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The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following awards in recognition of gallantry and devotion to duty in the execution of air operations:—

Distinguished Service Order.

Acting Wing Commander Frank Ronald BIRD, D.F.C. (33526), R.A.F., 105 Sqn.

This officer has completed a very large number of operational missions, including many attacks on targets in the Ruhr area. He has set the finest example of courage and resolution in pressing home his attacks, often in the face of fierce enemy fire, making his bombing runs with great steadiness and accuracy. This officer has rendered much valuable and devoted service.

Acting Wing Commander Douglas Aubrey CRACKNELL, D.F.C. (72985), R.A.F.V.R., 35 Sqn.

This officer was pilot and captain of an aircraft detailed to attack Dusseldorf one night in November, 1944. Before reaching the target the aircraft came under fire from the ground defences and was hit several times. Despite this, Wing Commander Cracknell went on to execute a long and steady bombing run. The accuracy of the attack was well proved by the photograph obtained. This officer has completed many sorties on his third tour of operational duty and has displayed great personal gallantry and devotion to duty.

Acting Wing Commander Dennis Theodore WITT, D.F.C., D.F.M. (44867), R.A.F., 635 Sqn.

As pilot of aircraft this officer has participated in 100 sorties, many of them against the most heavily defended targets. His last 3 missions were against Essen, Cologne and Dusseldorf respectively. On each of these occasions he pressed home his attacks with the greatest determination in the face of intense anti-aircraft fire to obtain good results. He has displayed the highest standard of skill and bravery, setting an example of a high order.

Acting Wing Commander John WOODROFFE, D.F.C. (40777), R.A.F.O..

Since being awarded a Bar to the Distinguished Flying Cross this officer has completed a number of dangerous and difficult sorties. On several occasions his aircraft has been hit and damaged by anti-aircraft fire but Wing Commander Woodroffe has completed his successfully. Throughout an outstanding operational career this officer has displayed the highest qualities of leadership and great bravery. His example both in the air and on the ground has been most inspiring.

Acting Squadron Leader James Richard DOW, D.F.C. (Can/J.5691), R.C.A.F., 635 Sqn.

Since being awarded a bar to the Distinguished Flying Cross this officer has participated in many sorties against dangerous targets. The success achieved reflects the greatest credit on the efforts of Squadron Leader Dow, whose skill and determination have been outstanding. On one occasion, in September, 1944, he was air bomber in an aircraft detailed to attack a target near Calais. Owing to the proximity of our ground forces, precise bombing was essential. Considerable anti-aircraft fire was directed at his aircraft whilst over the target. Nevertheless, Squadron Leader Dow executed a successful attack from a low level. This officer has displayed the finest qualities of gallantry and devotion to duty.

Acting Squadron Leader Norman Alexander John MACKIE, D.F.C. (88410), R.A.F.V.R., 571 Sqn.

This officer has completed a third tour of operational duty during which he has attacked a wide variety of targets in Germany. He is a fearless and devoted captain whose splendid example has been well reflected in the fine fighting spirit of his crews. In November, 1944, Squadron Leader Mackie led a formation of aircraft in an attack on Duisburg, one of the most heavily defended targets in the Ruhr. Considerable heavy and accurate anti-aircraft fire was encountered on approaching the target but Squadron Leader Mackie kept his formation well together to execute a good attack. This officer, who has always elected to take part in the most dangerous operations, has set an example of a high order.

Acting Squadron Leader Bernard MOORCROFT, D.F.C. (147001), R.A.F.V.R., 635 Sqn.

This officer has participated in many sorties since being awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross. In addition to his notable work in the air, Squadron Leader Moorcroft has rendered valuable service in the training of other members of the Squadron.

Acting Squadron Leader William Alfred OLMSTED, D.F.C. (Can/J.5125), R.C.A.F., 442 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer has led the squadron on very many sorties during which great loss has been inflicted on the enemy. Much of the success achieved can be attributed to this officer's brilliant leadership, outstanding skill and courage which have inspired all under his command. Squadron Leader Olmsted himself has been responsible for putting out of action a large number of mechanical vehicles, numerous locomotives and coaches and much other equipment; he has also destroyed 4 enemy aircraft. His determination to harass the enemy on every possible occasion has been worthy of the highest praise.

