

And We do further ordain that you have liberty to report your proceedings and findings under this Our Commission from time to time if you shall judge it expedient to do so:

And, using all due diligence, you are required to report to His Excellency the Governor-General in writing under your hands, not later than the 31st day of December 1970, your findings and opinions on the matters aforesaid, together with such recommendations as you think fit to make in respect thereof:

And, lastly, it is hereby declared that these presents are issued under the authority of the letters patent of His Late Majesty King George the Fifth, dated the 11th day of May 1917, and under the authority of and subject to the provisions of the Commissions of Inquiry Act 1908, and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of New Zealand.

In witness whereof We have caused this Our Commission to be issued and the Seal of New Zealand to be hereunto affixed at Wellington this 15th day of September 1969.

Witness Our Right Trusty and Well-beloved Cousin, Sir Arthur Espie Porritt, Baronet, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Knight Commander of Our Royal Victorian Order, Commander of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief in and over New Zealand.

ARTHUR PORRITT, Governor-General
by his Deputy RICHARD WILD.

By His Excellency's Command—

J. R. MARSHALL, Acting Prime Minister.

Approved in Council—

P. J. BROOKS, Clerk of the Executive Council.

Appointments, Promotions, Transfers, Resignations, and Retirements of Officers of the New Zealand Army

PURSUANT to section 16 of the New Zealand Army Act 1950, His Excellency the Governor-General has been pleased to approve of the following appointments, promotions, transfers, resignations, and retirements of officers of the New Zealand Army:

ROYAL REGIMENT OF N.Z. ARTILLERY

Regular Force

Captain (*temp.* Major) C. C. Stewart to be Major. Dated 7 October 1968.

Captain (*temp.* Major) and Quartermaster Robert Scott Wait, E.D., is posted to the Retired List in the rank of Major and Quartermaster. Dated 13 August 1969.

Lieutenant and Quartermaster P. R. R. Rutherford to be Captain, and Quartermaster. Dated 1 July 1969.

The notice published in the *Gazette*, 14 August 1969, No. 50, page 1506, relating to Warrant Officer 2nd Class John Edward Hancox is cancelled and the following substituted:

"Warrant Officer 2nd Class John Edward Hancox to be 2nd Lieutenant (acting Lieutenant) and Quartermaster. Dated 24 May 1969."

Territorial Force

16th Field Regiment, RNZA

Robert Lovatt Tapper, B.E., to be 2nd Lieutenant (*on prob.*). Dated 11 August 1969.

Brian Kelly Frith, DIP. PHARMACY, to be 2nd Lieutenant (*on prob.*). Dated 11 August 1969.

3rd Field Regiment, RNZA

Major (*temp.* Lieutenant-Colonel) J. R. Gregory, E.D., to be Lieutenant-Colonel. Dated 23 May 1969.

ROYAL N.Z. ARMOURD CORPS

Regular Force

Captain and Quartermaster George Leslie Noah is transferred to the Reserve of Officers, General List, Royal N.Z. Armoured Corps, in the rank of Captain and Quartermaster. Dated 3 September 1969.

Territorial Force

1st Armoured Squadron (Queen Alexandra's), RNZAC

The commission of 2nd Lieutenant (*on prob.*) R. W. Armour is confirmed in his present rank and seniority.

1st Reconnaissance Squadron (N.Z. Scottish), RNZAC

Lieutenant (acting Captain) I. M. Bolton, B.S.C., relinquishes the acting rank of Captain. Dated 29 July 1969.

2nd Lieutenant T. J. Bradbury, A.P.A.N.Z., to be Lieutenant. Dated 7 August 1969.

2nd Reconnaissance Squadron (N.Z. Scottish), RNZAC

The commission of 2nd Lieutenant (*on prob.*) A. P. West, B.S.C., is confirmed in his present rank and seniority.

The commission of 2nd Lieutenant (*on prob.*) S. L. Robertson is confirmed in his present rank and seniority.

The commission of 2nd Lieutenant (*on prob.*) J. R. Wilson is confirmed in his present rank and seniority.

The commission of 2nd Lieutenant (*on prob.*) N. W. Stevenson lapses. Dated 5 August 1969.

THE CORPS OF ROYAL N.Z. ENGINEERS

Regular Force

Lieutenant W. B. Cobb to be temp. Captain. Dated 9 June 1969.

Territorial Force

6th Independent Field Squadron, RNZE

2nd Lieutenant I. A. N. Fraser, B.E.(CIV.), to be temp. Lieutenant. Dated 1 August 1969.

1st Commander Royal New Zealand Engineers (Works)

Lieutenant Neville Robert Harkness is transferred to the Reserve of Officers, General List, The Corps of Royal N.Z. Engineers, in the rank of Lieutenant, until 30 April 1972. Dated 7 August 1969.

2nd Works Section, RNZE

Captain Victor William Berry, B.E.(CIV.), is transferred to the Reserve of Officers, General List, The Corps of Royal N.Z. Engineers, in the rank of Captain. Dated 5 August 1969.

3rd Independent Field Squadron, RNZE

The commission of 2nd Lieutenant (*on prob.*) R. F. Mahan is confirmed in his present rank and seniority.

ROYAL N.Z. CORPS OF SIGNALS

Regular Force

Captain F. L. Dennerly to be temp. Major. Dated 7 July 1969.

Territorial Force

2nd Communication Zone Signal Squadron, RNZ Sigs.

2nd Lieutenant P. B. McInnes, B.S.C., to be Lieutenant. Dated 7 April 1969.

3rd Infantry Brigade Group Signal Squadron, RNZ Sigs.

Ian Robert Whillans to be 2nd Lieutenant (*on prob.*). Dated 11 August 1969.

ROYAL N.Z. INFANTRY REGIMENT

Regular Force

Captain (*temp.* Major) L. G. Williams to be Major. Dated 15 June 1969.

Lieutenant J. W. Brown, M.C., to be temp. Captain. Dated 4 June 1969.

Lieutenant B. P. Groshinski is re-engaged for a period of 10 years as from 28 November 1969.

The notice published in the *Gazette*, 14 August 1969, No. 50, p. 1506, relating to Warrant Officer 2nd Class Robert Percy Withers, is cancelled and the following substituted:

"Warrant Officer 2nd Class Robert Percy Withers to be 2nd Lieutenant (acting Lieutenant) and Quartermaster. Dated 24 May 1969."

Officer Cadet Malcolm Robert Newton de Joux to be 2nd Lieutenant (*on prob.*). Dated 8 August 1969.

Territorial Force

Lieutenant G. W. Kingston-Smith to be temp. Captain. Dated 18 July 1969.

2nd Battalion (Canterbury Nelson Marlborough West Coast), RNZIR

Captain (*temp.* Major) M. J. Blair to be Major. Dated 13 August 1969.

The commission of 2nd Lieutenant (*on prob.*) W. W. Anderson, A.R.E.I.N.Z., is confirmed in his present rank and seniority.

3rd Battalion (Auckland (Countess of Ranfurly's Own) and Northland), RNZIR

Lieutenant M. Brennan to be temp. Captain. Dated 8 August 1969.

The commission of 2nd Lieutenant (*on prob.*) R. P. Sheldrake is confirmed in his present rank and seniority.

Terence Aorangi McConnell to be 2nd Lieutenant (*on prob.*). Dated 11 August 1969.

Douglas Dawson Stewart to be 2nd Lieutenant (*on prob.*). Dated 11 August 1969.

Arthur Mark Jewell to be 2nd Lieutenant (*on prob.*). Dated 11 August 1969.