Flying conditions were appalling and on his first attempt Major Goble was defeated by solid cloud and icing conditions. He landed on the mountain side hoping that conditions would improve but it soon became apparent that cloud base, ice and turbulence would continue. The condition of the Soldiers was now causing concern and he again took off to attempt the rescue. By outstanding judgement and flying skill in the most dangerous conditions he succeeded in reaching the Soldiers and evacuating them to hospital.

AIR FORCE DEPARTMENT

29th October 1968.

ROYAL AIR FORCE

Air Commodore A. D. PANTON, O.B.E., D.F.C, is appointed Provost Marshal (R.A.F.) in succession to Air Commodore W. I. C. INNESS, C.B., O.B.E., A.D.C. 24th Sep. 1968.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH

Appointment to Commission (Permanent) (D.E.C.(A.)) As Flying Officers (Supplementary List):

Robert Gordon KEMP (4232872). 3rd Sep. 1968 (seniority 21st Jan. 1968).

Cadet Pilot Phillip Noel GILES (4220233). 20th Sep. 1968 (seniority 8th Jul. 1967).

Cadet Navigators

20th Sep. 1968

Eric Anthony Heaton (1934628). (Seniority 21st Nov. 1965.)

Brian Edward Doswell (685598). (Seniority 8th Apr. 1966.)

Roger William Young (1934442) (Seniority 29th Apr. 1966)

Robert Maurice Douglas (4275760). (Semority 10th Jan. 1968.)

As Pilot Officers (Supplementary List):

Cadet Pilots

20th Sep. 1968

John Robert Lutkin (689250). (Seniority 30th Sep. 1967.)

Peter Charles BADCOCK (689012). (Semonty 15th Dec. 1967.)

Cadet Navigator Arunkumar Kantilal Desai (689259). 20th Sep. 1968 (seniority 13th Jul. 1968). As Acting Pilot Officers (Supplementary List): Cadet Pilots

20th Sep. 1968

Rodney Charles ADAMS (1960930).

Barry Anthony Collings (8024815).

Kenneth Hurley (8024884).

Richard Anthony Dugan King (8024883).

Andrew Peter Kirk (8024890).

Timothy John Nolan (2616252).

Robert Prest (8024891).

Michael Roe (8024897).

Ian Duncan Smith (8024898).

James STUTTARD (8024899).

Philip Ronald Topp (8024900).

As Acting Pilot Officers (Supplementary List):

Cadet Navigators

20th Sep. 1968

Terry Baverstock (8024907).

Philip BAYER (8024869).

Paul John Casey (8024908).

James William CROWLEY (8024909).

Jeremy Patrick Campbell Haigh (8024836).

Cyril Joseph Mary Mannion (8024913).

Kenneth Robert McCallum (8024911).

Thomas Joseph REDMOND (8024910).

Paul Andrew Topp (8024901).

Appointment to Commission (Permanent) (D.E.C.(B.)) As Acting Pilot Officers (Supplementary List):

· Cadet Pilots

20th Sep. 1968

Edward Ashley BAKER (8024885). John Thomas Clune (8024854).

Kenneth Vaughan Llewelyn-Scorey (8024887).

Transfer to General Duties (Ground Branch)

Flight Lieutenant D. E. Balmford (4180019) is transferred to the General Duties (Ground Branch) (Supplementary List) retaining his existing rank and seniority. 7th Oct. 1968.

Promotion

Air Marshal to Air Chief Marshal:

Sir Denis Spotswood, K.C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., D.F.C. 1st Nov. 1968.

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant:

10th Oct. 1968

T. R. BINDON (3001769). H. R. HAYWARD (3504128).

S. G. Shepherd (609362). 15th Oct. 1968. H. W. Hall (4220164). 23rd Oct. 1968. P. S. Kiggell (685122). 27th Oct. 1968.

Pilot Officer to Flying Officer.

J. W. May (4233326). 15th Oct. 1968. R. J. Wallis (688925). 25th Oct. 1968.

28th Oct. 1968

D. J. Anderton (4233164). J. M. Ashton (4233160). P. R. Beck (4233165).

M. R. CANN (4233148). M. J. CARLYLE (4233134). J. B. Dyson (4233167).

J. B. DYSON (4233167).
A. A. FERGUSON (4233159).
S. P. HAMMOND (4233168).
A. E. JAMES (4233170).
P. T. JENNINGS (4233169).
G. C. KELLY (4233149).
R. LUNN (4233150).
M. S. LUNN (4233150).

R. LUNN (4233150).
R. S. LYNN (4233174).
R. J. MORRIS (4233147).
R. M. PEACH (4233175).
I. J. SANFORD (4233158).
M. L. SMITH (4233173).
F. J. STOKES (4233172).

Extension of Service

The period of service on the Active List of Pilot Officer L. ROCHFORD (2797397) W.R.A.F. (Ground Branch) is extended to eight years from 28th May 1966.

Regrading

Acting Pilot Officer to Pulot Officer :

M. J. M. Smith (4233448). 7th July 1968.

Acting Pilot Officer to Pilot Officer (Ground Branch) :

M. R. BETTEL (8022511). 21st Sept. 1968.

Acting Pilot Officer to Pilot Officer W.R.A.F. (Ground Branch):

S. L. ALGER (2797595). 21st Sept. 1968.

Transfer to Reserve

Flight Lieutenants:

J. F. Sully (4187974). 24th Oct. 1968. K. A. Beverton (2516898). 25th Oct. 1968. Flying Officer A. J. L'Estrange, M.A. (8848), W.R A.F. (Ground Branch). 23rd Oct. 1968.

Retirement

Air Commodore W. I. C. Inness, C.B., O.B.E., A.D.C. 22nd Oct. 1968.

Wing Commanders

A. W. TARRY (164189) (at own request). 28th Sep. 1968.

J. C. COGILL, D.S.O., D.F.C. (123932). ct. 1968.

P. REYNOLDS, D.F.C. (66577). 23rd Oct. 1968.

Squadron Leader R. M. Puch, A.F.C. (42883) (at own request). 28th Sep. 1968.

Flight Lieutenants

R. A. Burningham (4101832). 19th Oct. 1968. F. G. Corduroy (3504883). 23rd Oct. 1968. K. Pinder (4034417). 29th Oct. 1968.