Acting Squadron Leader George Alfred PATRICK, D.F.C. (N.Z.411442), R.N.Z.A.F., 35 Sqn.

Squadron Leader Patrick has an impressive operational record, having participated in 118 sorties. On one occasion, in November, 1944, he was a member of the crew of an aircraft detailed to attack Dusseldorf. Soon after the take off, all the wireless navigational aids became unserviceable. Nevertheless, Squadron Leader Patrick navigated the aircraft to target which was successfully attacked. His faultless work on a sortie, the success of which depended on accurate timing, was worthy of the highest praise. His strong sense of discipline, great resolution and devotion to duty have set an example of a high order.

Acting Squadron Leader Hugh James SANDERSON, D.F.C. (67686), R.A.F.V.R., 139 Sqn.

This officer has displayed outstanding keenness for operational flying. He has completed a third tour of operational duty during which he has attacked a variety of targets in Germany. He has displayed a high degree of courage and resolution in pressing home his attacks, often in the face of intense anti-aircraft fire. On one occasion whilst over Berlin, a target he has attacked no less than ten times, his aircraft was illuminated in the searchlights. Despite this, Squadron Leader Sanderson maintained a steady run in to attack the target with accuracy. His determination was typical of that which he has shown on all occasions. This officer has proved of tremendous value to the Squadron.

Flight Lieutenant Archibald MITCHELL, D.F.C. (116381), R.A.F.V.R., 571 Sqn.

Since being awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross this officer has completed a large number of sorties, including 12 attacks on Berlin. He has displayed exceptional skill and great personal courage in pressing home his attacks, the accuracy of which has been well proved by the number of good photographs obtained. He has displayed the greatest keenness for air operations and has completed more than a hundred sorties.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Edward Ernest STOCKER, D.F.C. (50954), R.A.F., 582 Sqn.

This officer continues to display a high degree of skill and courage in air operations. He has participated in a hundred sorties, most of which have been against targets in Germany. His skilful and resolute work has been largely responsible for the many successes obtained. His example has been of a high order.

Bar to Distinguished Flying Cross.

Squadron Leader Gerald John GRAY, D.F.C. (88209), R.A.F.V.R., 182 Sqn.

Squadron Leader Gray was detailed to lead a formation of aircraft in an attack on a large concentration of enemy transport and tanks near the German front line. In spite of intense fire from the enemy's ground defences, the operation was completed successfully. Throughout the flight, Squadron Leader Gray displayed a high degree of courage and resolution. His aircraft was hit in the first run in. Despite this he pressed home his attacks again and again and contributed materially to the good results obtained. Since being awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross this officer has completed very many varied sorties.

Acting Squadron Leader Alfred William Gordon COCHRANE, D.S.O., D.F.C. (N.Z.403429), R.N.Z.A.F., 156 Sqn.

Squadron Leader Cochrane is a cool and courageous captain and pilot, whose fine qualities of leadership and determination have been well illustrated in many operations against the enemy. In December, 1944, Squadron Leader Cochrane participated in an attack on the airfield at Dusseldorf. In spite of intense and accurate fire from the ground defences, Squadron Leader Cochrane pressed home his attack with his usual skill. His aircraft was hit but he flew it back to base. His devotion to duty has been unflinching.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Squadron Leader Kenneth Lloyd COLLINSON (87454), R.A.F.V.R., 166 Sqn.

In December, 1944, this officer piloted an aircraft detailed to attack the railway sidings at Rheymdt. On the outward flight, before reaching enemy territory, the starboard outer engine became defective. It soon became overheated and had to be put out of action. Nevertheless,

Squadron Leader Collinson continued to the target which he successfully attacked at a lower level than originally planned. During the operation the aircraft was hit by anti-aircraft fire, causing damage to the mainplane and main structure. Despite this, Squadron Leader Collinson flew back to a home-based airfield. He executed a safe landing, although visibility was poor. This officer has completed numerous sorties and has invariably displayed commendable courage and resolution.

