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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 Wilfrith Peter Green, D.F.C. (39518), R.A.F.O., 219 Sqn.
This officer has displayed the highest standard of keenness and devotion to duty in operations against the enemy. Since being awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, Wing Commander Green has completed a large number of sorties. His successes include the destruction of 7 enemy aircraft, 3 of which he shot down one night in October, 1944. His sterling qualities have been October, 1944. His sterling qualities have been well reflected in the high standard of efficiency of the squadron he commands.

Acting Squadron Leader John Harold Coller, D.F.C. (115590), R.A.F.V.R., 10 Sqn.
In air operations this officer has displayed bravery, fortitude and devotion to duty in keeping with the best traditions of the Royal Air Force.

ing with the best traditions of the Royal Air Force. Acting Squadron Leader Allan Sydney Dredge, D.F.C. (63758), R.A.F.V.R., 3 Sqn.

This officer has led the squadron on a very large number of sorties, involving attacks on a wide range of enemy targets. Shipping, airfields, locomotives and various other targets have been most effectively attacked. Throughout these operations, Squadron Leader Dredge has displayed inspiring leadership, great courage and determination, qualities which have contributed materially to the successes obtained. to the successes obtained.

Flying Officer Colin Maxwell Hay (Can/J.39394), R.C.A.F., 432 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

One night in September, 1944, Flying Officer Hay was the navigator of an aircraft detailed to attack Bottrop. It was his third operational mission. Whilst over the target the pilot was severely wounded and lost control of the aircraft which went into a dive. Displaying great promptitude, Flying Officer Hay took over the controls and succeeded in levelling out. Although inexperienced as a pilot and despite the fact that inexperienced as a pilot and despite the fact that some of the instruments were unserviceable he flew the aircraft back to an airfield and landed it. On touching down the under-carriage collapsed and the aircraft caught fire but the crew got clear uninjured. This officer displayed great coolness and resource and was undoubtedly responsible for the ultimate safety of his comrades.

Bar to Distinguished Flying Cross.

Wing Commander James Brian Tarr, D.S.O., D.F.C. (33291), R.A.F., 617 Sqn.

Recently, this officer led a formation of aircraft in an attack on the sluice gates of the Kembs Barrage. When nearing the target considerable

light anti-aircraft fire was encountered. Nevertheless Wing Commander Tait led his formation into the attack with his usual skill and determination. Although his aircraft was hit and sustained damage, Wing Commander Tait pressed home his attack with precision. Some time previously this officer fiew with great distinction in a successful attack on the Dortmund-Ems Canal. He displayed the highest standard of devotion to duty in both attacks on dangerous and difficult targets.

Flying Officer John Alfred Sanders, D.F.C. (168674), R.A.F.V.R., 617 Sqn.

In October, 1944, this officer piloted one of a formation of aircraft detailed to bomb the sluice gates of the Kembs Barrage. In the face of much light anti-aircraft fire, Flying Officer Sanders pressed home his attack with great determination. His heavy bomb fell very close to the required position. This officer has completed many sorties since being awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and has displayed the highest standard of skill and captaincy.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Squadron Leader Jack Norton Kentish (40543),

R.A.F.O., 78 Sqn.

This officer has displayed skill, courage and devotion to duty of a high order. He has completed two tours of operational duty, during which he has attacked a wide range of enemy targets. His determination to make every sortie a success has set a fine example.

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Acting Squadron Leader Leslie Harry Gilbert (141412), R.A.F.V.R., 156 Squadron.

Squadron Leader Gilbert has displayed great ability and determination in operations against the enemy. He has participated in a very large number of sorties, involving attacks on a wide range of targets. On a recent occasion he took part in an attack on Gelsenkirchen. In the face of intense and accurate anti-aircraft fire, Squadron Leader Gilbert directed his pilot on a steady run to execute a determined attack. The photograph which he obtained was a good tribute to the accuracy of his bomb aiming.

cting Squadron Leader Reginald William Lee MULLINER (115654), R.A.F.V.R., 183 Sqn.

