

**24th/39th Battalion.**—Captain (provisionally) I. P. Fiddian is transferred to the Reserve of Officers (Inf.), 19th December, 1939. The age for retirement of Captain A. G. Brown, M.C., is extended for a period of one year from 4th June, 1939.

**37th Battalion.**—Captain H. M. Tasker is transferred from the Unattached List, 18th December, 1939.

**46th Battalion.**—To be Lieutenant (provisionally)—Field Grosvenor Rickards, 17th October, 1939.

**52nd Battalion.**—To be Major (temporarily)—Captain L. J. M. Blanksby, and to remain seconded, 7th December, 1939. Major A. E. Symons, E.D., is transferred from the Unattached List, 15th December, 1939.

**58th Battalion.**—Lieutenant (provisionally) H. F. Richardson is granted the temporary rank of Captain whilst holding the appointment of Staff Captain, 15th Infantry Brigade, 10th October, 1939.

#### 4TH DIVISION.

##### Army Service Corps.

**Australian Army Service Corps.—Remount Section.**—To be Major (temporarily)—Captain C. A. C. Lotherington, 8th December, 1939.

##### Army Ordnance Corps.

**Australian Army Ordnance Corps.—Ordnance Workshop Company.**—To be Lieutenant (provisionally)—Robert James Urquhart, 7th December, 1939.

#### ARTILLERY.

**Royal Australian Artillery (Militia).**—Field Artillery—Captain H. F. Samson is seconded for Staff duties, 11th September, 1939. Medium Artillery—Captain J. R. Hearle is transferred to the Reserve of Officers (Arty.), 19th December, 1939.

#### SIGNALS.

**Australian Corps of Signals.**—To be Lieutenant (provisionally)—James Francis Ryan, 8th November, 1939. The probationary appointments of Lieutenants E. A. Avery and D. B. F. X. Leeming are confirmed.

#### ARMY CHAPLAINS' DEPARTMENT.

**Australian Army Chaplains' Department.**—To be Chaplain (4th Class)—Arthur Davison Fox, 19th December, 1939. Lieutenant C. M. Thomas from the Reserve of Officers (Inf.) is appointed Chaplain (4th Class), 20th December, 1939.

#### ARMY SERVICE CORPS.

**Australian Army Service Corps.**—Captain F. H. Fitzpatrick, D.C.M., is seconded for Staff duties, and is granted the temporary rank of Major whilst so seconded, 24th November, 1939.

#### ARMY MEDICAL CORPS.

**Australian Army Medical Corps.**—To be Captain (provisionally)—Robert Henry Levinge Dunn, 22nd December, 1939.

**Unattached List.**—To be Captain—Lieutenant W. G. L. Cartwright, 27th October, 1939. Captain G. H. Bush is appointed from the Reserve of Officers (Cav.), 24th November, 1939.

**Reserve of Officers (Sigs.).**—To be Lieutenant (provisionally)—Alexander Grant, 23rd December, 1939.

**Reserve of Officers (Inf.).**—To be Captains (temporarily)—Lieutenants (provisionally) W. C. Copperthwaite and F. J. Howard, 27th December, 1939 and 29th December, 1939, respectively. To be Lieutenant (provisionally)—Alistair Scobie Mackinnon, 28th December, 1939.

**Reserve of Officers (A.A.O.C.).**—To be Captains (temporarily)—Lieutenants A. T. J. Owen and C. Buchanan, 1st December, 1939 and 22nd December, 1939, respectively. To be Lieutenant (provisionally)—Raymond Redvers Van Senden, 19th December, 1939.

**Reserve of Officers (A.A.V.C.A.).**—To be Captains (provisionally)—Rodney Heath and Macdonald Stuart Anderson, 22nd December, 1939.

**Reserve of Officers (A.A.L.D.).**—To be Captain—William Travers Charles, 27th December, 1939. Reserve of Officers—The resignation of Lieutenant C. E. Palstra of his commission is accepted, 8th October, 1939.

