

Wayne Bayce LINTON (Can/J.86937), 194 Sqn.
 Owen Bartley PHILP (Can/J.38956), 436 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.
 Brian Singleton WYGLE (Can/J.36252), 436 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

Warrant Officer.

Thomas PATTERSON (Can/R.77617), 357 Sqn.

The above awards are in recognition of gallantry and devotion to duty in the execution of air operations.

AMENDMENT.

In notification of 1st January, 1946 (New Year honours) the following names are to be added to the list of personnel who were mentioned in despatches:—

Group Captain J. E. McCOMB (90352), A.A.F.
 Wing Commander V. CROSS (88107), R.A.F.V.R.
 Acting Wing Commander G. V. FORREST (109482), R.A.F.V.R.
 Acting Squadron Leader W. WORTH (Aus. 26782), R.A.A.F.
 Flight Lieutenant H. LAWRENCE (148350), R.A.F.V.R.
 Acting Flight Lieutenant J. PATERSON (146187), R.A.F.V.R.
 Flying Officer W. R. MILLIER (182406), R.A.F.V.R.
 Flying Officer F. L. WRIGHT (113480), R.A.F.V.R.
 1102694 Sergeant A. FENTON, R.A.F.V.R.
 542429 Sergeant D. HYLAND.
 1104828 Corporal W. BROWN, R.A.F.V.R.
 918042 Leading Aircraftman C. L. CRICHLEY.
 1711705 Leading Aircraftman J. GOWER.
 3061502 Aircraftman 1st Class J. K. RIGGS.
 Acting Flight Officer M. P. WRIGHT (5350), W.A.A.F.
 884824 Sergeant M. I. A. STANBRIDGE, W.A.A.F.
 2059692 Sergeant B. E. STEVENS, W.A.A.F.
 428084 Corporal E. CLAYTON, W.A.A.F.
 2007809 Corporal N. GOOCH, W.A.A.F.
 449631 Corporal P. M. HANFORD, W.A.A.F.
 477015 Leading Aircraftwoman E. M. ASKAM, W.A.A.F.
 2062978 Leading Aircraftwoman O. BUCKLEY, W.A.A.F.
 2092999 Leading Aircraftwoman E. HAZEL, W.A.A.F.
 2033747 Leading Aircraftwoman E. E. HODGSON, W.A.A.F.
 2035326 Leading Aircraftwoman P. L. JOHNSON, W.A.A.F.
 448484 Leading Aircraftwoman B. WELLS, W.A.A.F.
 464848 Leading Aircraftwoman M. WILKINSON, W.A.A.F.
 473184 Aircraftwoman 1st Class E. E. KIERANS, W.A.A.F.

Air Ministry, 29th January, 1946.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.**GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.***Appointment to commission.*

As Plt. Offs. on prob. (emergency):—

Flt. Sgts.
 20th Sept. 1945.
 521473 Richard Simmonds BREEZE (57461).
 571839 John Bain PORTERFIELD (57462).
 569478 John Richard EVANS (57673). 6th Nov. 1945.

Relinquishment of acting rank.

Air Vice-Mshl. (actg. Air Mshl.) Sir Hugh P. LLOYD, K.B.E., C.B., M.C., D.F.C. 15th Nov. 1945.

Retirement.

Air Mshl. Sir John S. T. BRADLEY, K.C.B., C.B.E. 27th Oct. 1945.
 Air Mshl. Sir Philip BABINGTON, K.C.B., M.C., A.F.C. 1st Dec. 1945.
 Air Cdre. (temp. Air Vice-Mshl.) A. J. CAPEL, C.B., D.S.O., D.F.C., retaining the rank of Air Vice-Mshl. 3rd Nov. 1945.

Gp. Capt. R. YOUNG. 17th Jan. 1946.

Wg. Cdr. (temp. Gp. Capt.) L. G. NIXON (at his own request), retaining the rank of Gp. Capt. 30th Aug. 1945.

Wg. Cdr. (temp. Gp. Capt.) G. R. O'SULLIVAN, retaining the rank of Gp. Capt. 9th Nov. 1945.

Wg. Cdr. W. J. MILLEN (04134) (at his own request). 26th Nov. 1945.

Wg. Cdr. E. S. BORTHWICK-CLARKE (03184) (at his own request), retaining the rank of Gp. Capt. 13th Sept. 1945.