This officer has led the squadron in a large number of sorties. During these operations a wide range of targets such as mechanical vehicles, gun emplacements, ferries and barges have been resolutely attacked. Throughout, Squadron Leader Mulliner has displayed exceptional devotion to duty and his leadership has been most inspiring. to duty and his leadership has been most inspiring.

light Lieutenant Arthur Frederick CHILDS (Can/J.9356), R.C.A.F., 429 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.
Flight Lieutenant Childs has completed numerous sorties against such heavily defended targets as Stuttgart, Hamburg, Kiel and centres Flight

in the Ruhr. On one occasion on the outward flying Officer Robert James Austen (Can/J.15710), flight to Duisburg in daylight, one engine failed. Despite this, Flight Lieutenant Childs continued to the target and executed a successful attack. This officer has invariably displayed a high degree played the highest standard of devotion to duty. of skill and determination.

hight Lieutenant Robert Allan CLOTHIER (Can/J.15680), R.C.A.F., 408 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer has completed numerous sorties, in the role of pilot, involving attacks on most of the enemy's heavily defended targets. On all occasions he has pressed home his attacks with great determination and, by his personal example of courage, coolness and confidence has set an example which has inspired all with whom he has flown.

Flight

light Lieutenant Charles Emanuel EDINGER (Can/J.10272), 410 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer has displayed great skill, courage and resolution. He has completed very many sorties and has shown the greatest keenness to engage the enemy. He has destroyed 5 enemy

Flight Lieutenant Hugh Henry FIELDING-JOHNSON (130659), R.A.F.V.R., 21 Sqn.

This officer has completed very many sorties, including attacks on such targets as enemy airfields, railway sidings, locomotives and road transport. He has displayed commendable skill and courage and has invariably pressed home his attacks with great determination. On one occasion he took part in an attack on a German military barracks. During the operation his aircraft was struck by anti-aircraft fire. One engine was put out of action but he flew his aircraft safely to base. hase

Flight Lieutenant Clarence Christopher William Margerison (Can/J.7337), R.C.A.F., 571 Sqn.
One night in October, 1944, this officer was the pilot of an aircraft detailed for a mine-laying mission. Considerable anti-aircraft fire was encountered in the target area but Flight Lieutenant Margerison completed his task with skill and precision. This officer has participated in very many sorties and has set a fine example of courage and determination. of courage and determination.

Flight Lieutenant Earl Byron Van Slyck (Can/J. 10246), R.C.A.F., 433 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.
This officer has at all times displayed commendable skill and determination. On one occasion, whilst over Berlin, his aircraft was badly damaged when struck by anti-aircraft fire. The aircraft became very difficult to control. Nevertheless, Flight Lieutenant Van Slyck flew it to base. By his skill and resolution this officer was undoubtedly responsible for the safe return of the aircraft and

Acting Flight Lieutenant Emerson William Andrew (Can/J.24423), R.C.A.F., 78 Sqn.

Flight Lieutenant Andrew has completed a large number of sorties, including attacks on such targets as Kiel, Stuttgart and Munster. He is a keen, courageous and resourceful captain of aircraft and his example has greatly inspired his crews. In a sortie on one occasion, two engines failed whilst over the sea. It became necessary to bring the aircraft down on to the water, a task which Flight Lieutenant Andrew accomplished with great skill. None of his crew was injured and they were rescued a few hours later.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Patrick Augustine MURPHY

(160834) R.A.F.V.R., 156 Sqn.
This officer has participated in a large number of sorties, many of them against dangerous and difficult targets. He is a keen, cool and resolute member of aircraft crew, whose ability has contri-buted in good measure to the successes obtained. In October, 1944, Flight Lieutenant Murphy participated in an attack on Cleve. His cool and skilful work in the face of much anti-aircraft fire was worthy of great praise.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Louis Joseph Jacques TERROUX (Can./J.85107), R.C.A.F., 425 (R.C.A.F)

Sqn.
This officer is an exceptionally keen and skilful very many sorties, inpilot. He has completed very many sorties, in-cluding attacks on such targets as Stuttgart, Kiel and Hamburg. He has displayed exceptional keenness and his determination to make every sortie a success has won great praise.

played the highest standard of devotion to duty. His keenness for air operations and his undoubted wireless skill have made him a most valuable member of aircraft crew. He has rendered excellent

Flying Officer John Bluring (177374), R.A.F.V.R., 578 Sqn.