Acting Squadron Leader Roy Kenneth ORROCK (89090), R.A.F.V.R., 248 Sqn.

This officer has completed many sorties on his second tour of operational duty, during which he has participated in several attacks on enemy shipping; he has also completed a number of mine-laying missions successfully. He has displayed the greatest keenness to engage the enemy and his devotion to duty has been outstanding.

Flight Lieutenant Donald FITZGERALD (133482), R.A.F.V.R., 2 Sqn.

This officer has completed a large number of tactical reconnaissances, many of them at low level over highly defended areas. On one occasion, whilst over Walcheren at low level, his aircraft was badly hit. Part of the starboard tailplane was shot away. The controls became jammed which allowed only limited elevator movement. Nevertheless, Flight Lieutenant Fitzgerald completed his task and afterwards flew the aircraft to base. In December, 1944, he executed a reconnaissance during which he attacked several small vessels. Before terminating his mission he sighted two small enemy submarines. As a result of his report these vessels were successfully attacked. This officer has displayed great skill and courage in the execution of his many missions.

Flight Lieutenant James Andrew Lorne FORD (Can/J.12688), R.C.A.F., 608 Sqn.

This officer has displayed the highest standard of determination and devotion to duty in his attacks on the enemy. In December, 1944, he flew with great distinction in an attack on Duisburg. Some hours later, Flight Lieutenant Ford was again in the air. He had volunteered to take the place of a sick pilot. This time the target was Hanover and Flight Lieutenant Ford executed his mission successfully. His fine fighting spirit and great keenness have set a fine example.

Flight Lieutenant Charles Henry LOCKYER (135483), R.A.F.V.R., 608 Sqn.

As pilot of aircraft this officer has participated in a large number of sorties, most of which have been against well defended targets in Germany. Throughout he has displayed outstanding keenness and great determination, qualities which were well in evidence on a recent occasion. Soon after returning to base, following a successful attack on Duisburg, he volunteered to take the place of a pilot who was indisposed. Some hours later he was en route to Hanover which he successfully attacked. He set a fine example of courage and determination.

Flight Lieutenant Jerome Joseph James STALBERGER (Can/J.13402), R.C.A.F., 424 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

One night in December, 1944, this officer piloted an aircraft detailed to attack Hagen. On the outward flight some of the navigational equipment became unserviceable but Flight Lieutenant Stalberger continued his mission. When approaching the target area the aircraft was hit by anti-aircraft fire. The port outer engine was put out of action. Some height was lost. Even so, Flight Lieutenant Stalberger went on to press home a successful attack. This officer has completed many sorties and has displayed notable skill and determination throughout.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Gerard LEWIS (150299), R.A.F.V.R., 156 Sqn.

This officer has completed a large number of sorties, many of them against targets in Germany. He has invariably displayed a high degree of skill and courage in pressing home his attacks, often in the face of strong opposition. On a recent occasion he captained an aircraft detailed to attack Dusseldorf. In spite of adverse weather and in the face of heavy fire from the enemy's ground defences, Flight Lieutenant Lewis executed a successful attack. His determination on this occasion was typical of that which he has shown throughout his tour.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Neil Duncan MARA (Can/J. 16120), R.C.A.F., 433 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

One night in December, 1944, this officer was the pilot of an aircraft detailed to attack Osnabruck. Before reaching the target, trouble was experienced with the port outer engine which began to mis-fire, followed by a large flame from the exhaust. The throttle control kept jumping back to the closed position. Despite this, Flight Lieutenant Mara went on to the target. Whilst on the bombing run, flames once again shot out from the exhaust. Nevertheless, this pilot continued his run and the bombs were released. At this point, two enemy aircraft attempted to close in. Flight Lieutenant Mara evaded them and course was set for home. Soon after crossing the enemy coast, the hydraulic system became unserviceable. The bomb doors fell open and the tail wheel dropped to the down position. Despite this, Flight Lieutenant Mara, when he reached an airfield, effected a safe landing. This officer displayed great skill and coolness in difficult circumstances.

