

# THE ROYAL AIR FORCE



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**General Duties Branch**

The follg. Pilot Officers on probation are confirmed in rank (March 14):—  
L. H. Anderson, N. Daunt, W. E. L. Lewis, T. J. MacDermot, R. I. G. Mac-  
Dougall, B. J. McGinn, P. H. Maxwell, H. A. Simmons, R. G. Wilde.  
Wing Commander V. Gaskell-Blackburn, D.S.C., A.F.C., is placed on half-  
pay list, scale A (April 9); Wing Commander G. B. Hynes, D.S.O., is placed  
on retired list on account of ill-health (April 12).

**Medical Branch**

Flight Lt. R. J. I. Bell, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., is transferred to Reserve,  
Class D (ii) (April 14).

**Chaplains' Branch**

The Rev. R. N. Shapley, M.C., A.K.C., is granted a permanent comm.  
(March 19).

**RESERVE OF AIR FORCE OFFICERS**

**General Duties Branch**

The follg. are granted comms. in Class AA (ii) as Pilot Officers (March 30):  
—A. L. Holland, W. B. Thompson. The follg. are granted commissions in

Class AA (ii) as Pilot Officers on probation (March 31).—J. M. Wells, R.  
Wynzar. The follg. Pilot Officers on probation are confirmed in rank:—  
A. W. A. Whitehead (March 24).—J. L. H. Fletcher (March 24); J. W. Rad-  
bone (March 24); A. J. S. Negus (March 26); R. Edwards (April 1).  
The follg. Pilot Officers are promoted to rank of Flying Officer:—D. J. L.  
Bryden (Jan. 16); C. M. Dransfield (Jan. 27). Flying Officer Philip Booth is  
transferred from Class AA (ii) to Class C (March 8); Flying Officer B. A.  
Hewett is transferred from Class A to the Special Reserve (Feb. 1); Pilot  
Officer S. Summerfield relinquishes his commn. on completion of service  
(March 23).

**AUXILIARY AIR FORCE**

**General Duties Branch**

No. 600 (CITY OF LONDON) (BOMBER) SQUADRON.—Flying Officer G. de H.  
Vaizey resigns his commn. (April 2). No. 603 (CITY OF EDINBURGH) (BOMBER)  
SQUADRON.—Squadron Leader J. McKelvie, A.F.C., relinquishes his commn.  
on completion of service (Feb. 1); H. R. Murray-Philpston to be Squadron  
Leader and to command the Squadron (April 14).

**ROYAL AIR FORCE INTELLIGENCE**

**Appointments.**—The following appointments in the Royal Air Force  
are notified:—

**General Duties Branch**

**Group Captains:** G. R. S. Bradley, O.B.E., to R.A.F. Depot, Uxbridge,  
on relinquishing the appointment as Air Attaché, Rome, 21.3.31. A. S.  
Barratt, C.M.G., M.C., to No. 1 (Indian) Group, Peshawar, pending taking  
over command, 2.4.31.

**Wing Commander** C. W. H. Pulford, O.B.E., A.F.C., to Station H.Q.,  
Bircham Newton, pending taking over command, 9.4.31.

**Squadron-Leaders:** S. R. Watkins, A.F.C., to No. 500 Sqdn., Manston,  
30.3.31. D. F. Lucking, to Marine Aircraft Experimental Estab., Felixstowe,  
27.3.31.

**Flight-Lieutenants:** F. V. Beamish, to No. 25 Sqdn., Hawkinge, 20.3.31.  
P. Hill, to No. 40 Sqdn., Upper Heyford, 1.4.31. C. Chapman, D.S.C., to  
No. 54 Sqdn., Hornchurch, 2.4.31. B. A. S. Lewin, to No. 10 Sqdn., Boscombe  
Down, 1.4.31. L. B. Duggan, to R.A.F. Training Base, Leuchars, 7.4.31.  
F. W. Moxham, to Station Headquarters, Northolt, 30.3.31. C. C. Edwards,  
to No. 1 School of Tech. Training (Apprentices), Halton, 31.3.31. H. L.  
Patch, to Station H.Q., Bircham Newton, 9.4.31. W. H. Poole, A.F.C.,  
M.M., to No. 45 Sqdn., Helwan, Egypt, 23.3.31. J. F. T. Barrett, D.S.O.,  
D.F.C., to No. 84 Sqdn., Shaibah, instead of to No. 1 Armoured Car Company,  
as previously notified, 10.3.31. C. S. Cadell, to Electrical and Wireless  
School, Cranwell, 13.4.31. H. P. G. Leigh, R. H. S. Spaight, both to R.A.F.  
Depot, Uxbridge, 25.3.31. I. A. Bertram, to R.A.F. Depot, Uxbridge, 16.3.31.  
O. E. Carter, R. T. Taaffe, both to R.A.F. Depot, Uxbridge, 7.3.31.

