

A.T.S. IN PALESTINE

Specially selected A.T.S. Officers and other ranks are now serving with the Auxiliary Territorial Service in Palestine. These Officers are recruiting for the Auxiliary Territorial Service in Palestine. Recruits locally raised will be engaged on duties similar to those carried out by the A.T.S. at home.

In command of them is Chief Commander A.T. Chitty, whose appointment was approved by the Director, Auxiliary Territorial Service. Previous to this appointment, Chief Commander Chitty was Assistant Director, Auxiliary Territorial Service, at Anti-Aircraft Command Headquarters in this country.

Chief Commander Chitty was one of the first to be granted an Officer Appointment in the Auxiliary Territorial Service in 1938, and soon after the outbreak of war was appointed Assistant Director, Auxiliary Territorial Service, at Eastern Command Headquarters.

Chief Commander Chitty previously served at Middle East Headquarters for a few months in 1940, when the question of posting A.T.S. overseas was first considered. On her return she was placed in command of a large concentrated Group in the Midlands, and thence appointed Assistant Director Auxiliary Territorial Service, Anti-Aircraft Command Headquarters.

Before the war she took an active interest in the Girl Guide movement and was awarded the Kaiser-i-Hind for organising work in India in this connection.