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Commandant of the Royal Air Force College

Summer 1949 - Lead Announcements

THE ROYAL VISIT AND THE "JOURNAL"

The date of the visit of Their Majesties The King and Queen and Her Royal Highness Princess Margaret to the R.A.F. College is 6th July. The honour of this great occasion is in all our minds, and the purpose of His Majesty's visit is to give the College the distinction, unique among units of the Royal Air Force, of carrying Colours presented by the King's hand.

We cannot exactly forecast the day on which this issue of the JOURNAL will appear, but it is clear that our pages must face the reproach either of missing an opportunity by appearing before so important an event or, worse, of appearing after it, yet disappointing their readers.

The work of our publishers takes some weeks. The Editors, faced with the dilemma of these reproaches or of publication after the end of term, have chosen to publish now, and hope to offer a fitting record of the Royal occasion in the next number.

THE GRADUATION OF THE FIRST POST-WAR ENTRY

The passing-out ceremony for No. 45 Entry was held on 7th April, 1948. The inspecting officer was Marshal of the Royal Air Force Lord Newall, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.M.G., C.B.E., A.M., who last acted in this capacity in December, 1937, when Chief of Air Staff.

This was the first entry to pass out from the College in the Cranwell spring. All previous entries passed out in the sun, or sometimes rain, of July or the snows of December. The weather was not as hostile as it might have been; it only looked like raining and the wind, though cold, was at least from the west. The College parade ground, as usual, made the perfect setting from the spectators' point of view for such a ceremony—and the vestiges of war-time damage to the west end of the main block alone marked the passage of time since the last comparable parade.

The parade lived up to its forerunners in the excellence of drill, but differed from them in some particulars. One addition was the lining of the parade ground by cadets of the junior entry and of the Equipment and Secretarial Wing. Two departures from tradition were that the Sword of Honour was not presented at the climax of the parade, and that the passing-out entry because of its small size paraded in its squadrons and did not leave the parade ground by slow-marching through the ranks of its juniors standing at the present.

The Commandant's report and the inspecting officer's address were given in the Main Lecture Hall. The hall had to hold as many cadets as before the war, and travel restrictions did not seem to have diminished the number of visitors. Late-comers were unseated, and the fullness of the hall showed that accommodation is a problem to be faced on future passing-out days.

Lord Newall spoke in a happy vein suited to such a revival of a traditionally happy occasion. His advice to the passing-out entry and its successors in the hall was none the less impressive for his light touch and easy manner. There followed the presentation of wings and of prizes, Flight Cadet Corporal Hermitage alone breaking into the "closed shop" of prize-winners formed by Flight Cadet Under-Officer King and Flight Cadet Corporal Morris, who won the other eight prizes between them.

So concluded a parade which an inspecting general described in July, 1939, as "a very pretty ceremony, very prettily performed."

No. 45 ENTRY—COMMISSIONED 7th APRIL, 1948

ORDER OF MERIT AND RECORD

J. E. Y. KING . . .	Flight Cadet Under-Officer. Sword of Honour, King's Medal, Abdy Gerard Fellowes Memorial Prize, J. A. Chance Memorial Prize, R.U.S.I. Award. Rowing,* Shooting.	St. Bartholomew's G.S., Newbury. St. Catharine's, Cambridge.†
G. M. HERMITAGE	Flight Cadet Corporal. Dickson Trophy. Soccer* (capt.), Skill-at-Arms.	Wembley G.S. University College, Southampton.†
R. L. TAVANYAR . .	Flight Cadet Sergeant. Rowing.	Gillingham G.S. University College, Southampton.†
C. M. BRUCE . . .	Flight Cadet Corporal. Skill-at-Arms,* Shooting.	Uppingham, Downing, Cambridge.†
H. R. W. MORRIS . .	Flight Cadet Corporal. Philip Sassoon Memorial Prize, R. M. Groves Memorial Prize, R.U.S.I. Award. Rugger,* Cricket.*	Bromsgrove. Jesus, Oxford.†
L. S. R. SMITH . . .	Flight Cadet Under-Officer. Captain of Hockey,* Cricket.*	Gillingham G.S. Durham University.†
A. K. McGRIGOR	Flight Cadet Corporal. Captain of Cross-Country, Captain of Athletics, Editor of Journal.	Harrow. New College, Oxford.†
H. W. CAFFERATA . .	Flight Cadet Corporal. Cadet Librarian.	Holt School. New College, Oxford.†
C. M. A. VALLANCE	Flight Cadet Sergeant. Captain of Rugger,* Cricket.	Cranbrook. Pembroke, Cambridge.†
M. M. J. ROBINSON	Flight Cadet Under-Officer. Captain of Cricket,* Hockey.	K.S. Bruton. Queen's, Oxford.†
D. B. D. HAMLEY	Flight Cadet Corporal. Shooting.	K.S. Bruton. Queen's, Oxford.†
J. W. MORRICE . . .	Flight Cadet Corporal. Soccer.*	Malvern. Trinity, Cambridge.†
C. F. A. CURTIS	Flight Cadet Sergeant. Captain of Rowing, Soccer, Shooting.	Eton. Trinity, Cambridge.†

*Indicates Colours.

†University Short Courses.

Summer 1949 - Graduation & Staff Photos



SENIOR TERM, MARCH, 1948

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Back Row: F.C. Corps. J. W. Morrice, D. B. D. Hamley, H. R. W. Morris, C. M. Bruce, H. W. Cafferata, A. K. McGrigor.
Front Row: F.C. Sgts. C. F. A. Curtis, C. M. A. Vallance, F.C.U.Os. M. M. J. Robinson, L. S. R. Smith, J. E. Y. King, F.C. Sgt. R. L. Tavanyar, F.C. Corpl. G. M. Hermitage.



EQUIPMENT AND SECRETARIAL STAFF WING, AUTUMN TERM, 1947

[Official Photo

Back Row: Flt. Lt. Lowe, Flt. Lt. Smith, Sqn. Ldr. Ridsdale, Flt. Lt. Payne, Flt. Lt. Kendrick, Flt. Lt. Mason.
Front Row: Wg. Cdr. Sutton, Wg. Cdr. Wasse, Group Captain Seymour, Wg. Cdr. Boycott, Wg. Cdr. Hayward.

Summer 1949 - 46 Entry Sword of Honour



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**HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE DUKE OF GLOUCESTER PRESENTS THE SWORD OF HONOUR TO
FLIGHT CADET UNDER-OFFICER P. V. PLEDGER**

Summer 1949 - 46 Entry Graduation Photo



No. 46 ENTRY, SENIOR TERM, MAY, 1948—APRIL, 1949

Back Row.—F./C. Cpl. P. R. Sanderson. F./C. Cpl. L. G. Ludgate. F./C. Cpl. J. G. Burns. F./C. R. F. Read. F./C. A. J. L. McFarlane. F./C. W. R. F./C. J. E. Dawes. F./C. P. W. Flinn. F./C. N. B. Harben.
 Centre Row.—F./C. G. R. K. Fletcher. F./C. Cpl. K. E. Richardson. F./C. Cpl. A. B. Stinchcombe. F./C. Cpl. R. V. Stephenson. F./C. Cpl. D. J. Muff M. W. R. Shore. F./Cpl. L. G. Dickson. F./Cpl. D. B. Robinson. F./C. A. Lang. F./C. Cpl. J. H. G. White.
 Front Row.—F./C. Cpl. W. A. Slater. F./C. Sgt. E. D. Finch. F./C. Sgt. H. A. Caillard. F./C. U.O. T. L. Kennedy. F./C. U.O. P. V. Pledger. F./C. U.O. Poer Trench. F./C. Sgt. J. M. Robertson. F./C. Sgt. P. C. Skinner. F./C. Sgt. R. A. Pendry. F./C. Sgt. J. M. Crowley.
 Absent.—F./C. L. L. Tuke.