Acting Flight Lieutenant James Anthony ROWLAND (Aus.422909), R.A.A.F., 635 Sqn.

In December, 1944, this officer piloted an aircraft in an attack on Dusseldorf. When on the outward journey, the port engine failed. Despite this Flight Lieutenant Rowland continued his mission. He was unable to climb satisfactorily and his aircraft was subjected to much heavy and light anti-aircraft fire. Damage was sustained but this did not deter this resolute pilot who went on to execute his attack. The aircraft sustained more damage when leaving the target area but Flight Lieutenant Rowland flew back to base. This officer has completed numerous sorties and throughout his work has been characterised by great determination and devotion to duty.

Flying Officer Richard Joseph AUDET (Can/J.20136), R.C.A.F., 411 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer has proved himself to be a highly skilled and courageous fighter. In December, 1944, the squadron was involved in an engagement against 12 enemy fighters in the Rheine/Osnabruck area. In a most spirited action, Flying Officer Audet achieved outstanding success by destroying 5 enemy aircraft. This feat is a splendid tribute to his brilliant shooting, great gallantry and tenacity.

Flying Officer Michael James Burke COLE (156033), R.A.F.V.R., 137 Sqn.

In December, 1944, Flying Officer Cole was detailed to lead a section of aircraft on an armed reconnaissance S.W. of Bremen. Following a number of attacks on trains, intense anti-aircraft fire was encountered and Flying Officer Cole's aircraft was hit. Undeterred he continued to lead his section and made another successful attack on a locomotive. Shortly after leaving the target his aircraft was again hit, the starboard rudder control being shot away and the tailplane damaged. Despite this, Flying Officer Cole flew his aircraft back to base and made a safe landing. This officer has participated in a large number of sorties and has displayed a high standard of skill and gallantry throughout.

Lieutenant Andre Frederick GREEN (328554V), S.A.A.F., 184 Sqn.

Since joining the squadron, Lieutenant Green has participated in many sorties covering the battle area. In spite of bad weather and in the face of heavy fire, he has invariably pressed home his attacks with skill and daring. He has most effectively attacked a number of locomotives and railway wagons, many mechanical vehicles and other targets on the ground. He has set a fine example of determination and devotion to duty.

Flying Officer Joseph Rodolphe Henri LAFRENIERE (Can/J.35881), R.C.A.F., 425 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer has completed many operational missions and throughout has displayed devotion to duty of a high standard. One night in December, 1944, he piloted an aircraft detailed to attack Hagen. On the outward flight the aircraft sustained damage. The tip of the starboard mainplane was torn away; the top portion of a rudder was also broken off. In spite of this, Flying Officer Lafreniere went on to the target and executed a successful attack. He displayed exceptional determination throughout.

Flying Officer Samuel Blair LINDSAY (Can/J.38181), R.C.A.F., 419 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer was the navigator in an aircraft which attacked Oberhausen. Shortly after leaving the target the aircraft was attacked by a fighter. Extensive damage was sustained. Three of the crew were wounded, including Flying Officer Lindsay who was hit in the back; his face was also badly lacerated by fragments of shrapnel. A fire had started in his compartment but he was able to quell it by means of an extinguisher. He afterwards put out another fire which had started in the root of the starboard wing. In so doing his hands were badly burned. Soon afterwards, Flying Officer Lindsay fainted through shock. He soon revived when his injuries had been attended to and resumed his duties. Much of his equipment had been destroyed in the fight. Nevertheless, he navigated the aircraft to base. In the face of most harassing circumstances, this officer displayed great courage, fortitude and resource.

Warrant Officer Robert LOCKYER (1484090), R.A.F.V.R., 182 Sqn.

