Air Department, Wellington, 1st May, 1946.

HIS Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased to approve the following promotions, relinquish-ments, and transfers of officers of the Royal New Zealand Air Force :--

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH

Promotions

The undermentioned Flight Lieutenants (Acting Squadron Leaders) to be Squadron Leaders (temp.) :-

Dated 23rd March, 1946-

Hugh Alexander EATON.

William Keith PATERSON.

Dated 16th April, 1946 : Mortimer Tuke VANDERPUMP, D.F.C. The undermentioned Flight Lieutenants to be Squadron Leaders (temp.) :

Dated 15th March, 1946 : Cliford Grainger Andrews, D.F.C. Dated 19th March, 1946 : James Mumford Cranstone, D.F.C.

Dated 27th March, 1946-

Russell Maurice MATHIESON. James Roy Cullen, D.F.C.

Dated 16th April, 1946 : John Allan Hetherton, D.F.C. Dated 17th April, 1946 : Brian Trevor Shannon.

Flying Officer Alan John RHODES, D.F.M., to be Flight

Lieutenant (temp.). Dated 17th April, 1946. Pilot Officer David James Kirkwood FYFE to be Flying Officer (temp.). Dated 9th September, 1945.

Relinquishments

The undermentioned officers are permitted to relinquish their temporary commissions :-

Dated 26th February, 1946: Flying Officer James Easton CAPSTICK.

Dated 14th March, 1946: Flight Lieutenant John DAVIDSON. Dated 22nd March, 1946: Flying Officer Billie BODEN. Dated 21st May, 1946: Flying Officer Geoffrey Gordon WHITE, D.F.C.

Amendment

The notice appearing in the New Zealand Gazette No. 13, dated 7th March, 1946, page 301, under the heading "General Duties Branch—Relinquishments," is amended, so far as it relates to "Flying Officer Arthur Ralph Kirro, D.F.C.," to read "Dated 20th February, 1946."

EQUIPMENT BRANCH, SECTION I: EQUIPMENT OFFICERS Promotions

Equipment Duties— Flight Lieutenant (Acting Squadron Leader) Edward Trevor Stroude WITHERS to be Squadron Leader (temp.). Dated 29th

April, 1946. Flying Officer (Acting Flight Lieutenant) Mark Joseph Rose to be Flight Lieutenant (temp.). Dated 24th April, 1946.

EQUIPMENT BRANCH, SECTION II: TECHNICAL OFFICERS Promotions

Engineer Duties-

Flying Officer (Acting Flight Lieutenant) Joseph Frederick BAND to be Flight Lieutenant (temp.). Dated 5th April, 1946. Radar Duties-

Flight Lieutenant (Acting Squadron Leader) Stanley Charles SHEA to be Squadron Leader (*temp.*). Dated 27th March, 1946.

Amendment

The notice appearing in the New Zealand Gazette No. 72, dated 22nd November, 1945, page 1455, under the heading "Equipment Branch, Section II: Technical Officers—Promotions—Engineer Duties," relating to "Arthur Vernon BUTCHER," is amended to read "Dated 15th November, 1945."

Administrative and Special Duties Branch

Promotions

Flight Lieutenant Frederic MCCARTHY to be Wing Com-mander (temp.). Dated 23rd February, 1946. Flight Lieutenant (Acting Squadron Leader) Donald CAMPBELL to be Squadron Leader (temp.). Dated 1st April, 1946. Flying Officer (Acting Flight Lieutenant) Selwyn Milburn GRAHAM to be Flight Lieutenant (temp.). Dated 21st May, 1946.

Works Section-

Flight Lieutenant (Acting Squadron Leader) Evan Rollinson SIMFSON to be Squadron Leader (temp.). Dated 7th April, 1946.

Relinquishment

Flying Officer Clifton Shirley PARKER is permitted to relinquish his temporary commission. Dated 18th March, 1946.

CHAPLAINS BRANCH Relinquishment

Flight Lieutenant the Reverend Bernard Outing PLUMB is permitted to relinquish his temporary commission. Dated 3rd April, 1946.

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

Dated 1st April, 1946-Flight Lieutenant Roy SMALLFIELD. Flying Officer Charles Edward McVEIGH.

RESERVE OF AIR FORCE OFFICERS

Relinauishments

The undermentioned officers are permitted to relinquish their commissions :-

Dated 1st April, 1946 : Flying Officer Thomas Edmund Douds. Dated 20th April, 1946 : Squadron Leader Norman Dudley GREENAWAY, D.F.C.

Transfers

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

Dated 1st February, 1946---Flying Officer Maurice Fletcher MAHONEY.

Dated 28th February, 1946— Flying Officer Edward Thomas Cossens, D.F.C.

- Dated 14th March, 1946— Flying Officer Vincent Harcourt Corbett.
- Dated 15th March, 1946— Squadron Leader Cliford Grainger ANDREWS, D.F.C.
- Dated 16th March, 1946-Flight Lieutenant Roland Edward MURRELL.
- Dated 19th March, 1946-Squadron Leader James Mumford CRANSTONE, D.F.C. Flying Officer Malcolm Joseph Coricit, D.F.M.
- Dated 23rd March, 1946-Squadron Leader William Keith PATERSON. Squadron Leader Hugh Alexander EATON.
- Dated 24th March, 1946— Flying Officer Ronald Lewis BREMER, D.F.C. Flying Officer Ian Dalrymple Rowe. Flying Officer William Arthur HOSKINS.
- Dated 25th March, 1946— Flying Officer Raymond Stuart PIPER. Flying Officer John Tarzan MARTIN. Flying Officer John ORR.
- Dated 26th March, 1946-Flight Lieutenant Norman James GRANT, D.F.C.

Dated 27th March, 1946-Squadron Leader Russell Maurice MATHIESON. Squadron Leader James Roy Cullen, D.F.C.

- Dated 29th March, 1946-Flight Lieutenant Thomas David STEWART.
- Dated 31st March, 1946-Flying Officer Owen David EAGLESON, D.F.C.

Dated 1st April, 1946— Flight Lieutenant Sidney Neil MUNRO. Flying Officer Phillip Rex BEACH. Flying Officer Thomas Gilbert Campbell MACKAY. Flying Officer Francis Julian TEMM.

- Dated 2nd April, 1946— Flight Lieutenant Charles Laurence BROOMFIELD. Flight Lieutenant Harold Rae COSTLEY.
- Dated 3rd April, 1946— Flying Officer James Leonard Hyland HUNT. Flying Officer Kevin Emmett LAVIN. Flying Officer Konald Norman McKENZIE. Flying Officer Joseph James ROBINSON. Pilot Officer Jack Middleton GARRETT. Pilot Office Mervyn Alyth WADE.
- Dated 4th April, 1946— Flight Lieutenant Lawrence Paul SCHWABE. Flight Lieutenant Arnold Thane KING, D.F.C. Flying Officer Wallace William GIFFORD.
- Flight Lieutenant Royden Matthews JARRETT.
- Dated 6th April, 1946— Flying Officer Ronald LEE. Flying Officer Jack Moxsom CLARKE.
- Dated 8th April, 1946— Flying Officer Kenneth Ralph PHILF. Flying Officer Harold Murray WHITE.
- Dated 9th April, 1946-Flight Lieutenant Edward Robins. Flight Lieutenant Joseph John Dingle. Flight Lieutenant Brian Lancelot AUTRIDGE. Flight Lieutenant Peter Grevis WINTER. Flying Officer Eric John Whatley FRY. Flying Officer Carl William Collins.