

Flying Officer Peter HULETSKY, D.F.C. (Can/J.22196), R.C.A.F., 418 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer continues to display the highest standard of skill and gallantry. Recently he has taken part in several sorties during which he has assisted in the destruction of 4 enemy aircraft.

Pilot Officer Earl William BOAL, D.F.C. (Can/J.85009), R.C.A.F., 418 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

Since being awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross this officer has taken part in numerous sorties during which he has assisted in the destruction of 9 enemy aircraft. He is an extremely efficient member of aircraft crew whose fearlessness and determination have set an inspiring example.

*Distinguished Flying Cross.*

Wing Commander David Oswald Farquhar LUMSDEN (33267), R.A.F., 144 Sqn.

In June, 1944, this officer led a formation of aircraft which attacked 3 enemy naval vessels. By his skilful leadership and exceptional determination, Wing Commander Lumsden played a good part in the success of a well conceived attack. He has completed many sorties and has set a fine example of devotion to duty.

Acting Squadron Leader William Brodie ANDERSON (Can/J.8924), R.C.A.F., 429 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer has taken part in many attacks on targets in Germany and has invariably displayed a high degree of skill and gallantry. On a recent occasion, when returning from an operation against Karlsruhe, his aircraft was hit by anti-aircraft fire. Squadron Leader Anderson was injured about the eyes by flying splinters. Although temporarily blinded he piloted the aircraft clear of the target area. Later, the second pilot took over the controls, but Squadron Leader Anderson fully maintained his duties as captain throughout the remainder of the homeward flight. This officer is a most efficient flight commander whose leadership and devotion to duty have set a fine example.

Acting Squadron Leader Donald Percival JANDRELL (80355), R.A.F.V.R., 260 Sqn.

This officer has participated in many sorties including attacks on a variety of targets such as locomotives, trucks and shipping. Much of the success achieved during these operations can be attributed to the determined efforts of Squadron Leader Jandrell who is a skilful and daring leader. He has recently led formations of aircraft in operations which have resulted in the destruction of many mechanical vehicles and in the effective bombing of numerous gun positions. Squadron Leader Jandrell has set an example worthy of emulation.

Acting Squadron Leader Thomas McPHEE, D.F.M. (100603), R.A.F.V.R., 464 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer has taken part in a large number of sorties and has displayed a high standard of leadership and skill throughout. His determination to press home his attacks has always been apparent and has won him much success. One evening in June, 1944, he played a prominent part in an operation against a concentration of locomotives which were attacked with good effect. This officer has at all times displayed outstanding devotion to duty.

Flight Lieutenant Arthur Charles CARTER (61006), R.A.F.V.R., 109 Sqn.

Flying Officer Ernest Walter GARRETT (Can/J.16299), R.C.A.F., 109 Sqn.

These officers were pilot and navigator respectively of an aircraft detailed to attack Leverkusen one night in June, 1944. When nearing the target the aircraft was hit by anti-aircraft fire which damaged the port tail plane. Just afterwards both the port engines were affected when another shell burst underneath the aircraft. Nevertheless, Flight Lieutenant Carter maintained a steady run and the target was successfully attacked. Almost immediately the aircraft was again hit. The elevator and aileron controls were severed. A measure of control was lost but Flight Lieutenant Carter succeeded in bringing the bomber level and a course was set for home. Soon after leaving the target one of the damaged engines caught fire and had to be put out of action. The aircraft gradually lost height but Flight Lieutenant Carter held resolutely to his course and finally reached an airfield. This officer displayed skill, gallantry and devotion to duty of a high order. Flying Officer Garrett also proved himself to be a valiant and

devoted member of aircraft crew. In the face of most harassing circumstances he navigated his aircraft with unerring skill and also rendered other assistance to his pilot in his endeavours to reach this country.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Dennis Harker PHILLIPS (134102), R.A.F.V.R., 102 Sqn.

This officer has completed a notable tour of operations during which he has attacked such targets as Berlin, Frankfurt, Munich and Kassel. He has invariably displayed a high degree of skill and courage and his determination to make every sortie a success has won much praise.

Flying Officer Trevor Tressler SMART (151288), R.A.F.V.R., 207 Sqn.

One night in May, 1944, this officer piloted an aircraft detailed to attack a target in Northern France. Whilst over the target his aircraft sustained severe damage. In spite of this, Flying Officer Smart maintained his bombing run and executed his attack. The aircraft was now becoming well nigh uncontrollable but, although he ordered his crew to don their parachutes, this resolute pilot decided to attempt to reach home. Twice, when crossing the English Channel, the aircraft went into spiral dives but, by skilful manipulation of the engine throttles, Flying Officer Smart recovered control. Finally, he effected a safe landing at an airfield near the coast. An inspection of the aircraft then revealed that the tip of the port wing and parts of the port aileron, rudder and fin had been torn away; a part of the port tailplane was also missing. On this his fourth sortie, Flying Officer Smart displayed noteworthy skill, great courage and tenacity, setting a very fine example.

Flying Officer Clarence Martin BOLGER (Can/J.20055), R.C.A.F., 407 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer was the pilot of an aircraft which engaged a U boat one morning in May, 1944. Despite heavy anti-aircraft fire, Flying Officer Bolger pressed home a most determined attack in which he made 4 runs over the target in order to ensure that his depth charges would be released with the most effect. This gallant and resolute captain has completed a large number of sorties and has displayed unfailing devotion to duty throughout.

Flying Officer William Ransom BREITHAUP (Can/J.17271), R.C.A.F., 239 Sqn.

Flying Officer James Alphonsus KENNEDY (148471), R.A.F.V.R., 239 Sqn.

As pilot and observer respectively these officers have completed numerous sorties. They have displayed a high degree of skill, excellent co-operation and a fine fighting spirit, qualities which have enabled them to destroy 4 enemy aircraft at night within a period of a few weeks. Their achievements have won much praise.

Flying Officer William Alexander Reid STEWART (Can/J.14796), R.C.A.F., 418 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

As observer, this officer has participated in very many sorties and has displayed a high standard of skill, courage and resolution, qualities which have contributed materially to the great success of several operations in which he has recently taken part. His example of keenness and devotion to duty has been most commendable.

Pilot Officer John Hislop BOLES (N.Z.421009), R.N.Z.A.F., 166 Sqn.

This officer has completed a large number of sorties and has displayed notable skill and resolution, qualities which were well in evidence on a recent sortie. His objective was a target in Germany but, when crossing the enemy coast, one engine became useless. It became difficult to maintain height but Pilot Officer Boles went on to the target which he successfully bombed at the second attempt. Later on his aircraft was attacked by a fighter. It was driven off, however, and Pilot Officer Boles afterwards flew the aircraft home. This officer has at all times displayed the greatest keenness and has set a fine example of devotion to duty.

Pilot Officer Robert Albert POTTS (Aus.415355), R.A.A.F., 75 (N.Z.) Sqn.

This officer has taken part in very many attacks on targets important to the enemy's war effort. He has displayed a high standard of ability and throughout his determination to complete his tasks successfully has merited high praise. On a recent occasion, Pilot Officer Potts piloted an aircraft