578 Sqn.

This officer has completed a large number of sorties, including attacks on Karlsruhe, Essen, Aachen and Kiel. In October, 1944, Flying Officer Bluring captained an aircraft detailed to attack Bochum. During the sortie his aircraft was struck by bullets from a fighter. The bomb aimer was killed and the flight engineer was wounded. By skilful manoeuvring, Flying Officer Bluring finally succeeded in evading the attacker. He displayed great coolness and determination in He displayed great coolness and determination in a very trying situation.

Flying Officer Laurent Josephat Correct (Can/J. 18330), R.C.A.F., 408 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer has displayed great skill and tenacity and has participated in attacks on many vital targets in Germany and enemy occupied territory. He has an outstanding record of accurate bombing and has set a fine example to all. His devotion to duty has been of a very high order.

lying Officer Joseph Yvan Jacques Cote (Can/J.19722), R.C.A.F., 425 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

In September, 1944, Flying Officer Cote captained an aircraft detailed to attack Calais. Whilst over the target, the port inner engine was hit by anti-aircraft fire. The propeller had to be feathered. In spite of this, Flying Officer Cote pressed home his attack. When nearing base on the homeward flight, the starboard outer engine suddenly burst into flames and became unserviceable. Coolly and skilfully, however, this officer effected a masterly landing. Flying Officer Cote has completed very many sorties and has demonstrated his determination and devotion to duty on all occasions. on all occasions.

Flying Officer Guy CRIBB (138108), R.A.F.V.R.. 16 Sqn. Flying Officer Cribb has completed a large Flying Officer Cribb has completed a large number of reconnaissances, several of which have involved flights far into enemy territory. On one occasion Flying Officer Cribb was detailed to reconnoitre an important river line. Heavy cloud obscured the area but Flying Officer Cribb displayed great persistence. After descending through the clouds his aircraft was attacked by 3 fighters. Flying Officer Cribb evaded the enemy aircraft and, in the face of considerable anti-aircraft fire comin the face of considerable anti-aircraft fire com-pleted a successful run over the target. He set a fine example of courage and resolution.

Flying

fine example of courage and resolution.

lying Officer Walter Alexander Daniel (Can/J.26647), R.C.A.F., 617 Sqn.

Flying Officer Daniel has taken part in numerous sorties and has proved himself an outstanding member of aircraft crew. In September, 1944, he was the air bomber of one of a bomber force which attacked the German battleship Tirpitz. In October, 1944, he took part in an attack on the sluice gates at Kembs Barrage. On both occasions he proved his skill as a bomb aimer. His excellent work contributed materially to the successes obtained.

Flying Officer John Joseph Dunne (Aus.422148), R.A.A.F., 9 Sqn.

This officer is a most capable and conscientious captain of aircraft. He has completed many sorties during which he has attacked a variety of targets. On one occasion whilst over variety of targets. On one occasion whilst over an enemy target his aircraft sustained extensive damage. The controls were affected and the bomber went into a steep dive. Much height was lost before Flying Officer Dunne succeeded in levelling out. He afterwards flew the badly damaged aircraft to an airfield in this country. On a recent occasion he flew with great distinction in an attack on Flushing. This officer has displayed commendable courage and devotion to duty.

Flying Officer Stanley Parker McGee (Can/J.14401), R.C.A.F. 571 Sqn.

This officer has completed a large number of sorties, including 8 attacks on Berlin. He has set a fine example of courage and determination, qualities which were well illustrated on a recent

occasion when detailed to attack a target in Germany. Whilst over the North Sea one engine became unserviceable. Some height was lost but Flying Officer McGee went on to execute his bombing attack. He afterwards flew safely to base.

Flying Officer Albert Edward MacNaughton (Can/J.21806), R.C.A.F., 578 Sqn.

This officer has completed a large number of sorties. He is a navigator of high merit and throughout his tour of duty he has displayed the highest standard of determination and devotion to duty. His coolness and resource in emergency have set a very fine example.

Flying Officer Neville Terence

lying Officer Neville Terence O'CONNOR (Aus.413413), 182 Sqn.