#### 4TH MILITARY DISTRICT.

##### 2ND CAVALRY DIVISION.

##### Cavalry.

**3rd Light Horse Regiment.**—To be Major (temporarily)—Captain T. H. Newton, 19th December, 1939.

##### 4TH DIVISION.

##### Infantry.

**10th Battalion.**—The probationary appointments of Lieutenants G. R. Stuckey and G. S. Edmunds are confirmed.

#### SIGNALS.

**Australian Corps of Signals.**—To be Captain (temporarily)—Lieutenant A. E. Cousin, 13th December, 1939.

#### ARMY LEGAL DEPARTMENT.

**Australian Army Legal Department.**—Captain H. W. Martin is seconded for Staff duties, 4th September, 1939.

#### 6TH MILITARY DISTRICT.

##### Artillery.

**Royal Australian Artillery (Militia).**—Heavy Artillery—To be Captain (temporarily)—Lieutenant M. S. Pritchard, 20th December, 1939.

##### Engineers.

**Royal Australian Engineers (Militia).**—Field Units—To be Major (temporarily)—Captain A. W. Knight, 20th December, 1939.

##### Signals.

**Australian Corps of Signals.**—To be Captain (temporarily)—Lieutenant G. W. Leekey, 30th November, 1939.

##### Infantry.

**12th/50th Battalion.**—To be Captain (temporarily)—Lieutenant (provisionally) G. W. Turner, 12th December, 1939.

**40th Battalion.**—To be Captains (temporarily)—Lieutenants T. M. Lipscombe and F. F. Harris, 12th December, 1939; Lieutenant J. W. C. Wyatt, and to remain seconded, 12th December, 1939; Lieutenants (provisionally) B. W. Brain, B. O. Plummer and A. C. Elliott, 12th December, 1939.

#### WESTERN COMMAND.

##### COMMAND HEAD-QUARTERS.

##### Artillery.

**Royal Australian Artillery (Militia).**—Heavy Artillery—To be Major (temporarily)—Captain F. C. M. Vaughan, 15th December, 1939. To be Captains (temporarily)—Lieutenants E. W. J. Lamperd and J. F. T. Hogan, 15th December, 1939.

##### Engineers.

**Royal Australian Engineers (Militia).**—Fortress Units—To be Major (temporarily)—Captain F. B. Durrant, 15th December, 1939. To be Captains (temporarily)—Lieutenants K. F. Hudson and A. W. Holmes, 15th December, 1939.

##### Infantry.

**16th Battalion.**—To be Captains (temporarily)—Lieutenants G. M. T. Orgill, K. A. Barker and J. B. Thompson, 15th December, 1939. Major J. P. Cox is transferred from the 44th Battalion, 1st January, 1940.

#### ARMY CHAPLAINS' DEPARTMENT.

**Australian Army Chaplains' Department.**—To be Chaplains (4th Class)—The Reverends Leonard Bothamley, Thomas Brian Macdonald and Ralph Thomas, 15th December, 1939. Chaplain (4th Class) the Reverend E. Sullivan is appointed Senior Chaplain, Roman Catholic Denomination, and is granted the temporary classification of Chaplain (1st Class) whilst holding such appointment, 18th December, 1939, vice Chaplain (4th Class) (Temporary 1st Class) the Reverend G. P. O'Callaghan who relinquishes the appointment and the temporary classification of Chaplain (1st Class), on 12th November, 1939.

#### ARMY SERVICE CORPS.

**Australian Army Service Corps.**—To be Captains (temporarily)—Lieutenants L. C. Howes, W. Woods, M. M. J. Major and G. A. Taylor, 15th December, 1939.

#### ARMY MEDICAL CORPS.

**Australian Army Medical Corps.**—Captain (provisionally) C. L. Anderson is brought on the authorized establishment, 12th December, 1939.

**Reserve of Officers (Inf.).**—To be Captain (temporarily)—Lieutenant (provisionally) R. R. Phillips, 23rd November, 1939.

**Reserve of Officers (A.A.S.C.).**—To be Captain (temporarily)—Lieutenant (provisionally) G. G. Hack, 5th December, 1939.

**Reserve of Officers.**—To be Captain (temporarily)—Lieutenant B. D. Bryant, 11th December, 1939.—(Ex. Min. No. 10—Approved 10th January, 1940.)

G. A. STREET, Minister for the Army.

#### AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

**H**IS Excellency the Governor-General in Council has approved of the following changes, &c., being made in connexion with the Australian Military Forces:—

#### NORTHERN COMMAND.

##### COMMAND HEAD-QUARTERS.

##### Infantry.

**31st Battalion.**—Captain J. M. Stringer is seconded for Staff duties, 28th November, 1939.