

SERVICE AVIATION

R.A.F.V.R. No. 156 Sqn.—Sqn. Ldr. Everson has completed a large number of operational sorties, and since being awarded the D.F.C. has taken part in many further attacks against heavily defended targets in Germany and enemy-occupied territory. As squadron gunnery leader he has displayed organising and instructional ability of a high order, while his efficiency and devotion to duty when in action have been an inspiring example to the air gunners in his squadron.

Act. Sqn. Ldr. W. G. MANIFOLD, D.F.C., R.A.A.F., No. 156 Sqn.—Since being awarded the D.F.C. this officer has taken part in many operations against some of the enemy's most heavily defended targets, consistently pressing home his attacks with great determination. An excellent pilot and captain, his courage and devotion to duty have always been worthy of the highest praise.

Act. Sqn. Ldr. W. F. PARKS, D.F.C., R.C.A.F., No. 50 Sqn.—Sqn. Ldr. Parks, now on his second tour of operational duty, has taken part in attacks on most of the principal German and Italian targets. In June, 1943, during an attack on Gelsenkirchen, his aircraft was attacked by a Me 109, which was probably destroyed. An excellent captain of aircraft and flight commander, this officer's work, both in the air and on the ground, has been of a high standard, while his cool courage in the face of the enemy has been an inspiring example to all.

Distinguished Flying Cross

P/O K. H. DEMPSTER, R.A.F.V.R., No. 10 Sqn. Act. Sqn. Ldr. G. CRAWFORD, A.F.C., R.A.F.V.R., No. 53 Sqn.

Act. Flt. Lt. A. J. S. HODSON, R.A.F.V.R., No. 76 Sqn. Act. Flt. Lt. G. F. TURNER, R.A.F.V.R., No. 76 Sqn.

Capt. P. D. BRYANT, S.A.A.F., No. 2 (S.A.A.F.) Sqn.

F/O B. J. BEARE, R.C.A.F., No. 227 Sqn.

F/O H. D. ROBB, R.A.F.V.R., No. 76 Sqn.

Act. W/O S. A. LUYK, R.N.Z.A.F., No. 90 Sqn.

Act. Flt. Lt. D. A. MACDONALD, R.C.A.F., No. 630 Sqn.

Act. Flt. Lt. L. KILVINGTON, R.A.A.F., No. 156 Sqn.

Lt. D. G. WOOD, S.A.A.F., No. 21 (S.A.A.F.) Sqn.

P/O R. K. METHERAL, R.C.A.F., No. 419 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

P/O G. P. R. BOND, R.A.F.V.R., No. 156 Sqn.

P/O S. H. MOON, R.N.Z.A.F., No. 156 Sqn.

Act. Sqn. Ldr. W. K. DAVISON, R.A.F.V.R.

Act. Sqn. Ldr. W. DRING, R.A.F.V.R., No. 183 Sqn.

Act. Sqn. Ldr. P. G. THORNTON-BROWN, No. 609 Sqn.

F/O A. BRADSHAW, R.A.F.V.R., No. 129 Sqn.

F/O W. D. JONES, No. 85 Sqn.

Sqn. Ldr. W. D. L. FILSON-YOUNG, R.A.F.O., No. 254 Sqn.

Act. Sqn. Ldr. E. D. OSBORN, R.A.F.O., No. 502 Sqn.

Flt. Lt. S. V. ASH, R.A.F.V.R., No. 236 Sqn.

Flt. Lt. M. CUMBERLAND, R.A.F.V.R., No. 455 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.

Flt. Lt. A. H. EVANS, R.A.F.V.R., No. 178 Sqn.

Flt. Lt. G. L. HATHERY, R.A.F.V.R., No. 120 Sqn.

Flt. Lt. G. R. HODDER, R.A.F., No. 139 Sqn.

Act. Flt. Lt. R. J. INGRAM, R.A.A.F., No. 11 Sqn.

Flt. Lt. L. M. JEFFREYS, R.A.A.F., No. 455 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.