Flying Officer O'Connor has participated in many operational sorties against such targets as enemy troop concentrations, tanks, and gun position. In September 1944, he participated in an attack on gun positions on the Valkenswaad-Eindhoven road. In the face of much light and medium anti-aircraft fire, Flying Officer O'Connor pressed home his attack with great skill and resolution and secured many hits on the position.

lying Officer Joseph André Marcel Peloguin (Can/J.16920), R.C.A.F., 425 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn. As wireless operator (air) this officer has par-ticipated in a large number of sorties, many of ticipated in a large number of sorties, many of them far into Germany. He has proved himself to be a keen and capable member of aircraft crew, whose vigilance and devotion to duty have contributed materially to the safety of the air-craft and its crew. In addition to his work in the air, this officer has rendered good service in the training of other members of the squadron.

Flying Officer Charles Leo VAESSEN (Can/J.28073), R.C.A.F., 410 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer is a highly skilled observer. He has displayed outstanding keenness and determination and has assisted in the destruction of 4 enemy aircraft.

4 enemy aircraft.

Flying Officer William Thomas Glenn Watson (Can/J.19884), R.C.A.F., 433 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer has completed very many sorties. He has proved himself to be a cool and skilful pilot and a very fine captain. On one occasion, early in September, 1944, he piloted an aircraft detailed to attack Emden in daylight. When crossing the English coast on the outward flight, Flying Officer Watson was compelled to feather the propeller of the port engine when the oil cooler became defective. Despite the loss of engine power, Flying Officer Watson continued to the target and executed his attack. His determination was characteristic of that which he has mination was characteristic of that which he has invariably displayed.

rivariably displayed.

Flying Officer Michael Albert Wetz (136180), R.A.F.V.R., 16 Sqn.

Flying Officer Wetz has completed a large number of reconnaissances and has displayed determination and skill of a high order. Not once has he failed to obtain good results. On one occasion he was detailed to reconnoitre a German military headquarters. In spite of intense light and medium anti-aircraft fire, Flying Officer Wetz made three runs over the target and secured excellent photographs. In connection with the airborne landings at Nijmegen, this officer executed three missions which he completed with great distinction. with great distinction.

Flying Officer Ernest Clark WHITNEY (Can/J.27459),

lying Officer Ernest Clark Whitney (Can/J.27459), 419 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

As air bomber, Flying Officer Whitney has participated in a large number of sorties. He has invariably displayed a high degree of skill and resolution and has contributed in good measure to the successes obtained. In August, 1944, he took part in a daylight bombing attack on St. Leu d'Esserent. At the commencement of the bombing run the aircraft was subjected to heavy fire from the ground defences. Some fragments of shell crashed through the window of Flying Officer Whitney's compartment, narrowly missing his head. In spite of considerable discomfort caused by the slipstream, Flying Officer Whitney coolly directed the bombing run and attacked the target with precision. Two nights later, in an attack on enemy troop concentrations in the Caen area, this resolute air bomber worked strenuously, in trying conditions, for 35 minutes to drop the bombs manually after the bomb release mechanism failed to function.

His determination was typical of that which he has shown throughout his tour.

has shown throughout his tour.

Acting Flying Officer Ronald Frederick Adams (176648), R.A.F.V.R., 9 Sqn.

This officer has completed very many sorties, many of them against well-defended targets. He has displayed unsurpassed keenness and determination and his example has been most inspiring. He is a highly efficient captain of aircraft.

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Acting Flying Officer Pierre Joseph Damien Hache (Can/J.85157), R.C.A.F., 425 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

As captain and pilot of aircraft, Flying Officer Hache has participated in a large number of sorties. He has displayed commendable skill and courage and has invariably pressed home his attacks with the greatest determination. His devotion to duty has been unfailing.

Acting Flying Officer Philip Herbert Martin

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Acting Flying Officer Phillip Herbert Martin (Aus.427006), R.A.A.F., 617 Sqn.

This officer has completed very many sorties and has displayed outstanding keenness and devotion to duty. In October, 1944, he piloted one of a formation of aircraft detailed to attack the sluice gates at Kembs Barrage. In spite of intense and accurate anti-aircraft fire, Flying Officer Martin pressed home a most determined attack. attack.

attack.
Acting Flying Office. William Benjamin John
SEDGWICK (175623), R.A.F.V.R., 166 Sqn.
Flying Officer Sedgwick, as captain of aircraft,
was detailed to participate in an attack against
Stuttgart one night in October, 1944. When
more than 100 miles from the target one engine
became unserviceable. Nevertheless, Flying Officer
Sedgwick went on to the target which he finally
bombed from a much lower altitude than planned.
His determination was characteristic of that he
has shown throughout a successful tour of operahas shown throughout a successful tour of operational duty. This officer is a most capable and devoted captain of aircraft.

devoted captain of aircraft.