**Flying Officers:** J. McGuinness, to No. 101 Sqdn., Andover, 7.4.31. J. C. B.  
Tinning, to R.A.F. Base, Calshot, 1.4.31. A. C. Bailey, to No. 40 Sqdn.,  
Upper Heyford, 1.4.31. C. Sarsfield-Sampson, to No. 1 Armoured Car  
Company, Hinaidi, 22.3.31. M. N. Oxford, to No. 55 Sqdn., Hinaidi, instead  
of to No. 30 Sqdn., Mosul, as previously notified, 10.3.31. J. E. Loverseed,  
to No. 208 Sqdn., Heliopolis, instead of to No. 6 Sqdn., Ismailia, as previously  
notified, 10.3.31. S. H. Bell, to No. 84 Sqdn., Shaibah, instead of to No. 30  
Sqdn., Mosul, as previously notified, 10.3.31. B. G. Farrow, W. D. Butler,  
P. Kinsey, all to Elec. and Wireless School, Cranwell, 13.4.31. P. J. Bett,  
M. R. Edmondson, R. G. Hennessy, D.S.O., M.C., all to R.A.F. Depot, Uxbridge,  
25.3.31. R. H. C. Taylor, to Armament and Gunnery School, Eastchurch,  
7.3.31. U. S. Mackay, to R.A.F. Depot, Uxbridge, 7.3.31.

**Pilot Officers:** N. V. Bertram, to No. 12 Sqdn., Andover, 30.3.31. E. A.  
Kaysar, to No. 56 Sqdn., North Weald, 27.3.31. R. B. Lees, to No. 29 Sqdn.,  
North Weald, 27.3.31. A. W. S. Matheson, to No. 19 Sqdn., Duxford, 27.3.31.  
V. A. Dawson, to No. 40 Sqdn., Upper Heyford, 1.4.31. J. Bamber, to  
School of Photography, S. Farnborough, 9.3.31.

**Stores Branch**

**Squadron-Leader** V. J. B. Jacobs, to R.A.F. Depot, Uxbridge, 25.3.31.

**Flight-Lieutenants:** R. A. Young, to Station H.Q., North Weald, 7.3.31  
H. E. Tansley, M.C., to R.A.F. Depot, Uxbridge, 21.3.31.

**Flying Officers:** T. A. Head, to R.A.F. Depot, Uxbridge, 23.3.31. C. L.  
Gilbert, to No. 28 Sqdn., Ambala, India, 14.3.31.

**Accountant Branch**

**Squadron-Leader** W. G. W. Prall, to R.A.F. Depot, Uxbridge, 7.3.31.

**Flight-Lieutenants:** J. M. Adams, R. T. Carter, J. Charles, all to R.A.F.  
Depot, Uxbridge, 25.3.31.

**Flying Officers:** A. L. Derry, to Station H.Q., Hal Far, Malta, 1.4.31.  
C. Lorimer, to R.A.F. Depot, Aboukir, Egypt, 23.3.31. H. C. Bakes, to  
No. 2 Armoured Car Company, Ramleh, 23.3.31. H. Crowther, to R.A.F.  
Depot, Uxbridge, 21.3.31.

**Medical Branch**

**Flight-Lieutenant** G. Kinneir, to Anti-Aircraft Co-operation Flight, Biggin  
Hill, on appointment to a temp. commn., 7.4.31.

**Chaplains Branch**

Rev. H. Thomas, to No. 4 Flying Training School, Abu Sueir, Egypt, 23.3.31.

**NAVAL APPOINTMENTS**

The following appointments have been made by the Admiralty:—  
**LIEUTENANT (Flt.-Lieut., R.A.F.)**.—R. G. Poole, to *Glorious* (May 4).  
**LIEUTENANTS (F.O., R.A.F.)**.—I. M. Martineau, G. R. Maw, B. H. M.  
Kendall, and A. C. R. Duvall, to *Glorious* (May 4); J. de F. Jago and G. B.  
Kingdom, to *Glorious*; J. Brett and D. J. Margat, to *Victory* (April 7).  
**SUB-LIEUTENANT (F./O., R.A.F.)**.—T. W. T. Blackwell, to *Glorious*.  
**LIEUTENANT (Flt.-Lieut., R.A.F.)**.—R. G. Poole, to rank of Lieut.-Commr.  
(seny. April 15).  
**LIEUTENANTS (F./O., R.A.F.)**.—H. Ditton and E. W. E. Lane, to rank of  
Lieut.-Commr. (seny. April 15).

