

## ADMINISTRATIVE AND SPECIAL DUTIES BRANCH, SECTION II (A.T.C.)

*Relinquishments*

The undermentioned officers are permitted to relinquish their Air Training Corps commissions:—

Dated 1st May, 1945: Flight Lieutenant Roy Dillon Shepherd KEMP.

Dated 31st March, 1945: Flying Officer Joseph Beadon MAUNDER.

## RESERVE OF AIR FORCE OFFICERS

*Transfers*

The undermentioned officers are transferred from the Active List to the Reserve of Air Force Officers, Class A, Section I:—

Dated 14th June, 1945: Flight Lieutenant Harry Clive Edgar THURSTON, D.F.C.

Dated 4th May, 1945: Flying Officer Richard Lucas SHUTTLEWORTH.

Dated 15th May, 1945: Flying Officer Brian Cedric SPRING.

Dated 18th May, 1945: Flying Officer Hughie Errald BOYES.

Dated 19th May, 1945: Flying Officer Ronald George VAUGHAN.

Dated 24th May, 1945—  
Flying Officer William Alexander FRASER, D.F.C., D.F.M.

Flying Officer Brian Forsaith GILMORE.

Flying Officer Owen Preston CROSS.

Dated 25th May, 1945—  
Flying Officer Thomas WHYTE.

Flying Officer John Cameron CORSON.

Dated 1st June, 1945: Flying Officer Royce Harry De TOURRET.

Dated 4th June, 1945: Flying Officer Raymond George DUNFORD.

Dated 25th May, 1945: Pilot Officer Norman Leonard FOSTER.

The undermentioned officers are transferred from the Active List to the Reserve of Air Force Officers, Class B, Section I:—

Dated 2nd May, 1945: Flying Officer Leonard James LEWIS.

Dated 5th May, 1945: Flying Officer Alexander John DICKSON.

Dated 15th May, 1945—  
Flying Officer Geoffrey Charles BUCKLEY.

Flying Officer Roland Emerson HARVEY.

*Corrigenda*

The notices appearing in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 93, dated 22nd October, 1942, page 2508, under the heading "General Duties Branch—Appointments: As Pilots," and No. 46, dated 17th June, 1943, page 684, under the heading "General Duties Branch—Promotions," relating to "Bruce Arthur SLADEN," are amended to read "Arthur Bruce SLADEN."

The notices appearing in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 70, dated 26th August, 1943, page 1019, under the heading "General Duties Branch—Appointments: As Air Bomber," and No. 1, dated 13th January, 1944, page 7, under the heading "General Duties Branch—Promotions," relating to "Charles Frederick Peter BROWN," are amended to read "Charles Fredrick Peter BROWN."

F. JONES, Minister of Defence.

*Honours and Awards approved by His Majesty the King*

Office of the Minister of Defence,  
Wellington, 29th March, 1945.

**H**IS Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to approve the following immediate awards to members of the Royal New Zealand Air Force, in recognition of gallantry and devotion to duty in air operations against the enemy:—

*Distinguished Flying Cross*

Flying Officer Phillip John Reid (NZ 415421), of Hastings.

By his courage in the face of the enemy, skilled airmanship, and devotion to duty, this officer brought his aircraft safely to base after it had been holed in over 170 places during an attack on a heavily defended enemy position on New Ireland on 12th December, 1944. With a member of his crew severely wounded, the control cables to one rudder severed, petrol tanks holed, the tail wheel punctured, and the throttle control of one engine so damaged that the throttle could be closed but not opened, Pilot Officer Reid displayed exceptional skill and coolness. On testing the damaged throttle and finding it impossible to increase power again, he nursed his bomber home with one engine giving much more power than the other, maintaining control in spite of the extensive damage. After an hour's exceptionally difficult flying he landed at base. This officer has flown 116 operational missions in ten months' flying, completing two tours of duty in less than a year, and throughout has shown consistently fine devotion to duty.

17th April, 1945

Flight Lieutenant William George Judson (NZ 413425), of Matapu, Taranaki.

His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to approve the following appointments and awards to members of the Royal New Zealand Air Force, in recognition of gallantry and devotion to duty in air operations against the enemy:—

*To be Companions of the Distinguished Service Order*

Acting Squadron Leader Evan Dall Mackie, D.F.C. (NZ 41520), of Waihi.

