

# THE ROYAL AIR FORCE

SERVICE NOTES AND NEWS



AIR MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CHANGES IN HIGHER COMMAND

The Air Ministry announces the following appointments:—

Air Vice-Marshal Christopher Lloyd Courtney, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., to be Air Officer Commanding, British Forces in Iraq, in February, 1937, vice Air Vice-Marshal William Gore Sutherland Mitchell, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., A.F.C.

Air Vice-Marshal Richard Edmund Charles Peirse, C.B., D.S.O., A.F.C., to be Director of Operations and Intelligence, and Deputy Chief of the Air Staff at the Air Ministry, in January, 1937, vice Air Vice-Marshal Christopher Lloyd Courtney, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O.

## ROYAL AIR FORCE DISPLAY, 1937

The eighteenth annual Royal Air Force Display will be held at the R.A.F. Station, Hendon, on Saturday, June 26, 1937.

## AIR FORCE LIST

The November issue of the *Air Force List* has now been published. It can be purchased (price 3s.) from H.M. Stationery Office at the following addresses: Adastral House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 120, George Street, Edinburgh; 2, York Street, Manchester; 1, St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; 15, Donegall Square, Belfast; or through any bookseller.

## ROYAL AIR FORCE GAZETTE

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### General Duties Branch

The following are granted permanent commissions as Pilot Officers with effect from October 19 and with seniority of the dates stated:—J. E. Innes-Crump, L. Vincent (January 19, 1935); P. J. C. Canney, J. R. G. Finlayson, J. D. S. Huxley, E. H. Jago, K. A. Merritt, J. D. Ronald, D. G. Simmons, W. B. S. Simpson, D. H. G. Tolle-mache (July 19, 1935).

The following are granted short service commissions as Acting Pilot Officers on probation with effect from and with seniority of October 19:—L. H. Baker, W. B. Baxter, A. R. H. Beauman, J. N. Bell, J. C. H. Blake, E. D. Chantler, E. G. F. Chivers, K. B. Corbould, C. T. V. Craxton, J. W. B. Davis, B. O. Dias, J. W. Fordham, J. A. L. Fowler, J. A. Ingram, R. H. James, B. R. Kerridge, F. L. Litchfield, D. H. Lowe, A. McPherson, C. Murray, J. R. S. Romanes, E. N. Ryder, J. H. Sanderson, M. A. Scott, G. E. Thompson, A. L. Vipan, E. G. Winning, R. S. C. Wood.

The following Acting Pilot Officers on probation are graded as Pilot Officers on probation on the dates stated:—P. G. Keeble (August 6); J. L. Crisp (August 26).

The following Flying Officers are promoted to the rank of Flight Lieutenant on the dates stated:—M. H. Rhys (October 1); E. S. Butler, W. S. Jenkins (October 10); C. M. Stewart (November 1).

## ROYAL AIR FORCE INTELLIGENCE

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

### General Duties Branch

**Air Commodore.**—R. M. Hill A.F.C., to Headquarters, R.A.F., Palestine and Transjordan, Jerusalem; to command, vice Air Vice-Marshal R. E. C. Peirse, D.S.O., A.F.C., 15.9.36.

**Squadron Leaders.**—A. O. Lewis-Roberts, D.F.C., to No. 142 (B) Squadron, Ismailia, Egypt; to command, vice Sqn. Ldr. S. H. Ware, 5.10.36. G. R. Oliver, to Directorate of Personal Services, Air Ministry, vice Wing Cdr. A. S. Ellerton, O.B.E., 24.10.36. H. I. T. Beardsworth, to Aircraft Depot, Hinaidi, Iraq; for engineer duties vice Wing Cdr. E. J. D. Townesend, 24.10.36.

**Flight Lieutenants.**—A. R. Combe, W. Gill, and D. V. Johnson, to Headquarters, R.A.F., Iraq, Hinaidi, 24.10.36. A. Allen, to No. 84 (B) Squadron, Shaibah, Iraq, 24.10.36. J. Cox, to No. 70 (B.T.) Squadron, Hinaidi, Iraq, 24.10.36. P. de G. H. Seymour, to No. 5 (A.C.) Squadron, Chaklala, India, 24.10.36. A. F. McKenna, to No. 39 (B) Squadron, Risalpur, India, 24.10.36. P. J. H. Halahan, H. J. Paine, and D. McD. Fenton, to Headquarters, R.A.F., Iraq, Hinaidi, 24.10.36. E. C. Bates, to No. 55 (B) Squadron, Hinaidi, Iraq, 24.10.36. J. H. Woodin, to No. 70 (B.T.) Squadron, Hinaidi, Iraq, 24.10.36. P. Kinsey, to No. 84 (B) Squadron, Shaibah, Iraq, 24.10.36. R. S. Darbyshire, to No. 203 (F.B.) Squadron, Basrah, Iraq, 24.10.36. J. K. Brew, to No. 1 Armoured Car Company, Hinaidi, Iraq, 24.10.36. J. M. Freeman, to Aircraft Depot, Hinaidi, Iraq, 24.10.36. L. R. S. Freestone, to Headquarters, R.A.F., Aden, Steamer Point, 24.10.36. J. C. Macdonald, to No. 8 (B) Squadron, Khormaksar, Aden, 24.10.36. H. V. Satterly, to Armoured Car Section, Steamer Point, Aden, 24.10.36. M. M. Freehill, D.F.C., to School of Photography, South Farnborough, 24.10.36. H. J. L. Hawkins, to No. 210 (F.B.) Squadron, Pembroke, 22.10.36. L. G. Belchem, to No. 824 (F.S.R.) Squadron, 23.10.36.