In December, 1944, Warrant Officer Lockyer, as pilot of an aircraft, was detailed to attack concentrations of mechanical transport and troops in the Jülich-Neuss-Ahrweiler area. Considerable anti-aircraft fire was encountered. Despite this Warrant Officer Lockyer pressed home his attack. As he turned to leave the target, he saw the gun position from which the enemy's anti-aircraft fire was being directed. Displaying the greatest resolution, this pilot immediately dived to the attack and was responsible for silencing the guns. Warrant Officer Cole has participated in very many varied sorties and has displayed outstanding keenness and devotion to duty.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

1580325 Flight Sergeant Kenneth George ELLIS, R.A.F.V.R., 540 Sqn.

Flight Sergeant Ellis has participated in very many operational missions and throughout has displayed a high standard of ability. On one occasion, in November, 1944, he was the navigator in an aircraft detailed for a reconnaissance which called for a high degree of skill and fortitude. During the operation several enemy objectives were reconnoitred, including the German battleship Tirpitz shortly after the vessel had been successfully attacked. His faultless navigation, despite difficult weather, contributed in good measure to the success of a notable sortie.

Air Ministry, 16th February, 1945.

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

Bar to Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Squadron Leaders.

Leslie William Norman BOOTH, D.F.C. (145299), R.A.F.V.R., 582 Sqn.

John Nisbet Scott CUMMING, D.F.C. (43935), R.A.F., 109 Sqn.

Flight Lieutenants.

Max Reginald ASHMAN, D.F.C. (120405), R.A.F.V.R., 582 Sqn.

James Ronald CASSELS, D.F.C. (128680), R.A.F.V.R., 139 Sqn.

Robert Breedlove CASTLE, D.F.C. (103005), R.A.F.V.R., 105 Sqn.

Bernard James DOBSON, D.F.C. (109371), R.A.F.V.R., 44 Sqn.

Frederick Maurice Henry FISHER, D.F.C. (130524), R.A.F.V.R., 49 Sqn.

Thomas Cameron GRAHAM, D.F.C. (125622), R.A.F.V.R., 109 Sqn.

John Jenkins HUNTER, D.F.C. (147143), R.A.F.V.R., 105 Sqn.

George Edward LOWE, D.F.C. (136046), R.A.F.V.R., 10 Sqn.

Arthur O'HARA, D.F.C., D.F.M. (132344), R.A.F.V.R., 109 Sqn.

Frank Cyril PETTS, D.F.C. (47555), R.A.F., 109 Sqn.

Acting Flight Lieutenants.

Robert Leslie Cecil LASHAM, D.F.C. (161609), R.A.F.V.R., 97 Sqn.

Donald Kenneth NELSON, D.F.C. (157434), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.

Bernard Ernest PATRICK, D.F.C. (170998), R.A.F.V.R., 109 Sqn.

Edmund Alfred PEARMAIN, D.F.C. (156337),
R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.
Bernard Stanley SWIFT, D.F.C. (157972),
R.A.F.V.R., 109 Sqn.
Norman Wilfred WADE, D.F.C. (173117),
R.A.F.V.R., 109 Sqn.

Flying Officers.

Arthur George BRUTON, D.F.C. (172985),
R.A.F.V.R., 138 Sqn.
John HARBOTTLE, D.F.C. (141809), R.A.F.V.R.,
128 Sqn.
William Cruikshank Lowe MCKAY, D.F.C. (148055),
R.A.F.V.R., 158 Sqn.
Thomas Theophilus THOMAS, D.F.C. (169430),
R.A.F.V.R., 109 Sqn.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Group Captain.

Anthony Caron EVANS-EVANS, R.A.F.

Acting Wing Commanders.

Norman ALEXANDER (28075), R.A.F.O., 7 Sqn.
William George DEVAS, A.F.C. (32221), R.A.F.O.,
115 Sqn.
Robert Thomas FROGLEY (33187), R.A.F., 50 Sqn.
Brian Watson McMILLAN, D.S.O., A.F.C. (40550),
R.A.F.O., 582 Sqn.
Richard Dunning PEXTON, A.F.C. (72150),
R.A.F.V.R., 61 Sqn.
Maurice STOCKDALE (40440), R.A.F.O., 12 Sqn.

