

# PERSONAL NEWS

**Vice-Admiral Sir Peter Walker, K.B.E., C.B., D.S.C., C.Eng., M.I.Mech.E., M.I.Mar.E.**, the Chief Naval Engineer Officer, retired from active service in September, 1967.

His entry into the Royal Navy as a cadet in September, 1929, was the beginning of 38 years' service which led him through many important appointments and eventually to the very top of the Engineering Specialization. He was promoted to Lieutenant in 1934 and the following year qualified in advanced mechanical engineering at the Royal Naval College, Greenwich.

At the outbreak of the Second World War he was serving in H.M.S. *Cornwall* on the Home and China Stations and in 1940, shortly before being promoted to Lieutenant-Commander, was appointed to the Engineer-in-Chief's Department, Bath. In 1943, as a Commander, he joined H.M.S. *Duke of York* and it was for his services in this ship that he was awarded the D.S.C. After further war-time service in H.M.S. *Berwick* he returned to the Engineer-in-Chief's Department in 1946 and for the next three years was closely concerned with the early design stages of both the Deltic and A.S.R.1 engines. In 1949 he was appointed for flotilla duties with the 1st Destroyer Flotilla in the Mediterranean, serving in H.M.S. *Chequers* and H.M.S. *Phoenicia*.

He was promoted to Captain in June, 1954, while serving as Senior First Assistant to the Engineering Manager of Portsmouth Dockyard, and in October of that year was appointed Chief Engineer of Hongkong Dockyard. In May, 1957, he was appointed Naval Assistant to the Third Sea Lord at the Admiralty, and in October, 1960, became Chief Staff Officer (Technical) to the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean. He was promoted to Rear-Admiral in January, 1962, and in the following May took up the appointment of Director-General Dockyards and Maintenance, which he held for a period of five years until his retirement. During this time he undertook the responsibilities of Chief Naval Engineer Officer and Senior Naval Representative, Bath, in 1963, and was made a C.B. in the following year. He was promoted to Vice-Admiral in August, 1965, and created a K.B.E. in the New Year Honours of 1967.

**Rear-Admiral H. H. Hughes, C.B., B.Sc., C.Eng., A.M.I.E.E.**, was appointed Director of Engineering (Ships) on 18th September, 1967. He also holds the additional posts of Chief Naval Engineer Officer and Senior Naval Representative, Bath.

Admiral Hughes, an electrical engineer, transferred to the Royal Navy as a Lieutenant-Commander from the R.N.V.R. in 1945. As a Commander, he was the Electrical Officer of H.M.S. *Vanguard* from 1948–49 and later served in the Electrical Engineering Department at the Admiralty in Bath. From 1952–53 he was the Electrical Officer on the staff of the Senior Officer Reserve Ships at Chatham, after which he joined the staff of the Electrical Engineering Manager in Chatham Dockyard. Promoted to Captain in December, 1956, he served in the Dockyard Department at Bath and in 1960 became an Assistant Director of Electrical Engineering in the Ship Department. In 1962 he commanded H.M.S. *Collingwood*, the R.N. Electrical School. The following year he returned to Bath as the Deputy Director of Naval Electrical Engineering and later, after his promotion to Flag Rank in July, 1964, became the Director.

**Rear-Admiral W. A. Haynes, O.B.E.**, became the Director-General Dockyards and Maintenance on 25th August, 1967, in succession to Vice-Admiral Sir Peter Walker, K.B.E., C.B., D.S.C. He had previously served since early 1963 as the Director of Naval Ship Production in the Ship Department. A biographical note appeared in Vol. 16, No. 3.

**Rear-Admiral C. F. Kemp, C.B.**, retired from the Navy on 28th September, 1967. He had served since July, 1965, in H.M.S. *Daedalus* as Rear-Admiral Engineering to Flag Officer Naval Air Command.

Admiral Kemp joined the Navy in 1931. During the war he served in H.M. ships *Ajax* and *Hood*, and the Air Stations at Lee-on-Solent and Yeovilton. An Air Engineer Officer and a qualified pilot, he was appointed in 1945 to the Air Staff of the British Admiralty Delegation in Washington, being promoted to Commander in December of that year. From 1947 to 1950, he was the Air Engineer Officer first at the R.N.A.S., Dale and then at Lossiemouth, and from 1950–52 was the Engineer Officer of H.M.S. *Mauritius* and F.E.O., East Indies. In 1952 he went to the R.N.A.S., Bramcote, as the Air Engineer Officer and Training Commander, and two years later became the A.E.O. at the R.N.A.S., Anthorn. He was promoted to Captain in December, 1956, and later became Assistant Director (Material) with D.A.M.R. in London. In 1959 he was appointed Command Technical Officer to Flag Officer Air (Home) and from 1962 to 1965 was the Superintendent, R.N.A.Y., Belfast.

**Rear-Admiral C. H. S. Wise, C.B., M.B.E.**, retired from active service on 27th September, 1967.

Before World War II, Admiral Wise qualified as a Torpedo Officer and during the early part of the war served in H.M.S. *Enterprise* on Atlantic convoys and in the Norwegian Campaign. An electrical specialist, he was promoted to Commander in 1947, and from 1948–50 was the Training Commander of H.M.S. *Collingwood*. He then served in Chatham Dockyard and in the Dockyard Department in Bath, and from 1954–56 was the Electrical Officer of H.M.S. *Cumberland*. He was promoted to Captain in December 1957 and later served for over three years as Assistant Director in the Surface Division of the Weapons Department at Bath, and for a year as the Commanding Officer of H.M.S. *Collingwood*.

