) relinquishes his commn. on account of ill-health. 13th May 1943.

Flg. Off. J. S. TOWNSEND (84908) relinquishes his commn. on account of ill-health and retains his rank. 20th Nov. 1942. (Subs. for notifi. of 1st Dec. 1942 (p. 5221, col. 1).)

Plt. Off. J. H. LEDGER (80465) is dismissed the Service by sentence of General Court Martial. 6th Feb. 1943.

Flg. Off. C. O. POTTER (124485) is cashiered by sentence of General Court Martial. 26th Apr. 1943. *Amendment.*

In notifi. of 20th Apr. 1943 (p. 1803, col. 2), concerning 1623488 John Duncan Shelton CABLE (139683) for Shelton read Skelton.

TECHNICAL BRANCH.

To be Plt. Offs. on prob. (emergency). 15th Apr. 1943:—

Actg. Flt. Sgt.

1262095 William Charles DUERDOTH (142424).

Sgt.

1248140 Arthur Percy MORRIS (142430).

Cpl.

1372139 Gordon WILKINSON (142438).

To be Actg. Plt. Offs. on prob. (emergency). 15th Apr. 1943:—

Sgts.

746444 Edward BROWN (142378).

807166 Stanley Rodham WIGHAM (142441).

Ldg. Acn.

957878 Alan Baird HUNTER (142379).

Acn. 2nd Cl.

1700224 Ernest Walter BENNETT (142411).

1735559 Frank Hampton BENNETT (142409).

1705331 Gwilym Thomas BOLAN (142394).

1725446 Eric Penson BROTHERS (142408).

1768344 Guy Musgrave COLLINS (142410).

1771210 David DUGDALE (142399).

1700225 Peter Brian DYSON (142400).

1721907 Alan Ewart GOODWIN (142407).

1735558 Roy William HAMILTON (142412).

1722844 Dennis Bernard KENNEDY (142406).

1725825 Francis Anthony KIRNER (142401).

1768336 Bernard LINCOLN (142395).

1785488 Hugh Marshall NIMMO (142396).

1736086 John Wilbraham PIERPOINT (142397).

1724443 Robert REEKE (142398).

1755426 George William THOMPSON (142405).

1717796 Roy THOMPSON (142404).

1725445 John Wilson TOMLINSON (142403).

1783302 Charles William Eden WALKER (142402).

Actg. Plt. Off. (prob.) J. P. MARTINSON (132897) is transf'd. to the Admin. and Spec. Duties Br. 11th May 1943.

BALLOON BRANCH

Flg. Off. T. J. LEWIS (87569) is transf'd. to the Admin. and Spec. Duties Br. 11th May 1943.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SPECIAL DUTIES BRANCH.

To be Actg. Plt. Offs. on prob. (emergency). 15th Apr. 1943:—

Wt. Off.

1126818 William Joseph Cedric CRAIG (142422).

Sgts.

1181286 Frederick Charles BOWLER (142419).

1738202 Robert Henry ROBINS (142426).

Cpls.

1017541 John Goy LOCKTON (142428).

1148168 Norman William MEEK (142433).

1183459 James Henderson WATT (142439).

Actg. Cpls.

1727181 George Edward LACEY (142429).

1656564 Frederic Hampson MATHIAS (142431).

Ldg. Acn.

1401379 James Kenneth MAUDE (142432).

1082678 William Leslie ROBERTS (142435).

1375715 John Frederick SMITH (142418).

1271667 Cyril STEPHENSON (142436).

Acn. 2nd Cl.

1713899 Francis Vivian Oreste ANGELA (142384).

1713901 Benjamin BARKAY (142385).

1692438 William Regan BARRY (142420).

1645679 Philip BRACHER (142421).

1710468 Denis Joseph BUTLER (142417).

1771215 Willie DAVIS (142386).

1723706 Donald Jennings MALTBY (142414).

1627241 Cyril Frederick MARTEN-HALE (142434).

1723707 Henry Glanville PHILLIPS (142416).

1710461 Walter PICKERSGILL (142387).

1702153 Albert Edwin PITMAN (142389).

1867470 Charles Arthur POULTON (142415).

1720326 John William RAVEN (142413).
 1717799 William Richard Glynn THOMAS (142390).
 1711936 Reginald Claud TREADWELL (142393).
 1635841 Kex Milnes WALKER (142442).
 1721903 Alfred Gordon WANT (142392).