Flt. Lt. K. A. H. LAWRENCE, R.A.F.O., No. 15 Sqn.

Flt. Lt. J. H. PORTUS, R.A.A.F., No. 10 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.

Flt. Lt. H. B. STEPHENS, R.A.F.V.R., No. 109 Sqn.

Act. Flt. Lt. B. ASSON, R.A.F., No. 44 Sqn.

Act. Flt. Lt. D. A. BARRETT, R.A.F., No. 44 Sqn.

Act. Flt. Lt. C. F. BEDELL, R.A.F.V.R., No. 83 Sqn.

Act. Flt. Lt. B. BURNLEY, R.A.A.F., No. 11 Sqn.

Act. Flt. Lt. A. CAREY, R.N.Z.A.F., No. 102 Sqn.

Distinguished Flying Medal

Flt. Sgt. N. G. EMERY, R.A.F.V.R., No. 35 Sqn.

Flt. Sgt. A. FRANCISONE, R.C.A.F., No. 100 Sqn.

Flt. Sgt. J. E. HEATH, R.A.F.V.R., No. 50 Sqn.

Flt. Sgt. A. W. HICKS, R.A.F.V.R., No. 83 Sqn.

Flt. Sgt. J. B. HUGHES, R.A.F.V.R., No. 57 Sqn.

Flt. Sgt. J. G. JEANS, R.A.F.V.R., No. 120 Sqn.

Flt. Sgt. G. JOHN, R.A.F.V.R., No. 279 Sqn.

Flt. Sgt. (now P/O.) C. M. MANNING, R.A.A.F., No. 460 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.

Flt. Sgt. W. R. MITCHELL, R.A.F.V.R., No. 12 Sqn.

Flt. Sgt. E. MOORE, R.A.F.V.R., No. 105 Sqn.

Flt. Sgt. I. V. MURRAY, R.A.A.F., No. 460 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.

Sgt. H. CHEW, R.A.F.V.R., No. 179 Sqn.

Sgt. L. MITCHELL, R.A.F.V.R., No. 179 Sqn.

Sgt. G. MARLOW, R.A.F.V.R., No. 51 Sqn.

Sgt. T. C. SOLOMAN, No. 51 Sqn.

Flt. Sgt. W. J. WILSON, R.A.F., No. 158 Sqn.

Sgt. L. W. CHAPMAN, No. 244 Sqn.

Sgt. D. G. CREE, R.A.F.V.R., No. 158 Sqn.

Sgt. J. PRINGLE, R.A.F.V.R., No. 158 Sqn.

THE KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following award:—

Air Force Cross

F/O S. THOMPSON, R.A.F.V.R.

Foreign Decorations

THE KING has granted unrestricted permission for the wearing of the undermentioned decorations conferred upon the personnel indicated, in recognition of valuable services rendered in connection with the war:—

Conferred by the Belgian Government

Croix de Guerre, Belge, 1940

W/O (now P/O.) F. E. HOGG, D.F.C., R.N.Z.A.F.

Flt. Sgt. J. H. P. HIGGINS, R.C.A.F.

Conferred by the President of the Republic of Poland

Virtuti Militari (Silver Cross)

Act. Wing Cdr. A. H. C. BOXER, D.F.C., R.A.F.

Cross of Valour (Krzyz Walecznych)

Act. Wing Cdr. R. C. HOCKEY, D.S.O., D.F.C., R.A.F.V.R.

F/O R. W. MACMILLAN, D.F.C., R.A.F.V.R.

F/O E. J. RENVOISE, R.A.F.

F/O J. E. MARCH, R.A.F.

Sgt. G. EVANS, R.A.F.V.R.

Cross of Merit in Gold (with Swords)

Act. Sqn. Ldr. L. B. HORE, M.C., R.A.F.

Conferred by His Majesty the King

of Yugoslavia

Order of the White Eagle (with Swords)

1st Class

Air Chief Marshal Sir W. SHOLTO DOUGLAS,

K.C.B., M.C., D.F.C., R.A.F.

Roll of Honour

Casualty Communiqué No. 347.

