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28th September, 1948.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the GEORGE CROSS to —

1393806 Flight Sergeant Stanley James WOODBRIDGE (deceased), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 159 Squadron.

Flight Sergeant Woodbridge was a wireless operator in the crew of a Liberator aircraft which crashed in the jungle in Burma whilst engaged in an operation against the Japanese on 31st January, 1945. Together with five other members of the crew he was captured by the Japanese. All six were subjected to torture at the hands of their captors in an endeavour to obtain information which would have been of use to the Japanese Intelligence Service. Eventually the four non-commissioned officers were separated and conveyed by motor transport to a forest, where they were put to death by beheading. Three officers and three non-commissioned officers of the Imperial Japanese Army were subsequently brought to trial by a Military Court charged with the torture and murder of the four airmen, they were all found guilty. Three were hanged and three sentenced to terms of rigorous imprisonment. At the trial it was revealed that the Japanese concentrated their efforts on Flight Sergeant Woodbridge, the wireless operator, in an endeavour to obtain technical information regarding wireless equipment, secret codes, wavelengths, etc. A Japanese technical officer was detailed to make the interrogation and the services of two interpreters were engaged, but, in spite of repeated torture, including kicking, beating with belts and with a sword, Flight Sergeant Woodbridge steadfastly refused to reveal any information whatever. The final interrogation took place actually at the place of execution, when it was obvious to the unfortunate prisoner that he was to be put to death, even so he maintained his courageous attitude to the end, merely remarking that if the Japanese were going to kill him they should do it quickly. After all efforts to make him speak, including further torture, were found to be fruitless this gallant non-commissioned officer was beheaded on 7th February, 1945. Flight Sergeant Woodbridge behaved throughout with supreme courage. His fortitude, loyalty to his country and his complete disregard for his own safety, even unto death, constitute one of the highest examples of valour in the annals of the Royal Air Force.

Air Ministry, 28th September, 1948

ROYAL AIR FORCE

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH

Appointment to commission

As Squadron Leaders (permanent) —

22nd June 1948.

John Balfour Joslin BOARDMAN (37931)

Robert Arthur COLVILLE (59075).

Edwin Charles Sanders FEWTRELL, D.F.C. (37673).

As Flight Lieutenants (permanent) —

Douglas Frederick Harvey GROCOTT (153754):
1st June 1948.

15th June 1948

Eric George ALCOCK (144628)

Leonard George HOBBS (174016)

Blaise Petherbridge MUGFORD (128917).

Geoffrey MURPHY (127992).

Alan WARNECKE (125458);

22nd June 1948

John Derek HAWKINS, A.F.C. (65536)

Reginald John Valentine SMYTH, D.F.C. (69488)

Arthur George TODD, D.F.C. (119873)

Harry Dashwood BYRNE (500168) 7th July
1948 (seniority 1st Sept. 1945).

As Flying Officers (permanent) —

15th June 1948

Geoffrey William ABEL (58762)

Graham Charles Agnew BRIE (58015)

Kenneth COURTNAGE, A.F.C. (198605) 23rd
Aug 1948 (seniority 11th Sept 1946)

As Flight Lieutenant, short service (A.M.O.)

A 899/47 —

Ralph MOODY (53551) 10th Aug 1948 (seniority 18th Feb 1947).

Promotion

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant —

J F GRIEVE (178233) 1st July 1948.

N C SAVAGE (56639) 5th Aug 1948

A W D WOODCOCK (195193) 20th Aug.
1948

23rd Aug 1948.

F B SMITH (57055)

E J WHITE, D.F.M. (195006)

24th Aug 1948

M. G CASSELMAN (59539)

D MACKENZIE (186533)

F W THOMSON (59455) 25th Aug 1948.