**Re-equipping R.A.F. Squadrons**

The Air Ministry states that, as far as can be foreseen at present, the  
following are the approximate dates on which new types of aeroplanes will  
be supplied during the next few months:—

Type.	Unit.	In replacement of	Approximate Date.
Atlas A.C. ..	Communication Flight, Andover	Bristol Fighter ..	April, 1931.
Atlas A.C. ..	Station Flight, Duxford	Bristol Fighter ..	April, 1931.
Atlas A.C. ..	School of Photography, Farnborough	Bristol Fighter ..	May, 1931.
Atlas A.C. ..	R.A.F. Depot, Aboukir	Bristol Fighter ..	June, 1931.
Fairey IIIIF (F.A.A.)	No. 449 Flight ..	Blackburn ..	May-June, 1931.
Hart (Fighter)	No. 23 Squadron (one flight)	Gamecock ..	May, 1931.
Nimrod ..	No. 402 Flight ..	Flycatcher ..	June, 1931.
	Base Training Squadron, Gosport	—	July, 1931.
	Base Training Squadron, Leuchars	Flycatcher (1 IE)	July, 1931.
Fury ..	No. 43 Squadron ..	Siskin ..	April, 1931.
Gordon ..	No. 40 Squadron (new squadron)	—	April, 1931.
Ripon ..	No. 466 Flight (new flight)	—	April, 1931.
Wapiti(VIII)	India (Squadron) ..	Bristol Fighter ..	Shipped during April, 1931.

**Officers for Permanent Commissions or Medium Service**

The following officers have been selected for permanent commissions  
(subject to physical fitness) or medium service, as indicated:—

**PERMANENT COMMISSIONS**

**Flying Officers.**—Gilbert Bartholomew, John René Whitley.

**MEDIUM SERVICE**

**Flight Lieutenants.**—\*Ernest James Howes, Henry Eustace Power, Cyril Walter.

**Flying Officers.**—\*Patrick John Bett, Ronald William Macdonald Clark, Harold Basset Collins, Peter Dicken Cracroft, Bertram Arnold James Crummy, Thomas Harold Downes, John Goodenough Elton, Morgan Griffiths, Herbert George Hicks, Miles Roy Kelly, John Bruce Knapp, George Peter Macdonald, Harold Claude Maret, Jack Eugene Markby, Lionel George Martin, James Francis Moir, \*Frederick William Murison, Richard Rupert Nash, Ernest Leslie Jack Rowe, Geoffrey Howard William Selby-Lowndes, Arthur Montague Stevens, Alexander Edward Taylor, Frederick John Taylor, Wilfred Peter John Thomson.

The selection of the officers marked "\*" is subject to the approval of the War Office.

**R.A.F. SPORT**

**Inter-Services Golf**

THE R.A.F. beat the Army in the Inter-Services golf championship at West Hill on Thursday, April 16, by 6 matches to 5. The golf was of a high standard throughout, and the result depended on the last match to be played. Squadron Leader A. E. Barr-Sim won this match from Mr. H. R. Beauchamp by holing a yard putt on the 18th green.

The results were:—

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Pilot Officer W. R. Wills-Sandford and Flying Officer G. F. Humphries (halved) .. .. .	0	Captain G. A. Moxon and J. V. C. Moberly (halved) ..	0
Flight-Lieut. G. R. Beamish and Squadron Leader A. E. Barr-Sim (3 & 2) .. .. .	1	N. R. Reeves and Major W. M. Ozanne .. .. .	0
Flying Officer W. F. Pharazyn and Flying Officer A. Laws .. .. .	0	H. R. Beauchamp and Captain G. E. Hawkins (4 & 3) ..	1
Squadron Leader C. R. Davidson and Flight-Lieut. J. Silvester ..	0	C. L. Gordon-Steward and Captain H. S. Lewis Barclay (4 & 3) .. .. .	1
Total .. .. .	1	Total .. .. .	2

**SINGLES.**

Wills-Sandford (2 & 1) .. .. .	1	Moxon .. .. .	0
Humphries (2 & 1) .. .. .	1	Moberly .. .. .	0
Beamish .. .. .	0	Reeves (2 & 1) .. .. .	1
Barr-Sim (1 hole) .. .. .	1	Beauchamp .. .. .	0
Pharazyn .. .. .	0	Gordon-Steward (6 & 5) ..	1
Laws (7 & 6) .. .. .	1	Ozanne .. .. .	0
Silvester .. .. .	0	Hawkins (2 holes) .. .. .	1
Davidson (3 & 2) .. .. .	1	Lewis Barclay .. .. .	0
Total .. .. .	5	Total .. .. .	3