General List

The Corps of Royal N.Z. Engineers

Temp. Lieutenant A. W. H. Gally, M.B.E., from the Reserve of Officers, Supplementary List, to be Lieutenant. Dated 5 December 1953.

The Royal N.Z. Army Service Corps

Thomas Victor Knowles, late Captain, R.A.S.C. (T.A.), to be Captain. Dated 1 December 1953.

The notice published in the *N.Z. Gazette* No. 55, dated 8 October 1953, relative to the appointment of Albert Stephen Mayer, is hereby cancelled and the following substituted:

"Albert Stephen Mayer, late Lieutenant (Q.M.), R.A.S.C., to be Lieutenant and Quartermaster. Dated 1 September 1953."

OFFICER STRUCK OFF THE STRENGTH OF THE EMERGENCY FORCE

Lieutenant (Acting Captain) C. Cooper, R.N.Z.A., and is posted to the Reserve of Officers, General List, The Royal N.Z. Artillery, with the rank of Captain. Dated 6 December 1953.

Dated at Wellington, this 24th day of December 1953.

T. L. MACDONALD, Minister of Defence.

Appointments, Transfers, Cancellations of Commissions, and Resignations of Officers of the Royal New Zealand Air Force

PURSUANT to section 15 of the Royal New Zealand Air Force Act 1950, His Excellency the Governor-General has been pleased to approve the following appointments, transfers, cancellations of commissions, and resignations of officers of the Royal New Zealand Air Force.

REGULAR AIR FORCE

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH

Cancellation of Commission

The commission of Acting Pilot Officer (*on prob.*) William Keith BLACK (71373) is cancelled. Dated 25 November 1952.

Resignations

Flying Officer Alan Percival BATCHELER (76066) resigns his commission. Dated 19 September 1953.

Acting Pilot Officer (*on prob.*) Hugh COSTALL (73249) resigns his commission. Dated 14 November 1952.

TECHNICAL BRANCH

Transfer and Appointment

Engineer Division

Flight Lieutenant (*temp.*) Trevelyan William TREMAYNE, M.B.E. (130138), is transferred from the Territorial Air Force and is granted an appointment for a period of two years with the rank of Flight Lieutenant and with seniority as from date of appointment, to be followed by a period of four years in the Air Force Reserve. Dated 7 December 1953.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPLY BRANCH

Appointments

Special Duties Division

Ralph Lionel SUTTON (77247) is granted a short-service commission for a period of five years with the rank of Flying Officer and with seniority as from 23 November 1952, to be followed by a period of four years in the Air Force Reserve. Dated 23 November 1953.

Hugh Fergusson PRIEST, B.A. (819377) is granted a short-service commission for a period of five years with the rank of Flying Officer and with seniority as from date of appointment, to be followed by a period of four years in the Air Force Reserve. Dated 4 December 1953.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY AIR FORCE

REGULAR SECTION

Resignation

Assistant Section Officer (*on prob.*) Esther Josephine CHILTON (*née* ALDRIDGE) (75796) resigns her commission. Dated 20 November 1953.

TERRITORIAL AIR FORCE

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH

Transfer and Appointment

Squadron Leader (*temp.*) Richard John Kitchener HOGG, D.S.O., D.F.C. (131459), is transferred from the Air Force Reserve and is granted an appointment for a period of five years with his present rank and with seniority as from 17 February 1950, to be followed by a period of four years in the Air Force Reserve. Dated 17 November 1953.

TECHNICAL BRANCH

Resignation

Engineer Division

Acting Pilot Officer (*on prob.*) Philip Peter Munro ELLIS (709297) resigns his commission. Dated 30 November 1953.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPLY BRANCH

Transfer

Special Duties Division

Acting Pilot Officer (*on prob.*) Bruce John DRUMMOND, B.Sc. (817168), is transferred from the Technical Branch, Signals Division, with his present rank and seniority. Dated 19 November 1953.

AIR FORCE RESERVE

ACTIVE RESERVE

Transfers

The undermentioned Flying Officers are transferred from the General Duties Branch, Regular Air Force, to the General Duties Branch, Active Reserve, for a period of four years, with effect from the date shown after each name.

Harold George BENNETT (72363). 10 November 1953.
James Bruce WHYTE (72517). 3 November 1953.

Dated at Wellington, this 23rd day of December 1953.

T. L. MACDONALD, Minister of Defence.

Appointments, Promotions, and Transfers of Officers of the Royal New Zealand Air Force

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REGULAR AIR FORCE

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH

Promotions

The undermentioned Pilot Officers to be Flying Officers:

Robert Birks PARKER (76078).
Norman Eric RICHARDSON (76079).
Kenneth Leslie THORN (76080).
Dated 8 August 1953.
Brian STANLEY-HUNT (327103).
Francis Manuel MAGUIRE (816239).
Ian Albert HUTCHINS (457833).
David Manson CROOKS (300083).
Dated 7 September 1953.

TECHNICAL BRANCH

Transfer to Retired List

Engineer Division

Squadron Leader Frederick William THORNTON, M.B.E. (70201), is transferred to the Retired List "A". Dated 4 November 1953.

AIR FORCE RESERVE

ACTIVE RESERVE

Appointment

Squadron Leader Frederick William THORNTON, M.B.E. (70201) (Retired), is appointed to a commission in the Technical Branch, Engineer Division, for a period of four years with his present rank and seniority. Dated 5 November 1953.

Transfer

Flight Lieutenant Frederick Arthur Jolly is transferred with his present rank and seniority from the Technical Branch, Armament Division, Regular Air Force, to the Technical Branch, Armament Division, Active Reserve, for a period of four years. Dated 19 August 1953.

Dated at Wellington, this 23rd day of December 1953.

T. L. MACDONALD, Minister of Defence.

New Year Honours Conferred on Members of Royal New Zealand Air Force

HIS Excellency the Governor-General has announced that the Queen has been graciously pleased, on the occasion of the celebration of the New Year, to confer the following honours and awards:

To be an Additional Officer of the Military Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire

Wing Commander Stanley Gilbert QUILL, D.F.C.

To be an Additional Member of the Military Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire

Flight Lieutenant William Robert DUNCAN.
Warrant Officer Cedric Rex CARTER.

Air Force Cross

Squadron Leader John Ronald DAY, M.B.E.
Squadron Leader Robert Duncan MCVICKER.
Squadron Leader Cyril Laurence SIEGERT, D.F.C.

Royal Red Cross (Second Class)

Temporary Matron Rachel Mary SIMPSON.