WITH the notable exception of Rear-Admiral M. S. Slattery, chairman of Short Bros. and Harland, Ltd., the New Year Honours List is a disappointing one so far as the aircraft manufacturing industry is concerned. Admiral Slattery (a photograph of whom appears on page 3) receives a knighthood.

Names of a comparatively few members of companies closely associated with the aircraft industry appear in the list—Sir William Fraser, chairman of the British Petroleum Co., Ltd. (formerly Anglo-Iranian Oil Co., Ltd.), receives a knighthood. As regards honours in the military division of the Honours List, names of some senior R.A.F. recipients are given on the "Service Aviation" pages this week, and further names will appear in that section next week.

BARON
Sir William Fraser, chairman, British Petroleum Co., Ltd. (formerly Anglo-Iranian Oil Co., Ltd.).

PRIVY COUNCILLOR
E. N. G. Birch, Minister of Works; Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Air, 1951-52.

KNIGHTS BACHELOR
I. R. Cox, for services as managing director, Metropolitan Vickers Electrical Co., Ltd.; Leonard Sinclair, chairman and managing director, Esso Petroleum Co., Ltd.; Rear-Admiral M. S. Slattery, chairman and managing director, Short Bros. and Harland, Ltd. (portrait—page 3); Dr. O. G. Sutton, Director of the Meteorological Office, who receives a knighthood. As regards honours in the military division of the Honours List, names of some senior R.A.F. recipients are given on the "Service Aviation" pages this week, and further names will appear in that section next week.

ORDER OF THE BATH
C.B.
W. R. McGaw, Director-General of Aircraft Production, M.o.S.

ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE
K.B.E.
Dr. O. H. Wenshrough-Jones, Chief Scientist, Ministry of Supply.

C.B.E.

O.B.E.
H. W. L. Absalom, Assistant Director, Meteorological Office, Air Min.; R. J. S. Adair, for services to civil aviation in Australia; S. W. Bainbridge, Principal Information Officer, M.T.C.A.; D. L. Craig, manager, Italy, B.E.A.; A. E. Gollop, Assistant Director of Storage, M.o.S.; A. S. Hartshorn, recently scientific attaché, British Embassy, Paris (now principal scientific officer, R.A.E., Farnborough).


G. M. Morant, principal scientific officer, Institute of Aviation Medicine, Farnborough; W. T. Richards, Deputy superintendent, Directorate-General of Works, Air Min.; J. J. Sarche, chief inspector, Ultra Electric, Ltd.; W. T. Stead, technical officer, No. 148 (Barnsley) Supply Committee, A.T.C.

QUEEN'S COMMENDATION FOR VALUABLE SERVICE IN THE AIR
Capt. H. C. Bailey, senior captain (2nd class), B.E.A.; Mrs. Anne Burns, principal scientific officer, R.A.E.; Capt. S. E. J. Jones, senior captain (2nd class), M.o.S.; Capt. I. R. Stephens, captain, B.o.A.C.

BRITISH EMPIRE MEDAL


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Left to right: Sir William Fraser (Baron), Mr. L. Sinclair (Kt. Bachelor), Dr. O. H. Wenshrough-Jones (K.B.E.), Mr. L. Chapman (C.B.E.), G/C. J. B. Veal (C.B.E.).