26th Aug 1948

J. J. R. CRICHTON (195474)

E. J. G. EPPS (56627).

28th Aug 1948

F. W. GRAY (195102).

R. HOWES (167057)

30th Aug 1948

J. W. BUCKLEY (59596)

H. C. HOOVER, D.F.C. (59439).

*Pilot Officer to Flying Officer —*V. H. A. REEVES (195838) 30th Aug 1948
(seniority 21st Mar. 1946).*Grant of substantive rank.**Notification cancelled*6th Jan. 1948 (p 144, col. 2) concerning
T. H. J. BENTLEY (195596).20th Jan 1948 (p 496, col. 2) concerning
J. A. MARTINSON (177942) and (p 498, col. 2)
concerning V. H. A. REEVES (195838)*Transfer between branches**Notification amended.*24th Aug 1948 (p 4670, col. 1) concerning
H. R. WOODS (2600303) for WOODS read WOOD.*Retirement*Flight Lieutenant A. JOHNSTON (49018) (at own
request) 27th Sept. 1948Wing Commander R. A. R. MANGLES (16023)
retaining the rank of Group Captain 27th Sept.
1948*Commission relinquished*Flight Lieutenant G. M. TOYN (56015) (on
account of medical unfitness for Air Force service)
retaining his rank 19th Sept 1948.*Commission resigned.*Squadron Leader A. J. H. GORDON (116138).
28th Sept. 1948**TECHNICAL BRANCH.***Appointment to commission.**As Squadron Leader (permanent) —*Cecil Thomas DAVIES, O.B.E. (44424) 15th
May 1948*As Flight Lieutenants (permanent) —*Arthur Bertram HASKELL, M.B.E. (48233) 1st
June 1948.Neville Manfred JONES (50359) 22nd June
1948

Norman KIRBY (138009). 30th June 1948.

*Grant of substantive rank**Notification cancelled.*20th Jan. 1948 (p 499, col. 1) concerning
W. S. MURRAY (149275).*Retirement**Flight Lieutenants retaining the rank of Squad-
ron Leader:—*G. F. COCKELL, M.B.E. (35256) (at own re-
quest) 22nd Sept. 1948.

E. W. ALLEN (35172) 26th Sept 1948.

EQUIPMENT BRANCH.*Appointment to commission.**As Flight Lieutenants (permanent) —*

1st June 1948.

Arthur William RHODES (31294)

John Edward SMALLEY (133272)

Alan James BANNISTER (31366) 30th June
1948*As Flying Officer (permanent) —*John DOHERTY (177776). 26th July 1948
(seniority 7th Sept. 1946).*As Flying Officer, short service (A.M.O.
A 899/47) —*Bernard Calvert EMSLEY (57352) 15th June
1948 (seniority 30th Aug 1946).*Retirement*Flying Officer E. T. RUSHWORTH (54837). 21st
Sept 1948*Pilot Officers (at own request) —*

P. A. BLACKMORE (58811). 23rd Sept 1948

A. W. LESLIE (59154). 27th Sept 1948

Flying Officer A. WOOD, M.C. (50794) (at own
request) retaining the rank of Flight Lieutenant
25th Sept 1948.*Notification amended*31st Aug. 1948 (p 4760, col. 2) concerning
H. S. F. T. JERRARD insert C.B.E.*Commission resigned*Flight Lieutenant H. A. MADDOCK (44350)
21st Sept 1948**SECRETARIAL BRANCH.***Appointment to commission.**As Squadron Leaders (permanent):—*

22nd June 1948.

William Harry FRANKLIN, O.B.E. (44442).

Eric Sydney WITCHARD (44628).

As Flight Lieutenant (permanent):—

Kenneth David OWEN (50915) 30th June 1948

*As Flying Officer (permanent) —*John Alfred Rogers CHAMBERS (152278) 22nd
June 1948.**ROYAL AIR FORCE REGIMENT.***Appointment to commission**As Flight Lieutenants, short service (six years on the
active list and four years on the reserve):—*

30th Aug 1948

Norman Albert Manning PLOWRIGHT (500169)
(seniority 24th Aug 1945).Arthur Archibald BOLD (500146) (seniority 26th
Jan 1946)John Thomas Stretton HOWELL (500150)
(seniority 14th June 1947)*As Flying Officers, short service (six years on the
active list and four years on the reserve).—*

30th Aug. 1948

Gordon Donald HODGE (59989) (seniority 2nd
July 1945)Alan John Manning MAYBANKS (500109)
(seniority 19th Feb 1946)Patrick Neil BAYLEY (500165) (seniority 3rd
Sept. 1946)John Richard PIKE (500167) (seniority 4th Jan.
1947).Michael David WRIGHT (500164) (seniority 16th
Mar. 1948).Bernard Anthony VIVIAN (500163) (seniority 3rd
May 1948).*As Pilot Officers, short service (six years on the
active list and four years on the reserve):—*

30th Aug. 1948.

