the Royal Marines and is reattached to the Royal Air Force as a Squadron Leader with effect from 8th May 1939 and with seniority of 1st Jan. 1938. Lieut. Merlin

Lieut. Merlin Bruce, R.N., Flight Lieutenant R.A.F., ceases to be attached to the Royal Air Force on return to Naval duty.

1st May 1939.

Squadron Leader George Reginald Alexander ELSMIE ceases to be seconded for service as Aide-de-Camp to the Governor of

Kenya. 14th May 1939.
Squadron Leader Thomas James Edward THORNTON is placed on the retired list at his

own request. 15th May 1939.

The notification in the Gazette of 14th Apr. 1939 concerning Flying Officer William SIMPSON is cancelled.

EQUIPMENT BRANCH.

The undermentioned Flight Lieutenants are promoted to the rank of Squadron Leader. 1st June 1939.

John Walter HUSTWAITE, M.B.E. Arthur Edward Evans, D.F.C. John Wilfred Hunt. Ronald Blessley Horstmann. Hugh Arundel Wrigley. Arthur William Rule. Cedric Mozart Powers HARTLEY. Gerald Matthews. Maurice John Scott. Patrick Dennehy.

ACCOUNTANT BRANCH.

Warrant Officer James Pirie is granted a commission as Flying Officer on probation with effect from 18th May 1939 and with seniority of 27th Mar. 1939.

Flight Lieutenant Thomas Patrick Eugene CAMPBELL is promoted to the rank of Squadron Leader. 1st Apr. 1939.

MEDICAL BRANCH.

Flying Officer Harry Hamilton Scott Brown, M.B., B.S., is promoted to the rank of Flight Lieutenant with effect from 2nd May 1939 and with seniority of 2nd May 1938.

Flight Lieutenant Edwin Donovan, M.B., Ch.B., is transferred to the Reserve, class D.

31st May 1939.

CHAPLAINS BRANCH.

The Reverend Leslie WRIGHT is granted a permanent commission. 14th May 1939.

The Reverend Basil Gordon BARTLETT is granted a short service commission with the relative rank of Squadron Leader. May 1939.

COMMISSIONED ENGINEER OFFICERS.

The undermentioned Flying Officers on probation are confirmed in their appointments on the dates stated:-

11th Apr. 1939. Ernest Hector McDonald.

20th Apr. 1939.

James Cecil GREEN. Francis Charles Howard KIRBY.

27th Apr. 1939.

Frank WICKS.

12th May 1939. Frank Evans, D.F.M.

19th May 1939. Harold Stanway.

Bertram Jonas Abraham. Thomas Loveseed Mann.

23rd May 1939. Hubert Courteney Witts.

COMMISSIONED SIGNALS OFFICER.

Flying Officer on probation Harry Taylor is confirmed in his appointment. 9th May 1939.

COMMISSIONED ARMAMENT OFFICERS.

The undermentioned Flying Officers on probation are confirmed in their appointments. 6th Apr. 1939:-

Edward William WALKER. William George Buckland Marsh.

PRINCESS MARY'S ROYAL AIR FORCE NURSING SERVICE.

The undermentioned Staff Nurses are confirmed in their appointments on the dates

24th Apr. 1939.

Miss Catherine Joyce Bolton.

28th Apr. 1939.

Miss Ellen Nancy Stooks.

1st May 1939.

Miss Norah Eleanor Cozens. Miss Joan Mary Maffey.

5th May 1939.

Miss Kathleen Westrope Cranston.

7th May 1939.

Miss Freda Short.

Senior Sister Miss Grace Elsie Margaret CLUBB, A.R.R.C., is promoted to the rank

of Matron. 1st May 1939.
Sister Miss Olive Sudday is promoted to the rank of Senior Sister. 1st May 1939.

ROYAL AIR FORCE RESERVE.

Reserve of Air Force Officers.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

The Reverend Austin Wollaston SANDEMAN is granted a commission as Flight Lieutenant (Honorary Squadron Leader) in class A with effect from 30th May 1939 and with seniority of 30th Oct. 1939

Brig. Philip William Lilian BROKE-SMITH, C.I.E., D.S.O., O.B.E. (Royal Engineers, Retired), is granted a commission in class CC as Group Captain. 1st Nov. 1938.

Lt.-Col. Christopher John Radcliffe TURNER (I.A., Ret.) is granted a commission in class CC as Wing Commander. 5th

The undermentioned are granted commissions in class CC in the ranks and on the dates stated:-

Flight Lieutenants.

10th Oct. 1938. Edward Osmond WHITAMORE.

11st Oct. 1938. Captain Charles John DICKINSON.