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Sqn.

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Sqn.

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Sqn.

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Sqn.

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Sqn.

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Flight Lieutenant James Roland BUTLER (133022),
Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve.

This officer joined his present group in
November, 1943, as an instructor. Later as a
test pilot he has been conspicuous for his high
standard of testing and devotion to duty. In
June, 1945, he was the sole pilot during a flight
test of a Lancaster aircraft when the starboard
outer engine failed and the starboard aileron
became jammed with the wheel hard to port. The
aircraft went into a rolling dive. With great skill
and coolness Flight Lieutenant Butler regained
control of the aircraft and keeping directional
control by varying the power on his three engines,
he brought the aircraft in to land at a considerable
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