Raymond Ernest HAWES (500108) (seniority 7th
Jan. 1947)John Malcolm LEE (500166) (seniority 20th Sept
1947).**MEDICAL BRANCH.***Appointment to commission.**As Flying Officer (temporary):—*Thomas RUSSELL, M.B., Ch.B. (500102). 19th
Aug. 1948*Retirement*Air Vice-Marshal T. McCLURKIN, M.B., B.Ch.,
D.P.H., Dip Bact., D.T.M. & H. (at own request).
1st Sept 1948.**EDUCATION BRANCH***Appointment to commission**As Flight Lieutenant (permanent) —*Thomas Sydney PRESTON (73350). 1st June
1947 (substituted for notification of 1st Apr. 1947
(p. 1492, col. 2))**RESERVE OF AIR FORCE OFFICERS****ADMINISTRATIVE AND SPECIAL DUTIES
BRANCH.***Commission relinquished (Class CC)**The undermentioned (on cessation of duty):—*Air Commodore J. C. A. DOHERTY, C.B.E. 28th
July 1948*Wing Commanders —*H. F. CHARRINGTON, G.C. (192124) 1st Aug
1948

F. H. CONE (71442) 7th Aug 1948

D. K. CAMPBELL (192337) 11th Aug 1948

Flight Lieutenants —

W. GOWLING (192063). 11th July 1948

E. R. S. JOHNSTON (192333). 28th July 1948.

R. F. A. JUDGE (192214) 4th Aug 1948.

SECRETARIAL BRANCH.*Appointment to commission (Class CC).**As Squadron Leaders—*

Eric John MOULE, O.B.E. (192799). 7th July 1948.

27th July 1948.

Arthur BELLE (192792).

Leonard Francis CAUNTER (192793).

As Flight Lieutenant—

Ernest William Carlisle DAY (192785). 3rd July 1948.

As Flying Officers—

James William FRASER (192762) 1st July 1948.

10th Aug. 1948.

Robert Ardwick DAVIES (192797).

Cecil Frederick KENNEDY (192783).

Grant of higher rank (Class CC).

Squadron Leader H. F. INNOCENT (192773) to Wing Commander 14th July 1948

Commission relinquished (Class CC)

Flight Lieutenant J. W. FRASER (192762) (on cessation of duty) 1st July 1948.

ROYAL AIR FORCE VOLUNTEER RESERVE TRAINING BRANCH.*Appointment to commission.**As Flying Officers—*

Bernard HAZELTON (152102) 16th Apr. 1948

James Campbell MUIRHEAD (131991) 5th Aug. 1948.

As Pilot Officers—

Derek Alan POLLOCK (204304). 19th July 1948.

28th July 1948

Lindsay Gillies ABBIE (3023594).

James CLARK (204910)

Robert Freeman CRAIG (204909).

James Hendry HARPER (3021411).

William HOLMES (1823706)

George PATERSON (204908).

Robert William PIRIE (3020391)

*Commission resigned**Flying Officers—*

18th Aug 1948.

A. W. M. BALES (163484).

J. DOBSON (111319)

J. DUNN (155982)

A. B. HARRISON (190516).

D. ISAAC (131408).

A. E. KERRISON (112966).

J. KETTELL (189792).

N. S. MACQUEEN (184864)

L. G. NEWTON (143064)

D. E. PIERCY (156969).

R. SIDDALL (69016).

E. J. SMITH (139549).

I. P. TIDMAN (68594)

F. G. TURNER (175351).

A. VENABLES (103425)

C. F. VICKERS (143973)

Pilot Officers—

L. OLD (102490). 3rd Jan. 1947.

18th Aug. 1948.

J. CROSS (66780).

L. CRUMP (203442).

S. A. LEE (102888)

T. LONGSTAFF (65217)

R. A. C. MITCHELL (63544).

L. W. PAGE (107022)

J. H. SPIRES, D.F.C., D.F.M. (121239).

Notification amended

27th Nov 1945 (p. 5752, col. 1) concerning

W. TAYLOR for (137355) read (65153)

ROYAL AIR FORCE VOLUNTEER RESERVE (Emergency Commission section.)**GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH***Promotion**Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant—*

M. W. DINHAM (183642) 21st Feb. 1948

G. J. BOLTON (191155) 6th Aug 1948.

G. IRVINE, D.F.M. (196325) 22nd Aug 1948.

23rd Aug. 1948

A. V. MACKINTOSH (165518)

W. C. RIDEOUT (167852)

E. E. WALKER (167853).

H. M. J. SMITH (191782) 24th Aug. 1948

J. HAYES, D.F.M. (191855). 25th Aug 1948

L. G. PALMER, D.F.C. (190734) 26th Aug 1948

*Commission relinquished.**Notification amended*

8th June 1948 (p. 3421, col. 1) concerning C. A. GIRARD (150470) for 6th May 1948 read 6th Aug. 1948.

