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HONOURS FOR SERVICES IN ACTION WITH THE "GOEBEN" AND "BRESLAU" IN JANUARY 1918.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the following honours, decorations, and medals to the undermentioned Officers and Men in recognition of their services on the occasion of the sortie of the "Goeben" and "Breslau" from the Dardanelles on the 20th January 1918:—

*To be Companions of the Distinguished Service Order.*

Lieut.-Cdr. Joseph Bernard Newill, R.N. (H.M.S. "Tigress").

For the great skill and gallantry displayed by him in handling his ship in the presence of a greatly superior enemy force and under heavy fire. He performed most efficiently his main duty of shadowing the enemy and reporting his movements. He proceeded into the minefield to engage a superior force of enemy destroyers and drove them back to their base. He again entered the minefield at great risk to his ship, and gallantly rescued 162 survivors of the "Breslau" whilst still being fired on from shore batteries.

Lieut. Norman Albert Gustave Ohlenschlager, R.N. (H.M.S. "Lizard").

He showed great skill and gallantry in handling his ship in the presence of a greatly superior enemy force and under very heavy fire. He performed most efficiently his main duty of shadowing the enemy and reporting his movements. He proceeded into the minefield to engage a superior force of enemy destroyers and drove them back to their base. He again entered the minefield at great risk to his ship, and gallantly rescued 162 survivors of the "Breslau" whilst still being fired on from shore batteries.

*To receive the Distinguished Service Cross.*

Lieut. Frederick Faulkner, R.N. (H.M.S. "Lizard").

He showed great coolness throughout the action. He got the armament into action against the "Breslau," and later against destroyers, ably and quickly and soon obtained a straddle. He personally took charge of first-aid party, reviving survivors, and made excellent arrangements for the custody of prisoners.

Lieut. Arthur Jelfs Cubison, R.N. (H.M.S. "Tigress").

He showed marked ability as gunnery officer of the ship; straddled quickly and hit an enemy destroyer.

Flt. Cdr. Ralph Squire Sorley, R.N.A.S. (now tempy. Capt. R.A.F.).

For the determined and successful bombing attacks on the "Breslau" and "Goeben" on the 20th January 1918, and subsequent days, both by day and by night.

Surg. James Maurice Harrison, R.N. (H.M. Monitor "M28").

A wounded man having fallen into the water, Surg. Harrison went in after him and kept him afloat until picked up. It was due to his untiring efforts that eight severely wounded cases arrived in good condition at the hospital ship twenty-two hours later.

Flt. Lieut. Harry Vernon Worrall, R.N.A.S. (now Hony. Capt., R.A.F.).

Made a successful attack on the "Goeben," obtaining a direct hit, although this was his first night flight.

Acting Lieut. David Blyth Dun, R.N.R. (H.M. Monitor "M28").

He was sent by his Captain in the whaler to rescue men in the water. After landing them, although "M28" was visibly on fire, he returned with a volunteer crew, and remained alongside until she blew up, sinking his boat.

Flt. Sub-Lieut. Robert Withy Peel, R.N.A.S. (now Lieut., R.A.F.).

Carried out a determined and courageous bombing attack on the "Goeben" in the face of attacks from a vastly superior enemy air force.

Obs. Sub-Lieut. Frederick Charles Smith, R.N.A.S. (now Lieut., R.A.F.).

Acted as observer for Flt. Cdr. Sorley during a determined and successful bombing attack on the "Breslau" on the 20th January 1918, and also during subsequent day and night attacks on the "Goeben."

Skpr. Harry Oliver Hunn, R.N.R., 1145 W.S.A., H.M. Drifter "Anchor of Hope II."

Skpr. Benjamin George Reynolds, R.N.R., 2114 S.A., H.M. Drifter "Supernal."

Remained on patrol in their drifters during the action and made smoke screen in a gallant endeavour to screen H.M. Monitors "Raglan" and "M28," showing great presence of mind and initiative. Both vessels were invaluable in rescuing survivors.

*To receive the Distinguished Service Medal.*

Ldg. Sig. Percy Brewer, O.N. J.16518 (Dev.).

P.O. Teleg. Herbert Downing, O.N. J.307 (Ch.).

Ldg. Carp. Crew. William Edward Dutch, O.N. M.12309 (Ch.).

Ldg. Teleg. David Johns Evans, O.N. J.9947 (Dev.).

P.O. Edwin Pengilly, O.N. 192256 (Dev.).

Sto. P.O. Reginald George Smith, O.N. K.3252 (Ch.).

C.E.R.A. Edward George Trimmer, O.N. 268683 (Po.).

2nd Hnd. William Thomas, R.N.R., O.N. 4484 D.A.

C.E.R.A. James Danie Watson, O.N. 268761 (Po.).

The following Officers and Men have been mentioned in despatches:—

Lieut.-Cdr. Donald Priaulx Macgregor (killed in action).

Lieut. Melvill Willis Ward, R.N.