

After unremitting effort, during which all ranks knew that an explosion might occur at any moment, the bomb was successfully extricated.

In order to shield his men from further danger, Lieutenant Davies himself drove the vehicle in which the bomb was removed and personally carried out its disposal.

No. 1942531 Sapper George Cameron Wylie, Royal Engineers.

Sapper Wylie was a member of the Bomb Disposal Section engaged upon the recovery of the bomb which fell in the neighbourhood of St. Paul's Cathedral.

The actual discovery and removal of the bomb fell to him. Sapper Wylie's untiring energy, courage, and disregard for danger were an outstanding example to his comrades.

CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

*St. James's Palace, S.W.1,
30th September, 1940.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following awards of the George Medal and for the publication in the London Gazette of the names of units and individuals shown below as having received an expression of Commendation for their good services.

Awarded The George Medal.

Ernest Herbert Harmer, