

# Personals

**Casualties.**

Flight Sub-Lieutenant the Hon. ARTHUR CAMERON CORBETT, R.N., killed on service, whose death is announced, was the second son of Lord Rowallan and was born in March, 1898. He had seniority as flight sub-lieutenant of June 11th of this year. The elder son of Lord Rowallan, the Hon. Thomas Godfrey Polson Corbett, holds a commission in the Yeomanry.

Captain LESLIE OAKES CROWTHER, Flight Commander, R.F.C., who has been killed in action, was the second son of Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Crowther, of Broadclyst, Beckenham, Kent. Born in 1891, he was educated at St. Andrew's, Eastbourne, and Malvern College, afterwards spending for educational purposes two years in New York and Dresden. Captain Crowther joined the Royal West Kent Regiment in September, 1914, and in December, 1915, transferred to the R.F.C. For many months he had been stationed at the Front, where he engaged in many thrilling air fights and bomb-dropping expeditions.

Second-Lieutenant ARTHUR PATRICK DONNELL, Northumberland Fusiliers, attached R.F.C. (killed in an aeroplane accident on December 4th), was third son of the Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Donnell, Stamfordham Vicarage, Newcastle-on-Tyne. He received his commission in April of this year, and was appointed flying officer in the following July.

Second-Lieutenant DEREK SIVEWRIGHT JOHNSON, R.F.C., who was killed on December 4th, aged 21, was the youngest son of Colonel Frank Johnson, Royal Sussex Regiment, and of Mrs. Johnson, of Melrose House, Hove.

Lieutenant ERNEST CONWAY LANSDALE, A.S.C., attached R.F.C., is officially reported to have died whilst a prisoner of war. Aged 21 years, he was the elder son of Captain E. E. Lansdale, A.S.C., of Hawthorn Villas, The Grove, Ilkley. Lieutenant Lansdale was educated at Ilkley Grammar School, and was in Denmark when the war broke out.

Second-Lieutenant H. E. MARTIN, R.F.C., killed November 16th, age 23, was the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Martin, of Lower Addiscombe, Croydon. He took his pilot's certificate at Hendon in June this year, and was given a commission in the R.F.C. on August 1st. He obtained his wings early in September, and went to the Front on October 28th. He was an ardent motor cyclist, and well known in athletic circles.

Flight Sub-Lieutenant A. T. OSBORNE MANN, R.N.A.S. (killed in a flying accident on November 29th), was the second son of Mr. James Elliott Mann and Mrs. Mann, of Sydney, New South Wales. He was born in 1892, and educated at St. Ignatius College, Lane Cove River, Sydney. He came to England in October, 1915, and obtained a commission in the Royal Naval Air Service. He took part in several raids and in attacks on Zeppelins.

Lieutenant J. M. J. SPENCER, R.F.C., who has been killed in action, was the second son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. E. Spencer, Walbottle Hall, Newburn, Northumberland. Twenty years of age, he was educated at Alnmouth and Clifton College and was about to enter King's College, Cambridge, when war broke out. He enlisted as a gunner in the Northumberland Artillery, afterwards obtaining a commission in the Northumberland Fusiliers, receiving his second star in 1915. Lieutenant

Spencer transferred to the Royal Flying Corps in July of this year, and went to the Front in September.

Lieutenant VICTOR STRAUSS, R.F.C., who has been killed in action, was the son of Mr. Arthur Strauss, head of the firm of A. Strauss and Co., tin and copper merchants, Rood Lane, E.C., who has represented the North Division of Paddington in the House of Commons since 1910, and who was formerly M.P. for the Camborne Division of Cornwall.

Flight-Commander THOMAS ATKINSON TILLARD, Yeomanry and R.F.C. (killed on active service on December 6th), was the younger son of the late Algernon Tillard and Mrs. Bonham Carter, of Adhurst St. Mary, Petersfield. Flight-Commander Tillard, who was thirty-two years of age, had his commission in the Yeomanry in October, 1914, and transferring to the Flying Corps, was gazetted flying officer in March of this year.

**Wounded.**

Second-Lieutenant CHARLES FRANCIS WOLLEY-DOD, Sherwood Foresters, attached R.F.C., wounded, is the second son of Mr. Francis Wolley-Dod, of Edge Hall, Chester, and was born in August, 1892. He got his commission in the regiment mentioned in May last year. The family of Wolley-Dod is a very ancient one. The founder of it, Cadwgan Dot, lived in the time of Henry II., who died in 1189, and his son Hova married the daughter and heiress of the Lord of Edge in Cheshire, obtained one-fourth of the manor, and settled there. His descendants have held the property ever since.

**Married and to be Married.**

The marriage arranged between CEDRIC R. ALSTON, South Lancashire Regiment, attached R.F.C., eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Rowland Alston, of 96, West Hill, Sydenham, and MARGERY LILIAN, eldest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. H. M. STEWART, of Dyffryn, Dulwich, will take place quietly on January 2nd at St. Stephen's, College Road, Dulwich (Sydenham Hill Station, South-Eastern and Chatham Railway), at 2.30.

The marriage of Captain EMLEY, R.F.C., and Miss DOROTHY HORROCKS, Salkeld Hall, will take place at Addingham Church on December 28th, at 2 p.m.

On December 7th, ROBERT P. GRIMMER, the son of the late Robert Grimmer, of Wisbech, was married to IDA MARY HOWES, daughter of William Joshua Howes, of Norwich, at St. Martin's Church, West Ealing.

The marriage arranged between RONALD ST. CLAIR McCLINTOCK, R.F.A. and R.F.C., and Miss MOLLY LAIRD will take place at 2.30 on December 20th, at the Church of the Holy Trinity, Kensington Gore, S.W.

**Items.**

It has been ascertained that Lieutenant A. J. EVANS, R.F.C., is a prisoner in Germany. Lieutenant A. J. Evans, who was "posted" as missing some time ago, won great distinction in cricket for Winchester, Oxford, and Hampshire. He was captain at Oxford in 1911.

Second-Lieutenant H. B. O. MITCHELL, M.C., R.F.C., officially reported missing, is now known to be a prisoner of war at Dusseldorf. He is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mitchell, St. Winifred's, Coleraine, and was educated at Coleraine Academical Institution and Trinity College, Dublin.



**Photographers for the R.F.C.**

SKILLED photographers, with a thorough knowledge of developing, bromide printing, and enlarging, combined with sound technical knowledge and speed, are required for immediate service in the R.F.C. Applicants who possess the above qualifications and are fit for general service or garrison service abroad, should in the first instance apply in writing, enclosing copies of testimonials, to Mr. Hutchison, Central London Recruiting Depot, Whitehall, London, S.W. They will be required to pass a trade test before acceptance. It should be noted that operators are not required.

**A Japanese Pilot Killed.**

LIEUT. K. HIGUCHI, a Japanese military pilot, attached to the Tokorozawa Aviation Corps, was killed on October 18th, soon after starting on a flight. He had reached a height of 2,500 metres, when his machine appeared to break, and crash to the ground. Four days before he had flown 250 miles.

**Japanese Anti-Aircraft Training.**

THE Japanese *Aeronautic World* states that the military authorities have recently acquired a plot of ground located in Kametsuri, Yama, Toyama prefecture, where soldiers will be trained in shooting at aeroplanes.