

attacked with great accuracy. He afterwards flew safely to base. This officer displayed devotion to duty of a high order.

Flying Officer Warren Oxford SIMPSON (Can/J.29022), R.C.A.F., 170 Sqn.

One night in March, 1945, this officer was the pilot of an aircraft detailed to attack Dessau. When nearing the target the aircraft was hit by fire from the ground defences. The pipe lines of the hydraulic gear were severed which caused all the pressure instruments to become unserviceable. A fire started near the bomb bay. The flames began to get a firm hold but the mid-upper gunner fought them strenuously and finally got the fire under control. At this stage the aircraft was attacked by a fighter. Further damage was sustained before the enemy aircraft was driven off. Flying Officer Simpson afterwards flew the badly damaged aircraft to an airfield in this country and effected a safe landing in difficult circumstances. This officer displayed the finest qualities of skill, courage and resolution throughout.

Air Ministry, 15th May, 1945.

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