Acting Squadron Leader John Gordon Pattison, D.F.C. (NZ 39931), of Hawke's Bay.

*Bar to the Distinguished Flying Cross*

13th April, 1945

Acting Squadron Leader Alan Charles Bray, D.F.C. (NZ 402846), of Ashburton.

Flight Lieutenant Harold John Sheild, D.F.C. (NZ 404953), of Patea.

17th April, 1945

Flying Officer Roy Emile Le Long, D.F.C. (NZ 42419), of Auckland.

*Distinguished Flying Cross*

10th April, 1945

Flight Lieutenant Ronald Henry Foster (NZ 421695), of Greymouth.

Flying Officer Colin Leo Malcolm Forsyth, D.F.M. (NZ 40607), of Tauranga.

13th April, 1945

Acting Squadron Leader Robert Walter Preston Cameron (NZ 414584), of Oamaru.

Flight Lieutenant Alan Roy Bidwill Barton (NZ 413930), of Gisborne.

Flight Lieutenant Arthur Gethin Creagh (NZ 404340), of Wellington.

Flight Lieutenant Anthony Charles Harley (NZ 413064), of Nelson.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Louis Basil Lawson (NZ 405800), of Christchurch.

Flying Officer Dudley Watson Allen (NZ 416434), of Tirau.

17th April, 1945

Flight Lieutenant Irvine Philip John Maskill (NZ 41487), of Dunedin.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Keith Aicheson Beattie (NZ 404326), of Christchurch.

Flying Officer Harold James Hammond (NZ 424458), of Christchurch.

Flying Officer Thomas Richard Palmer (NZ 413466), of Manawatu.

Flying Officer Donald John Phillips (NZ 426057), of Weedons, Canterbury.

Flying Officer Alan McHutchon Speedy (NZ 425706), of Dannevirke.

Flying Officer Walter Oakman John Walker (NZ 416562), of Auckland.

Acting Flying Officer Frederick Roger Okeby (NZ 422904), of Petone.

Pilot Officer Ronald Lewis Bremner (NZ 422360), of Hawera.

Pilot Officer Stuart Rossmore McLaughlin (NZ 412405), of Dannevirke.

Pilot Officer Kenneth Duncan Sinclair (NZ 429210), of Palmerston North.

NZ 414316 Warrant Officer Douglas Haig Mann, of Christchurch.

F. JONES, Minister of Defence.

*Honours and Awards approved by His Majesty the King*

Office of the Minister of Defence,  
Wellington, 24th April, 1945.

**H**IS Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to approve the following immediate award to a member of the Royal New Zealand Air Force, in recognition of gallantry and devotion to duty in air operations against the enemy:—

*Distinguished Flying Cross*

Flying Officer Harold Hamon Blampied (NZ 1718), of Auckland.

His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to approve the following awards to members of the Royal New Zealand Air Force, in recognition of gallantry and devotion to duty in air operations against the enemy:—

*Distinguished Flying Cross*

1st February, 1943

Pilot Officer Kenneth Howard Blincoe (NZ 412194), of Murchison.

Pilot Officer John McCullough (NZ 40410), of Christchurch.

20th April, 1945

Acting Squadron Leader Douglas Fitzclarence St. George (NZ 40664), of Auckland.

Acting Squadron Leader Donald Percy Winstone (NZ 40250), of Auckland.

NZ 413296 Warrant Officer Stuart Maxwell Cullen, of Maungaturoto.

NZ 415543 Warrant Officer Robert Gordon McSporran, of Auckland

24th April, 1945

Flight Lieutenant Jack Davidson (NZ 411383), of Central Otago.

Flight Lieutenant Benjamin Donald New (NZ 411436), of Palmerston North.

F. JONES, Minister of Defence.

*Military Attaché, Legation of the United States of America, Wellington, appointed*

Ministry of External Affairs,  
Wellington, 18th May, 1945.

**I**T is hereby notified for public information that Colonel Harold A. Meyer, Infantry, has been assigned to the Legation of the United States of America as Military Attaché in relief of Colonel John H. Nankivell.

W. NASH,  
Acting-Minister of External Affairs.