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CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

*St. James's Palace, S.W.1.
15th February, 1946.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to award the GEORGE CROSS to:—

Acting Wing Commander Forest Frederick Edward YEO-THOMAS, M.C. (89215), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve.

This officer was parachuted into France on the 25th February, 1943. He showed much courage and initiative during his mission, particularly when he enabled a French officer who was being followed by a Gestapo agent in Paris to reach safety and resume clandestine work in another area. He also took charge of a U.S. Army Air Corps officer who had been shot down and, speaking no French, was in danger of capture. This officer returned to England on the 15th April, 1943, in the aircraft which picked up Wing Commander Yeo-Thomas.

Wing Commander Yeo-Thomas undertook a second mission on the 17th September, 1943. Soon after his arrival in France many patriots were arrested. Undeterred, he continued his enquiries and obtained information which enabled the desperate situation to be rectified. On six occasions he narrowly escaped arrest. He returned to England on the 15th November, 1943, bringing British intelligence archives which he had secured from a house watched by the Gestapo.

This officer was again parachuted into France in February, 1944. Despite every security precaution he was betrayed to the Gestapo in Paris on the 21st March. While being taken by car to Headquarters he was badly "beaten up". He then underwent 4 days continuous interrogation, interspersed with beatings and torture, including immersions, head downwards, in ice-cold water, with legs and arms chained. Interrogations later continued for 2 months and Wing Commander Yeo-Thomas was offered his freedom in return for information concerning the Head of a Resistance Secretariat. Owing to his wrist being cut by chains, he contracted blood-poisoning and nearly lost his left arm. He made two daring but unsuccessful attempts to escape. He was then confined in solitude in Fresnes prison for 4 months, including 3 weeks in a darkened cell with very little food. Throughout these months of almost continuous torture, he steadfastly refused to disclose any information.

On the 17th July, Wing Commander Yeo-Thomas was sent with a party to Compiegne prison, from which he twice attempted to escape. He and 36 others were then transferred to Buchenwald. On the way, they stopped for 3 days at Saarbrucken,

where they were beaten and kept in a tiny hut. They arrived at Buchenwald on the 16th August and 16 of them were executed and cremated on the 10th September. Wing Commander Yeo-Thomas had already commenced to organise resistance within the camp and remained undaunted by the prospect of a similar fate. He accepted an opportunity of changing his identity with that of a dead French prisoner, on condition that other officers would also be enabled to do so. In this way, he was instrumental in saving the lives of two officers.

Wing Commander Yeo-Thomas was later transferred to a work kommando for Jews. In attempting to escape he was picked up by a German patrol and, claiming French nationality, was transferred to a camp near Marienburg for French prisoners of war. On the 16th April, 1945, he led a party of 20 in a most gallant attempt to escape in broad daylight. 10 were killed by fire from the guards. Those who reached cover split up into small groups. Wing Commander Yeo-Thomas became separated from his companions after 3 days without food. He continued alone for a week and was recaptured when only 800 yards from the American lines. A few days later he escaped with a party of 10 French prisoners of war, whom he led through German patrols to the American lines.

Wing Commander Yeo-Thomas thus turned his final mission into a success by his determined opposition to the enemy, his strenuous efforts to maintain the morale of his fellow-prisoners and his brilliant escape activities. He endured brutal treatment and torture without flinching and showed the most amazing fortitude and devotion to duty throughout his service abroad, during which he was under the constant threat of death.

Air Ministry, 15th February, 1946.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following award in recognition of gallantry and devotion to duty in the execution of air operations:—

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Flying Officer Reginald Thomas HOCKING (Aus. 407291), Royal Australian Air Force.

In October, 1944, this officer was the mid-upper gunner of a Liberator aircraft detailed to make a low level attack on rolling stock between Uttaradi and Pichai. Accurate anti-aircraft fire was encountered and the aircraft sustained damage. The mainplane was holed and set on fire and much height was lost. Flying Officer Hocking coolly informed his captain on the condition of the fire which was impossible to extinguish. The captain gave the order to abandon aircraft after gaining a

sufficiently safe altitude. Three members of the crew were unable to leave immediately and Flying Officer Hocking remained behind assisting them and checking their equipment. Despite imminent danger he would not leave the aircraft until satisfied that the parachute equipment of each member was properly fitted and clipped into place. The cool behaviour and bravery of Flying Officer Hocking did much to save the lives of at least two members of the crew.

Air Ministry, 15th February, 1946.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following awards:—

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Wing Commanders.

Vivian REES (33335), R.A.F., 18 Sqn.
Robert George PRIER (33094), R.A.F., 13 Sqn.

Flight Lieutenant.

Derek George Reginald WARD (158587), R.A.F.V.R., 252 Sqn.

