

## **AIR COMMODORE PHILIP LIONEL LINCOLN CB DSO MC (G1904-09)**

The following is taken from the 1968 Register.

He was born on 20 January 1892 and on leaving the College joined R Passmore and Co (London building materials distributors). Much later in life he became President of the company and President of the Building Industry Distributors (1948-50).

During WW1 he served in 10<sup>th</sup> Battalion of Northumberland Fusiliers and was awarded the Military Cross on 25 November 1916 "For conspicuous gallantry in action. Although severely wounded, he led his company in the attack with great courage and determination."

He was awarded the Distinguished Service Order on 3 June 1919 "For distinguished service in connection with military operations in Italy." He was twice wounded during WW1 and retired from the Army in 1919 to return to R Passmore & Co.

During WW2 he joined the Auxiliary Air Force and rose to Air Commodore in 1941. His final role was as Senior Air Staff Officer and Air Officer in charge of Balloon Command, from 1944 to 1945. *[For those of you like me who have not heard of Balloon Command before, their primary function was to act as a defence against low flying aircraft and in doing so, add protection to heavily populated areas, factories, dockyards & ports]*

He was appointed Companion of the Order of the Bath (CB) in 1945.

He also appears to have been a judge for 5 seasons with the Ski Club of Great Britain. He was also a Vice President of the SOF.

He died in 1981 at the age of 89.