

PERSONAL NEWS

Vice-Admiral L. E. S. H. Le Bailly, C.B., O.B.E., C.Eng., F.I.Mech.E., M.I.Mar.E., M.Inst.Pet., became the Deputy Chief of Defence Staff (Intelligence) in February, 1971, in succession to Lieutenant-General Sir Richard Fyffe, K.B.E., C.B., D.S.O., M.C. He was from August, 1970, Director of Service Intelligence.

Rear-Admiral G. F. A. Trewby, C.Eng., M.I.Mech.E., M.I.Mar.E., M.R.I.N.A., will assume his appointment as Chief of Fleet Support in July, 1971, in the acting rank of Vice-Admiral, in succession to Admiral Sir Francis Turner, K.C.B., D.S.C., having served for the previous two years as Assistant Controller (Polaris).

Rear-Admiral D. N. Callaghan, C.B., C.Eng., M.I.Mech.E., retired from the Navy in April of this year after a long and distinguished naval career.

Admiral Callaghan entered the Navy as a Dartmouth cadet in 1929 and trained in H.M.S. *Frobisher* and at the R.N.E.C., Keyham, before joining the *Royal Oak* which was then employed on Spanish Civil War patrols. In 1938 he served in the *Iron Duke* and in 1939, the *Warspite*, which at that time was the Flagship in the Mediterranean, and early in 1941 served for four months on the staff of S.N.O. Inshore Minesweepers, operating in North African ports. In April, 1941, he became the Engineer Officer of H.M.S. *Hereward* which was sunk off Crete the following month and he was a prisoner of war in Italy and Germany for the next four years. From 1945 to 1948 he served successively as the Senior Engineer of H.M.S. *Argonaut* and H.M.S. *Glory* on the Far East Station and returned in 1948 to join the staff of the B.R.N.C., Dartmouth, as the Senior Engineering Instructor. On promotion to Commander in December, 1949, he qualified as an O/E officer and later became Assistant Admiralty Ordnance Engineer Overseer, Southern Area. He subsequently served as Liaison Officer to the Director of Naval Ordnance at the Ministry of Supply Armament Design Establishment, as the Commander(E) of H.M.S. *Excellent*, and from 1956-58 was the Engineer Officer of H.M.S. *Eagle*. He was promoted to Captain in December, 1958, while serving for a short period at the R.N.T.S., Woolwich, on Tactical Investigation, and in February, 1959, joined the Weapons Department at Bath as Assistant Director(M), Surface Weapons. On completion of the Senior Officers War Course in October, 1962, he became the Commanding Officer of H.M.S. *Caledonia*, the Artificer Apprentices Training Establishment, and in March, 1965, returned to the Weapons Department at Bath as the Director of Surface Weapons. He was promoted to Flag Rank on 7th January, 1968, and in the following month became the Senior Naval Member and Vice-President (Naval) of the Ordnance Board in London where he served until his retirement.

Rear-Admiral C. W. H. Shepherd, C.B.E., after a short period of duty with the Controller, took up his appointment as Assistant Controller (Polaris) in March, 1971, in succession to Rear-Admiral G. F. A. Trewby. From October, 1968, until October, 1970, he was Director Project Team (Submarines) at Bath.

Rear-Admiral H. D. Nixon, M.V.O., C.Eng., F.I.Mech.E., M.I.Mar.E., F.Inst.Pet., was promoted to Flag Rank on 7th January, 1971, and in March took up his appointment as Senior Naval Member, and Vice-President(N), of the Ordnance Board.

Admiral Nixon joined the Navy as a Special Entry cadet in May, 1938, and was training at Keyham during the Plymouth 'blitz' period. During the war he also served in H.M.S. *Suffolk* in the Arctic; in H.M.S. *Indomitable* during the Sicily landings when she was torpedoed, and later in the Far East with the British Pacific Fleet. Since the war he has served afloat as the Senior Engineer of H.M.S. *Devonshire*, the Cadet Training Cruiser, and as the Engineer Officer of H.M. Yacht *Britannia*, undertaking the first voyage round the world of a Royal Yacht. His shore appointments have included two dockyards: Hong Kong as junior afloat assistant and Malta as a senior assistant in charge of factory production; two spells at the R.N. Engineering College, first as a marine engineering lecturer and Sports Officer of Keyham and Manadon and then as the First Lieutenant at Manadon and, later, as the Executive Commander; and for three years as the Inspector of the Fuels, Lubricants and Materials Section in the Ship Department at Bath. After promotion to Captain in June, 1962, he

served successively as the Naval Engineer Overseer Midland, and later Southern District; as the Commanding Officer of H.M.S. *Sultan*, the R.N. Marine Engineering School; and, after qualifying at the Imperial Defence College, as the Director of Fleet Maintenance in Bath.