Flying Officers.

Albert John HANMORE (195169), R.A.F.V.R., 148 Sqn.

Philip Alexander RANKIN (158737), R.A.F.V.R., 13 Sqn.

Warrant Officers.

Eric Arthur Charles BARFOOT (1268865), R.A.F.V.R., 267 Sqn.
Major GELBHAUER (1270361), R.A.F.V.R., 6 Sqn.
Kenneth George HOLLIDAY (1494776), R.A.F.V.R., 117 Sqn

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Flying Officers.

William Albert BELSON (Aus.426293), 148 Sqn.
Cedric George THOMAS (Aus.426849), 148 Sqn.

ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Flying Officers.

John Aaron GORDON (Can/J.92360), 253 Sqn.
Harold Christian OLAFSON (Can/J.43684), 436 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

SOUTH AFRICAN AIR FORCE.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Major.

Henry Tait FRYLINCK (103512V), 16 (S.A.A.F.) Sqn.

Captains.

David Archibald ABERCROMBIE (542763V), 25 (S.A.A.F.) Sqn.

Ian Henry CAMPBELL (206192V), 12 (S.A.A.F.) Sqn.
Kenneth Raymond CROSSMAN (102307V), 25 (S.A.A.F.) Sqn.

Burford FORSTER (205993V), 21 (S.A.A.F.) Sqn.
Christiaan Francois MARAIS (96126V), 25 (S.A.A.F.) Sqn.

Helge Charles MURMAN (105800V), 15 (S.A.A.F.) Sqn.
Colin Robert SINCLAIR (205551V), 11 (S.A.A.F.) Sqn.

Lieutenant.

Neil Ashcroft STOCKS (328942V), 13 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 List, mentions in despatches):—

P. 104, col. 1, Flying Officers, regarding K. SMITH, D.F.C. (176770), R.A.F.V.R., delete "D.F.C."

The following name was omitted from the list in error:—

Warrant Officer S. RAMSEY (508605).

Air Ministry, 15th February 1946.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

Confirmation and promotion.

Plt. Offs. (prob.) confmd. in appts. and to be Flg. Offs. (war subs.):—
R. G. CLARK (57342). 19th Jan. 1946.
22nd Jan. 1946.
R. K. COLMAN (57391).
P. C. POLING (57388).

Promotion.

Sqn. Ldr. (temp.) J. V. HOGGARTH (37175) is granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr. (war subs.). 12th Jan. 1946.

Flt. Off. to Flt. Lt. (war subs.):—
L. G. CORBIN (55119). 26th Sept. 1945.

17th Jan. 1946.
R. J. COXHEAD, D.F.C. (54150).
K. MACDONALD (54181).
A. B. PEAKER (54403).

18th Jan. 1946.
C. D. P. BLACK, D.F.M. (54288).
R. W. COULSTON, B.E.M. (54266).
A. G. ROACE, D.F.C. (54447).

19th Jan. 1946.
J. H. R. HICKS (53719).
H. McCABE, D.F.M. (54261).

20th Jan. 1946.
D. FITZGERALD, D.F.C. (54252).
V. H. JARVIS, D.F.M. (54297).
W. H. KEEN (54769).

J. N. THOMPSON, D.F.C. (54311). 21st Jan. 1946.

22nd Jan. 1946.
W. H. HAWKINS, D.F.M. (54283).
D. J. MACHIN (Lt. R.A.) (54169).
C. O. PURVIS (Lt. R.A.) (54168).
M. R. WRIGHT (Lt. R.A.) (54166).

24th Jan. 1946.
J. C. METCALFE, D.F.M. (54295).
R. SEMPLE (53566).
C. KING, D.F.M. (54512). 25th Jan. 1946.

TECHNICAL BRANCH.

Confirmation.

Flt. Off. (prob.) F. J. DELBRIDGE (56971). 2nd Feb. 1946.

Confirmation and promotion.
Plt. Offs. (prob.) confmd. in appts. and to be Flg. Offs. (war subs.):—
2nd Feb. 1946.

W. O. DOWNING (56972).
F. W. G. HALES (56976).

Promotion.

Flt. Lt. E. A. HARROP (45959) is granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr. (war subs.). 16th Nov. 1945. (Subs. for notifn. 11th Jan. 1946 (p. 404, col. 1)).

Flt. Lts. (temp.) granted the rank of Flt. Lt. (war subs.):—
W. C. T. BROWN (46499). 28th July 1945.
W. E. BLOOMFIELD (45363). 12th Jan. 1946.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SPECIAL DUTIES BRANCH.

Confirmation and promotion.

Plt. Offs. (prob.) confmd. in appts. and to be Flg. Offs. (war subs.):—
19th Jan. 1946.