No. 46 ENTRY

GRADUATION ORDER OF MERIT

- A. B. Stinchcombe Flight Cadet Corporal; King's Medal; Air Ministry Prize; Captain, Athletics; JOURNAL; Assistant Secretary, Dramatic Society.
 P. R. Sanderson Flight Cadet Corporal; Shooting, R.A.F. and College.
 P. V. Pledger Flight Cadet Under-Officer; Sword of Honour; R. M. Groves Memorial Prize; Dickson Trophy; Captain, Rugby and Cricket; Dramatic Society.
 K. E. Richardson Flight Cadet Corporal; A. G. Fellowes Memorial Prize; Rowing; Vice-Captain, Association Football.
 T. L. Kennedy Flight Cadet Under-Officer; Sassoon Memorial Prize; Fencing; Awards Committee, College Society.
 R. A. Pendry Flight Cadet Sergeant; Captain, Rowing; JOURNAL.
 W. A. Slater Flight Cadet Corporal; Rowing.
 M. B. Le Poer Trench Flight Cadet Under-Officer; J. A. Chance Memorial Prize; Captain, Fencing; Swimming; Captain, Mountaineering.
 J. H. G. White Flight Cadet Corporal; Captain, Hockey; Fencing; Athletics; Secretary, Gliding; Secretary, Ski-ing.
 J. G. Burns Flight Cadet Corporal; Captain, Shooting; Fencing.
 D. B. Robinson Flight Cadet Corporal; Rowing; Assistant Secretary, Dramatic Society.
 E. D. Finch Flight Cadet Sergeant; Captain, Tennis.
 J. M. Crowley Flight Cadet Sergeant; Captain, Swimming; Shooting; Editor JOURNAL; Secretary, Riding; Secretary, Mountaineering.
 H. A. Caillard Flight Cadet Sergeant; First Ensign.
 A. Lang Flight Cadet; Cricket; Association Football.
 J. M. Robertson Flight Cadet Sergeant; Rowing; Golf; Head Librarian; Secretary, Photographic Society.
 D. J. Muff Flight Cadet Corporal; Secretary, Association Football.
 L. L. Tuke Flight Cadet Corporal; Rowing; Shooting; Librarian.
 R. V. Stephenson Flight Cadet Corporal; Rowing; Dramatic Society Producer.
 W. R. D. Lamb Flight Cadet; R.U.S.I. Award; Captain, Cross-Country Running.
 R. F. Read Flight Cadet; Captain, Boxing; Secretary, Engineering Society.
 L. G. Dickson Flight Cadet Corporal; Rowing; Secretary, Squash; Riding; Librarian.
 P. W. Flinn Flight Cadet; Librarian.
 R. J. L. McFarlane Flight Cadet; Captain, Squash.
 M. W. R. Shore Flight Cadet; Association Football; Librarian; Captain, Sailing.
 G. R. K. Fletcher Flight Cadet; Secretary, Rowing; Dramatic Society.
 P. C. Skinner Flight Cadet Sergeant; Rugby; Rowing; Secretary, Dramatic Society.
 N. B. Harben Flight-Cadet; Riding.
 J. E. Dawes Flight Cadet; Athletics.
 L. G. Ludgate Flight Cadet Corporal; Fencing; Boxing; Rugby.

Summer 1949 - Lead Articles

OFF WITH THE OLD

"It is announced with the deepest regret. . ."

Yes, it is certainly with the very deepest regret that we have seen the passing of the Tiger Moth from the Royal Air Force. For seventeen years now she had been the first step towards the attainment of hundreds and thousands of dreams—the dreams of men and women all over the world to fly—just to fly. She boasted no guns, no cannons or bristling rockets with potent warheads; she was never groomed like a spoiled debutante, to carry blockbusters or tallboys to the heart of the enemy. But she flew and worked; and how she could fly—and how she was worked. . . .

The Tiger Moth was first delivered to No. 3 Flying Training School, Grantham, in 1931, and she had to live up to a proud tradition, founded years before by her predecessor, the Gipsy Moth—with her finned cylinders protruding through her engine cowling. The Tiger was a little bit cleaner, a little more modern, but when she first spread her wings from her modest home, who could have foreseen that they were the first of 12,000, and that they would spread over all the continents of the earth.

Many thousands of pilots of yesterday and today must surely link their earliest and most vivid recollections of flying with the "old Tiger." "This is the control column—this is the rudder bar—this is the throttle—contact!" "Magic words, all of them, and the gateway to a magic world of wings and things. . . .

"Oh, I have slipped the surly bonds of earth,
And danced the skies on laughter-silvered wings;
Sunward I've climbed, and joined the tumbling mirth
Of sunsplit clouds, and done a hundred things
You have not dreamed of; wheeled and soared and swung,
High in the sunlit silence."

"Keep her straight—watch your air speed—start to hold off now" . . . bang! "ah, well, nearly!—go round again!" And that first solo, that never-to-be-forgotten moment when the earth and the sky and the green fields and the white clouds were yours alone, at last. And the affectionate pat you gave her as you walked, we hope, away.

And later, drifting homewards over Leicester on a still summer evening; the incredible intensity of the snow-capped peaks of Perthshire on a crisp December morning; and the brown, forbidding mud of the Humber under a drizzling autumn sky. Memories like these, and thousands more, crowd into one's mind, and although we might, at times, have cursed the cold and the wind and the rain which whipped into the Tiger's open, draughty cockpit, few can have anything but a deep respect and a really tender spot for the old veteran. She was easy to fly—but to fly her well required a little more, and even now a really good three-point landing or a nicely controlled slow roll cannot fail to produce a satisfying glow in most of us.

She endured the cruellest mishandlings—bumps and bounces, slips and skids, ham hands and flat feet—yet she forgave all these things and seldom did she bite back. And then, when some master took her reins, could she not be almost heard to say: "This is the way I was really meant to fly?"

But now, at last, she has gone from the Service. Her roundels and drab camouflage are being replaced by letters, and silvers and reds and blues; and perhaps one day, as she flies, in her new guise, over the England she helped to save, she will say to herself, "Who is this strange intruder with the turned-up wingtips, who has taken my place?" Taken her place on our airfields, perhaps, but never in our hearts. She has gone, but she will never be forgotten.

J. R. S.

ON WITH THE NEW

A TECHNICAL publication in mint condition is indeed a rarity. It is apparently desirable that such publications shall possess a liberal coating of grease and grime; that numerous loose-leaf pages shall be even looser than the publisher intended; and that these pages be reinserted with such deadly cunning that the complete manual is rapidly reduced to a Picasso nightmare designed to produce a state of nervous exhaustion in the uninitiated. It is thus that the technical gentry preserve their jealously guarded secrets.

It was no secret that there arrived in Cranwell, early in 1948, several of these rarities—brand new servicing manuals in clear, black type, and with all pages intact—but they could not escape their inevitable fate. They were fast becoming the well-thumbed, well-worn collections of diagrams and print, with grubby hands daily adding their grimy deposit. The tempo varied—now in the pending tray, lost amongst file and loose minute, unheeded; now pursued in frenzied haste by all the eager hands of the servicing wing—something was in the air, but it wasn't the Prentice, so back unwanted, forgotten for who knows how long, *pending . . . pending . . .*

Likewise the flying wing. "The Prentice arriving for next term without fail." Plan for the Prentice. Charts to be remoulded, new orders to be promulgated, pilots to be familiarized, procedures to be standardized, and vital actions to be learnt. "Stop! As you were!" A Prentice airborne and the tail fell off; new designs to be tried, tests to be made. "How long?" Who knows—possibly a few weeks, maybe twelve months. So it went on, over a period of months. Preparations were short-lived and the panic soon died. The principal character failed to make an entrance and the audience departed.