17th Aug. 1948 (p. 4557, col. 2) concerning J. G. DRCKIE (179434) for Flying Officer read Flight Lieutenant.

Commission resigned.

Flight Lieutenant G. F. HERRIMAN (115304) 1st Sept 1948.

The undermentioned retaining their rank:—

Flight Lieutenant J. A. TYRELL (181027). 25th July 1948

Flying Officers:—

K. G. NASH (163441) 15th Aug 1948.

D. H. FLOWER (180673) 16th Aug 1948

G. C. KIRRAGE (189481). 24th Aug. 1948.

A. G. HENDERSON (196895) 26th Aug. 1948.

G. C. LOGIE (195176) 27th Aug. 1948

J. G. TAYLOR (188290) 29th Aug 1948.

Cashiering by sentence of General Court Martial

Flying Officer T. LAWRIE (186120). 3rd Sept. 1948.

TECHNICAL BRANCH.*Commission resigned.**The undermentioned retaining their rank:—*

Wing Commander J. V. COOK (82824) 18th Aug 1948.

Squadron Leader T. I. CAMERON (79628) 26th Aug 1948

Flight Lieutenants—

J. GRATWICK (131523) 18th Aug 1948.

J. M. FLEET (120003) 23rd Aug 1948.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SPECIAL DUTIES BRANCH*Commission relinquished.*

Squadron Leader (honorary) S. C. GINN (71246) (on cessation of duty). 14th July 1948.

Flight Lieutenant (honorary) H. J. CRAMPORN (71254) 31st July 1948.

*The undermentioned (on appointment to the Education Branch):—**Pilot Officers—*

13th Jan. 1947.

R. BRUCE (201798)

C. R. F. DOWSEY (115047).

L. C. GUTHRIE (111855) 8th Mar 1947.

J. A. WILSON (130824). 2nd June 1947

Commission resigned.

Flying Officer A. V. BURBURY, M.C. (72621) 13th July 1948

Flight Lieutenant A. N. BARROWCLIFFE (62452) retaining the rank of Squadron Leader 31st Aug 1948

The undermentioned retaining their rank:—

Flight Lieutenant D. E. KENT (103825) 25th Aug. 1948

Flying Officers.—

23rd Aug. 1948

J. S. ERAUT (185786).

A. J. WASDELL (179446)

Cashiering by sentence of General Court Martial:—

Flying Officer T. R. CROSLAND (144873) 7th Sept. 1948

EQUIPMENT BRANCH*Commission resigned.*

Squadron Leader R. M. CHESTER (121963) retaining his rank 22nd Aug. 1948

SECRETARIAL BRANCH.*Appointment to commission.**As Wing Commander (honorary) —*

Hubert Harry GLOSSOP (192657). 7th July 1948.

*Grant of substantive rank**Notification cancelled*

6th Jan 1948 (p. 154, col. 2) concerning C. H. EDWARDS (154546).

Relinquishment of temporary and war substantive rank —

Flying Officer C. H. EDWARDS (154546) relinquishes the temporary rank of Flight Lieutenant 1st Nov 1947 and the war substantive rank of Flight Lieutenant 1st Jan 1948

MEDICAL BRANCH

Commission resigned.

Flight Lieutenants retaining their rank —

G J. E ANSELL, M B, B S., M R C S.,
L R C P (202920) 18th Aug 1948
P. R B JONES, M B, Ch B (203428). 22nd
Aug 1948

CHAPLAINS BRANCH.

Commission relinquished

Rev H J A MULVENNA (159333) (on account
of medical unfitness for Air Force service) 19th
Sept 1948.

WOMEN'S FORCES.

**PRINCESS MARY'S ROYAL AIR FORCE
NURSING SERVICE RESERVE**

Commission relinquished.

Sister V. TURNER (6228) (on account of medical
unfitness for Air Force service) retaining her rank.
17th Sept 1948.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY AIR FORCE

**ADMINISTRATIVE AND SPECIAL DUTIES
BRANCH**

Commission resigned

Section Officer E M CHAPMAN (3274) retaining
her rank 23rd Aug 1948