

in the air, having accounted for five enemy machines.

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Lieut. (A./Capt.) James Butler White. (FRANCE)

A fine fighting pilot who has accounted for eight enemy aeroplanes. He has led numerous offensive and low bombing raids, and by his able and daring leadership has achieved great success with a minimum of casualties to his patrol.

Lieut. Harold Wickett. (Sea Patrol, MEDITERRANEAN)

A most persevering and courageous pilot, who, undeterred by difficulties, invariably reaches his objective. He has taken part in long-distance raids over an important enemy town, and has displayed marked skill in so manœuvring his machine that most excellent results have been obtained from bombing and photographic reconnaissances.

Lieut. Basil Syers Wilcox. (FRANCE)

An officer who on all occasions shows keenness and devotion to duty of a high order. He has carried out numerous contact patrols, bringing back at all times very complete and valuable information. Handicapped frequently by adverse weather conditions, and in face of severe opposition from aircraft and machine-gun fire, he invariably displays praiseworthy perseverance and courage in carrying out his allotted task.

Lieut. (A./Capt.) Robert Owen Williams. (FRANCE)

During operations in September this officer has been conspicuous for his ability, gallantry and untiring energy in carrying out contact patrols. Undeterred by heavy hostile fire or adverse weather conditions, Capt. Williams has almost invariably succeeded in locating our troops and in obtaining valuable information.

Lieut. Eric Constant Willis. (FRANCE)

On 2nd October this officer carried out an extremely valuable contact patrol, flying for two hours at an average height of 300 feet. Whilst employed on this duty he assisted in repelling a counter-attack, vigorously engaging the enemy with machine-gun fire from a height of fifty feet. During the combat his machine was struck by a shell; notwithstanding this, he continued his patrol, sending in three most important reports as to the position of our advancing troops. On landing at his aerodrome his machine collapsed. A fine example of courage and devotion to duty.

Lieut. Claude Melnot Wilson. (FRANCE)

Bold in attack, this officer never hesitates to join in an engagement with the enemy, regardless of their numerical superiority. On 18th August, with four other machines, he attacked a large hostile formation. Five enemy machines were destroyed, Lt. Wilson accounting for one. In all he has four machines and one balloon to his credit.

Lieut. James Roy Stephen Young. (Sea Patrol, MEDITERRANEAN)

A most skilful and gallant observer. This officer has taken part in long-distance raids over an important enemy town, and has obtained most valuable information and photographs under very difficult conditions, displaying marked ability.

Lieut. Horace Robert Hern. (FRANCE)
2nd Lieut. Alfred Alexander Tutte. (FRANCE)

On the night of 20-21st September, Lieut. Hern, whilst gliding down to bomb a town, was wounded in the shoulder; he, nevertheless, dropped his bombs with good effect. On the return journey, facing a very strong wind, he became exhausted and well-nigh fainted. Seeing his condition, 2nd Lieut. Tutte, the observer, with great presence of mind and cool courage, climbed on to the cowling and held the joy stick, and the machine was safely landed. An exhibition of brave determination and devotion to duty on the part of these officers, and deserving of high praise.

AWARDED A BAR TO THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING MEDAL.

67162 Sergt.-Obsr. Arthur Newland, D.F.M. (Enfield Wash). (FRANCE)

This non-commissioned officer sets a splendid example of courage, skill and determination to the other non-commissioned officers of his squadron. During the month of August he crashed six enemy machines. (D.F.M. gazetted 21st September, 1918.)

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J/70544 Sergt.-Obsr. Gilbert Barlow (Fails-worth, Manchester). (Sea Patrol, FLANDERS)

This non-commissioned officer has taken part in fifty raids, and is a gallant and skilful observer. On 28th September he was engaged in four raids, encountering a large formation of enemy aeroplanes on the last. In the combat he was wounded in both legs, but, notwithstanding this, he and his pilot accounted for two of the enemy.

52874 Sergt.-Mech. James Henry Bowler (Notting Hill, W.). (FRANCE)

A most accurate and skilful observer who has displayed great courage in many engagements, notably on 5th September, when his formation was attacked by a large number of Fokker biplanes. Wounded early in the engagement, he continued to serve his gun with coolness and courage, killing the pilot of one of the attacking planes. On his return he gave a clear and valuable reconnaissance report before being evacuated to hospital.

207112 Sergt.-Mech. Leonard Augustus Cornes (Folkestone).

(Sea Patrol, MEDITERRANEAN)

As gunlayer and observer this non-commissioned officer has displayed marked gallantry and skill deserving of high praise. His conduct on 24th July, when observer to Lieut. Keymer, was particularly noteworthy. Engaged against a greatly superior force, his gun jammed; keeping cool and col-