We may well have expected it. The duty crew were the only witnesses and their remarks were quite uncomplimentary, being nine wickets down and needing two to win to obtain their first victory over Air Traffic Control. After rumour and false alarm, after delay and uncertainty, out of the warm August sunshine the first Prentice arrived, shattering the unfamiliar silence of the south airfield, and shattering, too, the lazy holiday pursuits of a chosen few recalled from summer leave to duty. The Prentice era at the College had begun.

At the start of the following term the two basic flights then in existence were equipped with the new trainer. At this time No. 49 Entry were about to commence their fourth term, having already completed one term on Tiger Moths. No. 50 Entry were the raw recruits to the flying wing. With the advantage of the Moth experience behind them, No. 49 Entry produced the first Prentice solo, when, on 24th September, just before the mid-morning break, Flight Cadet Mullarkey successfully circuted and bumped. This did not reflect any exceptional ability on the part of this particular cadet, but rather that he possibly obtained his full share of the ever-diminishing supply of serviceable aircraft. The teething troubles had begun. The unceasing duel between aircraft and airfield took its toll—tyres burst, stern-posts cracked, and the Prentice fleet grew smaller. Eventually there were insufficient serviceable aircraft to continue operation of the two basic flights, and No. 49 Entry reverted to Moth aircraft, while all serviceable Prentices were put at the disposal of the small No. 50 Entry. This unhappy state of affairs continued up to the last fortnight of the Winter Term, when, after repair and modification, sufficient Prentices were mustered to reconvert No. 49 Entry. In consequence of this conversion and reconversion it was only to be expected that the standard

to be reached by No. 49 Entry, on completion of the basic stage, would fall short of that expected under more favourable circumstances. Let it be said immediately that No. 49 Entry proved to be exceedingly willing guinea-pigs, and acquitted themselves well in their efforts to overcome the disadvantages of an interrupted basic training.

An interruption of a different nature occurred at the end of January, 1949. It had become necessary to place the Prentice before the eyes of the public. To accomplish this, numerous Press representatives, backed up by film units and photographers, descended upon us in the fashion of locusts, and we became their feeding ground. The Cranwell Prentices came through in fine style, adorning the pages of most aeronautical magazines, and numerous other publications of repute. Full-face, profile, back view, from above and from below, and, believe it or not, upside down, the camera caught them. Many of the College tutors hoisted the white flag as hour after hour Prentice formations tore madly around the College tower at tree-top height, in an endeavour to satisfy the gourmand appetite of the camera.

Prentice training was now in full swing. The side-by-side seating has proved a great advantage, the pupil learning not only with his ears, but also with his eyes. Instrument flying is introduced from the first solo. No longer do we struggle under the canvas hood with A.S.I. and insensitive altimeter—our full panel is now backed up with V.H.F. and T.B.A. put to good use, comfortable, under two-stage amber. Night flying presents no difficulty, and cross-country routes spread farther afield. No longer do the cruel winds that so often hurtle madly across the flat lands of Lincolnshire, beat unceasingly upon locked hangar doors, the Moths tucked safely up within. Of course, there are snags. Most of us already know what they are. Taken all round it must honestly be said that the advantages of the new trainer far outweigh the disadvantages. The average cadet takes a little longer to digest the pre-solo instruction, the approximate average time to first solo being thirteen hours. It is possible that this will, in turn, reduce the time taken to go solo on the Harvard, but this remains to be seen.

Not much room for sentiment in a fighting Service, but tarry awhile and think back. All new in shining silver now, but not so long ago . . . FAFJ, a dirty yellow Moth that nobody would own. FAFF, a pleasant aircraft, but we never could cure its sloppy ailerons. FAEX, the curse of R. & I.—went in for a minor and has never flown "hands-off" since. FAFA—but what matter? They were getting old and had served their time—so let's get on with the new!

C. P. H. K.

Summer 1949 - Prize Selection Criteria

FLYING PRIZES

R. M. GROVES MEMORIAL PRIZE: THE DICKSON TROPHY: THE KINKEAD TROPHY

THE winner of the R. M. Groves Memorial Prize was selected after a series of tests covering every aspect of a service pilot's training. General handling, aerobatics, bombing, cine-gun air firing, and instrument flying were all tested, and in accordance with the post-war conception of an All Weather Air Force, the emphasis formerly placed on pure flying and aerobatics shifted to instrument flying. Consequently, the customary aerobatic display was not held, and the final test by the Chief Flying Instructor of Central Flying School took place with a cloud base of 3,000 feet and 1,800 yards visibility.

The flying order of merit was produced by a system of marking in which the overall progress of the cadet in each aspect of his flying, as well as the final tests, counted towards the maximum of 1,000 marks.

Competition was keen and the final results were close. The first three cadets in order of merit were Flight Cadet Under-Officer Pledger, Flight Cadet Lamb and Flight Cadet Corporal Slater. Accordingly, these three cadets were tested by Wing Commander Keen, A.F.C., the Chief Flying Instructor of Central Flying School, on 28th March. The Wing Commander expressed great satisfaction with the standard of flying displayed by all three contestants, particularly in view of the weather conditions. The final order was Flight Cadet Under-Officer Pledger, Flight Cadet Lamb and Flight Cadet Corporal Slater.

Under-Officer Pledger is to be congratulated on winning both the Groves Prize and the Dickson Trophy. The Dickson Trophy is awarded to the cadet obtaining the highest marks in applied instrument flying, bombing, gunnery, formation flying and navigation.

All three cadets have reached a high standard of flying, which succeeding entries will have to work hard to attain.

The Kinkead Trophy, awarded to the Squadron with the best aggregate position in the Flying Order of Merit, was won by B Squadron.

R. B. C.

Summer 1949 - Staff Appointments

STAFF APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments have been made since the last issue of the JOURNAL:

HEADQUARTERS

Commandant Air Commodore G. R. Beamish, C.B., C.B.E.
Staff Officer Squadron Leader C. F. Bradley, D.S.O.

CADET WING

College Adjutant Flight Lieutenant D. M. Clause.
Adjutant, Junior Entries Flight Lieutenant J. R. C. H. Graves.
Physical Fitness Officer Flight Lieutenant W. T. H. Hay.
Squadron Commanders:
A Squadron Squadron Leader H. A. Jenkins, D.F.C.
B Squadron Squadron Leader R. H. G. Weighill, D.F.C.
Cadet Wing Officers:
A Squadron Flight Lieutenant J. M. Maynard.
C Squadron Flight Lieutenant G. L. Pendred.
Director of Music Flying Officer W. J. Bangay, M.B.E.
U.S.A.F. Liaison Major Henry L. Hogan.

INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF

Senior Tutor (A.S.E.) Wing Commander W. F. Beckwith, O.B.E.
Chief Weapons Instructor Squadron Leader B. R. Champion.
Chief Navigation Instructor Squadron Leader J. L. Mitchell, M.V.O., D.F.C.
Tutors:
Radio Flight Lieutenant W. L. Price.
"H" Subjects Flight Lieutenant R. G. Ralph.
Flight Lieutenant T. G. Moulds.
Librarian H. W. Acomb, Esq., M.A.
Scientific Assistant J. M. Traill, Esq.