John Gilmore TEDD is granted an hon. commn. as Flt. Lt. 31st Mar. 1943.

The undermentioned offs. of the S. Rhodesian A.F. to be Plt. Offs. (emergency):—

Eric Maurice WALKER (80229). 26th May 1941.
 Sydney Broderick CLOETE (80230). 2nd June 1941.

Eric ALBON (80231). 3rd June 1941.
 Alfred John Oswald FARINA, D.F.C. (80233). 6th June 1941.

19th June 1941.

Frank Norman FINCH (80234).
 Frederick Kemp RATCLIFFE (80235).
 (Subs. for notifs. of 3rd Mar. 1942 (p. 1020, col. 1).)

Flg. Off. I. WELBY (68853), M.C., D.F.C., relinquishes his commn. on account of ill-health and retains the rank of Flt. Lt. 23rd Apr. 1943.

Flg. Off. G. W. P. JONES (117906) relinquishes his commn. on account of ill-health and retains his rank. 15th May 1943.

To relinquish their commns. on being transfd. to the R.A.A.F. 30th June 1941:—

Plt. Offs. (prob.):—
 Michael Alexander Addison KIRKPATRICK (60173).
 John Henry TONKIN (60179).

Actg. Plt. Off. (prob.) William Wadham PRENTICE (117600).
 (Promotions in the R.A.F.V.R. concerning these officers, subsequent to this date, are hereby cancelled.)

Flg. Off. R. E. PEEBLES (84351) resigns his commn. and retains the rank of Flt. Lt. 11th May 1943.

To resign their commns.:—
 Flg. Offs.:—
 H. F. DEMPSTER (80902). 10th May 1943.
 J. A. FISHER (88308). 12th May 1943.
 Plt. Off. (prob.) D. G. WHITTALL (111196). 29th Oct. 1942.

The commn. of Plt. Off. (prob.) L. S. L. SPRINGER (64347) is terminated. 25th Apr. 1943.

Amendment.

In notifi. of 13th Oct. 1942 (p. 4442, col. 2) concerning Plt. Off. E. H. GUNDRY for 17th Aug. 1942 read 12th Nov. 1942.

METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH.

Amendment.

In notifi. of 2nd June 1942 (p. 2384, col. 1) concerning Plt. Offs. G. W. P. KING (80305) and D. B. ROBINSON (80307), for 26th June 1942 read 26th June 1941.

TRAINING BRANCH.

Plt. Off. C. L. SMALL (63334) relinquishes his commn. on enlistment into the R.A.F. 29th Mar. 1943.

Actg. Plt. Off. K. BUTTERWORTH (126362) relinquishes his commn. 20th Apr. 1943.

To resign their commns.:—
 Plt. Offs.:—
 A. F. COOPER (64130). 17th Mar. 1943.
 R. T. PRICE, O.B.E., T.D. (101870). 5th May 1943.
 A. R. CROSTHWAITE (69070). 7th May 1943.
 W. J. PIERCE (64615). 10th May 1943.

11th May 1943.

J. W. GRADWELL (111281).
 W. IBESON (62974).
 Actg. Plt. Offs.:—

5th May 1943.
 H. GAYTON (116858).
 G. A. LEE (121002).
 L. H. G. GORDON (132432). 11th May 1943.

The commns. of the undermentioned Plt. Offs. are terminated:—

A. C. TURNER (69308). 8th May 1943.
 C. E. BRILL (103399). 10th May 1943.

The notifi. of 28th July 1942 (p. 3306, col. 2) concerning D. PARADISE (122289) is cancelled.

The notifi. of 29th Sept. 1942 (p. 4220, col. 2) concerning J. W. MORGAN (128753) is cancelled.

Amendment.

In notifi. of 16th May 1941 (p. 2822, col. 1) concerning V. L. STANLEY (64518) for 11th Apr. 1941 read 1st Feb. 1941.

EQUIPMENT BRANCH.

To be Actg. Plt. Off. on prob. (emergency):—
 1420188 Acn. 2nd Cl. Aubrey Tom COLES (142423). 15th Apr. 1943.

Cecil Edward PILCHER (80181) (S. Rhodesian A.F.) to be Plt. Off. (emergency). 5th May 1941. (Subs. for notifi. of 10th Nov. 1942 (p. 4872, col. 1).)