R. HILLS (56914).
A. S. H. OATES (56924).

Promotion.

Sqn. Ldr. (temp.) B. J. SKINNER (44285) is granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr. (war subs.). 1st Jan. 1946.

Regrading.
Actg. Plt. Off. (prob.) to Plt. Off. (prob.):—
24th Jan. 1946.
J. B. DRIVER (57575).
F. A. EVANS (57576).

EQUIPMENT BRANCH.

Confirmation.

Flt. Off. (prob.) A. L. K. COLBECK (56969).
2nd Feb. 1946.

Confirmation and promotion.

Pit. Offs. (prob.) confmd. in appts. and to be Flg.
Offs. (war subs.):—

2nd Feb. 1946.

- W. E. BARNDEN (56964).
- H. M. CLUBBE (56968).
- W. J. HARKNESS (56913).
- A. T. WILCOX (56980).

Promotion.

Sqn. Ldr. (temp.) J. S. HEPBURN (31225) is granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr. (war subs.). 18th Jan. 1946.

ACCOUNTANT BRANCH.*Confirmation.**Notification amended.*

14th Dec. 1945 (p. 6098, col. 1) concerning H. G. PRITCHARD (56734) for 31st Nov. 1945 read 30th Nov. 1945.

Confirmation and promotion.

Pit. Offs. (prob.) confmd. in appts. and to be Flg.
Offs. (war subs.):—

14th Dec. 1945.

- E. A. HART (56806).
- J. H. LYNN (56808).

21st Dec. 1945.

- G. E. BROOKS (56830).
- A. J. DENNY (56833).
- D. C. FORTESCUE (56834).
- A. ROBINSON (56837).
- N. McL. SMITH (56839).

H. F. YATES (56981). 2nd Feb. 1946.

Notification amended.

14th Dec. 1945 (p. 6098, col. 1) concerning list of names commencing with F. N. BARRINGTON (56783) and ending with C. N. W. TOWNSEND (56787) for 31st Nov. 1945 read 30th Nov. 1945.

MEDICAL BRANCH.*Promotion.*

Flt. Lt. (temp. Wg. Cdr.) to Sqn. Ldr.:—

7th Mar. 1945.

- G. B. MACGIBBON, M.B., Ch.B. (23312).
J. R. CELLARS, M.B., Ch.B. (23309)
- J. H. NEAL, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. (23295). 4th Apr. 1945.

- J. C. BOWE, M.D., B.Ch., D.P.H. (23290). 4th May 1945.
- C. C. BARKER, A.F.C., M.B., Ch.B. (23304). 5th May 1945.
- D. J. DAWSON, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. (23310). 7th June 1945.

- E. S. SIDEY, M.D., Ch.B. (23322). 4th July 1945.
- D. F. S. SHAW, M.B., Ch.B. (23313). 7th Sept. 1945.
- R. H. PRATT, M.B., B.Ch. (23297). 4th Nov. 1945.

- C. E. G. WICKHAM, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. (23308). 29th Dec. 1945.

Flt. Lt. (temp. Sqn. Ldr.) to Sqn. Ldr.:—
A. B. MARSHALL, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. (23266). 25th Dec. 1945.

(Subs. for notifn. 8th Jan. 1946 (p. 350, col. 1) concerning the above officers.)

RESERVE OF AIR FORCE OFFICERS.**GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.***Promotion.*

Sqn. Ldr. (temp.) granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr.

(war subs.):—

- W. SHEARMAN (40856). 4th July 1945.
- A. J. TRUMBLE, O.B.E. (37137). 24th Sept. 1945.
- D. F. BEARDON (39775). 3rd Nov. 1945.
- A. N. JONES (37503). 18th Jan. 1946.

ROYAL AIR FORCE VOLUNTEER RESERVE.**GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.***Confirmation and promotion.*

Pit. Offs. (prob.) confmd. in appts. and to be Flg.

Offs. (war subs.):—

- E. BREAR (201211). 15th Apr. 1945.
- W. B. HENDERSON (201259). 23rd May 1945.
- P. J. WILSON (201212). 2nd Sept. 1945.
- J. H. MILLER (201228). 10th Oct. 1945.
- G. W. HOLMES (200835). 20th Oct. 1945.
- A. HUMBLE (163411). 21st Oct. 1945.
- E. G. PICTON (201202). 3rd Nov. 1945.
- J. W. TICE (200650). 7th Nov. 1945.