Admiral Nixon represented the Royal Navy at the 1947 Royal Tournament in bayonet fighting, played hockey for Devon in 1948, and in 1954 won the Mediterranean Fleet dinghy championships, but his sole claim to fame is that of being the only 'E' officer to have qualified in the Long P.T. Course.

Captain D. J. I. Garstin retired from the Navy in January of this year after a notable career of 33 years' service.

Entering the Navy in January, 1938, he trained at the R.N.E.C., Keyham, and went to sea for a year in H.M.S. *King George V* before qualifying at the Advanced Engineering Course at Greenwich. From 1945–6 he was the Assistant F.E.O., British Pacific Fleet, and from 1946–7 the Flight Deck Engineer Officer of H.M.S. *Venerable*. He then joined the Admiralty, Bath, as Assistant Inspector of the Pipes and Valves Section of the Engineer-in-Chief's Department and this was followed by three years in the Carrier Equipment Department at the R.A.E., Farnborough, where he was concerned with the development of the BH5 and the early development of the slotted-cylinder catapults. He was the Engineer Officer of H.M.S. *Scorpion* from 1952–3 and, after completing the R.N. Staff Course, went to the Admiralty Fuel Experimental Station at Haslar as the Chief Experimental Officer. From 1957 he served for two years on loan service to the R.C.N. as Head of the Naval Engineering Design Investigation Team in Montreal, and on return to the United Kingdom became the Engineer Officer of H.M.S. *Hermes*, standing by building and afterwards taking her to sea. He was promoted to Captain in December, 1961, while serving for a short period as the Inspector of the Carrier Section of the Ship Department and, after completing the Senior Officers War Course, returned to Bath where he served for three years as Assistant Director in the Marine Engineering Division. From 1965–68 he served in H.M.S. *Warrior* where he held the posts of Deputy Chief Staff Officer (Technical) on the staff of C.-in-C., Home Fleet, and Marine Engineer Officer on the staff of C.-in-C. EASTLANT and, after qualifying at the Imperial Defence College, became Chief Staff Officer (Technical) to Flag Officer Sea Training and Captain of Portland Naval Base where he served until his retirement.

Captain Garstin has always been a keen rugby player and was for many years a member of the Somerset R.F.U. Referees Association; while serving in Bath he could regularly be seen refereeing local club games.

Captain B. McHugh, who is the Chief Staff Officer (Technical) to Flag Officer, Medway, and Captain Fleet Maintenance, Chatham, became in October, 1970, in addition to his present posts, the Senior Officer Reserve Ships, Chatham.

Captain S. F. Barton, C.Eng., F.I.Mech.E., M.I.Mar.E., who was from October, 1968, the Commanding Officer of H.M.S. *Sultan*, took up his appointment on 1st March, 1971, as Chief Officer (Training) on the Staff of CINCPACNAVHOME.

Captain H. R. C. Young took up his appointment with D.G. Ships as the Chairman of the Naval Nuclear Technical Safety Panel on 1st May, 1971. He had served since September, 1968, with the Polaris Executive in Bath as Deputy Director Weapons (Polaris).

Captain H. Gardner will take up his appointment as Chief of Staff to CINCPACFLT in Portsmouth on 6th June, 1971, where he will serve in the rank of Commodore. From November, 1968, he was the Chief Staff Officer (Technical) on the staff of Commander, Far East Fleet. More recently he has qualified at the Imperial Defence College.

Captain D. G. Satow, C.Eng., M.I.Mech.E., A.M.I.Mar.E., will take up his appointment with the Naval Secretary as Director of Naval Officer Appointments(E) on 4th June, 1971. He was from June, 1969, The Commanding Officer of H.M.S. *Thunderer*, the R.N. Engineering College at Manadon.

Captain H. W. F. Lowman, C.Eng., M.I.Mech.E., became the Director of Fleet Maintenance on 12th February, 1971. He was previously the Deputy Director.

Captain W. G. McBurn, C.Eng., M.I.Mech.E., M.I.Mar.E., took up his appointment as the Superintendent, Admiralty Engineering Laboratory, at West Drayton on 24th March, 1971. He was previously the Commanding Officer of H.M.S. *Caledonia*, the R.N. Engineering School at Rosyth.

