

# AIR FORCE UNIFORMS AND RANKS

Uniforms Distinctive and Badges Denote Various Stations and Duties

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OTTAWA, Nov. 29. (CP) — The youngest of the fighting services, is quite pleased with his uniforms. If one asks any airman how he likes his clothes he will grouse a bit about the tardin-

ess of new outfits coming through but he will claim his neat blue garb is smarter looking than the battle dress of the army or the wide pants and jumpers of the navy.

Although air force uniforms went through a period of evolution during and following the last war the present uniform was solidly established in Great Britain and Canada when the present war started and no material changes have been made since.

Like the men of the navy the men of the air force carry the story of their rank and station on their sleeves. If they are commissioned officers the blue bands around the sleeve cuffs of the blue uniforms tell their rank. If they are airmen or non-commissioned officers oth-

er marks on the sleeve indicate their rank and duties. When a man enlists in the air force he is an aircraftman. The first real step up the ladder makes him a leading aircraftman and then he sports a white propeller on a dark patch sewn on his sleeve.

The next step up is the rank of corporal which is indicated by two V-shaped stripes with the point downward. A sergeant wears three such stripes and a flight sergeant, which is a rank and doesn't necessarily involve ability to fly, wears three stripes and a crown. A warrant officer second class wears a crown and a warrant officer an adaptation of the Royal coat of arms.

**When Wings Worn**  
If a man is a qualified pilot,

whether he is a commissioned officer or otherwise, he wears the "wings," an embroidered badge with two wings, surmounted by a crown with the letters "R.C.A.F."

The wings are worn on the left breast just above the pocket. In the same place air observers, whatever their rank, wear the badge of their calling, a single wing attached to a large "O." Air gunners wear a single wing with the small letters "AG" on it.

Pilots, air observers and air gunners are known in the force collectively as aircrew. The men training in the schools of the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan for service overseas are all preparing for service as members of aircrews. To distinguish men training for aircrew from airmen doing ground duties the former are authorized to wear a small piece of white cloth at the front of their wedge caps.

This wedge cap is worn by all non-commissioned personnel on all occasions but commissioned officers wear it only when they are on duty at air stations although they may wear it any time. On the street and at headquarters most commissioned officers wear a peak cap.

Officers of "air rank," air commodores and up, wear a double row of oak leaves in gilt on the peak of the cap and group captains wear a single row. Other officers wear a cap with a plain peak.

For summer wear the air force has a uniform of light khaki drill. In winter commissioned officers wear a fur cap and other ranks wear a cap of heavy melton cloth in air force blue. It has big ear flaps which tie over the crown.

**Guests in Training**  
The Australian air force wears a dark blue uniform and Australian airmen now training in Canada can be distinguished from Canadian and British airmen by that. There is no difference between the garb of a Canadian airman and a British airman.

Officers and men of the Royal Norwegian Army Air Force in training at Toronto have forsaken the green uniforms worn in Norway. They have adopted the "air force blue," common to British air forces.

Rank markings, however, follow those of the British army rather than those of the air force and rank designations are the same as those of the army. Norwegian officers wear silver stars or "pips" on their shoulders. A silver scribe is substituted for the crown worn by British officers above the rank of captain. Lower ranks wear air force blue and are distinguished by a "Norway" badge on the sleeve.

The uniforms of the Royal Norwegian Naval Air Force, also in training in Canada, closely resemble the slacks and jumper of the British navy lower ranks and the "fore-and-aft" and gold lace of Royal Naval officers. Officers wear wings to distinguish them from their comrades in ships.

Red percale above the upper ring of a Norse officer's rank badge denotes a technician and green percale is worn by non-commissioned officers. Students wear no distinguishing badges. Men of the Norwegian mercantile marine in the force for wartime service as mechanics wear chevrons.

## TERRACE

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Sundal left on Tuesday for Vancouver where they will spend the winter months.

The Legion members attended in fair numbers the monthly meeting Wednesday evening. A. Aitree has forwarded a parcel of magazines for the men in the fighting services at Prince Rupert and it is proposed to continue this good work by sending what books can be collected locally. President Dubeau was in the chair. The next meeting is to be held a week earlier than schedule as the last Wednesday falls Christmas Day.

