

To be Tempy. Surgn. Lieuts. with seny. as stated:—

D. W. Pugh, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. 1st Jan. 1940.

H. S. Gild, M.B., Ch.B. 12th Jan. 1940.

Admiralty, 18th May, 1940.

R.M.

Proby. Lieut. E. D. Stroud is confirmed in the rank of Lieut. with seny. of 1st Oct. 1939.

Admiralty, 21st May, 1940.

R.M.

Lieut. S. Hamilton to be Actg. Capt. 16th May 1940.

Lieut. B. Baseby, D.S.C., to be Actg. Capt. 19th May 1940.

Tempy. 2nd Lieuts. to be Actg. Tempy. Lieuts. 20th May 1940:—

C. J. Mahoney.

W. H. Foulkes.

B. H. Salmons.

H. E. Horton.

M. G. A. Wright.

V. F. Ellis.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S ROYAL NAVAL NURSING SERVICE.

Miss Sheila Mary Silk has been confirmed as a Nursing Sister with seniority of 24th Aug. 1939.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant for the County of Renfrew.

Lieutenant-Colonel Matthew Hamilton Lusk Hill, of Garshangan, by Kilmacolm, to be a Deputy Lieutenant.—Dated 13th May, 1940.

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Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of Oxfordshire.

Captain The Honourable Bertram Thomas Carlyle Ogilvy Freeman-Mitford, D.S.O., R.N. (retired), J.P.,

Brigadier-General Edward Spencer Hoare-Nairne, C.B., C.M.G., J.P.,

Lieutenant-Colonel Mervyn Edward George Rhys Wingfield, J.P.,

to be Deputy Lieutenants.—Dated 24th May, 1940.

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Air Ministry,

28th May, 1940.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the undermentioned awards in recognition of gallantry displayed in flying operations against the enemy:—

Awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Squadron Leader James Horatio Gratwick SARLL (32252).

During a night in May, 1940, this officer, as captain of an aircraft, displayed skill and

tenacity in pressing home a bombing attack on the bridges at Maastricht. A direct hit was observed on a bridge, and it was subsequently confirmed that the bridge was destroyed. Squadron Leader Sarll has taken a leading part in several recent operations of his unit and has consistently shown determination.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Herbert Douglas Haig COOPER (39499).

In May, 1940, this officer led a formation of aircraft ordered to undertake bombing operations against Maastricht. In spite of heavy gun-fire in the neighbourhood, the attack was pressed home successfully, the road and railway bridges being heavily bombed. Valuable photographs were also obtained which indicated the location of pontoon bridges and the movement of enemy columns.

Awarded the Distinguished Flying Medal.

563380 Sergeant John Stewart ROBERTSON.

This airman was the observer in one of a formation of aircraft which undertook bombing operations against Maastricht in May, 1940. By displaying great coolness in the face of heavy anti-aircraft fire he obtained most valuable photographs which showed the destruction of two bridges, and indicated clearly the route being taken by the enemy through the town and the points at which they were crossing the river by pontoon bridges.

Air Ministry,

28th May, 1940.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

Warrant Officer 507896 Leonard Shaw Meadows BAILEY (43412) is granted a commission for the duration of hostilities as Flying Officer on probation. 1st Apr. 1940.

The undermentioned are granted commissions for the duration of hostilities as Pilot Officers on probation on the dates stated:—

1st Apr. 1940.

Flight Sergeants.

590115 William BRADSHAW (43413).

532059 Herbert Ashton CLARK (43414).

364914 Edgar Nelson LEWIS (43415).

563284 Fraser Burstock SLADE (43416).

Sergeants.

562018 Edward COTTON (43417).

562079 John Trevor FREEMAN (43418).

563331 Walter John LAWSON (43419).

580134 Iain Robertson MACDIARMID (43420).

580138 Archibald Philip WALSH (43421).

5th May 1940.

Corporal.

513916 Frank HUGILL (43422).

The undermentioned are granted permanent commissions in the substantive rank and on the dates stated:—

16th Mar. 1940.

Flight Lieutenant George Sydney Arthur PARNABY (43423).