Flg. Off. C. D. HALL (106272) resigns his commn. and retains his rank. 10th May 1943.

ACCOUNTANT BRANCH.

Plt. Off. (prob.) U. C. MOORE (60251) relinquishes his commn. on transfer to the R.A.A.F. 30th June 1941. (Promotions in the R.A.F.V.R. concerning this officer, subsequent to this date, are hereby cancelled.)

MEDICAL BRANCH.

Flt. Lt. C. A. FORSSANDER, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. (104206) relinquishes his commn. on account of ill-health and retains his rank. 20th May 1943.

Flt. Lt. J. C. KITCHIN, M.B., Ch.B., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. (60723) resigns his commn. and retains his rank. 12th May 1943.

LEGAL BRANCH.

Flt. Lt. J. W. P. CLEMENTS (77097) resigns his commn. and retains his rank. 11th May 1943.

ROYAL AIR FORCE REGIMENT.

To be transfd. to the Admin. and Spec. Duties Br.:—

Plt. Off. H. C. BILLINGHAM (123717). 1st May 1943.

Plt. Off. (prob.) C. W. DINNING (127588). 6th May 1943.

Flt. Lt. F. W. WALTER, M.C. (84068) resigns his commn. and retains the rank of Sqn. Ldr. 1st May 1943.

The notifi. of 27th Oct. 1942 (p. 4649, col. 1) concerning Flg. Off. N. GREENSLADE, M.C., D.F.C. (80187), is cancelled.

AUXILIARY AIR FORCE.

BALLOON BRANCH.

Sqn. Ldr. R. W. TOFT (90968) is transfd. to the Admin. and Spec. Duties Br. 12th May 1943.

WOMEN'S FORCES.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY AIR FORCE.

To be Asst. Sec. Offs. on prob. (emergency):—

Violet PAWLEY (6736). 21st Apr. 1943.

Violet CULLEY (6724). 28th Apr. 1943.

5th May 1943.

Dorothy Jean Tyldesley AYRES (6739).

Nancy Helen CALLOW (6740).

Dorothy Joan CLARKE (6741).

Margaret Jean CURRIE (6742).

Betty Woollescroft FURNESS (6743).

Jean Liddell GIBSON (6744).

Marion Rosalind HALL (6745).

Margaret Diana HAWLEY (6746).

Mary Winifred JOHNSTON (6747).

Marion Josephine KENNEDY (6748).

Christina Sutherland LAING (6749).

Eileen Elizabeth PLENDERLEITH (6750).

Frances Elizabeth POPE (6751).

Enid Audrey SALTER (6752).

Marjorie Mary SHAW (6753).

Susan Emily STEPHENSON (6754).

Muriel Emily STRACEY (6755).

Yvonne Elise STROUVILLE (6756).

Catherine Maria WHITAKER (6757).

Penelope WOODWARD (6758).

Flt. Off. E. JONES (2381) takes rank and precedence as if her appt. as Flt. Off. bore date 23rd Feb. 1943. Reduction to take effect from 23rd Feb. 1943.

To resign their commns. on account of ill-health:—

Sec. Off. D. WELLS (4178). 12th May 1943.

Sec. Off. (prob.) B. B. MISKELLY (4878). 16th May 1943.

Asst. Sec. Off. (prob.) M. M. PERRING (5853).
12th May 1943.

To resign their commns.:—

Flt. Off. B. M. GREEN (242). 1st May 1943.

Sec. Offs.:—

F. H. K. PEARSON (3481). 16th Mar. 1943.

I. DERBYSHIRE (2337). 2nd Apr. 1943.

D. C. MORGAN (2638). 18th Apr. 1943.

M. NORCOCK (2977). 28th Apr. 1943.

M. NORTH-LEWIS (1866). 30th Apr. 1943.

P. J. P. HOOD (3567). 1st May 1943.

M. E. BUCKLE (4118). 3rd May 1943.

Sec. Offs. (prob.):—

M. W. M. DRUCE (5123). 2nd May 1943.

C. BLYTH (5620). 4th May 1943.

Asst. Sec. Off. (prob.) M. ROBB (6371). 27th
Apr. 1943.

The commn. of Asst. Sec. Off. (prob.) D. I. LANG
(4049) is terminated. 15th May 1943.

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