


  
**The British Air Services**
  
*"PER ARDUA AD ASTRA"*

*UNDER this heading are published each week the official announcements of appointments and promotions affecting the Royal Naval Air Service and the Royal Flying Corps (Military Wing) and Central Flying School. These notices are not duplicated. By way of instance, when an appointment to the Royal Naval Air Service is announced by the Admiralty it is published forthwith, but subsequently, when it appears in the LONDON GAZETTE, it is not repeated in this column.*

**Royal Naval Air Service.**

The following appeared among the Admiralty announcements of the 29th ult. :—

Temporary Sub-Lieut. (R.N.V.R.) E. Ball entered as Probationary Flight Sub-Lieutenant, for temporary service, with seniority of Dec. 28th, and appointed to "President," additional, for R.N.A.S.

Chief Petty Officer (R.N.) S. H. V. Fill granted a temporary commission as Lieutenant (R.N.V.R.), with seniority of Dec. 26th, and appointed to "President," additional, for R.N.A.S.

The following have been granted temporary commissions as Sub-Lieutenants (R.N.V.R.): F. W. Mardock, with seniority of Dec. 27th; D. R. W. Thompson and A. M. Tidey, with seniority of Dec. 30th, and all appointed to "President," additional, for R.N.A.S.

The following appeared among the Admiralty announcements of the 31st ult. :—

Temporary Warrant Officer, Second Grade, J. W. Alcock promoted to the rank of Flight Sub-Lieutenant, for temporary service. To date Dec. 29th.

G. S. Gray and M. G. Dover entered as Flight Sub-Lieutenants, on probation, for temporary service. To date Dec. 6th.

The following promotions appeared among the New Year Honours published in a special supplement to the *London Gazette* on December 31st :—

*Squadron-Commanders Promoted to the Rank of Wing-Commander.*—Robert Gordon, Robert Hamilton Clark-Hill, Charles Russell Jekyl Randall, and Richard Bell Davies, D.S.O.. Dated Jan. 1st, 1916.

*Flight-Commanders Promoted to the Rank of Squadron-Commander.*—Frederick William Bowhill, Arthur Bruce Gaskell, Ennis Tristram Ratcliffe Chambers (now Acting Squadron-Commander), Cecil Francis Kilner, D.S.O., Edmund Digby Maxwell Robertson, Reginald Lennox George Marix, D.S.O., Francis Kennedy McClean (for temporary service) (now Acting Squadron-Commander), and John Tulloch Cull, D.S.O. (now Acting Squadron-Commander). Dated Jan. 1st, 1916.

*Flight-Lieutenants Promoted to the Rank of Flight-Commander.*—John Marten Rush Cripps, Thomas W. Elsdon, Herbert Stanley-Adams (now Acting Flight-Commander), George Miller Dyott (for temporary service (now Acting Flight-Commander), Robert Hilton Jones, Cuthbert Morgan Murphy (now Acting Flight-Commander), Douglas Claude Strathern Evill (now Acting Flight-Commander), John Philip Wilson, D.S.C. (now Acting Flight-Commander), James Douglas Maude, Ernest Victor Samuel Wilberforce, John Danville (for temporary service), Charles Frederick Pollock (for temporary service). Dated Jan. 1st, 1916.

*Flight Sub-Lieutenants Promoted to the Rank of Flight-Lieutenant.*—Charles George Verner, Benjamin Travers, John Conrad Peter Wood, Arthur Charles Teesdale, Eustace Fletcher Moyes, Arthur Quilton Cooper (for temporary service) (Acting Flight-Lieutenant), Frederick Whittington Gamwell (now Acting Flight-Lieutenant), Robert Dymond Gladman Sibley, Lawrence Pratt Openshaw, Cuthbert Everard Brisley (for temporary service), William Geoffrey Moore, George Hancock Reid, Thomas Vaughan Lister, Thomas Francis Netterville Gerrard, Oswald Noel Walmsley, James Edward Baker Maclean, John Daniel Newberry, Thomas Hinshelwood, Frank Thomas Digby, Bertram Denison Kilner, Ralph Squire Sorley, John Thearsby Bankes-Price (for temporary service), Frank Besson, Charles William Fairfax Morgan, Robert Hudson Routledge, Christopher Eric Wood, Eustace de Courcy Hallifax, Colin Johnson, Dudley Ware, Alexander Barton, James Brian Patrick Ferrand, John Stanley Fleming Morrison, Richard Cecil Hardstaff, Frederick William Lucas, Leslie Hewitt Hardstaff, Royce Gustave André Baudry, Arthur Frederick Foy Jacob, Guy William Cranfield (for temporary service), William Charles Michie (for temporary service), Gilbert Formby Smylie, Frank Fowler, Charles Walter Graham (for temporary service), Alexander Robb Cox, Colin Temple MacLaren, Cecil Douglas Morrison, John Robert Davison (for temporary service), Edward Stewart Cripps (for temporary service), Arthur Hamilton Chandler (for temporary service), Taunton Elliott Viney and Ernest Arthur Oliphant Auldjo-Jamieson. Dated Jan. 1st, 1916.

