TECHNICAL BRANCH.

Appointment to commission (permanent).

As Flying Officer:—

Kenneth George Lewis (2539089). 1st Oct. 1955.

Appointment to commission (short service).

As Pilot Officer (three years on the active list and four years on the reserve):—
2778079 Aircraftman 2nd Class John Brian Quinton, B.Sc. (2778079). 1st Mar. 1956 (period of service to count from 1st Mar. 1956).

Appointment to commission (national service).

As Pilot Officers:

Aircraftmen 2nd class.

29th Mar. 1956. 2781839 Patrick William Frederick DARRAGH (2781833). 2781835

Leslie Gordon EMMERSON, B.Sc. (2781835).

2781848 Peter Frederick Fry, B.Sc. (2781848). 2781837 Derek John Street, B.Sc. (2781837). 2781843 Stephen Richard Targett, B.En B.Eng.

(2781843). 2781845 John Michael Thayer (2781845). 2781849 Frederick Peter Woodford, M.A.

(2781849).

Extension of service.

The period of service on the active list of Flying Officer E. J. Healy (1908620) is extended until 23rd Jan. 1958.

Promotion.

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant:-

2nd Apr. 1956. L. D. Cousins (365695) H Waterhouse (560469)

23rd Apr. 1956. W. J. Roberts (365942). N. H. Trodd (519880)

Pilot Officer to Flying Officer:— M. H. Walters, B.Sc. (2736893). 7th Apr. 1956.

26th Apr. 1956. W. J. Arnold (571175). J. D. Stansfield, B.Sc. (2734647).

R. GILBRAITH, B.Sc. (2745471). 5th May 1956.

10th May 1956. W. F. Lane, B.E.M. (569865). V. H. Riding (550535). G. N. Statham (571658).

S. J. Masters, B.Sc. (504189). 12th Ma R. I. Weston (572104). 14th May 1956. 12th May 1956.

Retirement.

R. J. Newman, B.E.M. (50365). 11th Apr. 1956 A. H. Kidson (45623). 1st May 1956. D. A. Haydon, A.F.M. (47424). 2nd May 1956. F. W. Upshall (46822). 4th May 1956. H. S. Bowmaker (47521). 7th May 1956.

Squadron Leader H. G. H. COPELAND (35224), retaining the rank of Wing Commander. 6th May

Flight Lieutenant P H. SPIERS (54840). Apr. 1956.

Commission terminated.
Pilot Officer P. G. PARTRIDGE (504629) (on enlistment in the R.A.F.). 14th Apr. 1956.

EQUIPMENT BRANCH.

Appointment to commission (permanent).

As Pilot Officers:—
The undermentioned Cranwell Flight Cadets:—
10th Apr. 1956.
607585 Michael George BLINMAN (607585).
585855 Hector Timothy Mount DURNFORD (585855).

Extension of service.

The period of service on the active list of Flying Officer A. R. Pearson (3044802) is extended to ten years with effect from 11th Aug. 1947.

Squadron Leader A. R. Chrisp (31106) (at own request), retaining the rank of Wing Commander. 16th Apr. 1956.

Flight Lieutenant R. A. Halls (58536). 8th

May 1956.
Flying Officer G. D. Hammans (582288). 12th Apr. 1956.

Emergency List commission relinquished.

Notification amended.

20th Dec. 1955 (p. 7145, col. 2) concerning
R. A. LINDLEY (58419) for Flying Officer read Pilot Officer.

## SECRETARIAL BRANCH

Appointment to commission (permanent)

As Flying Officer:

Peter David Bingham Jones (3507620). 2nd Feb. 1956 (for subsequent transfer to the General Duties Branch).

As Pilot Officer :-

The undermentioned Cranwell Flight Cadet: 592549 James Eliel Abraham (592549).
Apr. 1956. 10th

Appointment to commission (permanent) under A.M.O. A.215/55.

As Flight Lieutenants (Branch List):—
Matthew Summers PLACE (58074). 1st Dec.

1955.

Kenneth Alfred Valentine (146257). 18th Feb. 1956.

Transfer to Branch List conditions of service.

Squadron Leader John WILLES (44447) who was appointed to a permanent commission is transferred to the Branch List category under the terms of A.M.O. A.215/55, reverting to the rank of Flight Lieutenant (seniority 1st Sept. 1945). 14th May 1956.

Extension of service.

The period of service on the active list of Flying Officer E. L. M. KING (2160317), W.R.A.F., is extended to six years with effect from 6th Dec. 1951.

The period of service on the active list of Flying Officer V. H. SEARLES (155330) is extended to five years with effect from 15th Sept. 1952.

Promotion.

Pilot Officer to Flying Officer:

29th Apr. 1956 H. Aldridge (3141369). J. Aukett (3513673). P. A. Goodchild (4098322).

J. O. H. LEWARNE (503558). 5th May 1956.

Transfer between branches.

Flying Officer W. Hall (56503) to the General Duties Branch, retaining his existing rank and seniority. 3rd Apr. 1956

Transfer to reserve.

Flying Officer T. B. Bladon (3134277). 7th May

1956.
Flying Officer P. M. Matheson (2816458), W.R.A.F. 20th Apr. 1956.

Transfer to reserve (national service list).

Pilot Officer P. D. TYRRELL (4149389). 6th May

Retirement.

Air Commodore B. L. Blofeld, C.B.E. 7th May 1956. Wing Commander W. W. WATSON, O.B.E. (44245). 9th May 1956 Squadron Leader F. J. BACON (46387). 9th May

1956.

Squadron Officer E. W.R.A.F. 10th Apr. 1956. L. Hudgell (1688),

## ROYAL AIR FORCE REGIMENT.

Appointment to commission (short service).

As Pilot Officer (three years on the active list and four years on the reserve):—
2763388 Aircraftman 2nd class Alistair Sellar MITCHELL (2763388). 1st Mar. 1956 (period of service to count from 1st Mar. 1956).

Promotion.

Apr. 1956.

Pilot Officer to Flying Officer:-

29th Apr. 1956.

E. BETTAM (4121685).
I. CULLERNE-BOWN (2584350)
D. HUGHES (3513204).

Commission terminated.

Pilot Officer T. O. McGrath (4113894). 14th