

21st May 1940.

Arthur Frederick Copithorne CARSON (42693).

Flight Lieutenant George Sydney Arthur PARNABY (34173) is promoted to the temporary rank of Squadron Leader. 1st June 1940.

The undermentioned Flying Officers are promoted to the rank of Flight Lieutenant on the dates stated:—

26th Apr. 1940.

Charles Beresford Eaton BURT-ANDREWS (37379).

Anthony HIBBERD (37401).

6th May 1940.

Peter Gardner KEEBLE (37186).

7th May 1940.

Peter Whittam HARTLEY (37354).

Richard Paul Stanhope WYRILL (37372).

Richard Nevil TODD-WHITE (37368).

21st May 1940.

Patrick Edward Geoffrey Gunnell CONNOLLY (37385).

Albert Leslie WOMERSLEY, D.F.C. (37439).

25th May 1940.

John Bernard FLOWERDEW (37542).

Alexander Myles JARDINE (37560).

The undermentioned Pilot Officers are promoted to the rank of Flying Officer on the dates stated:—

10th Jan. 1940.

Basil Dennis WIGGINTON (39920).

12th Jan. 1940.

John Lawrence RILEY (39620).

23rd Mar. 1940.

Reginald Wilfred REYNOLDS (40259).

25th Apr. 1940.

Roy Allan NICHOLSON (40418).

Robert Seayears MAY (40409).

27th Apr. 1940.

Donald Morrell BRASS (40337).

Ian Douglas Stuart STRACHAN (40326).

28th Apr. 1940.

Anthony O'Shea MURDOCH (40414).

16th May 1940.

Albert Stanley SMITH (40187).

25th May 1940.

Anthony Henry HEWITT (40391).

Air Vice-Marshal William Lawrie WELSH, C.B., D.S.C., A.F.C., is granted the acting rank of Air Marshal. 27th May 1940.

The undermentioned Air Commodores are granted the acting rank of Air Vice-Marshal on the dates stated:—

3rd June 1940.

Robert Peel WILLOCK.

15th June 1940.

Sir Christopher Joseph Quintin BRAND, K.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., D.F.C.

Group Captain Arthur Willoughby Falls GLENNY, M.C., D.F.C., is granted the acting rank of Air Commodore from 24th Dec. 1938 to 8th Apr. 1940.

The undermentioned Flying Officers relinquish the acting rank of Flight Lieutenant on the dates stated:—

3rd Sept. 1939.

John Robert PENNINGTON-LEGH (37826). (Substituted for notification in Gazette of 26th Apr. 1940.)

21st Jan. 1940.

Thomas James HANLON (33190).

26th Mar. 1940.

Colin SCRAGG (36121).

28th Apr. 1940.

Alan Vernon ROGERS (37424).

9th May 1940.

Robert Somerset BLAKE (37274).

28th May 1940.

Alexander Cameron LEGGATE (37861).

The undermentioned are transferred to the Technical Branch. 24th Apr. 1940:—

*Wing Commander.*

Robert Samuel BRUCE, M.B.E. (13219).

*Squadron Leaders.*

Walter Nigel ELWY-JONES (32006).

Cecil Frederick Stanton FRASER (32192).

Eric Crouston HARDING (33088).

*Flight Lieutenants.*

Frank Edgar CROCE (33162).

Robert Keith JEFFRIES (33262).

Flight Lieutenant Robert John Hayne HOLLAND (07155) is transferred to the Accountant Branch. 1st Sept. 1939.

Pilot Officer John Edgcombe LOWE (42373) takes rank and precedence as if his appointment as Pilot Officer bore date 17th Jan. 1940. Reduction to take effect from 20th May 1940.

Pilot Officer James Ritchie RITCHIE (41871) takes rank and precedence as if his appointment as Pilot Officer bore date 6th Nov. 1939. Reduction to take effect from 24th May 1940.

Group Captain Frederick SOWREY, D.S.O., M.C., A.F.C., is placed on the retired list at his own request. 26th May 1940.

The short service commissions of the undermentioned Pilot Officers on probation are terminated on cessation of duty on the dates stated:—

5th June 1940.

Thomas Henry REES (42527).

12th June 1940.

Robert Stephen DANBY (41381).

The notification in the Gazette of 7th May 1940 concerning the undermentioned Leading Aircraftmen should have appeared under the heading "ROYAL AIR FORCE VOLUNTEER RESERVE" instead of "ROYAL AIR FORCE":—

843621 Alexander Hills CURRY (79561).

843671 Richard Theobald HUNTER (79562).

**TECHNICAL BRANCH.**

The undermentioned are granted commissions for the duration of hostilities as Flying