FLYING WING

Flight Commanders Flight Lieutenant D. O. Brown.
Flight Lieutenant T. H. Blackham, D.F.C.
Flight Lieutenant C. P. H. Kunkler.
Flying Instructors Flight Lieutenant R. S. Ayton, D.F.M.
Flight Lieutenant A. M. Blackburn.
Flight Lieutenant A. H. Chamberlain.
Flight Lieutenant P. E. Fahy, D.F.C.
Flight Lieutenant V. S. Gibson.
Flight Lieutenant A. W. Griffiths.
Flight Lieutenant F. W. Hubbard.
Flight Lieutenant A. G. L. Huggins.
Flight Lieutenant J. C. Hutton, D.F.C.
Flight Lieutenant J. H. Lewis.
Flight Lieutenant A. C. L. Mackie, D.F.C.
Flight Lieutenant J. D. Melrose, D.F.C.
Flight Lieutenant W. J. Stacey.
Flight Lieutenant F. Symons, D.F.C., D.F.M.
Flight Lieutenant F. P. Walker.
Flight Lieutenant H. D. C. Webbe.
Flight Lieutenant H. J. West, D.S.O., D.F.C.
Flying Officer H. G. Dryhurst.
Flying Officer M. F. Laing.
Flying Officer J. J. W. Salmond.

The following have been posted:

Squadron Leaders W. J. O. Coleman, D.F.C., G. G. Edwards, D. J. Garland, A. A. J. Sant
D.F.C., A.F.C., M. M. Stephens, D.S.O., D.F.C., and D. W. Steventon, D.S.O., D.F.C.
Flight Lieutenants E. K. P. Ince, D.F.C., R. B. Jackson, D.F.C., H. H. Jenkins and D
Winner.
Flying Officer C. C. Blount.

EQUIPMENT AND SECRETARIAL WING

Instructors:
Equipment Squadron Leader E. D. Hills, O.B.E.
Secretarial Flight Lieutenant H. York.
Humanistics Flight Lieutenant J. C. W. Lewis.
Mathematics and Science Pilot Officer T. J. Hemsley.

SQUADRON LISTS

PROMOTIONS, SUMMER TERM, 1949

A SQUADRON

Flight Cadet Under-Officer H. T. Price.
Flight Cadet Sergeant N. Chamberlain.
Flight Cadet Sergeant R. M. A. Purze.
Flight Cadet Corporal M. F. Danton.
Flight Cadet Corporal M. H. Miller.
Flight Cadet Corporal J. H. Palmer.
Flight Cadet Corporal R. M. Raw.
Flight Cadet Corporal M. G. Waudby.

B SQUADRON

Flight Cadet Under-Officer T. R. Gush.
Flight Cadet Sergeant C. P. Francis.
Flight Cadet Sergeant G. R. Mossman.
Flight Cadet Corporal J. G. Lovell.
Flight Cadet Corporal D. McAfee.
Flight Cadet Corporal R. G. Price.
Flight Cadet Corporal M. G. Waudby.

C SQUADRON

Flight Cadet Under-Officer W. J. Herrington.
Flight Cadet Sergeant R. H. Everett.
Flight Cadet Sergeant D. Wright.
Flight Cadet Corporal R. B. W. A. George.
Flight Cadet Corporal C. J. Petheram.
Flight Cadet Corporal B. A. Phillips.
Flight Cadet Corporal C. H. Walker.

No. 53 ENTRY

A SQUADRON

C. K. Bushe, Lancing College.
J. R. Coleman, Ealing C.G.S.
I. R. Hinde, Wellington College.
E. H. Leggett, George Heriot's School.
H. A. Merriman, Hertford C.G.S.
A. J. Mackinnon, Bromley C.G.S.
R. L. T. Polgreen, Lancing College.
I. A. Simmonds, Shoreditch C.C.
J. M. Tabernacle, Brighton College.
A. R. Thomas, Halton.
K. A. C. Wirdnam, Halton.

B SQUADRON

C. J. Clayton, Purley C.G.S.
M. J. Corner, Rossall School.
A. H. P. Cornish, Shrewsbury School.
K. J. M. Davis, Ilford C.G.S.
D. E. Hobday, Wellington College.
F. R. Lund, Whitley Bay C.G.S.
A. McG. Park, Winchester College.
L. Stacey, St. Albans C.G.S.
K. B. Smith, Halton.
D. W. Terry, Worthing C.G.S.
C. M. Harcourt, St. Edmund's School.

C SQUADRON

M. C. Cowley, Malvern College.
P. D. English, Rockwell College, Eire.
C. R. Hitching, Bristol C.G.S.
D. Jolly, Cranwell.
D. B. Lawrence, Purbrook Park C.G.S.
M. G. King, Cambridgeshire C.G.S.
A. P. Macdonald, St. Joseph's College.
I. L. Schwaiger, Cheltenham College.
P. C. C. Smith, West Buckland School.
J. W. Wills, Eastbourne College.

No. 54 ENTRY

A SQUADRON

A. M. Christie, Perth Academy.
C. E. F. Cooper, Ipswich School.
M. E. Dark, Haileybury and I.S.C.
A. P. J. Dodson, Mundella School.
I. P. Farmer-Wright, Bedford School.
C. H. Foale, Wolverton C.G.S.
L. R. Francis, Amersham C.G.S.
D. S. de la Harpe, St. Thomas's College, Ceylon.
R. S. Hutchinson, Bedford School.
P. J. Jevons, Rugby School.
D. J. B. Keats, Dulwich College.
P. S. Morrice, Bickerton House School.
G. A. Prieckenfried, St. Benedict's School.

B SQUADRON

K. B. Bones, Wyggeston C.G.S.
D. A. Cooper, Queen's College, British Guiana.
G. M. Cowper, South Shields C.G.S.
A. D. R. Dawes, Bedford School.
R. W. Fox, Woodhouse Grove School.
G. V. M. Hucker, Strodes School.
C. G. D. Jonklaas, St. Thomas's College, Ceylon.
R. P. J. King, Mountjoy College, Dublin.
B. Meadly, King Edward VI School, Southampton.
B. C. Mills, Chatham House School.
S. C. H. Morris, Bromsgrove School.
W. F. F. Nuthall, Charterhouse College.
E. A. Peters, Southern G.S., Portsmouth.
R. H. Robson, Gosforth C.G.S.

C SQUADRON

R. H. Bragg, Bedford School.
P. J. Bulford, Caterham School.
N. J. Glass, Rye C.G.S.
F. D. Hoskins, Cranwell.
N. A. Innes-Smith, Bedford School.
D. H. Mills, Berkhamsted School.
R. J. L. Newman, Wellingborough School.
J. A. Newton, Crewkerne C.G.S.
J. M. A. Parker, Dean Close School.
D. J. Pepper, St. Albans C.G.S.
H. J. Ridout, Bournemouth C.G.S.
N. E. Weearsinghe, St. Thomas's College, Ceylon.
D. H. Wood, Sutton (Surrey) C.G.S.

EQUIPMENT AND SECRETARIAL WING

No. 4 ENTRY

A FLIGHT

M. J. D. Alderson (Secretarial), Epsom College.
R. A. Birchall (Secretarial), Drax G.S., Yorks.
I. P. Stevens (Equipment), Halton.
I. R. Tapster (Secretarial), East Garnet G.S.
C. M. Yossava (Equipment), Cedars School, Leighton Buzzard.

B FLIGHT

M. R. Campbell (Equipment), Purbrook Park H.S., Kent.
T. J. Cresswell (Equipment), Tonbridge School, Kent.
A. R. Martin (Secretarial), Wyggeston G.S.
N. J. Mason (Secretarial), Yardley G.S., H.S., Kent.
B. A. Spry (Equipment), Halton.
J. A. S. Thomas (Secretarial), King's School, Canterbury.

