

PERSONAL NEWS

Vice-Admiral Sir Philip Watson, K.B.E., M.V.O., who has been Director General Weapons (Naval), Chief Naval Engineer Officer, and Senior Naval Representative Bath, retired from the Navy in March this year.

A synopsis of his career appeared in Volume 21, No. 3, of this Journal.

Rear-Admiral D. G. Satow, who is Deputy Director General Ships, became Chief Naval Engineer Officer and Senior Naval Representative Bath in succession to Admiral Watson in February this year.

A synopsis of Admiral Satow's career appeared in Volume 23, No. 1 of this Journal.

Rear-Admiral H. Gardner, C.B., who has been President of the Ordnance Board since March 1976, retired from the Navy in March this year.

Admiral Gardner entered Dartmouth as a Special Entry cadet in 1940, trained there and at the R.N.E. College and then served in H.M.S. *Nigeria* and *Cumberland* in the Far East. In 1944 he qualified as a submariner and for the next ten years served in submarine appointments which included: H.M.S. *Adamant* and E.O. of *Totem* in Trincomali and Australia; Assistant Inspector of the I.C.E. Maintenance Section of E.-in-C.'s Department at Bath; and E.O. of H.M.S. *Telemachus* in Australia. For two years he was the Admiralty Representative at Barrow during the development and shop trials of the H.T.P. plant for the S/Ms *Explorer* and *Excalibur*. Returning to general service in September 1954, he became the Senior Engineer of H.M.S. *Eagle* where, in December 1955, he was promoted to commander. For the following two years he was the Training Commander of H.M.S. *Caledonia* and from 1958 to 1960 was the Engineer Officer of H.M.S. *Blackpool* and S.E.O. of the 6th Frigate Squadron. He then went to Rosyth Dockyard, first as Commander II and later as Commander I, and, in November 1963, served for a short period in H.M.S. *Maidstone* at Faslane as the S.E.O. and Chief Technical Officer of the 3rd Submarine Squadron before his promotion to captain in June 1964. After being Deputy Manager, Engineering Department, Devonport Dockyard from 1964 to 1967, he became Chief Engineer of Singapore Dockyard in October 1967 and in November 1968 was appointed as Chief Staff Officer (Technical) on the staff of Commander, Far East Fleet. In June 1971, he became Chief of Staff to CINCNAVHOME in which appointment he served in the rank of commodore, and, in July 1973, he was promoted to rear-admiral subsequently becoming the Senior Naval Member of the Ordnance Board.

Rear-Admiral P. B. Hogg, who took up his appointment as Defence Adviser Canberra in the acting rank of rear-admiral in May, is to be promoted to that rank in July this year.

Admiral Hogg joined the Navy in 1943 as a cadet and qualified in engineering at the R.N.E.C. and later at the 'dagger' course at the R.N.C. Greenwich. His earlier appointments included H.M.S. *Swiftsure*, service with the R.C.N., and later on the staff of the R.N.E.C. Manadon. Promoted to commander in June 1959, he subsequently served as Training Commander, H.M.S. *Sultan*, as Marine Engineer Officer, H.M.S. *Hampshire*, and, after completing the J.S.S.C., in the Directorate of Marine Engineering, Ship Department, Bath. After being promoted to captain in December 1967, he continued in the Ship Department in charge of the Forward Design Group. From 1969 to 1971 he was in command of H.M.S. *Tyne* and Chief Staff

Officer (Technical) to Flag Officer Plymouth and Captain Fleet Maintenance Plymouth. After attending the Royal College of Defence Studies in 1972, he took command of H.M.S. *Caledonia* from 1973 to 1974. From 1974 to 1976, he was Director of Naval Recruiting.

Captain M. S. Drewett, who was Chief Staff Officer (Engineering) to Flag Officer Sea Training and Captain Portland Naval Base, retired from the Navy in January this year.