**Captain M. W. Peters, C.Eng., A.M.I.Mech.E.**, joined the Organization and Methods Division (Naval) in London on 19th July, 1967, taking up his appointment as Head of Management Information Branch. He had previously served as the Naval Attache in Rio de Janeiro.

**Captain J. W. Mott, M.V.O., C.Eng., A.M.I.Mech.E.**, will take up his appointment as the Commanding Officer of H.M.S. *Condor*, the R.N. Air Station, Arbroath, on 13th December, 1967. He was previously the Naval and Air Attache in Belgrade.

**Captain E. G. Griffin** will take up his appointment with the Defence Intelligence Staff in London on 1st December, 1967, as Captain Technical Intelligence (Naval). For the previous two years he was the Superintendent of the Admiralty Engineering Laboratory at West Drayton.

**Captain R. H. P. Elvin, C.Eng., M.I.Mech.E.**, became the Naval District Engineer Overseer, Northern District, in May of this year having previously completed the Senior Officers War Course in Greenwich. He was from December, 1964, Captain-in-Charge, Ship Maintenance Authority and Deputy Director of Fleet Maintenance in Portsmouth.

**Captain R. H. Webber, D.I.C.**, was appointed for duty with the Director of Naval Administrative Planning as the Deputy Director in June, 1967. From January, 1964 to December, 1965, he was the Commanding Officer of H.M.S. *Condor*, the R.N.A.S. Arbroath, and before taking up his present appointment, served on the Flag Officer Admiralty Interview Board in H.M.S. *Sultan*.

**Captain W. A. Humphrey, B.Eng.**, became the Superintendent of the Admiralty Engineering Laboratory in September, 1967. He had served for the previous two years as Chief Staff Officer (Technical) to Flag Officer Scotland and Northern Ireland, and Captain Fleet Maintenance in Rosyth.

**Captain P. D. Tatton-Brown** will take up his new appointment in the Ship Department as Deputy Director of Marine Engineering on 15th December, 1967, in succession to Captain D. G. Satow. He had served since November, 1965, in London, as Assistant Director of Defence Plans (Naval).

**Captain K. J. Douglas-Morris**, who relinquished his Command of H.M.S. *Caledonia* in May of this year, was appointed for duty with the Director-General of Naval Manpower as Head of the Personnel Panel in November, on completion of the Senior Officers War Course in Greenwich.

**Captain H. R. C. Young** was appointed for duty with the Director-General Weapons (Naval) in Bath on 4th December, 1967, when he will become the Deputy Director of Programmes (N). He had recently served in Plymouth as the Senior Officer Reserve Ships, Chief Staff Officer (Technical) to the Commander-in-Chief, and Fleet Maintenance Captain.

**Captain M. A. Wilson, M.B.E., D.S.C.**, will join the department of the Director-General Dockyards and Maintenance on 22nd December, 1967, where he will serve as Assistant Director (Nuclear). For the previous two years he was the Superintendent of the Admiralty Reactor Test Establishment at Dounreay.

**Captain H. Gardner** who was the Deputy Manager, Engineering Department, Devonport Dockyard, from September, 1964, took up his appointment as the Chief Engineer of Singapore Dockyard on 27th October, 1967.

**Captain J. A. H. Hamilton** took up his appointment as the Commanding Officer of H.M.S. *Tyne* on 20th October, 1967. With this appointment he also becomes Chief Staff Officer (Technical) to C.-in-C. Plymouth and Captain, Fleet Maintenance, to C.-in-C. Western Fleet. Captain Hamilton was previously the Naval District Engineer Overseer, Scotland.

**Captain P. E. Melly, C.Eng., A.M.I.Mech.E., M.I.Mar.E.**, who was the Naval District Engineer Overseer, Western District, took up his appointment as Deputy Manager, Engineering Department, Devonport Dockyard, on 9th August, 1967.

**Captain P. R. Marrack, C.Eng., A.M.I.Mech.E., M.I.Mar.E.**, took up his appointment as the Superintendent, Admiralty Reactor Test Establishment, Dounreay, on 1st December, 1967. From June, 1965, he was an Assistant Director of Marine Engineering in the Ship Department at Bath.

**Captain W. T. Pillar** became the Naval District Engineer Overseer, Scotland, on 1st September, 1967. He was promoted to his present rank in December, 1966, while serving with D.G.N.P.S. in London and, more recently, has completed the Senior Officers War Course.

**Captain J. M. C. Dunlop, C.Eng., A.M.I.Mar.E.**, became the Naval District Engineer Overseer, Western District, in May of this year, after serving for a short period with the Director of Naval Operations and Trade in London. He was promoted to his present rank in June, 1967 and was previously the Marine Engineer Officer of H.M.S. *Devonshire*.

**Commander M. Trounce, C.Eng., A.M.I.Mech.E., M.I.Mar.E.**, was promoted to his present rank in June, 1967, and in August took up his appointment in the Ship Department at Bath as Assistant Director of Marine Engineering. He was previously the Marine Engineer Officer of H.M.S. *Ark Royal*.

#### DIRECTOR OF MARINE ENGINEERING TO BECOME DIRECTOR GENERAL SHIPS

**Rear-Admiral R. G. Raper, C.Eng., M.I.Mech.E., M.I.Mar.E.**, the Director of Marine Engineering, was appointed Deputy Director General Ships on 18th September, 1967, and on 1st May, 1968, will become Director General Ships in succession to Sir Alfred Sims, K.C.B., O.B.E., C.Eng., M.R.I.N.A., M.I.C.E., R.C.N.C.

This announcement was received shortly before going to press and biographical notes will be published in the next issue of the *Journal*.

All readers of the *Journal* would wish to offer their congratulations to Admiral Raper and wish him well.