E. BINGHAM (198582). 15th Nov. 1945.

A. G. SMITH (201213). 19th Nov. 1945.

F. THOMAS, D.F.M. (201214). 4th Dec. 1945.

G. R. CLARIDGE (198660). 5th Dec. 1945.

K. J. BARRATT (201254). 11th Dec. 1945.

C. R. CHRISP (201091). 16th Dec. 1945.

R. A. DAWSON (201222). 27th Dec. 1945.

J. E. FRENCH (201203). 28th Dec. 1945.

J. LAWRENCE (201186). 3rd Jan. 1946.

J. O. BURN (201204). 10th Jan. 1946.

A. R. MORRISON (201215). 13th Jan. 1946.

14th Jan. 1946.

B. A. G. HICKS (200771).

W. W. HUTTON (200770).

R. W. GRAY (200695). 16th Jan. 1946.

J. HOOPER (201052). 17th Jan. 1946.

19th Jan. 1946.

A. C. GRAHAM (200647).

W. R. B. JONES (199603).

J. B. PAGE (201005).

J. PRETTY (201039).

F. E. SMITH (201018).

J. SYKES (200683).

20th Jan. 1946.

C. AIRD (199781).

L. P. ALLEN (199786).

H. ARMITAGE (194273).

A. S. BALL (194289).

D. BLYTHE (199691).

P. J. C. BURN (194272).

R. E. CHATER (194286).

G. CROWE (194285).

M. J. DONOGHUE (200551).

J. L. B. EDWARDS (199892).

T. J. FAIRBRASS (194282).

K. H. FISHER (194281).

C. F. GILLAN (194278).

R. F. GLEAVE (194277).

W. A. HALL (194271).

A. F. HARRISON (194265).

M. M. HARVEY (194283).

J. HETHERINGTON (194263).

J. M. T. HEWITT (194269).

A. N. HOGG (194268).

C. G. HURST, D.F.M. (199902).

F. H. W. JAMES, D.F.M. (200651).

G. A. KING (201086).

H. N. LEWIS (194290).

J. C. LITTLEJOHNS (194260).

J. M. MOFFAT (194270).

R. MOLLART (194288).

J. S. MURRAY (194274).

F. J. PALEY (194280).

J. PEARSON (194293).

J. POTTS (199512).

A. RILEY (194291).

W. B. RITCHIE (199700).

J. T. ROBERTSON (200813).

K. W. ROEBUCK (194275).

T. H. SALTER (194276).

B. A. SHEA (194279).

K. A. E. SMITH (194264).

R. D. SMITH (194284).

J. F. STEWART (194261).

G. J. SWINDELLS (200808).

W. D. J. A. THOMAS (194267).

G. TOWNLEY (194287).

K. G. H. WALKER (200719).

P. W. WATKINSON (194266).

E. R. WATSON (194292).

E. Y. WHITTLE (194262).

N. WILLIS (200809).

21st Jan. 1946.

D. C. BEGG (200648).

A. E. BUSH (199950).

K. G. DAWKIN (201019).

22nd Jan. 1946.

O. CONNOLLY (200505).

H. J. HULL (200757).

P. KAY (199963).

H. A. KNIGHT (199938).

P. G. LLOYD (201243).

T. NORTHEN (200640).

R. RAE (200511).

W. J. READHEAD (200800).

G. M. THORNTON (200523).

23rd Jan. 1946.

F. W. BRIDGER (200910).

M. DAVIES (199687).

R. MONK (200985).

24th Jan. 1946.

- F. R. BIGNOLD (200691).
 B. W. BROWN (199888).
 C. A. BROWN (200555).
 P. CASTRO (200545).
 M. R. DAVY (200692).
 A. S. DONKIN (200669).
 A. W. EARL (200929).
 J. C. GARDNER (201226).
 R. F. GOMM (199885).
 F. J. HANNA (200927).
 D. L. HUNT (200761).
 M. W. LING (198664).
 C. N. MOFFATT (198665).
 S. F. PLANT (200740).
 J. SADLER (200805).
 A. B. STANDEN (199779).
 C. L. WALLIS (199928).

25th Jan. 1946.

- F. L. EAST (199913).
 R. W. FORD (200665).
 L. A. MASON (199891).
 P. R. MATTHEWS (200724).
 D. H. MERRIFIELD (199762).
 A. G. SOUTAR (200764).

Notification amended.

25th Aug. 1944 (p. 3951, col. 1) concerning
 G. E. SANDERS (171014) for 24th July 1944 read
 21st July 1944.

Promotion.

Flt. Lt. J. H. ASHTON, D.F.C. (77456) is granted
 the rank of Sqn. Ldr. (war subs.). 20th July
 1945.

Fld. Off. to Fld. Lt. (war subs.):—

- J. R. GOODY (157149). 27th July 1945.
 E. K. A. HAYLOCK (153789). 15th Oct. 1945.
 S. HIRD, D.F.C. (155876). 19th Oct. 1945.

29th Nov. 1945.

- J. A. W. LIGGETT (169702).
 W. H. C. RHODES (170865).
 P. J. ROCHE (170241).
 A. P. SINDEN (171594). 12th Jan. 1946.

14th Jan. 1946.

- A. B. CHAPMAN (163549).
 L. C. HUDSON (163524).
 15th Jan. 1946.

W. F. CLARKE (162204).
 W. L. GREEN, D.F.C. (163032).
 E. SUMMERSCALES (162216).

17th Jan. 1946.

- R. W. BALDOCK (177200).
 R. M. CHISHOLM (172963).
 B. F. DURRANT, D.F.C. (172179).
 K. FORTH (171196).
 W. GILFILLAN (172536).
 S. W. GREEN (182217).
 A. A. LISTER (173231).
 E. J. NORTON, D.F.C. (170622).
 F. G. PARKER, D.F.C. (171097).
 G. E. RAWSON (171743).
 H. J. READ (171410).
 M. S. ROBSON (172457).
 J. H. A. SMITH (174958).
 P. STUART, D.F.M. (171465).
 G. W. TEBBS, D.F.C. (170757).
 J. J. THOMSON (174223).
 A. D. WADIA (172809).
 H. W. WALTHAM (171038).
 G. WILLIAMS (170872).

18th Jan. 1946.

- F. C. AVERY (172125).
 C. C. BEVAN, D.F.C. (172095).
 T. P. BISHOP, D.F.M. (170874).
 J. H. BOLTON (175108).
 R. J. DEWEY, D.F.C. (171271).
 C. EVANS (170392).
 G. EYRE (171267).
 K. G. FORESTER (171168).
 G. W. J. FRANKLIN, D.F.C. (171197).
 E. FRIEND, D.F.C. (173073).
 N. F. GRINHAM (172622).
 W. KENNEDY (172775).
 D. S. LEECH, D.F.M. (171288).
 W. MABES (173878).
 H. A. MILLAR, D.F.C. (171408).
 E. MOON, D.F.C. (172116).
 K. W. J. PICKEN (174390).
 J. QUINN (173861).
 T. E. SMITH (173789).
 M. J. SMITHSON, D.F.M. (173138).
 B. R. A. TAYLOR (171290).

E. W. VINCENT (170393).
 A. H. WOOD (171954).

19th Jan. 1946.

- J. CHALONER, D.F.M. (171198).
 D. A. DAILEY (174122).
 F. P. DARLING (173639).
 E. FOSTER, D.F.M. (171407).
 G. J. T. HAWKE (177007).
 K. G. HICKLIN, D.F.C. (171939).
 G. T. JONES (171299).
 T. JONES (172784).
 W. F. JOWSEY (170881).
 W. LAMONT, D.F.C. (171686).
 D. J. McMAHON (171665).
 A. E. MARDELL (171729).
 W. MILLARD (173435).
 J. W. C. NAIRN, D.F.C. (171692).
 A. F. H. PLANT (173553).
 G. H. QUICK (173845).
 R. H. REID (171758).
 R. P. SANDERS (172957).
 D. SMITH (174391).
 L. A. SMITH (182872).
 C. D. WOOD (172887).

20th Jan. 1946.

- G. D. BEARDSALL (172911).
 V. BERNARD (171053).
 D. I. BUCKLER (172232).
 J. A. CHRISTIANSON (176347).
 S. GALLEY (171173).
 W. F. GUY (171286).
 R. C. HARRIS (171867).
 I. M. J. JOHNSTON (175754).
 H. C. LILEY (174364).
 W. H. MAINWARING (171787).
 D. C. NOTT, D.F.C. (171391).
 W. P. RIMER (171584).
 D. G. SCOTT (185121).
 J. C. STUART (184293).
 B. H. TYE (171469).
 R. A. WARD, D.F.M. (171773).

21st Jan. 1946.

- L. J. ALDERMAN, D.F.C. (170890).
 E. J. AMEY (175334).
 J. R. AUSTIN (175524).
 A. MacD. BLACK, D.F.M. (171798).
 A. H. BORTHWICK (172588).
 P. H. CONSTANT (175332).
 J. T. COULL (175337).
 J. E. L. DAHN (175523).
 T. DALZELL (172743).
 P. S. FORDER (171618).
 E. FURNESS, D.F.C., D.F.M. (170692).
 C. JOHNSON (175333).
 I. JOHNSON (174420).
 S. LEESON (175549).
 G. MCLEAN (175550).
 R. MCLEAN, D.F.C. (170720).
 F. MOORE (172097).
 R. S. PRESTON (175551).
 E. PRITCHARD (171040).
 J. P. F. REEVE (174369).
 G. E. SANDERS, D.F.C. (171014).
 F. T. SELLERS (172613).
 H. TOON, D.F.M. (171792).
 F. H. T. WHYBROW, D.F.C. (170690).
 C. WOODWARD (172758).