Acting Flying Officer George Alexander Thorne (174525), R.A.F.V.R., 635 Sqn.

In October, 1944, this officer captained an aircraft detailed to attack a target in Germany. Almost as the enemy coast was crossed engine trouble developed. A little later the aircraft was subjected to anti-aircraft fire. Height could not be gained and the bomber was hit in many places. Despite this, Flying Officer Thorne went on to the target and bombed it. On two occasions on the return flight the aircraft was hit when fired upon from the ground. Extensive damage was sustained. from the ground. Extensive damage was sustained. Although two engines had been put out of action, Flying Officer Thorne succeeded in reaching an air field where he effected a successful crash-landing. This officer displayed a high degree of skill, courage and determination throughout.

Pilot Officer Norman Joseph CROOK (Can/J.88295), R.C.A.F., 433 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer is a navigator of high merit. He has participated in very many attacks on enemy targets and his ability has played a good part in the successes obtained. On one occasion, whilst over Metz, his aircraft was extensively damaged in an encounter with three enemy fighters. Despite this he navigated the aircraft safely to base, skilfully avoiding heavily defended areas en route. He has set a fine example of determination and devotion to duty.

Pilot Officer Jack Grant McNaughton (Can/J.87880), R.C.A.F., 433 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer in the rôle of navigator, has completed numerous sorties against a wide range of Dusseldorf. He is a highly skilled and resolute member of aircraft crew, whose navigational ability has contributed in a large way to the success of many missions.

Pilot

Pilot Officer Raymond Mosher Stevens (Can/J.87794), R.C.A.F., 415 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

Pilot Officer Stevens has set a fine example of determination and devotion to duty. He has completed very many sorties. On one occasion the target was Ghent. Whilst over the target the aircraft sustained extensive damage in a fight with an enemy aircraft. In spite of this, Pilot Officer Stevens flew the bomber to base and effected a masterly landing. His fine qualities have greatly inspired his crew.

### Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Flying Officer Durham Highet STRACHAN (N.Z.422440), R.N.Z.A.F., 619 Sqn.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

1377986 Sergeant Frank Webster, R.A.F.V.R., 619
Sqn.
This officer and airman were captain and mid-This officer and airman were captain and midupper gunner, respectively of an aircraft detailed for a mine-laying mission in the Kattegat one night in October, 1944. After leaving the target area the aircraft was attacked by a fighter. Flying Officer Strachan manœuvred with great skill but his aircraft was hit by the enemy's machine gun fire. A fire commenced in the fuselage below Sergeant's Webster's turret. This airman promptly attacked the flames with extinguishers and beat at the flames with some of his flying clothing. He sustained burns to his face and hands but he continued his efforts and with the assistance of other members of the crew, the fire was finally other members of the crew, the fire was finally put out. The aircraft had sustained much damage put out. The aircraft had sustained much damage and was difficult to control. A large hole had been burned in the fuselage. The hydraulic system had been rendered unserviceable and the bomb doors were in the open position. Nevertheless, Flying Officer Strachan flew the aircraft to been and executed a successful crash landing. theiess, Flying Officer Strachan flew the aircraft to base and executed a successful crash landing. This officer displayed a high degree of skill and determination throughout. Sergeant Webster also proved himself a resolute member of aircraft crew. His promptitude and resource in the emergency set a very fine example.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Flying Officer Gordon Herbert Stewart (Aus.18221), R.A.A.F., 467 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

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Aus.421843 Flight Sergeant Robert Calov, R.A.A.F., 467 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.