THE Air Ministry regrets to announce the following casualties on various dates. The next of kin have been informed. Casualties "in action" are due to flying operations against the enemy; "On active service" includes ground casualties due to enemy action, non-operational flying casualties, fatal accidents and natural deaths.

Of the names in this list 109 are second entries giving later information of casualties published in earlier lists.

Royal Air Force

KILLED IN ACTION.—Flt. Sgt. T. R. Davis; F/O C. G. Hinton; Sgt. W. E. Jones; Sgt. T. G. McDermott; Flt. Sgt. B. J. Pitman; P/O N. J. Robinson; Sgt. R. G. Taylor; Flt. Sgt. M. G. Valentine.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, BELIEVED

KILLED IN ACTION, NOW PRESUMED KILLED IN

ACTION.—P/O L. A. Angell; Sgt. W. F. Bradley;

Sgt. J. M. Carroll; F/O F. A. Clark; P/O G. D.

Cockbone; Sgt. E. N. Cummings; F/O K. I.

Dexter; P/O P. J. Dunger; P/O C. B. Fleming;

Flt. Sgt. J. G. W. Foster; Sgt. G. Glover;

R. A. Heslop; Sgt. A. E. McWilliams; Sgt.

Magill; Sgt. R. Metcalfe; Sgt. J. T. Murray;

Ldr. D. G. Ogilvie, D.F.C.; Sgt. W. A. P. O'Neil;

Sgt. R. C. Ridgway; Sgt. W. T. Shephard; Sgt.

H. Staples; Sgt. H. G. Thomas.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, NOW PRESUMED

KILLED IN ACTION.—Sgt. J. W. Aven;

Sgt. R. W. Conuel; Flt. Sgt. W. W. Dawson; P/O

J. F. Edwards; Act. Flt. Lt. J. G. Eldridge,

D.F.C.; Sgt. D. F. Gargrave; F/O H. H. Gauntlett;

Sgt. J. H. Gould; Sgt. T. Griffith; Sgt. J. H.

Griffiths; Sgt. J. A. Head; Sgt. D. A. Holdsworth;

Sgt. E. J. C. Howard; Sgt. J. C. Howie;

Sgt. T. W. Hunt; Sgt. A. Jones; Sgt. J. P. Lacy;

P/O W. MacFarlane; Sgt. N. MacLeod; Sgt. J. D.

Mahony; Sgt. C. Maltby; Sgt. R. G. Miles; Sgt.

T. H. Page; F/O G. W. Pain, D.F.C.; Flt. Lt.

W. J. Parsons; Sgt. J. V. Rees; Sgt. D. H. Rock;

P/O J. F. Sanders; Sgt. A. Smithdale; Act. W/O

G. C. Stafford, D.F.M.; P/O A. E. Steward; Sgt.

L. A. Stimpson; F/O L. E. Thompson; Sgt. R. H.

Wells.

WOUNDED OR INJURED IN ACTION.—Sgt. J. L.

Lambert; Sgt. F. W. Preston.

MISSING, BELIEVED KILLED IN ACTION.—Sgt. S.

Ainsworth; F/O E. A. Alliston; Sgt. E. R. Clayton;

Flt. Sgt. C. A. Cox; Flt. Sgt. G. R. L. Cunningham;

Sgt. R. R. Curle; F/O R. F. Denney;

Sgt. J. P. Dimond; Flt. Sgt. F. A. C. Etemey;

Sgt. E. Evans; Sgt. K. Holt; Sgt. A. J. Kirby;

Sgt. T. Lafferty; Sgt. D. P. Lawrence; Sgt. W.

Mason; Sgt. M. V. Phillips; Sgt. S. J. Pope; Sgt.

S. G. Tarrant.

MISSING.—Flt. Sgt. G. W. Allso; P/O J. Anderson;

Sgt. V. Arnold; F/O G. L. Ashman; P/O

F. J. Baker; Flt. Sgt. R. H. Banks; Sgt. F.

Barrett; Sgt. J. S. Bates; Flt. Lt. G. Belcher;

F/O H. F. C. Bonner; F/O N. H. Bowring; Flt.

