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ROYAL AIR FORCE.

Air Chief Marshal Sir John W. BAKER, K.C.B., M.C., D.F.C., A.D.C., is appointed Controller of Aircraft (Ministry of Supply), and to remain an additional Member of the Air Council, in succession to Air Marshal Sir John N. BOOTHMAN, K.B.E., C.B., D.F.C., A.F.C., who held the appointment as Controller of Supplies (Air). 9th Nov. 1953.

Air Chief Marshal Sir Ronald IVELAW-CHAPMAN, K.C.B., K.B.E., D.F.C., A.F.C., is appointed Vice-Chief of the Air Staff, in succession to Air Chief Marshal Sir John W. BAKER, K.C.B., M.C., D.F.C., A.D.C., and to remain an additional Member of the Air Council. 9th Nov. 1953.

Air Marshal Sir John N. BOOTHMAN, K.B.E., C.B., D.F.C., A.F.C., is appointed Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Coastal Command, in succession to Air Marshal Sir Alick C STEVENS, K.B.E., C.B. 15th Nov. 1953.

Air Vice-Marshal T. G. PIKE, C.B., C.B.E., D.F.C., is appointed Deputy Chief of the Air Staff (in succession to Air Chief Marshal Sir Ronald IVELAW-CHAPMAN, K.C.B., K.B.E., D.F.C., A.F.C.), and to be an additional Member of the Air Council, with the acting rank of Air Marshal. 9th Nov. 1953.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

Appointment to commission (permanent).

As Flight Lieutenants:—

1st Oct. 1953.

David Owen EVANS (150576).

Raymond Allan TOPP (58120) (for subsequent transfer to the Technical Branch).

As Flying Officers:—

1st Oct. 1953.

Leslie William PHIPPS (3117549).

Hector Desmond SEYMOUR (579979).

Appointment to commission (permanent) under A.M.O. A.628/51.

As Flight Lieutenant:—

Gordon Reginald Montague POWELL, D.F.C. (54411). 13th May 1953 (and transferred to the Aircraft Control Branch 13th May 1953) (seniority 27th July 1948).

Appointment to commission (short service).

As Pilot Officers (eight years on the active list and four years on the reserve):—

Thomas George HANNETT (3045409). 14th May 1953 (substituted for notification of 30th June 1953 (p. 3610, col. 2).

James BARRON (2530437). 7th Sept. 1953 (seniority 22nd July 1953).

George Herbert Patrick HULME (2529455). 17th Sept. 1953 (seniority 5th Nov. 1952).

John COUTTS (3045935). 20th Aug. 1953 (substituted for notification of 20th Oct. 1953 (p. 5565, col. 2).

John Michael Bancroft MUSTON (2563674). 1st Oct. 1953 (seniority 30th Sept. 1953).

Leslie George COYLE (3132857). 29th Oct. 1953 (seniority 18th Nov. 1952).

Derek Anthony WATTS (3129840). 4th Nov. 1953 (seniority 9th Nov. 1952).

As Pilot Officers (for the balance of four years on the active list and four years on the reserve):—

Edmund Roy RAYNER (2519444). 23rd July 1953 (seniority 30th July 1952) (period of service to count from 25th July 1951).

Keith Raymond HALL (2531339). 7th Oct. 1953 (seniority 31st Oct. 1952) (period of service to count from 14th Nov. 1951).

As Acting Pilot Officer on probation (for the balance of four years on the active list and four years on the reserve):—

Peter Anthony John CAINES (2570883). 22nd Oct. 1953 (period of service to count from 18th Nov. 1952).

Notification amended.

3rd Nov. 1953 (p. 5845, col. 1) concerning John Kaye NOYCE (583468) for 2nd Sept. 1953 read 23rd Sept. 1953.

Confirming regrading and transfer between branches.

Acting Pilot Officer on probation D. SLACK (3511513) is confirmed in appointment, regraded as Pilot Officer and transferred to the Equipment Branch. 4th Nov. 1953.

Adjustment of period of service on transfer between branches.

The period of service of Acting Pilot Officer on probation D. SLACK (3511513) is adjusted to four years on the active list and four years on the reserve (on transfer to the Equipment Branch) with effect from 25th Mar. 1952.

Promotion.

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant:—
19th Nov. 1953.

A. E. G. ABCZYNSKI (205364).

C. E. ALLSO (172844).

P. J. ARMSTRONG (607133).

B. F. ARNOLD (151046).

D. A. ARNOTT (607080).

I. E. BARR-SIM (607108).

D. J. BATER (3045831).