As pilot and air homber respectively, this officer and aimman were detailed to attack the Nolle Dyke in daylight in October, 1944. In the first run-in to the target the aircraft was hit by a heavy shell and sustained damage. The windscreen of the bomb aimer's compartment was smashed. Flight Sergeant Calov was struck in the eye by flying particles of glass. His injury was most painful and he became temporarily blind in the affected eye. Despite this he successfully attacked the target at the fourth attempt. Flying Officer Stewart afterwards flew the damaged aircraft to base and landed it safely. This officer and airman set a fine example of courage, resoluand airman set a fine example of courage, resolution and devotion to duty.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

Can/R.196916 Flight Sergeant Charles Marcien Bujold, R.C.A.F., 425 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.
As air gunner, Flight Sergeant Bujold has participated in very many sorties. He has displayed great keenness and devotion to duty throughout. The skill and resolution he has shown in defending his aircraft against enemy fighters have been most commendable. most commendable.

most commendable.

Can/R.182184 Sergeant (now Pilot Officer) John David Hamilton, R.C.A.F., 432 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn. In September, 1944, this airman captained an aircraft detailed to attack Calais. Whilst over the target area considerable anti-aircraft fire was encountered. Despite this Sergeant Hamilton was determined to attack his target as accurately as possible. His aircraft was hit several times but he maintained a steady bombing run to execute a successful attack. He afterwards flew the damaged bomber to an airfield. Sergeant Hamilton set a fine example of tenacity and devotion to duty. dutv.

R.A.F.V.R., 578 Sqn.

As flight engineer this airman has participated in a large number of sorties. He has proved himself to be a highly skilled, resolute and devoted member of aircraft crew. On a recent occasion, Sergeant Sheasby participated in an attack on Bochum. On the return flight his aircraft was hit by bullets from a fighter. Sergeant Sheasby was wounded in the arm and shoulder. Although

greatly distressed he insisted on fulfilling his engineering duties until this country was reached. He set a fine example of courage and fortitude.

Air Ministry, 5th December, 1944.

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

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Wing Commander.

Patrick Abercrombie Lombard (37110), R.A.F., 228 Sqn.

Flight Lieutenants.

Norman CARR (129343), R.A.F.V.R., 143 Sqn. Arnold Ryder Cussons (103557), R.A.F.V.R.,

Arnold Ryus.
540 Sqn.
Anthony Henry William GILCHRIS.
R.A.F.V.R., 143 Sqn.
Geoffrey Walter ROUSE (132337), R.A.F.V.R.,
(120620), R.A.F.V.R.,

220 Sqn.

eonard James Alfre R.A.F.V.R., 220 Sqn. Alfred WHITTAKER

Flying Officers.

Leonard John Barcham (133658), R.A.F.V.R., 404 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

Derrick Stewart Bielby (171054), R.A.F.V.R.,

Derrick Stewart 172 Sqn.
Stephen Theodore Faithful (151026), R.A.F.V.R., 404 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.
Donald Glover Hill (157101), R.A.F.V.R., 541 Sqn.
Hubert John O'BRIEN (52658), R.A.F., 220 Sqn.
James Edward Orchard (139926), R.A.F.V.R.,

248 Sqn. ubert Charles Syd R.A.F.V.R., 540 Sqn. (138686), Hubert Sydney POWELL

Pilot Officer.

Peter Beresford OSBORNE (182647), R.A.F.V.R., 236 Sqn.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

Flight Sergeants.

1306022 Clifford Walter John DEADMAN, R.A.F.V.R., 254 Sqn.

1577859 Joseph William Townshend, R.A.F.V.R., 540 Sqn.
524787 William Henry Westby, R.A.F., 205 Sqn. (since deceased) with effect from 31st January,

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE. Distinguished Service Order.

Acting Wing Commander.
Colin George Milson, D.F.C. (Aus.402379), 455
(R.A.A.F.) Sqn.

ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Flight Lieutenant.

Charles Edgar BLAIR (Can/J.10609), 59 Sqn.

Flying Officer.

John Harvey Symons (Can/J.20389), 404 (R.C.A.F.) San.

Warrant Officer.

Jack Perry (Can/R.109092), 404 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn. The above awards are in recognition of gallantry and devotion to duty in the execution of air operations.

In notification of 14th November, 1944 (p. 5211, col. 1), Award of Foreign decorations. Immediately below "Pilot Officer Eric Steele DOHERTY (N.Z.415296) R.N.Z.A.F." insert heading "Air Medal."

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