Sgt. C. R. Boyd; Sgt. H. J. R. Brookman; Flt.

Sgt. G. F. Brown; Flt. Sgt. W. C. Burley;

Sgt. B. Carroll; P/O R. J. Caseley; Sgt.

Chambers; P/O W. A. Clark; Sgt. G. A.

Sgt. W. B. Currie; Sgt. J. B. Daniel; Sgt.

I. G. Davies; Flt. Sgt. G. A. Davis, D.F.M.; Sgt.

J. M. Day; F/O F. A. Dell; Sgt. F. P.

Domenech; F/O B. P. Duval; Sgt. R. J. Edwards;

Sgt. J. Ford; Sgt. E. W. Graves; Sgt. W. W. B.

Hamilton; Sgt. M. Hampson; F/O E. V. Harley;

Sgt. J. F. Harries; Sgt. J. H. R. Harris; Sgt.

E. Hibbert; Sgt. J. D. Hickling; Flt. Sgt. C. M.

Holder; P/O G. C. Holland; Act. Flt. Lt. F. T.

Hoppers, D.F.C.; Sgt. R. Hughes; Sgt. R. S. Imeson;

Sgt. W. P. Johnson; Sgt. C. R. W. Jones; Sgt.

R. W. Jones; Sgt. S. Jones; Sgt. J. R. W. Kerner;

Sgt. J. G. L'Argent; Flt. Lt. E. L. Lister; Flt.

Sgt. J. C. Lochhead; Flt. Sgt. L. G. K. Lock;

Flt. Sgt. F. A. Long; Sgt. A. B. McDonald; F/O

D. P. McLoughlin; P/O A. Mann; Sgt. S. Martin;

Sgt. C. P. Matthews; Sgt. G. Merrill; P/O J.

Miller; Sgt. R. J. Moody; Sgt. D. M. Moore; P/O

R. F. Neil; Flt. Lt. W. F. Newell; Sgt. L. Newey;

Sgt. A. G. Norton; Sgt. A. D. Peacock; Sgt.

D. E. P. Pearson; Sgt. N. F. Petty; Sgt. J.

Phillips; Sgt. R. P. Prothero; Flt. Sgt. J. G. Red-

fern; P/O D. A. Richardson; Flt. Sgt. J. Rich-

mond; Flt. Sgt. T. J. Robertson; F/O J. E.

Robson; F/O T. Rosser; Sgt. A. S. Rushby; Sgt.

F. E. Ryder; P/O A. J. Salvage; Sgt. W. L.

Sargent; Sgt. M. J. Shervyn; Flt. Sgt. R. R.

Steven; F/O J. Stott; Sgt. G. H. Stubbs; Sgt.

R. Thomas; P/O A. McO. Watson; Flt. Sgt.

W. J. H. Webb; Sgt. R. H. Wells; F/O J. A.

Williams; Sgt. J. R. Williams; Sgt. G. Wood; Sgt.

K. Wood.

MISSING, BELIEVED KILLED ON ACTIVE SER-

VICE.—W/O M. Campton; Sgt. J. B. Green; P/O

H. Lawson; F/O D. E. Morris; Flt. Sgt. R. N.

Morrison.

KILLED ON ACTIVE SERVICE.—LA/C A. F.

Blue; LA/C J. H. Bolsworth; P/O J. Burgess;

Flt. Lt. J. M. Hartley, D.F.C.; Flt. Sgt. J. A. C.

Kemmett; F/O J. F. Lee; A/C2 A. Marjoram;

LA/C P. C. Marson; Flt. Sgt. F. R. Nell; Sgt.

E. Parry; Sgt. J. A. B. Radley; F/O H. F. McP.

Taylor, D.F.C.; LA/C T. G. Whitland.



Air Chief Marshal Sir Shoito Douglas, now A.O.C. in C. Coastal Command, talking to Wing Cdr. A. E. Clouston, D.F.C., A.F.C. and Bar, during a visit to one of the stations in his command.