The following appeared among the Admiralty announcements of the 3rd inst. :—

Temporary Surgeon R. K. Shaw, M.B., to "Wildfire," additional, to be lent for duty at R.N.A.S. Training Establishment.

Flight Sub-Lieut. G. Donald, to the "Engadine." Jan. 2nd.

Temporary Lieut. S. J. V. Fill (R.N.V.R.), to "Empress." Jan. 2nd.

The following have been entered as Probationary Flight Sub-Lieutenants, for temporary service, with seniority of Dec. 16th, and appointed to "President," additional, for R.N.A.S. : B. N. Harrop, G. G. Avery, S. V. Trapp and J. A. Glen.

**Royal Flying Corps (Military Wing).**

The following appeared in a supplement to the *London Gazette* issued on the 29th ult. :—

*Attached to Headquarter Units.*

*Brigade Commander.*—Brevet Lieut.-Col. William S. Brancker, R.A., and to be Temporary Brigadier-General whilst so employed. Dec. 18th, 1915.

*Brigade Major.*—Capt. Charles M. Longmore, R.A., and to remain seconded. Dec. 17th, 1915.

*Establishments.*

*Equipment Officers and to be Temporary Captains whilst so Employed.*—Second Lieut. Temporary Lieut. C. E. Prince, Westmorland and Cumberland Yeomanry (T.F.); Nov. 29th, 1915. Lieut. H. A. Oxenham, Special Reserve, from an Assistant Equipment Officer; Nov. 30th, 1915.

*Flying Officers.*—Capt. J. U. Kelly, Duke of Edinburgh's (Wiltshire Regt.), and to remain seconded; Temporary Lieut. G. Klingsenstein, A.S.C., and to be transferred to the General List; Dec. 1st, 1915. Temporary Lieut. N. C. Sampson, attached 2nd Dragoon Guards (Queen's Bays), and to be transferred to the General List; Second-Lieut. C. M. B. Chapman, Buffs (East Kent Regt.), and to be seconded; Second Lieut. G. W. Roberts, R.F.A., Special Reserve; Dec. 2nd, 1915. Capt. C. T. Maclean, Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regt.), Special Reserve, and to be seconded; Lieut. (Temporary Capt.) G. V. Rice, R.F.A. (T.F.); Lieut. C. H. Gardner, R.F.A. (T.F.); Lieut. D. Grinnell-Milne, Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regt.), Special Reserve, and to be seconded; Temporary Second Lieut. C. H. Tancred, R.A., and to be transferred to the General List; Second Lieut. L. H. T. Sloan, Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders, and to be seconded; Temporary Second Lieut. B. E. Baker, Rifle Brigade (Prince Consort's Own), and to be transferred to the General List; Temporary Second Lieut. L. J. Pearson, R.E.; Second Lieut. J. W. Toone, Royal Irish Regt., and to be seconded; Second Lieut. F. E. Goodrich, Special Reserve; Dec. 7th, 1915.

*Balloon Officers.*—Lieut. C. H. Stringer, 5th (Royal Irish) Lancers, and to be seconded; Second Lieut. (Temporary Lieut.) H. B. Martindale, East Surrey Regt. (T.F.); Dec. 2nd, 1915. Second Lieut. J. W. Jardine, Special Reserve; Dec. 4th, 1915. Temporary Capt. W. Lambert, Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regt.), and to be transferred to the General List; Temporary Lieut. W. B. Hellard, General List; Dec. 8th, 1915.

*Assistant Equipment Officers.*—Second Lieut. R. A. Courtney, Special Reserve; Oct. 25th, 1915. Temporary Capt. E. B. Palmer, A.S.C.; Lieut. H. R. Raikes, Buffs (East Kent Regt.), Special Reserve; Nov. 17th, 1915. Second Lieut. H. J. C. Smith, Special Reserve; Nov. 26th, 1915. Second Lieut. N. S. Percival, Special Reserve; Nov. 28th, 1915. Second Lieut. A. W. Cott, Special Reserve; Second Lieut. M. A. Shepstone, Special Reserve; Second Lieut. R. S. Witchell, General List; Second Lieut. W. J. Hewitt, Special Reserve; Second Lieut. T. L. F. Burnett, Special Reserve; Second Lieut. E. W. Havers, Special Reserve; Second Lieut. H. L. Conner, Special Reserve; Second Lieut. C. G. Smith, Special Reserve; Second Lieut. F. H. Songhurst, Special Reserve; Second Lieut. W. T. W. Wartnaby, Special Reserve; Second Lieut. G. McKerrow, Special Reserve; Nov. 29th, 1915.

The following appeared in a supplement to the *London Gazette* issued on the 30th ult. :—

*Wing-Commanders.*—From Squadron-Commanders, and to be Temporary Lieutenant-Colonels whilst so employed: Capt. (Temporary Major) Gordon S. Shephard, Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regt.); December 10th, 1915. Capt. (Temporary Major)