Kenneth Johnson RAMPLING. George Desmond GARVIN. Reuben Pears WIDDOWSON. Richard Melville COAD (Acting Flight Lieutenant). Victor Rundle OATS. 26th Mar. 1939. Grant Moore LINDEMAN. The undermentioned Flying Officers are granted the acting rank of Flight Lieutenant on the dates stated :-16th Nov. 1938. David Martin BARRETT. 12th Dec. 1938. William SIMPSON. 31st Jan. 1939. Robert Henry Swan KING. 4th Feb. 1939. Michael Henry Tillard COOKE. 11th Feb. 1939. Geoffrey Lowe. 2nd Mar. 1939. Basil Percy KING. Harry Christian DAISH. Alan Leonard PITFIELD. Geoffrey Cockayne Hyde. Charles Edward JOHNSON. Richard Paul Stanhope WYRILL. George Laurence Bazett HULL. James Lawrence ATKINSON. Albert Leslie WOMERSLEY. Fulwar Rupert Craven FOWLE. Arthur John BANHAM. James Anderson Thomson. Gordon Victor LANE. Gareth Thomas Butler CLAYTON. Russell John Oxley. Nigel Brook Mole. Anthony Orlando BRIDGMAN. Lewis Lea JOHNSTON. Robert Lawrie LORIMER. Kenneth James Powell. John David Drought COLLIER. Richard Hugh Antony LEE. 3rd Mar. 1939. Guy de Laval HARVIE.

Pilot Officer George Glen Avis is granted the acting rank of Flying Officer. ist Nov. 1938.

The undermentioned Pilot Officers (Acting Flying Officer) are granted the acting rank of Flight Lieutenant. 11th Feb. 1939:---

Robert Norman BATESON. Alan John MADGE. Earl Douglas GODFREY. Albert Francis McGHIE. Harry St. George TURNER. Francis Victor MORELLO. John Geoffry CAVE. James Mail BODMAN. Reginald Pickton NELMS. Denis Frederic BEARDON. George Glen AVIS. Denzil Lloyd WOLFE. Donald Murray TAYLOR.

Pilot Officer Thomas Aston HEATH is granted the acting rank of Flight Lieutenant. 18th Feb. 1939. (Substituted for notification in Gazette of 28th Feb. 1939.) Flying Officer George Frank LERWILL relinquishes the acting rank of Flight Lieutenant. 2nd Jan. 1939. Flying Officer Vernon Charles WOOD re-

Flying Officer Vernon Charles WOOD relinquishes the acting rank of Flight Lieutenant. 10th Feb. 1939.

Pilot Officer Alan John MADGE relinquishes the acting rank of Flight Lieutenant. 5th Mar. 1939.

5th Mar. 1939. Pilot Officer Edward Thomas FAIRBANK takes rank and precedence as if his appointment as Pilot Officer bore date 14th Feb. 1939. Reduction to take effect from 14th Feb. 1939.

Pilot Officer Harry Stuart TAYLOR takes rank and precedence as if his appointment as Pilot Officer bore date 8th June 1938. Reduction to take effect from 28th Feb. 1939.

Acting Pilot Officer on probation Ross Edward ADAM takes rank and precedence as if his appointment as Acting Pilot Officer on probation bore date 14th Feb. 1939. Reduction to take effect from 20th Feb. 1939.

Acting Pilot Officer on probation Maurice PADDLE takes rank and precedence as if his appointment as Acting Pilot Officer on probation bore date 7th July 1938. Reduction to take effect from 20th Feb. 1939.

Group Captain John Sowrey, A.F.C., is placed on the retired list at his own request. 1st Apr. 1939.

Flight Lieutenant Augustine Stuart Quallett ROBINS is transferred to the Reserve, Class A. 19th Mar. 1939.

Acting Pilot Officer on probation John Kennedy NEWTON relinquishes his short service commission on account of ill-health. 30th Mar. 1939.

The short service commission of Pilot Officer on probation Ronald Norman Frederick FOWLER is terminated on cessation of duty. 23rd Mar. 1939.

EQUIPMENT BRANCH.

The undermentioned Wing Commanders are promoted to the rank of Group Captain. 1st Apr. 1939:—

William Charles CLARK. George STEVENS, O.B.E. William James KING, D.C.M. Walter THORNE. Henry Sam Francis Temple JERRARD. Thomas Edward DROWLEY, O.B.E.

The undermentioned Squadron Leaders are promoted to the rank of Wing Commander. 1st Apr. 1939:—

Herbert James PAYNE. Archibald Pharaoh WOOLLETT. Ernest Richard WOOD. David Wingrave DEAN. Edward Crisp FARMAN. John Joseph IRONMONGER, M.B.E. Hector Bell Smith BALLANTYNE. Alexander Henry ALLAN.

The undermentioned Flight Lieutenants are promoted to the rank of Squadron Leader. Ist Apr. 1939:—

Richard Norman HESKETH. Bedford Allen. Malcolm Morgan McMullan., Edward John Herbert Starling. Albert Edward Connolly.