The body of W. Cuzek, a transient, who was killed in the railway accident at Lorne Creek some time ago, was discovered near the Skeena bridge at Terrace on the afternoon of Wednesday. The remains have been brought to Terrace.

Mrs. A. J. Kirkaldy has arrived back in Terrace after an extended visit with relatives in Australia. Mrs. Kirkaldy was met at the boat as it docked at Prince Rupert on Wednesday, by her son, S. N. G. Kirkaldy, postmaster of Terrace. The voyage from Sydney was accompanied with fair weather and Mrs. Kirkaldy stepped from the train here on Wednesday in good health and pleased to be again with her family.

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31st October, 1940

### LIABILITIES

#### LIABILITIES TO THE PUBLIC

Deposits	\$848,865,349.96
Payable on demand and after notice	
Notes of the Bank in Circulation	19,816,520.50
Payable on demand	
Acceptances and Letters of Credit Outstanding	11,677,303.17
Financial responsibilities undertaken on behalf of customers (see off-setting amount in "Resources")	
Other Liabilities to the Public	3,892,125.64
Items which do not come under the foregoing headings	
Total Liabilities to the Public	\$884,251,299.27

#### LIABILITIES TO THE SHAREHOLDERS

Capital, Surplus and Undivided Profits and Reserves for Dividends	77,083,656.50
This amount represents the shareholders' interest in the Bank, over which liabilities to the public take precedence.	
Total Liabilities	\$961,334,955.77

### RESOURCES

To meet the foregoing Liabilities the Bank has

Cash in its Vaults and Money on Deposit with Bank of Canada	\$ 83,034,576.56
Notes of and Cheques on Other Banks	32,254,269.70
Payable in cash on presentation	
Money on Deposit with Other Banks	61,382,283.44
Available on demand or at short notice	
Government and Other Bonds and Debentures	461,827,040.63
Not exceeding market value. The greater portion consists of gilt-edge securities which mature at early dates.	
Stocks	196,182.87
Industrial and other stocks. Not exceeding market value.	
Call Loans outside of Canada	19,552,470.11
Secured by bonds, stocks and other negotiable securities of greater value than the loans and representing moneys quickly available with no disturbing effect on conditions in Canada.	
Call Loans in Canada	4,606,348.55
Payable on demand and secured by bonds and stocks of greater value than the loans.	
Bankers' Acceptances	332,264.27
Prime drafts accepted by other banks.	

TOTAL OF QUICKLY AVAILABLE RESOURCES \$663,185,436.13

(equal to 75% of all Liabilities to the Public)

Loans to Provincial and Municipal Governments including School Districts	35,313,063.39
Other Loans	233,560,368.24
To manufacturers, farmers, merchants and others, on conditions consistent with sound banking.	
Bank Premises	13,900,000.00
Two properties only are carried in the names of holding companies; the stock and bonds of these companies are entirely owned by the Bank and appear on its books at \$1.00 in each case. All other of the Bank's premises, the value of which largely exceeds \$13,900,000, appear under this heading.	
Real Estate, and Mortgages on Real Estate Sold by the Bank	974,202.89
Acquired in the course of the Bank's business and in process of being realized upon.	
Customers' Liability under Acceptances and Letters of Credit	11,677,303.17
Represents liabilities of customers on account of Letters of Credit issued and Drafts accepted by the Bank for their account.	
Other Assets not included in the Foregoing	2,724,581.95
Making Total Assets of	\$961,334,955.77
884,251,299.27	
to meet payment of Liabilities to the Public of	\$ 77,083,656.50
leaving an excess of Assets over Liabilities to the Public of	

### PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

Profits for the year ended 31st October, 1940, after making appropriations to Contingent Reserve Fund, out of which Fund full provision for Bad and Doubtful Debts has been made, and after deducting Dominion and Provincial Government Taxes amounting to \$4,927,824.40	\$3,435,941.59
Dividends paid or payable to Shareholders	2,880,000.00
Appropriation for Bank Premises	500,000.00
	\$ 55,941.59
Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 31st October, 1939	1,265,700.56
Balance of Profit and Loss carried forward	\$1,321,642.15

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