No. 5 ENTRY

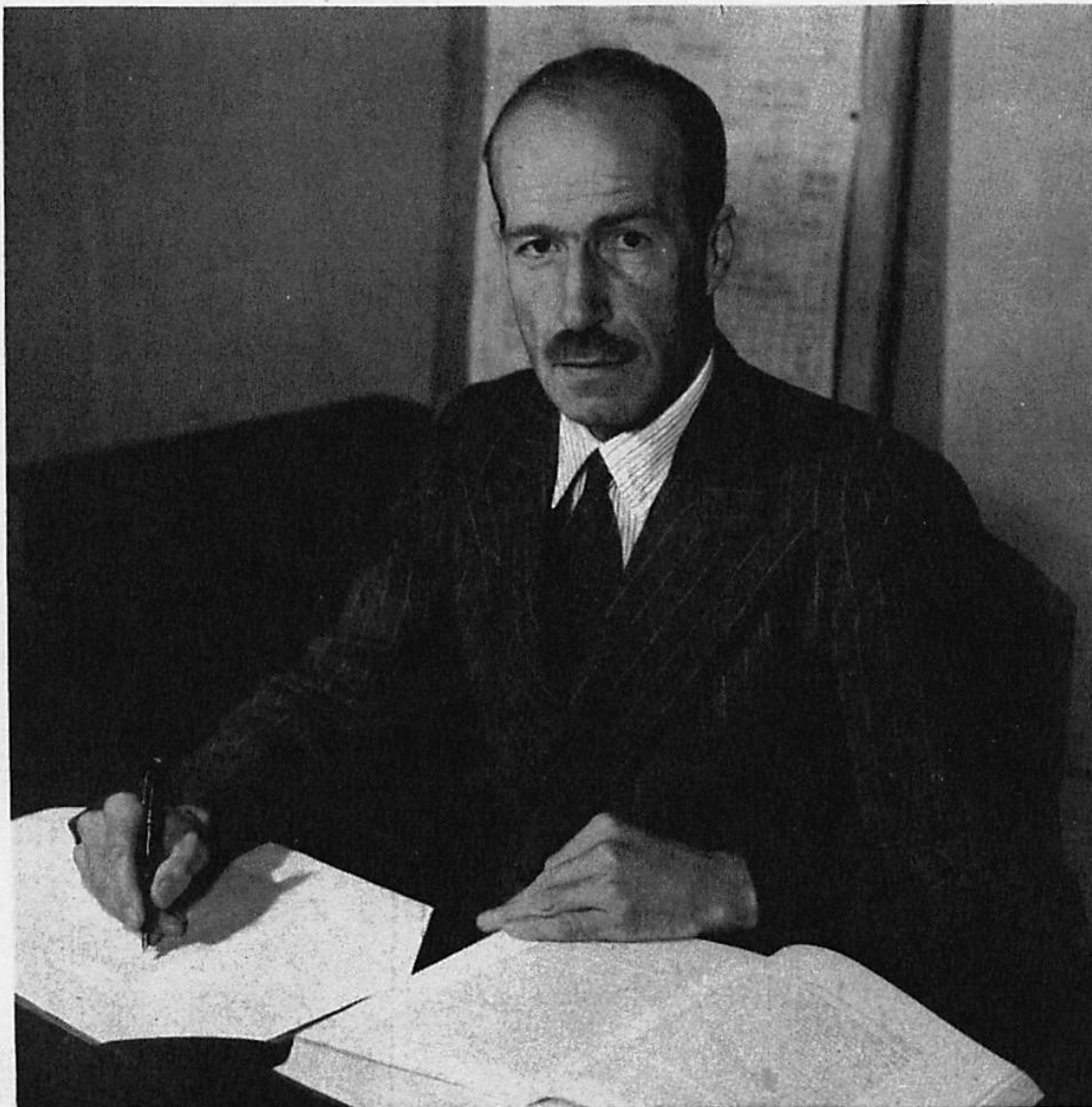
A FLIGHT

R. H. Alger (Secretarial), King's School, Bruton.
P. F. Clark (Equipment), Montford College, Romsey.
A. O'C. D'Arcy (Secretarial), Hampton G.S.
B. S. Greenhaigh (Secretarial), Oldbury C.G.S., Wores.
P. A. Hoskins (Secretarial), Weston-super-Mare G.S.
D. P. Jones (Secretarial), Mold Alun G.S.
J. H. Martin (Equipment), Solihull School, Birmingham.
J. Peel (Equipment), Nelson G.S.
K. J. Wilkinson (Equipment), Halton.

B FLIGHT

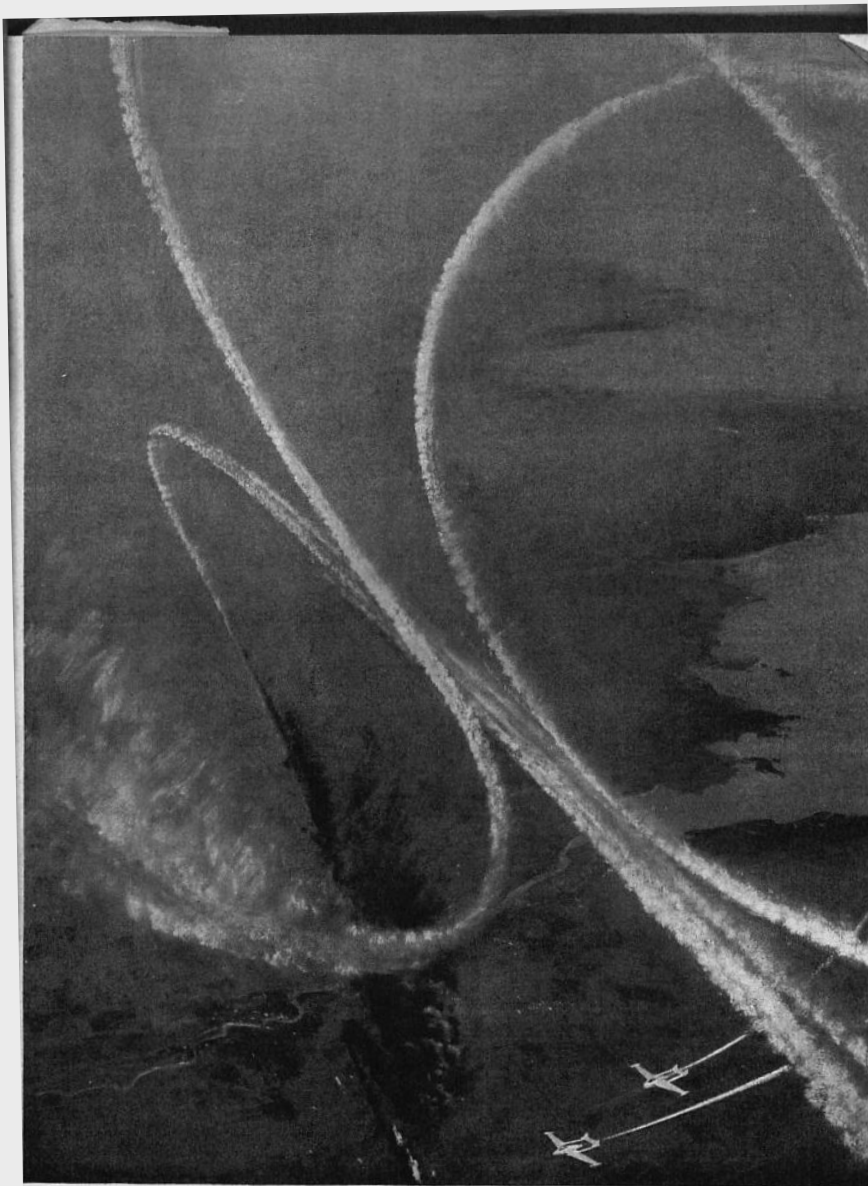
J. E. Bastin (Equipment), Methodist College, Belfast.
J. A. L. Crawshaw (Secretarial), Isleworth C.G.S.
R. H. Farley (Secretarial), Chatham House C.G.S., Ramsgate.
A. M. M. Howes (Equipment), Rossall School.
J. M. Lewendon (Secretarial), Kingston-on-Thames G.S.
K. F. E. Mallett (Equipment), Halton.
R. B. D. Marshall (Secretarial), Simon Langton G.S., Canterbury.
R. Smith (Secretarial), Surbiton County G.S.