22nd Jan. 1946.

- J. ANNANDALE (169988).
 C. H. BEEVOR (169989).
 J. J. BOOTH (171689).
 J. COWELL (172840).
 J. W. F. FRYER (176380).
 E. A. GARDNER (172042).
 B. H. KNIGHTS (171104).
 B. LILOFSKY (176011).
 G. F. J. RAY (171705).
 C. A. STUDLEY (178744).

23rd Jan. 1946.

- H. BORTOFT (172956).
 K. BOWDEN (173006).
 R. L. CUTLER, D.F.C. (171393).
 T. E. DRISCOLL (171175).
 A. O. EVANS (172876).
 I. D. GREGORY, D.F.C. (172248).
 A. GUY (170981).
 C. W. HOBGEN (171703).
 A. MATHIESON, A.F.C. (172140).
 P. W. MUNGALL (172141).
 J. R. G. OSWICK, D.F.M. (171507).
 G. B. PALUMBO (173084).
 T. PHILLIPS (172296).
 A. W. PRAGNELL, D.F.C. (171300).
 D. H. STEPHENS (172350).

S. TAYLOR (161645).
 J. O. WILLIAMS (171922).
 H. D. G. YERBY (173590).
 24th Jan. 1946.
 H. D. P. BECKER (171280).
 W. J. BUSH (173860).
 E. G. DAY (172348).
 R. GEBBELS (174362).
 R. HALL (172912).
 P. HARPER (171218).
 J. F. HARVEY (172365).
 J. HATFIELD, D.F.M. (176348).
 W. HOPPER (174131).
 J. E. HOWARD (172608).
 G. A. HOWSE (171456).
 D. A. JONES (174372).
 P. KEARNS (174370).
 J. KITCHEN (174361).
 C. J. W. LEE, D.F.M. (174428).
 T. W. MACKENZIE, D.F.C. (173607).
 I. C. MCLENNAN (174948).
 T. R. MELLOR (171744).
 W. C. H. MUNSCH, D.F.C. (171002).
 W. A. PITTS, D.F.M. (171476).
 S. POOLE, D.F.M. (171460).
 H. B. RAY (174294).
 J. W. TODD (171948).
 J. L. WALKER (172947).
 H. WALTON (171450).
 25th Jan. 1946.
 E. F. BIRCHALL (172930).
 R. N. BROWN, D.F.M. (172986).
 J. L. BUTLER (172113).
 G. CARD (183914).
 E. CRABTREE (172087).
 K. EDWARDS (175609).
 A. T. EVANS (171759).
 A. F. FORREST, D.F.C. (172771).
 H. F. MCK. GARMANY (160164).
 R. G. LEWIS (175607).
 E. J. MOORE (173588).
 A. H. PAGE (171480).
 J. W. STEWART, D.F.C. (171043).
 N. WILCOCK (172889).
 T. G. MUHL, D.F.M. (172559). 26th Jan. 1946.

TECHNICAL BRANCH.*Confirmation and promotion.*

Plt. Offs. (prob.) confmd. in appts. and to be Flg. Offs. (war subs.):—

2nd Feb. 1946.

T. H. BARR (199275).
 R. C. BARTHOLOMEW (199276).
 K. BATCHELOR (199277).
 J. E. BEST (199279).
 J. P. BISHOP (199280).
 J. T. BOW (199282).
 A. T. G. BOYCE (199283).
 H. CHINNERY (199286).
 W. R. G. DALLAS (199287).
 T. L. DUTT (182934).
 G. V. DUTTON (199289).
 R. S. GRIFFIN (199292).
 R. A. HEALING (199297).
 W. K. HOWELLS (199299).
 F. H. REDMAN (199303).
 D. L. S. TAYLOR (199306).
 F. WILLIAMS (199308).
 L. C. WOOLLARD (199310).

Promotion.

Flt. Lts. (temp.) granted the rank of Flt. Lt. (war subs.):—

W. L. CLARKE (86965). 6th Dec. 1945.
 J. S. MASON (87127). 16th Jan. 1946.

Notification amended.

9th Nov. 1945 (p. 5679, col. 1) concerning R. SAUNDERS (121822) should have appeared under the heading TECHNICAL BRANCH and not ADMINISTRATIVE AND SPECIAL DUTIES BRANCH.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SPECIAL DUTIES BRANCH.*Confirmation.*

Plt. Offs. (prob.):—

20th Jan. 1946.

