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to which list was recently added the US Medal of Freedom. He was Australia's No. 1 ace in the First World War, and again distinguished himself in the Second World War for his administrative and operational service, and his personal bravery.

He was Director of Air Operations in New Guinea, and AOC 1st TAF. He was awarded the George Cross for his rescue of members of his staff from a crashed Catalina in 1944. He was CO of the RAAF Staff School in 1942-43.

He had been Controller of Operations in the Civil Aviation Board days of the department, and since he returned to the department in 1946, he has been on special duties, including a term as acting-D.A.T.E.R. and acting-DANS.

J. H. HARPER, formerly Chief Accident Inspector, now becomes acting-DANS pending the return of **STUART CAMPBELL**, who is directing the Antarctic Research Expeditions, and **C. A. J. LUM** becomes acting-Chief Accident Inspector.

DAVE ROSS, who has been acting Superintendent DANS, has gone to Western Australia as Director of the Western Region. He is another of the Old Guard in civil aviation, joining DCA when it was part of the Defence Department.

He was Director of Transportation and Movement in the RAAF, following a period of drama, when, as acting Consul for Australia in Portuguese Timor, he was an eye-witness of the Jap. landing and capture of Dilli, and was a prisoner for a period prior to his escape.

ARTHUR AFFLECK, who has been acting as Airport Manager at Essendon, has gone to Sydney as eastern regional DANS representative. He joined the department after wide civil flying experience, particularly in New Guinea, and has had a wide range of jobs in the DCA. He was formerly Chief Examiner of Airmen. Recently he led a committee of inquiry into flying conditions in New Guinea, and made a comprehensive report on requirements in the area, which may be acted upon one of these days.

SERVICE

GROUP CAPTAIN J. W. P. BLACK has taken the place of **GROUP CAPTAIN KINGSLAND** as RAAF Director of Organisation and Staff Duties. During the war he was Engineer Staff Officer in Washington, and later held various appointments at RAAF HQ and the Maintenance Group, Laverton.

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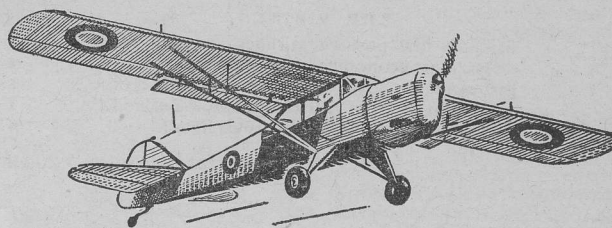
COMMANDER HARRY BAKER, after a trip back to Australia to report on various matters affecting the winding up of ANA's contract as interim operator of the Pacific Service for BCPA, has gone back to the United States as ANA Manager at San Francisco. It is just another straw in the wind that ANA has not yet given up ideas of a Pacific service.

COMMANDER PETER GIBBES, who was ANA's Senior Route Captain, based at Honolulu, has come back to Melbourne to a job that will keep his geography well up to date.

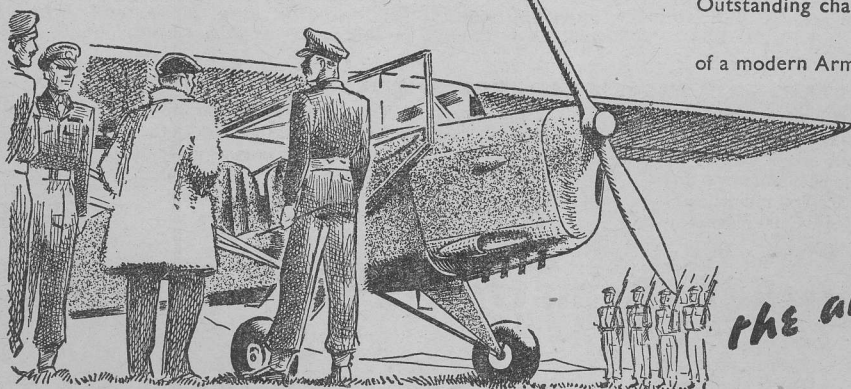
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G/C J. W. P. Black — replaces G/C Kingsland, now with DCA, as Director of Organisation and Staff Duties, RAAF.



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