Wg. Cdr. G. L. CHESHIRE, V.C., D.S.O., D.F.C. (72021) (on account of medical unfitness for Air Force service), retaining the rank of Gp. Capt. 22nd Jan. 1946.

Reversion to retired list.

Air Cdre. (temp. Air Vice-Mshl.) Sir Geoffrey R. BROMET, K.B.E., C.B., D.S.O., retaining the rank of Air Vice-Mshl. 10th Oct. 1945.

Gp. Capt. E D. M. ROBERTSON, C.B., D.F.C., resuming the rank of Air Cdre. 6th Oct. 1945.

The undermtd. retaining the rank of Gp. Capt.:—

Wg. Cdrs.:—

E. L. ARDLEY (03121). 6th Oct. 1945.

C. PORRI (03025). 30th Nov. 1945.

Sqn. Ldr. (temp. Wg. Cdr.) J. M. J. C. J. I. ROCK DE BESOMBES (04194). 11th Jan. 1946.

The undermtd. retaining the rank of Wg. Cdr.:—

Sqn. Ldr. (temp. Wg. Cdr.) E. J. D. ROUTH (03044). 10th Oct. 1945.

Sqn. Ldr. E. E. ARNOLD, D.F.C. (15087). 29th Oct. 1945.

Flt. Lts. (temp. Sqn. Ldrs.) retaining the rank of Sqn. Ldr.:—

A. BLACKWELL (13185). 13th Sept. 1945.

E. L. BARRINGTON, M.C., D.F.C. (03130). 9th Nov. 1945.

Transfer to reserve (and called up for Air Force service).

Wg. Cdr. R. T. F. GATES, A.F.C., D.F.C. (37064). 16th Jan. 1946.

Sqn. Ldr. (temp. Wg. Cdr.) J. C. M. LUNN, A.F.C. (37067). 16th Jan. 1946.

Flt. Lt. W. J. O. COLEMAN, D.F.C. 12th June 1945.

Commission relinquished.

Flt. Lt. B. S. VENN (52213) (on account of medical unfitness for Air Force service), retaining his rank. 9th Jan. 1946.

Flg. Off. C. JONES (55431) (on account of medical unfitness for Air Force service), retaining his rank. 10th Jan. 1946.

TECHNICAL BRANCH.*Appointment to commission.*

365372 Wt. Off. Thomas William SHEPPARD (57617) as Flg. Off. on prob. (emergency). 20th Dec. 1945.

As Plt. Offs. on prob. (emergency). 20th Dec. 1945.—

566703 Wt. Off. Kenneth William DRABBLE (57613).
 Flt. Sgts.

566989 Ronald BRICKWOOD (57611).

531721 Kenneth James CUNINGHAME (57612).

570798 Douglas Arthur Reginald NAYLOR (57615).
 571961 Harry THOMAS (57618).

540059 Sgt. George De La Mare NICHOLS (57616).

Retirement.

Sqn. Ldr. (temp. Wg. Cdr.) R. L. BELL (35087) (at his own request), retaining the rank of Wg. Cdr. 26th Nov. 1945.

Reversion to retired list.

Sqn. Ldr. (temp. Wg. Cdr.) W. SMITH (13103), retaining the rank of Wg. Cdr. 16th Jan. 1946.

Flt. Lt. (temp. Sqn. Ldr.) B. CHEESMAN, M.B.E. (13148) (at his own request), retaining the rank of Sqn. Ldr. 26th Nov. 1945.

Commission relinquished.

Flg. Off. A. E. GREEN (49402) (on account of medical unfitness for Air Force service), retaining his rank. 10th Jan. 1946.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SPECIAL DUTIES BRANCH.*Appointment to commission.*

539259 Flt. Sgt. Gordon Allan McLOUGHLIN, B.E.M. (57587), as Actg. Plt. Off. on prob. (emergency). 20th Dec. 1945.

EQUIPMENT BRANCH.*Reversion to retired list.*

Wg. Cdr. F. W. TODD, O.B.E. (10159). 11th Jan. 1946.

Flt. Lt. (temp. Sqn. Ldr.) A. S. BERRY (10068), retaining the rank of Sqn. Ldr. 26th Sept. 1945.