J. J. MORRIS (198888).
 J. ROTHWELL-PRYOR-GREENWOOD-LOMAX (198887).
 W. J. WILKINS (198891).
 S. J. LYDEN (198780). 21st Jan. 1946.
 A. H. STEPHEN (198991). 23rd Jan. 1946.

Confirmation and promotion.

Plt. Offs. (prob.) confmd. in appts. and to be Flg. Offs. (war subs.):—

W. E. MYHILL (89177). 1st Aug. 1941. (Subs. for notifn. 9th June 1942 (p. 2557, col. 2).)
 H. C. DONMALL (197998). 10th Jan. 1946.

19th Jan. 1946.

C. BERNAL (198811).
 P. O. CLAPCOTT (197287).
 S. H. COURTNEY (197288).
 R. L. FORDYCE (197292).
 K. L. FOSTER (197293).
 R. V. HAMBROOK (198826).
 N. HAMMOND (197294).
 F. A. HUBBARD (198466).
 J. LEATHER (197296).
 G. LIVSEY (197297).
 J. J. MCALEESSE (197298).
 H. A. F. NIDA (198054).
 J. R. PALMER (197301).
 N. W. PAYNE (197302).
 A. F. PEGLER (197300).
 E. W. G. PEGNA (198123).
 C. L. ROBERTS (197305).
 A. H. DEM. STAMP (197308).
 R. H. WALSWORTH (197309).
 P. R. WEST (198840).
 G. G. WOOD (197310).

21st Jan. 1946.

K. C. ABERCROMBIE (198908).
 R. C. BATESON (198627).
 R. G. DEAKIN (198907).
 D. V. FAGAN (198868).
 S. K. GIBB (198909).
 T. KENT (198628).
 W. MINTO (198910).
 J. E. MURPHY (198629).
 F. SAWYER (198626).
 R. K. SPRIGG (198867).
 E. W. THOMAS (198625).
 J. LURIE (198655). 22nd Jan. 1946.

23rd Jan. 1946.

N. HAYES (198869).
 I. McD. WRIGHT (198870). ◊

H. L. LEWIS (198737). 25th Jan. 1946.

Notification cancelled.

28th May 1943 (p. 2369, col. 1) concerning A. I. ATTENBORROW (117042).

Promotion.

The undermtd. are granted the rank of Flt. Lt. (war subs.):—

Flt. Lts. (temp.):—

S. MCAUGHEY (85787). 1st Feb. 1943.
 H. W. PRESCOTT (89697). 14th Sept. 1945.
 E. EVANS (61615). 9th Nov. 1945.

Flg. Offs. :—

C. J. BROWN (68295). 22nd Oct. 1945.
 B. M. P. O'HEA (120763). 2nd Jan. 1946.
 E. K. PARRY (132886). 13th Jan. 1946.
 F. H. A. CAMPBELL (102193). 24th Jan. 1946.

Regrading.

Actg. Plt. Off. (prob.) G. L. LAW (201356) to
 Plt. Off. (prob.). 24th Jan. 1946.

EQUIPMENT BRANCH.*Confirmation and promotion.*

Plt. Off. (prob.) R. S. GREEN (198821) confmd. in appt. and to be Flg. Off. (war subs.). 2nd Feb. 1946.

Promotion.

The undermtd. are granted the rank of Flt. Lt. (war subs.):—

Flt. Lts. (temp.):—

K. G. PEARCE (79963). 1st Nov. 1944.
 E. S. SMITHYES (85516). 1st Apr. 1945.
 G. M. HALL (64778). 11th Jan. 1946.

Flg. Offs. :—

E. D. ROGERS (120681). 22nd Dec. 1945.
 P. M. GILMORE (78396). 15th Jan. 1946.

ACCOUNTANT BRANCH.*Confirmation and promotion.*

Plt. Offs. (prob.) confmd. in appts. and to be Flg. Offs. (war subs.):—

H. H. LEACH (197897). 14th Dec. 1945.

2nd Feb. 1946.

L. W. FLETCHER (199291). ◊

F. J. STOCK (198838).

MEDICAL BRANCH.*Promotion.*

Flg. Off. M. J. M. SOLOMONS, M.B., B.Ch. (189143) to Flt. Lt. (war subs.). 20th Jan. 1946.

METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH.*Confirmation and promotion.*

Plt. Offs. (prob.) confmd. in appts. and to be

Fig. Offs. (war subs.):—

H. W. FLUX (189730). 15th Oct. 1945.
 A. WOODWARD (191770). 3rd Dec. 1945.
 12th Jan. 1946.
 M. J. BLACKWELL (197120).
 M. J. MERRICK (197134).
 H. S. ROAKE (197136).
 N. J. W. ROYSTON (196190).
 T. S. WAKEFIELD (196165).
 K. W. WILSON (197142).
 26th Jan. 1946.
 S. T. BOND (197480).
 J. BURKE (197483).
 J. C. COPSON (197486).
 W. E. COX (197487).
 P. L. GOBLE (197493).

