The undermentioned Squadron Leaders (R.A.F. Ret.) are granted the honorary rank of Wing Commander. 11th May 1939:—

Herbert Arthur MICHELL, O.B.E.

Cecil Brimble RIDDLE.

Flight Lieutenant (Honorary Squadron Leader) Frank James Bickley Powell, M.B.E. (R.A.F. Ret.), is granted the honorary rank of Wing Commander. 11th May 1939.

Group Captain Henry John Francis Hunter, M.C., is placed on the retired list at his own request. 15th June 1939.

Group Captain Louis Clement KEEBLE is placed on the retired list on account of ill-health. 1st July 1939.

Squadron Leader Richard Cosby Keary is placed on the retired list on account of ill-health. 2nd June 1939.

Squadron Leader Thomas James Edward THORNTON is placed on the retired list on account of ill-health. 15th May 1939. (Substituted for notification in Gazette of 9th June 1939).

Flight Lieutenant Graham Routh Canavan is placed on the retired list on account of ill-health. 30th July 1939.

Pilot Officer Ronald Revan McQueen resigns his short service commission. 28th June 1939.

#### ACCOUNTANT BRANCH.

Warrant Officer Arthur Perrin SCARDIFIELD is granted a commission as Flying Officer on probation with effect from 26th June 1939 and with seniority of 27th Mar. 1939.

#### COMMISSIONED ENGINEER OFFICERS.

The undermentioned Warrant Officers are granted commissions as Flying Officers on probation with effect from the dates stated and with seniority of 12th June 1939:—

12th June 1939. John Robert Stone.

19th June 1939.
William Steele.
Arthur Matthews.
Albert Ferdinand Cave.
John Arthur Bennett.
Frederick Percy Cotterell.

23Id June 1939. Albert George Evenden.
Harold Cadman.
Colin James Fraser McRae.
Thomas Edward Leicester.
Ernest Henry James Martin.

## COMMISSIONED SIGNALS OFFICERS.

The undermentioned Warrant Officers are granted commissions as Flying Officers on probation with effect from the dates stated and with seniority of 12th June 1939:—

12th June 1939. Leslie Thomas CARD.

Igth June 1939.
Charles Thomas BURRIDGE.
Arthur William ALBERRY.
James THOM.
Leslie Ralph RIDLEY.

23rd June 1939.
Kingsley Roberts.
Charles Daniel Connerton.
Philip Harold Wood.
Henry George Hubert Copeland.
Frank Edward Groom.
Thomas Arthur Scarff.
Willis Tomlinson.
Anthony Richard Pearce.
Walter George Lawrence.
William Kitchen Richards.
James Edwards.

### COMMISSIONED ARMAMENT OFFICERS.

The undermentioned Warrant Officers are granted commissions as Flying Officers on probation with effect from the dates stated and with seniority of 19th June 1939:—

23rd June 1939.

John Raeside.
Henry George Gordon Matthews.
Harold Wright.
Edward Frederick Price.
Raymond William Ackerman.
Edward Harry White.
Harry Lyons.
Leonard Richard Robinson.

# PRINCESS MARY'S ROYAL AIR FORCE NURSING SERVICE.

The undermentioned Staff Nurses are promoted to the rank of Sister on the dates stated:

7th June 1939. Miss Elizabeth Gwendoline Morton.

14th June 1939.

Miss Louisa Alice Kay.

28th June 1939.
Miss Gwendoline Louise WILLIAMS.

#### ROYAL AIR FORCE RESERVE.

Reserve of Air Force Officers.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH. : '

Lt.-Col. Harold Gordon Canny LAIRD, D.S.O. (I.A. Ret.), is granted a commission in class CC as Wing Commander. 17th Apr. 1939.

The undermentioned are appointed to commissions in class CC as Flight Lieutenants with effect from the dates stated and are granted the honorary rank of Squadron Leader with effect from 1st Apr. 1939:—

Ist Dec. 1938. Lt. Robert Cecil Talbot Speir (R.A.R.O.).

13th Mar. 1939. Lt.-Col. Francis John Waller Firth

(I.A. Ret.).

26th Mar. 1939. Lt.-Col. Paul Victor DAVIDSON, D.S.O. (R.A.R.O.).

Lt. Tom Cuthbert Hobbs, M.C.

The undermentioned are granted commissions in class CC as Flight Lieutenants (Honorary Squadron Leaders) on the dates stated:—

3rd Apr. 1939. Lt. Maurice Heuston FitzGerald (R.A.R.O.).

13th Apr. 1939. Capt. Reginald Walter Brierley.

13th May 1939.

Maj. George Douglas HILL (R.A.R.O.).