Captain Drewett joined the Navy as a Special Entry cadet in Aug. 1941, and, after training in engineering at the R.N.E.C., his earlier appointments included H.M.S. *Belfast*, Engineer Officer H.M.S. *Constance*, and, later, on the staff of the R.N.E.C. Manadon. After promotion to commander in June 1958, he became Marine Engineer Officer of H.M.S. *Delight*, served from 1961 to 1963 with the Ministry of Aviation at the GTE Pyestock, and from 1963 to 1967 was Marine Engineer Officer H.M.S. *Glamorgan*. Promoted to captain in December 1967, he attended the Senior Officers' War Course, before becoming Naval Ship Production Overseer South East from 1971 to 1973. After being in command of H.M.S. *Caledonia* from 1971 to 1973, he was appointed to the Ship Department as an Assistant Director Engineering.

Captain K. H. Wyman, who was Planning Manager, H.M. Dockyard Portsmouth since 1974, retired from the Navy in January this year.

Captain Wyman joined the R.N.V.R. as a midshipman in 1942 and later transferred to the Royal Navy. His earlier appointments included service in the Radio Equipment Department from 1949 to 1951, as Deputy Electrical Officer H.M.S. *Cleopatra*, and at H.M.S. *Royal Arthur*, the R.N. Petty Officers' School, before becoming Electrical Officer of H.M.S. *Defender* in 1956. After promotion to commander in June 1958, he served on the staff of Flag Officer Aircraft Carriers carrying out Fleet Work Study duties, before joining the Admiralty for duty with the Head of Fleet Work Study. From 1962 to 1963 he was on the staff of the Director of Fleet Maintenance, and from 1963 to 1965 he was Ship and Squadron Weapons and Electrical Engineer Officer in H.M.S. *Galatea*, before being appointed to the staff of the General Manager, H.M. Dockyard Chatham in 1965. He was promoted to captain in December 1967, and subsequently served as Deputy Electrical Engineering Manager, H.M. Dockyard Devonport from 1968 to 1971, on the staff of C.-in-C. Fleet as Fleet Weapons and Electrical Engineer Officer from 1971 to 1973, and attended a course at the NATO Defence College, Rome 1973-4 before taking up his final appointment.

Captain K. W. Bradley, who was an Assistant Director Design Electrical in the Ship Department, retired from the Navy in January this year.

Captain Bradley joined the R.N.V.R. as a sub-lieutenant (A) in July 1943 and transferred to the Royal Navy in 1946 as a lieutenant (L). His earlier appointments included H.M.S. *Ariel*, H.M.S. *Seahawk*, and H.M.S. *Glory* as Electrical Officer. He was appointed to commander in June 1959, and after serving with the Ministry of Supply joined the staff of the Director General Aircraft in 1960. After serving with the Director General Weapons at Bath from 1962 to 1965, he became Weapons and Electrical Engineer Officer of H.M.S. *Hampshire* in 1966. After promotion to captain in December 1967, he served first with Director General Ships in the Directorate of Electrical Engineering from 1968 to 1970 before attending the Royal College of Defence Studies. From 1972 to 1974 he again served with DGW(N) at the AUWE Portland as a Project Manager before taking up his final appointment in 1975.

Captain J. T. Checketts, who has been Assistant Director (R.N.) Aircraft and Helicopters at the Ministry of Defence, retired from the Navy in January this year.

Captain Checketts joined the R.N.V.R. as a midshipman in July 1944 and transferred to the R.N. as a sub-lieutenant (E) in August 1946. Qualified in flying, his earlier appointments included (P)AE with 807 Squadron, service at H.M.S. *Nuthatch*, the R.N.A.S. at Anthorn, and later at H.M.S. *Daedalus*. After being promoted to commander in December 1960, he served as Assistant Naval, Military and Air Attaché Rio de Janeiro from 1961 to 1962, and as Naval, Military and Air Attaché there in the acting rank of captain from 1962 to 1964. From 1964 to 1965 he served with D.G.A.(N) as Phantom Co-ordinating Officer, and from 1965 to 1967 with D.N.A.W. as Technical Adviser, before joining H.M.S. *Victorious* in 1967 as Air Engineer Officer. After completing the J.S.S.C. in 1968, he became Technical Assistant to D.G.A.(N). He was promoted to captain in June 1970, and after attending the NATO Defence College, Rome, he served in the Ministry of Defence as Assistant Director of Naval Plans (NATO) before taking up his final appointment in 1973.