ROYAL AIR FORCE REGIMENT.*Promotion.*

Flg. Off. R. H. BOND (69571) is granted the rank of Flt. Lt. (war subs.). 16th Oct. 1945.

WOMEN'S FORCES.**WOMEN'S AUXILIARY AIR FORCE.****"G" BRANCH.***Promotion.*

Sqn. Off. to Wg. Off. (temp.). 1st Jan. 1946:—
 A. F. NICHOLL (167).
 S. S. DOWSON (213).
 N. M. SALMON (49).
 M. C. LOFTUS (229).
 F. H. HANBURY (216).

Flt. Off. to Sqn. Off. (temp.). 1st Jan. 1946:—

L. P. L. HILLS (693).
 E. M. PITTER (708).

Sec. Off. to Flt. Off. (temp.). 1st Jan. 1946:—

B. D. POWLETT (1648).
 B. J. HULTON (1603).
 V. T. WILLIAMS (1806).
 D. M. DUNBAR (1210).
 D. ATKINSON-CLARK (1615).
 H. M. HAMILTON (1893).
 M. BELL (2016).
 E. M. HARRISON (2004).
 E. J. CLUTTERBUCK (2165).
 D. GRIFFIN (2171).
 M. G. HOARE (2172).
 N. E. TONKIN (2183).
 V. MATTHEWS (2280).
 M. W. THOMS (2286).
 J. A. TITMAN (2287).
 F. M. CHADWICK (2360).
 M. E. E. CROZIER (2362).
 D. J. GOODHART (2367).
 I. L. I. MAUD (2372).
 M. A. SALMOND (2376).

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SPECIAL DUTIES BRANCH.*Promotion.*

Flt. Off. N. I. HENDY (1718) to Sqn. Off. (temp.) 1st Jan. 1946.

Sec. Off. to Flt. Off. (temp.). 1st Jan. 1946:—

V. BARRON (42).
 M. E. PRESTWICK (515).
 A. P. T. LUNSON (524).
 M. W. PARKER (530).
 K. ROBERTS (579).
 E. J. C. BRODIE (586).
 J. M. CARLIN (587).
 M. A. GHISI (590).
 C. DURRANT (1395).
 D. V. M. GRAY (1854).
 M. S. AUTON (2037).
 B. FIELD (2168).
 L. HOLT (2295).
 P. D. BORWICK (2533).
 H. W. KELLY (2613).
 E. M. CALDWELL (2666).
 E. J. HAWLEY (2647).
 F. M. E. SYKES (2657).
 A. M. FEARNLEY (2838).
 N. S. BISHOP (2907).
 D. K. KNIGHT (2892).
 N. M. EVANS (3088).
 M. McK. JOHNSTON (3119).
 R. L. SPEIGHT (3469).
 M. I. MIAUL (3952).

EQUIPMENT BRANCH.*Promotion.*

Flt. Off. to Sqn. Off. (temp.). 1st Jan. 1946:—

S. L. JONES (851).
 R. I. CUTTS (869).

Sec. Off. to Flt. Off. (temp.). 1st Jan. 1946:—

D. P. BALL (2530).
 G. V. M. NOBLE (2769).
 G. M. FLEMING (2930).
 H. K. POPE (3009).
 I. M. de M. G. COLLIER (2959).
 R. M. OLIVER (3099).
 W. M. SEGGER (2969).
 E. M. SUGGATE (2970).
 E. D. THOMAS (2971).
 M. M. HAY (3286).
 E. M. HAMMOND (3354).
 E. K. GOUT (3447).
 S. C. WATERS (3496).
 L. J. MULLIN (3635).
 L. C. GREENWOOD (3735).
 J. ROWSON (3745).
 E. J. S. MARIOTT (3829).
 M. F. RENNY (4012).
 D. M. P. BLACKMAN (4061).
 M. PUSEY (4181).
 V. M. HAWKINS (4188).
 B. V. HOWARD (4185).
 D. M. PERRY (4186).
 M. M. FRY (4348).
 H. E. PAUL (4351).

ACCOUNTANT BRANCH.*Promotion.*

Sec. Off. to Flt. Off. (temp.). 1st Jan. 1946:—

G. E. OXFORD (2919).
 F. M. PHILLIPS (2920).
 A. M. TURNER (2922).
 E. M. ANYON (3864).
 M. M. FAITH (4036).
 L. M. E. BLACK (4214).
 D. RICHARDSON (4296).

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