

DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS. *Deed written*

Second-Lieutenant Carrick Stewart PAUL, 1st. Squadron
Australian Flying Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry in air combats and attacking ground objectives. On the 16th. August, 1918, this Officer, with Lieutenant WEIR as his Observer, attacked and destroyed an enemy two-seater aeroplane (which fell in the vicinity of BEIT LID. On three other occasions (23rd. May, 13th. June and 28th. July, 1918) this Officer has been engaged in combats resulting in the destruction of enemy aircraft, shewing great skill and gallantry on these and other occasions. This Officer has in addition shewn great initiative in attacking ground objectives on numerous occasions, notably on 14th. August, when in spite of intense hostile fire he attacked bodies of enemy cavalry in the vicinity of TUL KERAM from a dangerously low altitude, causing heavy casualties.

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Lieutenant William James Alexander WEIR, 6th. Australian Light
Horse Regiment attached 1st. Squadron Australian Flying Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry in air combats and in attacking ground objectives. On the 16th. August, 1918, this Officer, acting as Observer to Lieutenant PAUL, destroyed an enemy two-seater aeroplane which fell in the vicinity of BEIT LID. On three occasions (23rd. May, 13th. June, and 28th. July, 1918) this Officer has been engaged in combats resulting in the destruction of enemy aircraft, shewing great skill and gallantry on these and other occasions. This Officer has in addition shewn great initiative in attacking ground objectives on numerous occasions, notably on the 14th. August, 1918, when in spite of intense hostile fire he attacked bodies of enemy cavalry in the vicinity of TUL KERAM from a dangerously low altitude, causing heavy casualties.

Lieutenant (temporary Captain) Allan Runciman BROWN, 1st.
Squadron Australian Flying Corps. *written*

For conspicuous gallantry in air combats and in attacking ground objectives. On the 22nd. August, 1918, this Officer, with Lieutenant G. FINLAY as his Observer, attacked an enemy two-seater aeroplane and forced it to land in our lines near RANTIEH. On four other occasions (3rd. May, 8th. June, 27th. June, and 28th. July, 1918) this Officer has been engaged in combats resulting in the destruction of enemy aircraft, shewing great skill and gallantry on these and other occasions. This Officer has in addition shewn great initiative in attacking ground targets on numerous occasions, notably on 14th. August, 1918, when, in spite of intense hostile fire, he attacked bodies of enemy cavalry in the vicinity of MUKHALID from a dangerously low height, twice during the day, causing heavy casualties. Also on 11th. June, 1918 and 21st. August, 1918, when he attacked enemy anti-aircraft guns at AMMAN from a low height, causing them to cease fire, thus enabling our bombing machines to carry out their work unmolested. He has always shewn a very fine example.

Lieutenant Garfield FINLAY, 1st. Squadron Australian Flying
Corps. *Written*

For conspicuous gallantry in air combats and in attacking ground objectives. On the 22nd. August, 1918, this officer, acting as Observer to Captain A.R. BROWN, attacked an enemy two seater aeroplane, which was forced to land in our lines near RANTIEH. On four previous occasions (3rd. May, 20th. June, 27th. June, and 28th. July, 1918) this Officer has been engaged in combats resulting in the destruction of enemy aircraft, shewing great skill and ~~shewing~~ gallantry on these and other occasions.