

During a period of four months this officer has rendered invaluable services in South Russia.

(The award of Distinguished Flying Cross is also announced in this Gazette.)

Flying Officer Samuel Marcus Kinkead, D.S.C., D.F.C. (late H.L. Inf. and R.N.A.S.), "A" Detachment.

On 12th October, 1919, near Kotluban, this officer led a formation of Camel machines and attacked the Cavalry Division of Dumenko.

By skilful tactics in low flying he dispersed this force, which had turned the left flank of the Caucasian Army, and threatened to jeopardise the whole defence of Tzaritzin.

Flying Officer Kinkead has carried out similar attacks on enemy troops, batteries, camps and transport with great success and at considerable personal risk.

Previous rewards:—D.S. Cross 22.2.1918, Bar to D.S. Cross 26.4.1918, D.F. Cross 3.8.1918, Bar to D.F. Cross 2.11.1918 (201st Squadron, France).

#### AWARDED A BAR TO THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS:

Flying Officer William Elliot, D.F.C., 47th Sqn. (R.A.S.C.):

On the 30th July, 1919, whilst on special duty for the Russian Volunteer Army, Flying Officer Elliot was shot down about five miles behind the enemy lines. He then burnt the crashed machine, and kept off the enemy cavalry by machine-gun fire until rescued by another machine which flew to his aid.

This gallant and highly skilful pilot has carried out forty-five long-distance raids over the enemy lines during a period of four months, and has been continuously on active service since August, 1917, during which period he has taken part in ninety-five raids, and brought down six enemy machines.

(D.F.C. gazetted 8th February, 1919.)

#### AWARDED THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS.

Observer Officer Roger Addison, M.C., "A" Detachment (9th E. Lancs. R.).

Displayed conspicuous ability on 10th October, 1919, at Tzaritzin, when about forty vessels, armed with all kinds of guns, broke through the Volga defences north of the town. He descended on three occasions on that day to very low altitudes, and, dropping his bombs with precision, inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy, although subjected to very fierce fire from them.

(Military Cross gazetted 3rd June, 1918.)

Lieut. Edward John Cronin, "A" Detachment (Nova Scotia Regt.).

Has taken part in eighty raids on enemy territory, displaying great ability and gallantry.

On the 17th July, 1919, at Kamyshin

naisance with great skill and daring, flying as low as 500 feet at a critical time.

Lieut. Cronin previously rendered gallant service during the Bulgarian retreat in the autumn of 1918.

Flying Officer Arthur Hilton Day, "A" Detachment (3rd Cheshire Regt.).

At Tzaritzin, on 10th October, 1919, when the large flotilla of Bolshevik vessels broke through the Volga defences, he descended to a low altitude, and, by means of bombs and machine-gun fire, materially assisted in the complete rout of the enemy ships which subsequently followed. He has proved a gallant officer in every situation, and was wounded on the occasion above referred to.

Flying Officer Sydney Gilbert Frogley, "A" Detachment (3rd R. Berks.).

On the 15th July, 1919, Flying Officer Frogley led a most successful raid on the Bolshevik flotilla of vessels (about 40 in number) 150 miles from his base, which resulted in the capture of the town of Kamyshin (Volga) by our Allied troops.

He then led his formation at almost ground level, attacking the retreating enemy with machine guns and causing complete disorganisation amongst them. A very risky and noteworthy performance, seeing that the distance back to his base was 150 miles.

(The award of the Distinguished Service Order to this officer is also announced in this Gazette.)

Flying Officer Norman Greenslade, M.C., "A" Detachment (10th Devon. R.).

On 27th August, 1919, at Cherni Yar, this officer carried out a raid at a very low altitude on the assembled flotilla of Bolshevik vessels, and by accurate bombing was largely instrumental in the success which followed.

The anti-aircraft fire from the enemy was particularly severe during this engagement, and almost all the vessels carried such guns.

Flying Officer John Reginald Hatchett, "A" Detachment.

On the 27th August, 1919, at Cherni Yar, assisted in the attack on the Bolshevik fleet with bombs and machine-gun fire, causing great disorder and damage to the vessels and casualties in the personnel.

Lt. Hatchett has carried out numerous raids far into the enemy territory, and has always proved a courageous and skilful officer.

Lt. Howard Mercer, M.C., "A" Detachment (Devon. Regt.).

On the 23rd September, 1919, at Dubovka, Lt. Mercer bombed the concentrated Bolshevik flotilla, which were armed with all kinds of guns, including anti-aircraft guns, and then descending to the water level, machine-gunned the personnel on four occasions on that day.

Lt. Mercer has always been heedless of danger, and has proved a very gallant officer during the difficult and dangerous operations in South Russia.