Acting Squadron Leaders.

Peter Charles BARGH (45896), R.A.F., 582 Sqn.
Mauritz Bernard BERNDSSON, D.F.M. (118093),
R.A.F.V.R., 35 Sqn.
John Herbert CROTCH (120859), R.A.F.V.R., 192 Sqn.
Thomas Roy Asquith DOW (41266), R.A.F.O.,
139 Sqn.
Harry McPherson JOHNSTON, D.S.O. (117127),
R.A.F.V.R., 635 Sqn.
Emile Albert Oliver MANGE (104465), R.A.F.V.R.,
635 Sqn.
Philip Scott MORRIS (100037), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.
Henry Richard POOLEY (44404), R.A.F., 9 Sqn.
Percy REYNOLDS (66577), R.A.F.V.R., 186 Sqn.
George Milne ROBERTSON (86657), R.A.F.V.R.,
51 Sqn.
Denis Noel SHEPHERD (102303), R.A.F.V.R., 90 Sqn.
Norman Frederick SMITH (42682), R.A.F.O.,
23 Sqn.
John Godfrey TIMMS (119080), R.A.F.V.R., 514 Sqn.
Leslie John WARD (41501), R.A.F.O., 102 Sqn.
David Ponsford WHITE (62017), R.A.F.V.R., 166
Sqn.
Philip Adrian WILLIAMS (116661), R.A.F.V.R., 582
Sqn.

Flight Lieutenants.

Ernest AKERS (123093), R.A.F.V.R., 10 Sqn.
John BARRITT (130337), R.A.F.V.R., 166 Sqn.
Leslie Frederick BELTON (108535), R.A.F.V.R., 149
Sqn.
George BROWN (50192), R.A.F., 571 Sqn.
Ernest Stephen BUCKLAND (142842), R.A.F.V.R.,
186 Sqn.
John CUNNINGHAM (127214), R.A.F.V.R., 115 Sqn.
Ernest Leonard David DRAKE (118557), R.A.F.V.R.,
105 Sqn.
John Edward EARNSHAW (120705), R.A.F.V.R., 692
Sqn.
Cecil George ENDERSBY (109366), R.A.F.V.R., 169
Sqn.
Francis Joseph HALPIN (123499), R.A.F.V.R., 105
Sqn.
Malcolm Lennox HAMILTON (130623), R.A.F.V.R.,
617 Sqn.
John Kenneth HAVILAND (82690), R.A.F.V.R., 141
Sqn.
James HIGGETT, D.F.M. (128977), R.A.F.V.R., 635
Sqn.
Hugh Lamb HING (136701), R.A.F.V.R., 576 Sqn.
William Bernard HOLMAN (125419), R.A.F.V.R., 186
Sqn.
Walter Donald Frank HUGGETT (117988),
R.A.F.V.R., 692 Sqn.
Hylton LEWIS (130851), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.
Edward John LISLE (46308), R.A.F., 35 Sqn.
Norman Eric LITCHFIELD (111470), R.A.F.V.R., 105
Sqn.
Thomas James LONG (133548), R.A.F.V.R., 608 Sqn.
Anthony John McCALL (132028), R.A.F.V.R., 7
Sqn.
George Reginald McQUEEN (123292), R.A.F.V.R.,
582 Sqn.

