

*Factory Department, Ministry of Labour and
National Service.*

13th March, 1942.

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that in consequence of the resignation of Dr. J. Agnew an appointment as Examining Surgeon under the Factories Act, 1937, for the district of East Kilbride in the county of Lanark is vacant. Latest date for receipt of applications: 31st March, 1942.

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13th March, 1942.

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that in consequence of the resignation of Dr. J. McMillan an appointment as Examining Surgeon under the Factories Act, 1937, for the District of Shotts in the county of Lanark is vacant. Latest date for receipt of applications: 31st March, 1942.

EMERGENCY POWERS (DEFENCE).

THE FUEL AND LIGHTING (COAL) (No. 1) ORDER,
1942.

The Board of Trade hereby give notice that in pursuance of Regulation 55 of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, they have made an Order entitled the Fuel and Lighting (Coal) (No. 1) Order, 1942.

The Order will shortly be available as Statutory Rules and Orders No. 475 and copies may be purchased price 1d. (net) through any bookseller or directly from His Majesty's Stationery Office at the following addresses:—York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 120, George Street, Edinburgh 2; 39-41, King Street, Manchester 2; 1, St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff.

The Board of Trade,
Mines Department,
Dean Stanley Street,
Millbank, London, S.W.1.
14th March, 1942.

The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty hereby give notice that they have made an Order under Regulation 43 of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, entitled "Navigation Order No. 11, 1942," dated 6th March, 1942, which is published as Statutory Rule and Order No. 422 of 1942.

J. Lawson.

Admiralty, S.W.1.
13th March, 1942.

Air Ministry.

17th March, 1942.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

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

Distinguished Service Order.

Acting Squadron Leader Noel Joseph MOWAT (41725), No. 607 Squadron.

Since the outbreak of war, Squadron Leader Mowat has completed 150 defensive patrols and 30 fighter operations over enemy territory; 8 of the latter missions were carried out during the evacuation from Dunkirk when he damaged 2 Messerschmitt 109's. In June, 1940, this officer led a section of 3 aircraft which attacked the aerodrome at Rouen Boos and damaged at least 20 enemy aircraft. More recently, Squadron Leader Mowat has led successful attacks on power stations, aerodromes, and barge concentrations in enemy occupied territory. In addition several enemy anti-aircraft posts have been put out of action. Squadron Leader Mowat has also taken part in attacks against enemy shipping during which 5 enemy vessels have been damaged. On the 12th February, 1942, during operations against the German battleships and their escorts, Squadron Leader Mowat, in the face of fierce enemy opposition, was personally responsible for the destruction of a vessel in the convoy. This officer has consistently displayed leadership of the highest order and his determination and complete disregard of personal danger have been an inspiration to his squadron.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Squadron Leader William Alexander SMITH (40026), No. 229 Squadron.

One day in January, 1942, Squadron Leader Smith was leading the squadron whilst it was operating as escort to a formation of bombers in the El Agheila area when an attack was made by enemy fighters in greatly superior numbers. Displaying great skill, Squadron Leader Smith led his formation against the enemy fighters repeatedly, but always returned to the bombers before they could be attacked by other enemy aircraft. He was eventually shot down whilst engaging an enemy fighter but, as the result of his courage and leadership, all the bombers returned safely. Squadron Leader Smith has been engaged on operations since the beginning of the war and has completed several hundred operational flying hours. He has destroyed 6 enemy aircraft and probably destroyed or damaged a further 7.

Pilot Officer Neville Frederick DUKÉ (61054), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 112 Squadron.

One day in February, 1942, Pilot Officer Duke was the leader of a section of a wing when he sighted 35 enemy aircraft. He informed the wing leader and led his section to attack. In the ensuing combat 11 enemy fighters were destroyed by the squadron, 2 being destroyed by Pilot Officer Duke. This officer's leadership contributed materially to the success achieved. He has destroyed 8 enemy aircraft and probably destroyed and damaged a further 6.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

CAN/R. 64935 Flight Sergeant Harry Lewes GILL, Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 607 Squadron.

Since joining the squadron this airman has carried out several offensive fighter patrols over enemy territory, both by day and by night. Targets attacked include power stations, barge concentrations, and factories. On one occasion Flight Sergeant Gill sighted 2 of our aircraft which had been forced down on to the sea and remained over them alone, until driven off by a formation of enemy fighters. On the 12th February, 1942, this airman participated in operations against the German battleships and their escort and pressed home his attacks with great determination in the face of fierce enemy opposition. He damaged at least 1 enemy motor vessel and 1 enemy aircraft. This airman has always displayed initiative and keenness and has proved himself to be an inspiration to his fellow pilots.

AUS/404178 Sergeant Rudolph Morris LEU, Royal Australian Air Force, No. 112 Squadron.

One day in January, 1942, Sergeant Leu was flying at the rear of his formation, which was operating as close escort to a squadron of bombers, when an attack was made by a formation of German fighters. In an engagement lasting over 20 minutes, this airman repeatedly engaged the enemy, destroying one of their aircraft and probably destroying another. The enemy was finally beaten off. Sergeant Leu has led the squadron and wing on many occasions and has displayed outstanding courage and ability. He has destroyed at least 7 enemy aircraft.

AUS/402375 Sergeant Walter Arthur MAILEY, Royal Australian Air Force, No. 3 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.

One day in February, 1942, Sergeant Mailey, whilst leading the squadron, sighted 6 Messerschmitt 109's which were preparing to attack from above. The enemy aircraft were engaged and as the result 5 of them were destroyed and the sixth damaged. Sergeant Mailey then led his squadron in an attack on other enemy aircraft below. Under his sound leadership, the squadron destroyed 4 of these, making a total of 9, 2 being shot down by Sergeant Mailey. This airman has completed a total of 44 operational sorties and has destroyed 6 enemy aircraft and damaged 5 others.

Air Ministry.

17th March, 1942.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

To be Plt. Offs. on prob. (emergency):—
Wt. Offs.

335376 James Thomas DARLING (47879). 12th Nov. 1941.

565003 Norman Leslie TAYLER, D.F.C. (47819). 6th Feb. 1942.