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First Director of Studies, Royal Air Force College

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DE HAVILLAND VENOM—*Climb, speed and manœuvrability at altitude*



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GROUP CAPTAIN R. G. SEYMOUR, C.B.E.
First Assistant Commandant, Equipment and Secretarial Wing, Royal Air Force
College, 1947-1949

Winter 1949 - 47 Entry Graduation (1)

THE GRADUATION OF No. 47 ENTRY

No. 47 Entry graduated on 27th July, 1949. The Reviewing Officer was Marshal of the Royal Air Force The Viscount Trenchard, G.C.B., G.C.V.O., D.S.O., D.C.L., LL.D., who first performed this office in December, 1922. It is interesting to recall that on the former occasion seventeen cadets were passing out, of whom sixteen had gone solo at the end of their two-year course, out of the total College strength of eighty-two. At the inspection Lord Trenchard (then Air Marshal Sir Hugh Trenchard) made a remarkable prophecy soon to be fulfilled: "The acceptance by everyone of the fact that the conquest of the air is thoroughly reliable—as reliable as the march of an infantry regiment or the safeguarding of the seas by the fleet. This reliability is looked on now as impossible, and as the idea of cranks. It is for you to eradicate that misconception."

Under a lowering sky which threatened to distract the attention of the more excitedly hatted section of the audience, the Cadet Wing marched on parade. The Equipment and Secretarial Wing provided No. 4 Squadron, and No. 47, in the glory of their newly awarded wings, formed a leading supernumerary rank. The King's Colour, Flight Cadet Corporal R. B. A. George being the Ensign, was marched on parade, and at 1100 hrs. Lord Trenchard was welcomed with a General Salute.

During the inspection Lord Trenchard frequently paused and spoke to cadets. The parade, after the rigidity of our last two Royal occasions, while losing nothing in perfection, took on the more friendly atmosphere of a family gathering.

Under the command of Flight Cadet Under-Officer W. J. Herrington, the ceremony continued its traditional ritual of march past in slow time, march past in quick time, advance in review order, and reached its culmination with the withdrawal of the Senior Entry following the King's Colour up the steps and into the main doors of the College.

"The King is dead. Long live the King!" The Senior Entry had graduated, the new Senior Entry took over. In the person of Flight Cadet Under-Officer I. Meredith, No. 48 Entry assumed command and marched the Cadet Wing off parade.

While Lord Trenchard inspected the Flying Wing, cadets and audience—amongst which we were glad to see a sprinkling of the new blue uniforms of the United States Air Force—made their way to the transformed gymnasium for the prize-giving ceremony, by bus or on foot. For the threat of rain had passed, and our late Chief Meteorological Instructor, Mr. G. A. Corfield, whose last official forecast at Cranwell was to give the all-clear for the fine-weather programme, was saved from *hara-kiri*.

The Commandant, in his address, welcomed the "founder of the Royal Air Force," and compared the condition of the College now to its situation thirteen years ago when Lord Trenchard was last Reviewing Officer. New problems had appeared with the Junior Flights, the Equipment and Secretarial Wing, and the over-taxed accommodation. But the problem of a tightly packed syllabus was the same as ever. "We know that our course of training is intense . . . but . . . it is a challenge which the cadets accept and which the majority successfully overcome." None the less, "however much we try to grind the cadets down with hard work, they contrive, as I hope and believe they always will, to find the necessary energy to take on something extra." Sporting progress,

the College Society activities, vacation tours were examples of this enthusiasm. No. 47 Entry was a "normal" Entry, with its brilliant members at one end of the scale and those who had reached a barely adequate standard at the other. As a Senior Entry they had not had their immediate predecessors' advantage of a year in office; cadets must remember that their time in authority was a very small proportion of the whole and must be prepared to make the best use of it. The Entry had flown with keenness and aptitude, and all, with the exception of one prevented by sickness, graduated with white card Instrument Ratings.

Speaking after presenting the prizes, Lord Trenchard pointed out that his pensioned service now exceeded his active service in the Royal Air Force. The Service was maturing, as this entry, the forty-seventh to leave Cranwell, proved. He sketched the history of the Royal Air Force from its twin foundations at Halton and Cranwell and emphasized their contributions to victory. In the past 250 years our security had depended on the Royal Navy; that honourable burden must now be borne by the Royal Air Force. Just as in the past the Navy had brought succour all the world over in times of famine, earthquake and riot, so now the Air Force shared this charitable duty, for example, in Berlin and the Hadhramaut. While we must continue to be pioneers in aviation, technical knowledge was not enough without the men. We must produce as great airmen as we had produced sailors in the past.

The United States was now a greater power than us, but we still had a great part to play as the centre of the hemisphere in which lay 98 per cent. of the industrial capacity and 94 per cent. of the population of the world.

Power still lay in the hands of the strong. No. 47 Entry had a high calling to help mould the world; that strength could do more than win wars; it could prevent them. Strength could be defined as efficiency; efficiency was an amalgam of knowledge, hard work and honesty.

Lord Trenchard concluded: "Believe in yourselves; believe in the Service. Each one of you must do his utmost in his particular job and make that efficient. Without that you can do nothing, with that you can do anything."



After lunch in the hall, with our distinguished visitors and No. 47 Entry and their particular guests, Lord and Lady Trenchard left, cheered by the Cadet Wing. In the evening the Graduation Ball took place, unmarred by the imminence of a parade the next morning and graced by the presence of some thirty-five pilot officers in very new uniforms.

Winter 1949 - 47 Entry Graduation (2)