Philip Pitcairn MATHER (133928), R.A.F.V.R., 7
Sqn.
George Patrick MULLAN (132984), R.A.F.V.R., 128
Sqn. (since deceased).
Ralph Stanley Arthur NEAT (117419), R.A.F.V.R.,
76 Sqn.
Roland Frank NEW (49792), R.A.F., 158 Sqn.
Peter Edward NORRIS (124176), R.A.F.V.R., 625
Sqn.
Patrick Thomas O'BRIEN (132885), R.A.F.V.R., 76
Sqn.
John Gerrard Jerome PARSONS (133702),
R.A.F.V.R., 78 Sqn.
Norman Louis ROSE (144286), R.A.F.V.R., 550 Sqn.
John Alec RUCK (129661), R.A.F.V.R., 105 Sqn.
Leslie Webb RUTTER (121942), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.
William John James STEVENS, D.F.M. (119009),
R.A.F.V.R., 625 Sqn.
Ieuan THOMAS (134556), R.A.F.V.R., 192 Sqn.
Brian TIERNEY (130159), R.A.F.V.R., 105 Sqn.
William John WARM (135406), R.A.F.V.R., 78 Sqn.
Cecil WATKINS (132025), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.
Frank Alexander WATT (127201), R.A.F.V.R., 12
Sqn.
Peter James WHEELER (67711), R.A.F.V.R., 105
Sqn.
John Alexander Simson WOOD (119329), R.A.F.V.R.,
76 Sqn.

Acting Flight Lieutenants.

Stewart Andrew ANNING (136403), R.A.F.V.R., 44
Sqn.
Ivor William BAGSHAW (179394), R.A.F.V.R., 582
Sqn.
Cyril Frank BOND (139729), R.A.F.V.R., 109 Sqn.
Thomas Dorian Robertson CARROLL (173395),
R.A.F.V.R., 83 Sqn.
Charles Anthony CLARKSON (52911), R.A.F., 7 Sqn.
Sidney Arthur CLINK (168818), R.A.F.V.R., 90 Sqn.
Charles Alfred COLDRICK (173920), R.A.F.V.R., 51
Sqn.
Denis John DIXON-JACKSON (175794), R.A.F.V.R.,
158 Sqn.
James Clifford DOUGLAS (51319), R.A.F., 109 Sqn.
Charles William Gordon DOWSE (138067),
R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.
Charles William EATON (175196), R.A.F.V.R., 97
Sqn.
Ronald Vivian ECCLESTONE (175308), R.A.F.V.R.,
218 Sqn.
Donald FALGATE (136896), R.A.F.V.R., 50 Sqn.
Charles Herbert FRANCIS (51738), R.A.F., 90 Sqn.
Will HANCOCK (151660), R.A.F.V.R., 199 Sqn.
Raymond John HARRIS (174625), R.A.F.V.R., 9
Sqn.
Reginald Watson Merrick HEATH (160194),
R.A.F.V.R., 44 Sqn.
Donald Vincent HIBBERT, D.F.M. (144958),
R.A.F.V.R., 158 Sqn.
Jack HOWARD (157094), R.A.F.V.R., 78 Sqn.
George Vincent JOHNSON, D.F.M. (148463),
R.A.F.V.R., 105 Sqn.
John Arthur LAWSON (150241), R.A.F.V.R., 214
Sqn.
Duncan White McADAM (155013), R.A.F.V.R., 158
Sqn.
Philip Patrick MCGUINNESS (175314), R.A.F.V.R.,
35 Sqn.
Geoffrey Ansell MARSDEN (175503), R.A.F.V.R.,
35 Sqn.
Terence Gillespie O'DWYER (142353), R.A.F.V.R.,
630 Sqn.
Patrick Francis O'LEARY (156452), R.A.F.V.R., 223
Sqn.
Sydney Joseph PALMER (153277), R.A.F.V.R., 12
Sqn.
Cyril George PEAK (142504), R.A.F.V.R., 35 Sqn.
Bertram Ray PENGILLEY (172479), R.A.F.V.R., 582
Sqn.
Tom Henderson COXON PHELPS (144602),
R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.
Elmer PROTHEROE (54223), R.A.F., 7 Sqn.
Ronald William POWELL (146693), R.A.F.V.R., 109
Sqn.
Douglas Owen PRICHARD (179209), R.A.F.V.R., 78
Sqn.
Harold Frank PULLEN (50980), R.A.F., 102 Sqn.
George Angus RILEY, D.F.M. (145479), R.A.F.V.R.,
109 Sqn.
Robert Ernest ROACH (173781), R.A.F.V.R., 186
Sqn.
Kenneth William ROWELL (182124), R.A.F.V.R., 9
Sqn.
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