

THE ROYAL AIR FORCE

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General Duties Branch.

Lt. J. F. Fosbroke Pain, 1st King's Dragoon Guards, is granted a temp. commn. on seconding for four years' duty with the R.A.F. (Nov. 28).

The follg. are transferred to the Reserve:—Class A.—Wing Comdr. J. P. C. Sewell, O.B.E. (Dec. 5); Class B.—Flying Officer J. Durward (Dec. 7); Pilot Officer D. T. H. Hooke relinquishes his short service commn. on account of ill-health (Dec. 9); Pilot Officer P. K. Copperthwaite resigns his short service commn. (Nov. 25); The short-service commn. of Pilot Officer on probation H. B. M. Barton is terminated on cessation of duty (Dec. 9).

ROYAL AIR FORCE INTELLIGENCE

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

General Duties Branch

Wing Commander D. S. K. Crosbie, O.B.E., to No. 4 Flying Training Sch., Egypt, pending taking over command; 20.11.25.

Squadron Leader D. F. Stevenson, D.S.O., M.C., to No. 6 Sqdn., Iraq; 13.11.25.

Flight Lieutenants: T. C. Luke, M.C., to H.Q., Iraq; 1.11.25. M. F. Browne to Engine Repair Depot, Egypt; 24.11.25.

Flying Officers: B. E. Essex, to No. 1 Stores Depot, Kidbrooke, 24.11.25. R. D. Lambert, to No. 1 Stores Depot, Kidbrooke, 24.11.25. L. Horwood, M.C., F. B. Ludlow, O.B.E., M.C., L. L. Bray, P. Alderson, and H. D. Giblett, to No. 1 Stores Depot, Kidbrooke, on appointment to Permanent Comms. (on probation), 24.11.25. L. R. Peirce, to No. 1 Stores Depot, Kidbrooke, 25.11.25. S. D. Dennis, to H.Q. Coastal Area, 3.11.25. R. A. Dolton, to R.A.F. Depot, on transfer to Home Estab., 25.11.25. C. Lloyd to No. 208 Sqdn., Egypt; 21.11.25.

Pilot Officers: E. H. Broad, to No. 111 Sqdn., Duxford, 17.11.25. E. G. M. Charleson, to No. 2 Sqdn., Manston, 17.11.25. R. H. Clay, to No. 25 Sqdn., Hawkinge, 17.11.25. D. J. Divett, to No. 99 Sqdn., Bircham Newton, 17.11.25. G. H. Doveton, to No. 13 Sqdn., Andover, 17.11.25. F. W. Felgate, to No. 23 Sqdn., Henlow, 17.11.25. E. J. Fishenden, to No. 9 Sqdn., Manston, 17.11.25. P. J. Mote, to Aeroplane and Armament Experimental Estab., Martlesham Heath, 17.11.25. P. P. S. Rickard, to No. 32 Sqdn., Kenley, 17.11.25. L. Taylor, to Mechan. Transport Repair Depot, Shrewsbury, 17.11.25. C. P. Marshall, to H.Q., Cranwell, 16.11.25.

Stores Branch

Flying Officer W. Liniker to Engine Repair Depot, Egypt; 24.11.25.

Accountant Branch

Flight Lieutenant R. M. Grundy, to Central Flying Sch., Upavon, on transfer to Home Estab., 1.12.25.

Flying Officers: A. C. Pritchard, to Sch. of Balloon Training, Larkhill, on transfer to Home Estab.; 23.11.25. A. J. Moore, to Engine Repair Depot, Egypt; 2.11.25. D. F. A. Clarke, to H.Q., Egypt 18.11.25.

Flying Officer E. W. Horncastle, to No. 55 Sqdn., Iraq, 10.11.25.

Pilot Officer R. W. Collinson, to No. 99 Sqdn., Bircham Newton, 15.12.25.

Pilot Officers: The undermentioned pilot officers are all posted on appoint-

Accountant Branch.

The follg. Pilot Officers on probation are confirmed in rank and are promoted to rank of Flying Officer (Nov. 10); C. E. Ashton, H. J. Titherington, C. F. Goatcher, C. Lorimer, E. Smith.

Reserve of Air Force Officers.

A. M. FitzRandolph is granted a commn. in Class A, General Duties Branch, as a Flying Officer on probation (Dec. 8); R. C. H. Joy is granted a commn. in Class AA General Duties Branch, as a Pilot Officer on Probation (Nov. 23). The follg. are confirmed in rank:—Flying Officer.—J. E. A. Hoare, D.S.C. (Oct. 1); Pilot Officers.—J. D. Sinclair (Nov. 5); E. J. Dilnutt (Dec. 2); Flying Officer J. R. Astin is transferred from Class A to Class C (Nov. 28).

ment to Permanent Comms. (on probation) to No. 1 Stores Depot, Kidbrooke, with effect from 7.12.25:—D. C. Stone, C. L. Dook, H. R. Withers, A. E. Fairs, M.C., J. P. Cave, D. Sender, J. A. Stephenson, A. L. Derry, K. A. Jackman, W. F. Quilliam, J. Lambie, H. Crowther, and R. Cassels.

Medical Branch

Squadron Leaders: R. W. Ryan, M.B., to Aircraft Depot, Egypt; 17.10.25. F. E. Johnson, to No. 4 Flying Training Sch., Egypt; 17.10.25.

Squadron Leader A. J. O. Wigmore, M.B., to H.Q., Iraq, 18.11.25.

Flight Lieutenant (Dental): D. H. W. Williamson to R.A.F. Depot on transfer to Home Estab.; 17.10.25.

