

Lieut. (A./Capt.) Roby Lewis Manuel,  
D.F.C. (Australian F.C.). (FRANCE.)

On many occasions this officer has led his patrol with exceptional ability and courage, notably on 16th September, when, with a patrol of eleven machines, he engaged fifteen hostile aircraft. By skilful manoeuvre he completely defeated the enemy in a combat that only lasted twenty minutes, at the expiration of which period only four hostile machines remained in the air, and these retired. Six of the enemy machines were seen to fall in a manner that would justify the supposition that they would crash.

(D.F.C. gazetted 2nd July, 1918.)

Lieut. Arthur Eden Reed, D.F.C.  
(FRANCE)

A bold and skilful scout pilot of undaunted courage who has destroyed eleven enemy aircraft. On August 31st he, single-handed, attacked five Fokkers shooting one down. And this is only one instance of several where he has successfully engaged the enemy in superior numbers.

(D.F.C. gazetted 2nd November, 1918.)

Lieut. (A./Capt.) Charles Gordon Ross,  
D.F.C. (FRANCE)

A fine fighting pilot and leader who has destroyed twelve enemy machines. On 2nd October he, with three other machines, attacked eight Fokker biplanes; in the engagement that followed four of these were destroyed, Capt. Ross accounting for one.

(D.F.C. gazetted 2nd November, 1918.)

Lieut. (A./Capt.) William Ernest Staton,  
M.C., D.F.C. (FRANCE)

This officer has already been awarded the Military Cross and the Distinguished Flying Cross for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Since his last award he has destroyed five enemy machines and driven down one out of control. His example of courage and resource is a fine incentive to the other pilots of his squadron.

(M.C. gazetted 22nd June, 1918.)

(D.F.C. gazetted 21st September, 1918.)

Lieut. (A./Capt.) Edwin Swale, D.F.C.  
(Sea Patrol, FLANDERS)

A gallant and determined officer. On 1st October Capt. Swale led his patrol to attack eleven Fokker biplanes; in the engagement that ensued he drove down the leader, which crashed and caused a second machine to fall out of control. In addition to the foregoing, this officer has destroyed nine hostile planes and driven down five out of control.

(D.F.C. gazetted 2nd November, 1918.)

Lieut. (A./Capt.) Adrian James Boswell  
Tonks, D.F.C. (Sea Patrol, FLANDERS)

Since 28th September this officer has led eleven low bombing raids, displaying conspicuous courage and skill, and inflicting serious damage on enemy from low altitudes. During bombing raids Capt. Tonks has destroyed two enemy machines, proving himself a bold and daring fighter.

(D.F.C. gazetted 2nd November, 1918.)

Lieut. (A./Capt.) Frank Roy Walker,  
D.F.C. (Midd'x R.). (FRANCE)

This officer displays conspicuous skill and resolute determination in carrying out low reconnaissances and contact patrols, often under very adverse weather conditions and in face of heavy machine-gun and rifle fire, notably on 30th September, when he penetrated four times to about 5,000 yards behind the enemy lines in order to locate certain troops with whom all touch had been lost. He obtained the necessary information and carried out an exhaustive and most valuable reconnaissance of the area. On his return his machine was found to be riddled with bullets.

(D.F.C. gazetted 2nd November, 1918.)

Lieut. Croye Rothés Pithey, D.F.C.  
(FRANCE)

2nd Lieut. (A./Lieut.) Hervey Rhodes,  
D.F.C. (York. R.). (FRANCE)

Lieut. Pithey and his observer, Lieut. Rhodes, have crashed five enemy aeroplanes and driven down five out of control; in addition, they have shot down two balloons in flames, displaying conspicuous courage and skill on all occasions. On 1st September they attacked an enemy two-seater on contact patrol; this machine at first retired east but returned, accompanied by six scouts, to the attack; after a short engagement they were driven off, and Lieut. Pithey, although his machine was badly shot about, continued his patrol and brought back a most valuable and accurate report.

(Both D.F.C.'s gazetted 3rd August, 1918.)

**AWARDED THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS.**

Lieut. (A./Capt.) Edward John Addis.  
(Sea Patrol, NORTH SEA)

A bold and determined officer who, during the last ten months, has displayed conspicuous zeal in tracking and engaging hostile submarines, carrying out this service frequently in most adverse weather conditions. He sets a fine example to others in his flight.

Lieut. Charles Edward Hamilton Allen.  
(FRANCE)

This officer has carried out many long-distance photographic flights and reconnaissances. In these operations he has invariably shown marked determination, and has proved himself a gallant and skilful fighter. On 8th August he undertook a photographic reconnaissance which was urgently required; several previous attempts had been made to carry it out without success owing to adverse weather conditions. Lieut. Allen, flying through clouds and handicapped by a high wind, successfully reached the objective and completed the reconnaissance. His return journey was an especially noteworthy flight, owing to the great banks of clouds, in one of which he spun from 18,000 feet to 4,000 feet.

Lieut. Edgar Oxenham Amm.  
(FRANCE)

A gallant and dashing airman who has destroyed four enemy machines and a