Captain B. V. W. Tyler, M.A., became the Superintendent of the Admiralty Marine Engineering Establishment, Haslar, in April of this year. From February, 1967, until July, 1970, he was an Assistant Director, Engineering, in the Ship Department at Bath and, more recently, he has attended the Senior Officers War Course.

Captain C. P. H. Gibbon, C.Eng., F.I.E.E., M.I.R.E., M.I.E.R.E., assumed Command of H.M.S. *Thunderer*, the R.N. Engineering College, Manadon, on 26th April, 1971. He was previously the Chief Staff Officer (Material) to Flag Officer Submarines at H.M.S. *Dolphin*.

Captain W. J. McClune, M.Sc., C.Eng., M.I.E.E., became the Commanding Officer of H.M.S. *Collingwood*, the R.N. Weapon and Electrical Engineering School at Fareham on 3rd June, 1971. He had previously attended courses at the R.N. War College, Greenwich, and, more recently, served for a short period on the Flag Officer Admiralty Interview Board at H.M.S. *Sultan*.

Captain D. J. N. Porter, M.A., C.Eng., F.I.Mech.E., M.I.Mar.E., took up his appointment as the Commanding Officer of H.M.S. *Fisgard*, the R.N. Apprentices Training Establishment at Torpoint on 24th March, 1971. He had previously served in London as a member of the Naval Manpower Future Policy Division.

Captain R. G. Lewis-Jones, C.B.E., took up his appointment as Naval Ship Production Overseer, South East District, in November, 1970. He was previously the Director of Air Armament (Naval) with D.G.A.(N).

Captain W. T. Pillar, who was the Naval Ship Production Overseer, Scotland and Northern Ireland, joined the Ship Department on 3rd February, 1971, as Assistant Director, Engineering. He has recently qualified at the Imperial Defence College.

Captain M. S. Drewett, C.Eng., M.I.Mech.E., became the Commanding Officer of H.M.S. *Caledonia* on 27th February, 1971, having served from June, 1968, as the Naval Ship Production Overseer, South East Area.

Captain J. T. Checketts joined the D.N. Plans Directorate on 26th February, 1971, taking up his appointment as Assistant Director of Naval Plans. He was promoted to his present rank in June, 1970, while serving with D.G.A.(N) and, more recently has attended a course at the NATO Defence College in Rome.

Captain J. A. Beadon, C.Eng., M.I.Mech.E., A.F.R.Ae.S., took up his appointment in Devonport Dockyard on 15th January, 1971, as Deputy Manager (Ships). He was promoted to Captain in June, 1970, while serving as the General Manager, R.N.A.Y., Fleetlands, and more recently served for a short period on the Flag Officer Admiralty Interview Board at H.M.S. *Sultan*.

Captain R. G. Baylis, O.B.E., M.A., C.Eng., F.I.E.E., A.F.R.Ae.S., was appointed Captain-in-Charge, Ship Maintenance Authority, Captain Reserve Ships Authority, and Assistant Director of Fleet Maintenance on 4th January, 1971. He was promoted to his present rank in June, 1970, while serving as the Training Commander of H.M.S. *Collingwood*.

Captain A. J. Towers, C.Eng., M.I.Mech.E., joined the Ship Department at Bath on 15th February, 1971, taking up his appointment as Assistant Director, Engineering. He was promoted to his present rank while serving on the staff of C.-in-C., Western Fleet. Previously he was the Engineer Officer of H.M.S. *London*.

Captain D. F. Robbins took up his appointment as Assistant Director (RN) Aircraft and Helicopter Development Branch, M.A.S., on 15th February, 1971. He was previously serving with D.N.O.A.(E) in London where he was promoted to his present rank in December, 1970.

Captain A. R. Manvell, B.Sc.(Eng.), C.Eng., M.I.Mech.E., F.R.Ae.S., was promoted to his present rank in December, 1970, and in January, 1971, was appointed for duty with Assistant Controller (Polaris) as Deputy Director Weapons (Polaris). He had previously served with D.G.W.(N).

Captain J. S. Brooks, C.Eng., F.I.E.R.E., M.B.I.M., became the Deputy Director of Fleet Maintenance on 12th February, 1971. He had previously served with DGW(N) as Assistant Director, Weapons Co-ordination (Trials and Inspections) at Bath.