Flight Lieutenants: E. D. D. Dickson, M.B., F.R.C.S. (E.), D.L.O., to R.A.F. Brit. Hospital, Iraq, 18.11.25. (Hon. Squadron Leader) E. Brown, to R.A.F. Depot, 25.11.25. E. G. Howell, to Engine Repair Depot, Egypt, instead of to Aircraft Depot, as previously notified, 15.10.25.

Flight Lieutenants: G. H. H. Maxwell, M.B., to No. 216 Sqdn., Egypt; 5.11.25. J. Prendergast, M.B., B.A., to No. 24 Sqdn., Kenley; 13.11.25.

Flying Officers: L. C. Palmer-Jones, M.B., to Central Flying Sch., Upavon; 17.11.25. R. L. C. Fisher, M.B., J. Parry-Evans, and F. L. White, to R.A.F. British Hospital, Iraq; 21.10.25. H. C. Patterson and B. Pollard, to Station Commandant, Hinaidi; 21.10.25.

Flying Officers: T. Glynn, M.B., to R.A.F. Depot, on transfer to Home Estab., 30.10.25. G. J. Hanley, M.B., B. W. Cross, J. Mac C. Kilpatrick, M.B. C. G. J. Nicholls, M.B., and R. F. G. Dickson, to H.Q., India, 18.11.25. W. A. Beck, M.B., D.P.H., to H.Q., Palestine, 18.11.25. W. D. McKeown, M.B., to R.A.F. Depot, 1.12.25. E. A. Aslett, and H. M. Levy, to Research Lab. and Med. Officers' Sch. of Instruction, Hampstead, on appointment to Short Service Comms. for short course, 1.12.25.

Flying Officer R. J. K. Chattey, to Aeroplane and Armament Experimental Estab., Martlesham Heath; 19.11.25.

Flying Officer (Dental): H. I. Clapperton to R.A.F. Depot on appointment to a Temp. Commn.; 2.11.25.

Chaplains' Branch

Rev. J. G. Stephens, M.A., to Station Commandant Hinaidi, Iraq; 18.11.25.

Legal Branch

Flight Lieutenant D. L. Ingepu to H.Q., Egypt; 20.11.25.

Cranwell: Inspection of Cadets

ON December 15, Air Vice-Marshal Webb-Bowen was present at the passing-out inspection of Flight-Cadets at Cranwell. He was received with the air salute, and after inspection and march past he inspected the workshops and a flying parade. At the prize-giving the sword of honour was awarded Flight-Cadet Under-Officer E. B. Webb; the R. M. Groves Memorial Prize for best all-round pilot for senior term, Flight-Cadet Corporal J. C. Wallace; the Abdy Gerrard Fellowes Memorial Prize for the highest total marks in mathematics and science, Flight-Cadet H. G. Wisber; the prize for English and History (fourth term) Flight-Cadet Corporal C. M. Heard; the aeronautical engineering (fourth term) passing-out prize, Flight-Cadet H. D. Spreckley.

The Commandant, Air Commodore A. E. Borton, stated that the total strength of the Cadet College was 102, of whom 25 were due to pass out this term. The total flying time during the term had been 1,499 hours 45 mins., and the cadets now passing out averaged 70 hours 46 mins., of which 24 hours 16 mins. had been solo on service types of aircraft.

Staff Colleges: Camberley

The following officers have been nominated for admission to the Staff College, Camberley:—Wing Commander O. T. Boyd, O.B.E., M.C., A.F.C., R.A.F.; Sqdn. Ldr. V. S. E. Lindop, R.A.F.

Anti-Aircraft Gunnery Courses

A new provision in the King's Regulations states that, with a view to training officers and non-commissioned officers of the Royal Artillery for certain appointments which involve a special knowledge of anti-aircraft gunnery, a course of instruction of about ten weeks' duration will be held annually at the School of Anti-Aircraft Defence for a limited number of officers and N.C.Os. who have previously passed the gunnery staff course without qualifying in anti-aircraft gunnery.

The exact dates of the course and the number to attend will be published in the Programme of Courses of Instruction issued annually with Army Council Instructions. Officers who obtain a qualifying certificate at the end of the course will have "†" added to the symbol against their names in the Army List.

Inst.Ae.E. "Minutes of Proceedings"

No. 7 of "Minutes of Proceedings" just issued by the Institution of Aeronautical Engineers contains reports of the following meetings: "Photo-elastic Methods of Measuring Stress," a paper read by Prof. E. G. Coker, D.Sc., F.R.S., M.I.C.E., of University College, London. "Flying in Australia," a paper by Mr. H. L. J. Hinkler. Copies of the "Minutes of Proceedings" may be obtained from the offices of the Inst.Ae.E., 34, Broadway, Westminster, London, S.W. 1, price 1s. 6d.

With the Prince of Wales in Africa

We have before us an extremely interesting brochure, issued by Crossley Motors, Ltd., and C. C. Wakefield, Ltd., entitled "With the Prince of Wales in Africa." It contains a brief but concise account of our Prince's wonderful tour in Africa this year, together with several excellent illustrations. From it we learn that His Royal Highness and his staff did much of their journeying by the aid of a fleet of Crossley cars, not only during the South African tour, but also on the occasions of previous tours—Australia, India, Japan, etc. The whole brochure is excellently produced, and is a souvenir of this historic event well worth obtaining—on which the producers are to be congratulated.

Night London-Paris Air Service.

IMPERIAL AIRWAYS LTD., are now making final arrangements for an experimental night goods service between London and Paris. The Vickers "Vanguard" (Rolls-Royce "Condor") will be used for this experiment, which will be made next January.