**Flying Officers.**—R. G. Coventry, to No. 70 (B.T.) Squadron, Hinaidi, Iraq, 24.10.36. A. R. Leggate, to No. 203 (F.B.) Squadron, Basrah, Iraq, 24.10.36.

**Pilot Officers.**—J. W. Bayley, P. J. G. Davies, F. W. Flood, and

The following Pilot Officers are promoted to the rank of Flying Officer on the dates stated:—R. C. Crawford, C. J. S. Dickins (September 16); J. D. T. Revel, G. A. Richmond, A. A. McMath (October 3); D. O. Finlay (October 30).

Sub-Lt. N. G. Hallett, R.N., Flying Officer, R.A.F., takes rank and precedence as if his appointment as Flying Officer bore date November 19, 1935. Reduction takes effect from August 26. (This officer relinquished his temporary R.A.F. commission on October 17, vide *Gazette* of October 27); Flt. Lt. A. R. Sarel is placed on the half-pay list, scale B, from September 21 to October 13, inclusive; Flt. Lt. J. M. Freeman is restored to full pay from half-pay (October 24); Lt. G. N. Torry, R.N., Flt. Lt., R.A.F., ceases to be attached to the R.A.F. on return to Naval duty (October 19); Flt. Lt. R. J. Montgomery-Moore is placed on the retired list (September 16); Flt. Lt. C. H. Schofield is transferred to the Reserve, Class A (October 25); P/O J. A. Tinne is transferred to the Reserve, Class A, with effect from May 21 and resumes the rank of Flying Officer with seniority of January 5, 1934 (substituted for the notification in the *Gazette* of June 9); Flt. Lt. R. H. Page resigns his permanent commission (October 24); Lt. Comdr. L. J. S. Ede, R.N., Flying Officer, R.A.F., relinquishes his temporary commission on return to Naval duty (September 10); Acting Pilot Officer on probation R. M. Cowell relinquishes his short service commission on account of ill-health (October 25).

V. E. R. Williams, to No. 8 (B) Squadron, Khormaksar, Aden, 24.10.36. N. A. N. Bray, R. B. Cox, L. E. Cryer and G. H. N. Gibson, to No. 20 (A.C.) Squadron, Peshawar, India, 24.10.36. F. R. McAllister and F. A. Marlow, to No. 30 (B) Squadron, Dhibban, Iraq, 24.10.36. G. R. H. Black and J. Edwardes, to No. 70 (B.T.) Squadron, Hinaidi, Iraq, 24.10.36. W. I. Hammond, to No. 203 (F.B.) Squadron, Basrah, Iraq, 24.10.36.

The undermentioned are posted to the Units shown with effect from 25.10.36:—

**Pilot Officers.**—J. A. G. Gordon, to No. 19 (F) Squadron, Duxford. J. W. Dallamore, to No. 83 (B) Squadron, Turnhouse.

**Acting Pilot Officers.**—J. C. Boulter, J. H. Coghlan, L. F. Henstock, to No. 1 (F) Squadron, Tangmere. H. Henry-May, D. B. Hobson, P. D'A. Lister, to No. 3 (F) Squadron, Kenley. P. G. Chapman, J. H. McMichael, to No. 15 (B) Squadron, Abingdon. J. E. Scouler, P. H. R. R. Terry, to No. 19 (F) Squadron, Duxford. G. R. Fielder, J. T. MacInnes, C. L. Olsson, to No. 99 (B) Squadron, Mildenhall. P. H. E. Burke, P. J. S. Shaughnessy, to No. 103 (B) Squadron, Andover. C. P. Bomford, to No. 107 (B) Squadron, Andover. E. E. M. Angell, to No. 139 (B) Squadron, Wyton. R. D. H. Maxwell, V. Mitchell, to No. 214 (B) Squadron, Scampton. P. F. R. Vaillant, to No. 215 (B) Squadron, Driffield. J. A. Bateson, W. G. Craddock, S. P. Crawley, S. R. Gibbs, E. J. S. Jones, and J. S. Kendrick, to School of Air Navigation, Manston.

The undermentioned are posted to the R.A.F. Depot, Uxbridge, on appointment to short service commissions as Acting Pilot Officers, on probation with effect from 12.10.36:—D. D. Rogers, A. J. Mould, H. R. MacD. Beall, E. D. Godfrey, J. G. McGrail, N. H. Brace, R. A. Hollaway, D. R. Hoar, W. B. Smith, A. Simpson, R. T. Chisholm, D. P. W. R. Robinson, C. G. Saunders, T. H. T. Forshaw, M. H. Roth, A. R. R. Gifford, R. D. Williams, T. W. Storey, H. E. Hopkins, H. J. Seagrin, J. T. L. Shore, D. L. R. Halliday, C. A. Wallis, E. T. Watson, M. J. Earl.

**Acting Pilot Officers.**—L. L. Hunt and P. A. Tipping, to No. 84 (B) Squadron, Shaibah, Iraq, 24.10.36. D. F. H. Brown, to No. 1 Armoured Car Company, Hinaidi, Iraq, 24.10.36. F. R. C. Fowle, to No. 39 (B) Squadron, Risalpur, India, 24.10.36.