Transfer to reserve (class A).
Flight Lieutenant J. F. PATERSON (52828). 18th Dec. 1949.

Flying Officer A. M. GRUMMITT (57638). 21st

ec. 1949. Flight Lieutenant D. R. Turley-George, D.F.C. (41336) retaining the rank of Squadron Leader.

18th Dec. 1949.

Transfer to reserve (class C).

Flight Lieutenant I. G. BARRACLOUGH (116441).

10th Dec. 1949.

Flight Lieutenant E. COTON, D.F.C., A.F.C. (70851) retaining the rank of Wing Commander. 8th Jan. 1950.

Commission relinquished. Flight Lieutenant J. HEPBURN, retaining his rank. 6th Jan. 1950. HEPBURN, M.C. (51384)

#### TECHNICAL BRANCH.

Promotion.

Notification cancelled. 2nd June 1942 (p. 23' L. P. S. Boggust (48160). 2377, col. 1) concerning

Retirement.

Flight Lieutenant J. JOHNSON (48913). 4th Jan.

Group Captain J. H. C. WAKE (at own request) retaining the rank of Air Commodore. 11th Dec. 1949.

Squadron Leader F. Evans, D.F.M. (35174) retaining the rank of Group Captain. 9th Dec. 1949.

The undermentioned Flight Lieutenants retaining the rank of Squadron Leader:—
G. JERVIS-HUNTER (49024). 7th Jan. 1950.
R. A. FLUKE (45911). 8th Jan. 1950.

Commission relinquished.
Flight Lieutenant R. A. Douglas, D.F.C. (51602) relinquishes his permanent commission on appointment to a short service commission in the Capital Duties Branch. 7th Nov. 1949.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE AND SPECIAL DUTIES BRANCH.

Flight Lieutenant W. G. DICKER (51943). 9th Jan. 1950.

Retention of rank.

The permission granted to Flying Officer E. L. YORKE (56336) to retain rank, notified on 21st Jan. 1947 (p. 397, col. 2) is withdrawn with effect from 15th Nov. 1949.

# EQUIPMENT BRANCH.

Appointment to commission.

As Flying Officer, short service (five years on the active list and four years on the reserve):

James Mackereth STEVENSON (204213).

Oct. 1949 (seniority 13th June 1949).

As Pilot Officer, W.R.A.F. short service (five years on the active list and four years on the reserve):—

Margaret Jeanne MADDICKS (2067066). Oct. 1949.

Promotion.

Flying Officer to Flight Officer, W.R.A.F.:

15th Dec. 1949. M. A. RIGGS (7079). J. WILLIAMS (7083).

Retirement.

Flying Officer R. V. ROBERTS (59163). 6th Jan. 1950.

Flight Lieutenant F. S. Abbott (44703) retaining the rank of Squadron Leader. 4th Jan. 1950. Flying Officer A. T. BACK (58958) retaining the rank of Flight Lieutenant. 8th Jan. 1950.

### SECRETARIAL BRANCH.

Appointment to commission.

As Squadron Officer, W.R.A.F. (permanent):—
Louise Hilliard TURNER, O.B.E. (563). 1st Feb.

As Flight Officer, W.R.A.F. (permanent):-

1st Feb. 1949.
Valerie Baynard PEARMAN-SMITH (2153)
(seniority 1st Sept. 1945) (substituted for notification of 31st May 1949 (p. 2672, col. 2)).
Eileen Mary PRICE (5551) (seniority 29th Jan.

Notification amended.

31st May 1949 (p. 2673, col. 2) concerning.

Millicent Grace Bronwyn Hughes (7266) for (seniority 16th Feb. 1948) read (seniority 16th Feb. 1946).

Extension of service.

The period of service on the active list of Flight Officer E. G. FARROW (3968) W.R.A.F., is extended by one year with effect from 1st Dec. 1949.

Promotion and transfer to another branch.
Flying Officer D. EDWARDS (164576) is promoted to the rank of Flight Lieutenant and transferred to the General Duties Branch. 7th Nov. 1949 (seniority 24th Dec. 1948).

Retirement.

Wing Commander J. A. STEPHENSON (21161). 4th Jan. 1950.

Squadron Leader E. J. Bowes (35394) (on account of medical unfitness for Air Force service). 3rd Jan. 1950.

Commission relinquished.
Flying Officer M. V. ELMSLEY (7932), WJR.A.F., retaining her rank. 12th Dec. 1949.

#### ROYAL AIR FORCE REGIMENT.

Transfer between branches.

Flying Officer R. W. OLDHAM (204265) to the Fighter Control Branch retaining his existing rank and seniority 1st Dec. 1949.

#### AIRCRAFT CONTROL BRANCH.

Appointment to commission.

As Flying Officer (permanent):—
Ronald George GROCOTT (162495). 20th Apr.
1949 (and transferred to the Fighter Control
Branch 21st Oct. 1949 (seniority 24th June 1946)).

Promotion and transfer to another branch.

Flying Officer J. E. Milner (201936) is promoted to the rank of Flight Lieutenant and transferred to the General Duties Branch. 30th Nov. 1949 (seniority 15th Apr. 1949).

Transfer between branches.

The undermentioned Flight Lieutenants to the Fighter Control Branch retaining their existing rank and seniority:

C. Brooks (159859). 1st Dec. 1949. R. Bradbeer (54473). 8th Dec. 1949.

## MARINE BRANCH.

Appointment to commission.

As Flying Officer (permanent):—
4030984 Aircraftman 1st Class John Spencer
PEEBLES (4030984). 28th Nov. 1949 (seniority 10th Aug. 1948).

#### AIRFIELD CONSTRUCTION BRANCH.

Promotion.

Pilot Officer to Flight Lieutenant:— W. D. Tidman, A.M.I.E.E. (500445). 16th Mar. 1949.

### MEDICAL BRANCH.

Appointment to commission.

As Flight Lieutenants (permanent):-

David Murray Kerr, M.B., Ch.B., F.R.C.S.(E) (204545). 'I'lth Aug. 1949 (seniority 19th Jan. 1945).

William James Lloyd HARRIES, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S., LiR.C.P. (203975). 13th Aug. 1949 (seniority 3rd Jan. 1947).

Retirement.

Flight Lieutenant (Qr.-Mr.) S. HOWTING (54884). 10th Jan. 1950.

Commission resigned.

Notification amended.

6th Dec. 1949 (p. 5777, col. 1) concerning G. G. ALLAN, L.R.C.P. & S., L.R.F.P.S. (500306) for 13th Oct. 1949 read 30th Oct. 1949.

#### DENTAL BRANCH.

Appointment to commission.

As Flight Lieutenant (permanent):-

Michael Russell, L.D.S. (61456). 8th Sept. 1949.