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CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

St. James's Palace, S.W.1,
2nd August, 1940.

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointment to the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire:—

To be an Additional Officer of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order:—

Lieutenant-Commander Alexander George Francis Drogo Viscount Mandeville, Royal Navy (Retired);

for outstanding courage and enterprise when a bomb exploded in one of H.M. Ships, and for persistent devotion to duty in searching for wounded, although injured himself.

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St. James's Palace, S.W.1,
2nd August, 1940.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following Awards:—

The Medal of the Military Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, for Gallantry.

Sub-Lieutenant Alexander Mitchell Hodge, R.N.V.R.

H.M. Ship in which Sub-Lieutenant Hodge was serving was badly damaged by an explosion in a bomb-room. The bomb-room was in darkness, full of heat and fumes,

and smoke rising to the main deck suggested fire below.

Sub-Lieutenant Hodge had no knowledge of the behaviour of bombs in great heat or violent movement. When the explosion occurred he at once left the main deck and went into the bomb-room. He examined this and was able to rescue and send up several badly injured men. He found one of the wounded men crushed under two very heavy bombs, which could not be moved single-handed. Obtaining help, he dragged the wounded man clear, and sent him up.

Sub-Lieutenant Hodge did not go on deck until he had satisfied himself that no one was left alive below.

Throughout he showed outstanding courage, enterprise and resource, without any thought for himself. He saved all the lives he could though, for all he knew, further fatal explosions might have occurred at any moment.

The Medal of the Military Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, for Meritorious Service.

Marine James Munro Hall, Ply: X.1785,

who showed great courage and readiness in swimming through water covered with burning oil to a blazing ship, loaded with petrol, which might well have exploded. His brave action enabled a chain to be made fast to the stem of the ship. She was then towed clear of the jetty which was already catching fire. There were oil tanks and a large stock of petrol near by.

*Admiralty, Whitehall,
2nd August, 1940.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following Awards for courage and resource in the withdrawal of troops from the neighbourhood of Le Havre:—

The Distinguished Service Cross.

Commander John Roderick Henderson, R.N.R.
Lieutenant John Gerard Wells, Royal Navy.
Lieutenant Michael Adrian Hemans, Royal Navy.
Lieutenant John Charles Thompson, R.N.R.
Lieutenant Dennis Robert Bennett-Jones, R.N.V.R.
Sub-Lieutenant David Killam, R.C.N.V.R.
Sub-Lieutenant Leslie McLernon, R.C.N.V.R.
Skipper David Main Mein, R.N.R.
Captain Stephen Masson, Master, H.M. Transport.
Captain Hugh Hamilton Quail, Master, H.M. Transport.
Mr. Neil MacKinnon, Mate, H.M. Transport.

The Distinguished Service Medal.

Boatswain Seymour White.
Chief Petty Officer Alfred James Gumbrill, P/J.19287.
Chief Petty Officer Alfred Calvin Scotcher, P/J.52136.
Engine Room Artificer 4th Class Leslie Ivor Howell, P/MX.64306.
Petty Officer Frederick John Penn, P/J.51601.
Petty Officer Albert Pegler, P/JX.167143.
Stoker Petty Officer Frank Bebbington, P/K.30785, Pensioner.
Stoker Petty Officer Tom Gunter Calthorpe, C/K.62127.
Stoker Petty Officer Joseph Sharp, C/KX.78044.
Leading Seaman Douglas Nicholas, D/JX. 137869.
Able Seaman Garnett Shaw, C/SSX.19436.
Able Seaman John Rayment Wenham, C/SSX.23119.
Stoker 1st Class John Charles Ernest Parry, D/KX.83360.
Telegraphist Eric John Dickenson, C/WRX.179.

Seaman Cook William Dougal, LT/JX.164364.
Ordinary Seaman Richard Taylor, C/JX.169597.

Mention in Despatches.

Able Seaman Charles William Wynn Nelson, P/SSX.21163.
Ordinary Seaman Charles Albert Syms, LT/JX.183752.

His Majesty has also been graciously pleased to approve the following Awards:—

The Distinguished Service Cross.

Temporary Skipper Reginald James Crane, R.N.R.;
for continued devotion to duty when sweeping for magnetic mines in shallow water.

Mention in Despatches.

Lieutenant-Commander William Olaf Bradbury, Royal Navy (Retired);
Chief Petty Officer Leslie Todd, T.G.M., C/J.10211;
Chief Petty Officer Arthur Holme, T.G.M., C/J.4782;

for courage and skill in the performance of hazardous duties.

Extra 3rd Engineer Percy Mark Johns;
for voluntary and arduous work in a tug, while withdrawing troops from a French port.
Stoker 1st Class Charles McCaver, P/KX.91572;
for courage and enterprise when a bomb exploded in one of H.M. Ships.

Admiralty, Whitehall, S.W.

The correction indicated below is made in the notification which appeared in Supplementary London Gazette No. 34893 dated 11th July, 1940:—
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The Distinguished Service Medal.

Petty Officer Alec David Oliver, P/JX.129710, H.M.S. Cossack *should read*
Petty Officer Alec David Oliver, P/JX.127276, H.M.S. Delight.

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