No. 47 ENTRY GRADUATION

ORDER OF MERIT

T. R. Gush	Flight Cadet Under-Officer; King's Medal; A. G. Fellowes Memorial Prize; Sailing.
C. H. Walker	Flight Cadet Corporal; R.U.S.I. Award; Shooting; Secretary, Dramatics.
E. F. Hemming	Flight Cadet; Librarian; Rowing.
D. Wright	Flight Cadet Sergeant; Sassoon Memorial Prize; Hockey; Tennis.
M. G. Waudby	Flight Cadet Corporal; Librarian; Athletics.
W. J. Herrington	Flight Cadet Under-Officer; Sword of Honour; Air Ministry Prize; Captain, Soccer; Hockey; Fencing; Athletics; JOURNAL Committee; Dramatics.
N. Chamberlain	Flight Cadet Sergeant; J. A. Chance Memorial Prize; Soccer; Tennis; Boxing; Dramatics.
G. K. Mossman	Flight Cadet Sergeant; R. M. Groves Memorial Prize; Rugby; Athletics; Dramatics.
D. Guthrie	Flight Cadet; JOURNAL Editor; Librarian; College Society Advisory Committee.
D. McAfee	Flight Cadet Corporal; Librarian; Rowing.
R. H. Everett	Flight Cadet Sergeant; Senior Librarian; Rugby; Cricket; Hockey.
M. H. Miller	Flight Cadet Corporal; Rowing.
R. G. Price	Flight Cadet Corporal; Dickson Trophy; Secretary, Hockey; Cricket; Dramatics.
M. F. Danton	Flight Cadet Corporal; Shooting.
J. H. J. Lovell	Flight Cadet Corporal; Athletics; Soccer; Dramatics.
J. H. Palmer	Flight Cadet Corporal; Fencing; Tennis; College Society Advisory Committee.
T. A. Bennett	Flight Cadet; Soccer.
J. C. Atkinson	Flight Cadet; Photographic; Secretary, Angling.
R. M. A. Furze	Flight Cadet Sergeant; Rugby; Fencing; Secretary, Riding.
B. A. Phillips	Flight Cadet Corporal; Rugby; Dramatics; College Society Advisory Committee.
L. I. A. Taylor	Flight Cadet; Shooting; Rugby; Soccer.
T. M. N. Bayne	Flight Cadet; Swimming.
C. J. Petheram	Flight Cadet; Hockey; Shooting; Dramatics.
H. T. Price*	Flight Cadet Under-Officer; Captain, Shooting; Captain, Athletics.
M. C. B. Mitchell	Flight Cadet; Secretary, Cross-Country; Athletics; Dramatics.
C. P. Francis	Flight Cadet Sergeant; Captain, Fencing; Hockey; Rugby; Dramatics.
R. B. George	Flight Cadet Corporal; Rugby; Athletics; Hockey.
P. M. Worthington	Flight Cadet; Athletics; Cross-Country; Fencing; Riding; Mountaineering.
D. H. Williams	Flight Cadet; Librarian; Hockey; Soccer.
H. M. K. Brown	Flight Cadet; Dramatics.
B. G. Rendle	Flight Cadet.
G. G. Lee	Flight Cadet; Rowing; Fencing; Secretary, Gliding.
R. M. Raw	Flight Cadet Corporal; Rugby; Cricket; Swimming.
K. A. Gain	Flight Cadet; Soccer.
D. S. White	Flight Cadet; Athletics; Dramatics.
C. L. M. Scott	Flight Cadet.

Winter 1949 - 47 Entry Graduation Photo



SENIOR TERM—JULY, 1949

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Back Row.—F.C. C. L. M. Scott. F.C. D. Guthrie. F.C. H. M. K. Brown.

Third Row.—F.C. E. F. Hemming. F.C. Cpl. C. J. Petheram. F.C. D. S. White. F.C. T. N. M. Bayne. F.C. K. A. Gain. F.C. M. C. B. Mitchell. F.C. G. G. Lee.
F.C. J. C. Atkinson.

Second Row.—F.C. Cpl. D. McAfee. F.C. P. M. Worthington. F.C. B. G. Rendle. F.C. Cpl. J. H. Palmer. F.C. Cpl. M. F. Danton. F.C. Cpl. J. H. J. Lovell.
F.C. Cpl. R. B. W. A. George. F.C. Cpl. M. G. Waudby. F.C. Cpl. R. M. Raw. F.C. D. H. Williams. F.C. L. I. A. Taylor.

Sitting.—F.C. Cpl. R. G. Price. F.C. Sgt. R. H. Everett. F.C. Sgt. R. McA. Furze. F.C. Sgt. G. K. Mossman. F.C. U./O. H. T. Price. F.C. U./O. W. J. Herrington.
F.C. U./O. T. R. Gush. F.C. Sgt. D. Wright. F.C. Sgt. N. Chamberlain. F.C. Sgt. C. P. Francis. F.C. Cpl. C. H. Walker.

Absent.—F.C. Cpl. M. H. Miller. F.C. Cpl. B. A. Phillips. F.C. T. A. Bennett.

Winter 1949 - TE Lawrence

AIRCRAFTMAN SHAW—A MEMORY

SIGHT of the Lawrence relics in the College library reminds me of my own fleeting glimpses of that most remarkable man. I first saw him in the old M Squadron dining hall at Uxbridge. In those days the big annual overseas drafts assembled there. Large numbers of men bound for India, Iraq and Egypt were caught in the turmoil of “kitting out” and otherwise preparing for five years overseas. Lawrence remained through it all, serene, reserved, having little intercourse with any but his immediate neighbours. That would be in 1926.

The usual descriptions of Lawrence are generally correct. His physique was slight, almost shadowy, and he moved and spoke quietly. He could easily have been lost in a crowd. But somehow he never was. Not that the force of his personality was immediately obvious. He was no high-pressure salesman. He had, in a large measure, the faculty of withdrawal. He could make a praiseworthy attempt to take the colours of his surroundings. He did desire, if we are to believe his own words, complete obscurity. But great as might be his power of withdrawal, and anonymous as was his physique, he could not hide his features, at least, in European clothes. The clear blue eyes could be veiled, but that cliff-like brow was still obvious beneath a “cap, S.D.”

I think Lawrence realized that he had made a mistake. Complete anonymity is not to be found in the Royal Air Force. He had shed responsibility perhaps, but he had overlooked the fact that the R.A.F. was, and, one hopes, still is, a close-knit band with common aims and abundant mutual interest. Every member of the team is a matter of great interest to a great number of people. He could have hidden himself so much more easily in Islington or Charing Cross Road. In the R.A.F. he was a walking query. He knew it and hated it. He could do nothing about it. He bore it cheerfully. Perhaps it ministered to that masochism which was in him and which largely shaped his course.

The draft sailed in the old *Derbyshire*, long since defunct. The vessel swarmed with humanity; by day the deck was a market-place—it was hard to find squatting room. But Lawrence could usually find a perch for his small frame and quietly read Pepys. Like deck space, topics of conversation were limited. The troops quickly exhausted the officers (whom they did not know) and the officers' ladies and the nursing sisters who regarded them from the distant heights of the upper deck. Lawrence was in the midst of the troops. What was he doing in the R.A.F.? Was it true that he was a spy? Why was he going to India? Was he snooping for Air Ministry? The queries arose and buzzed on the troop decks. One afternoon they were put to me by a group tight-packed against the rail. I replied that I didn't know and didn't care. There was nothing we could do, anyway. Lawrence's business was his own. He obviously wanted to be left alone; the best and kindest thing would be to leave him so. I noted the expressions of my companions. Turning, I saw Lawrence. Clearly, he had heard. He grinned rather boyishly and walked away.

Thereafter he and I met several times on deck in the cool of the morning before the swarm arose. We chatted, but I do not recall that we said anything significant. He disliked “Helmets Wolseley, N.P.” and thought them ridiculously unnecessary. “I travelled thousands of miles up and down the coast,” he said once, indicating the red-burnt desolation of Arabia, “and I never wore one. I let my hair grow long down the back of my neck.” But mostly I think we preferred to be silent.

The last time I saw him was in the Union Jack Club a year before he died. He sat behind a newspaper in the reading room. He lowered the paper and I saw his features fully. He had matured. He had developed eyebrows at the base of that great brow. His nose and chin were more set. The likeness to George Bernard Shaw was startling. We half grinned and I passed on.

No doubt had I been a little less reserved with him, my memories of Lawrence might have been more valuable. But on the whole I am glad that I did not hammer on his shell.

A. W. H. M.

Winter 1949 - Staff Appointments (1)

STAFF APPOINTMENTS

THE following appointments have been made since the last issue of the JOURNAL:

HEADQUARTERS

P.A. to Commandant Flight Lieutenant C. O. Ellison, D.F.C.

CADET WING

Assistant Commandant, Equipment and Secretarial Wing Group Captain D. Lumgair.
C Squadron Commander Squadron Leader J. C. Breese, D.F.C.
Cadet Wing Officers:
B Squadron Flight Lieutenant J. de M. Severne.
C Squadron Flying Officer J. J. W. Salmond.

INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF

Senior Secretarial Instructor Wing Commander F. H. Shutt.
Senior Engineering Instructor Squadron Leader P. C. Cleaver, O.B.E.
Senior Aerodynamics Instructor Squadron Leader A. D. Button.
Senior G.C.T. Instructor Squadron Leader J. D. Blois, R.A.F. Regiment.

Instructors:

Aerodynamics Flight Lieutenant H. M. Dean.
Engineering Flight Lieutenant A. T. Cleare.
Meteorology V. Clarke, Esq.
Navigation Flight Lieutenant E. P. Wildy.
Radio Flight Lieutenant M. G. Fountain.
Ground Combat Training Flight Lieutenant V. J. G. Cole, R.A.F. Regiment.
Link Trainer Flight Lieutenant W. C. McKenzie.
Economics (E. & S. Wing) Flight Lieutenant A. W. H. MacDonald.
Equipment (E. & S. Wing) Flight Lieutenant L. G. Ayres.
Secretarial (E. & S. Wing) Flight Lieutenant A. A. Goddard.

FLYING WING

Chief Flying Instructor Wing Commander A. R. D. MacDonell, D.F.C.
Flying Instructors Flight Lieutenant D. W. Bedford.
 Flight Lieutenant P. M. Breton.
 Flight Lieutenant H. J. Dodgson.
 Flight Lieutenant R. F. H. Martin.
 Flight Lieutenant F. E. Smith.
 Flight Lieutenant F. Symonds, D.F.C., D.F.M.
 Flight Lieutenant J. C. Woods.
 Flying Officer M. J. E. Swiney.
 Flying Officer G. E. Tricker.
 Pilot Officer W. F. Aust.
 Pilot 1 D. Fisher.

TECHNICAL WING

Chief Technical Officer Wing Commander J. C. N. Law.

The following have left the College Staff:

Wing Commanders R. J. P. Prichard, O.B.E., D.F.C., A.F.C., and F. J. D. Oldland, O.B.E.
 Squadron Leaders W. L. Clarke, J. M. O. Dyer, D.F.C., A.F.C., J. A. Kemp and R. S. Pearce, D.F.C.
 Flight Lieutenants I. D. Bourne, R. Crouch, D.F.C., A. J. Houston, D.F.C., J. H. Lewis, J. D. Melrose, D.F.C., G. L. Pendred, J. N. Quick, J. R. Saunders and R. Verdon-Roe.
 Lieutenant-Colonel R. A. N. Lowther, M.C., and G. Corfield, Esq.
 Pilots II J. Barnard, W. Campbell, G. C. Hayward and A. W. Peddell.

SQUADRON LISTS

PROMOTIONS, AUTUMN TERM, 1949

A SQUADRON

Flight Cadet Under-Officer J. R. E. Edmondson-Jones.
 Flight Cadet Sergeant A. N. H. Heap.
 Flight Cadet Sergeant R. J. Spiers.
 Flight Cadet Corporal I. D. S. Cunningham.
 Flight Cadet Corporal R. W. Jenkins.
 Flight Cadet Corporal C. F. Pickard.
 Flight Cadet Corporal L. C. Swalwell.
 Flight Cadet Corporal R. E. Webster.

B SQUADRON

Flight Cadet Under-Officer I. D. Meredith.
 Flight Cadet Sergeant P. J. Bardon.
 Flight Cadet Sergeant H. E. Clements.
 Flight Cadet Corporal J. G. Bourn.
 Flight Cadet Corporal J. J. Guntrip.
 Flight Cadet Corporal D. Parratt.
 Flight Cadet Corporal C. J. S. Wood.

C SQUADRON

Flight Cadet Under-Officer G. H. Parkinson.
 Flight Cadet Sergeant R. J. Claridge.
 Flight Cadet Sergeant I. S. Macpherson.
 Flight Cadet Corporal E. N. Barrington-Reinganum.
 Flight Cadet Corporal A. R. L. Chester.
 Flight Cadet Corporal R. W. M. Dixon.
 Flight Cadet Corporal M. McD. Harvey.
 Flight Cadet Corporal P. A. Law.
 Flight Cadet Corporal A. Wright.

No. 55 ENTRY

A SQUADRON

A. I. Alder, Batley G.S. (Feltwell No. 3 F.T.S.).
 A. Beill, Rossall.
 L. G. Cockerill, Halton.
 D. P. Davison, Cotham G.S.
 J. Lewis Lloyd, Christ's College.
 R. P. McCormack, Shrewsbury (Wittering I.T.S.).
 R. Parfitt, Westport Technical College, N.Z. (Ternhill F.T.S.).
 R. Parker, St. Peter's, York.
 A. S. Paterson, H.M.S. Worcester (Ternhill No. 6 F.T.S.).
 N. R. C. Price, Tonbridge.
 K. A. L. Scroggs, Kilburn G.S.
 J. A. Tulk, Mundella G.S. (Ternhill No. 6 F.T.S.).
 J. W. Ward, Portsmouth North G.S.
 M. Young, Hamilton Academy.

B SQUADRON

D. R. Atkinson, Ossett G.S. (Feltwell No. 3 F.T.S.).
 R. J. Bannard, Harrow County G.S. (Cottesmore No. 7 F.T.S.).
 D. J. Belson, Northampton Central G.S.
 E. Bourne, Sittingbourne G.S.
 J. Cochrane, Strathallan (Middleton St. George No. 2 A.N.S.).
 P. J. Deakin, Ashford County G.S.
 B. E. G. Donawa, Queen's College, Taunton.
 T. R. Gribble, Cranleigh.
 D. A. Maddieson, Halton.
 R. C. F. Peirse, Bradfield.
 A. G. Pottage, Teignmouth G.S.
 G. L. Ranscombe, King William's College (Middleton St. George No. 2 A.N.S.).
 W. G. E. Wilson, Lincoln G.S. (Middleton St. George No. 2 A.N.S.).
 W. I. Worsley, Reading G.S.

C SQUADRON

J. W. Burton, Harrow County G.S.
 A. J. B. Butler, Old Swan T.S.
 M. R. Eaves, Birkenhead.
 E. F. W. Gregory, Halton.
 D. P. Hall, Hull G.S.
 J. G. F. Hewitt, Tonbridge.
 J. E. B. Jones, Radley College.
 A. L. Leveridge, Cranwell.
 D. S. Lilley, March G.S. (Middleton St. George No. 2 A.N.S.).
 D. W. Lowe, Stretford G.S.
 J. J. Parker, Clitheroe Royal G.S.
 J. D. Ross, Holt G.S.
 D. J. Surridge, Birkenhead.

Winter 1949 - Staff Appointments (2)

EQUIPMENT AND SECRETARIAL WING, DIGBY

The following appointments are for the term 1949-50

No. 6 ENTRY

A FLIGHT

B. J. Ball (E.), Ramsey G.S., I.o.M., and R. L. Lees (S.), Wellington College, Berks.
Halton. A. W. Law (S.), Rye G.S.
R. G. Davey (E.), Wyggeston School. R. A. Montalto (S.), St. Louis College, Malta.
V. A. Hodgkinson (S.), Kilburn G.S. B. H. Plaskett (E.), Hounslow College.

B FLIGHT

D. A. Atherton (S.), King Edward VI School, R. E. Gladding (E.), Thunridge School,
Norwich. R. A. O'Driscoll (S.), Christian Brothers
J. K. Cracren-Griffiths (E.), Henry Thornton's College, Naas, Eire.
School. C. G. H. Pierce (S.), Ramsey Abbey.
R. H. H. Dauncey (S.), Taunton School. P. W. Rose (S.), Wycliffe College.

CONTEMPORARIES

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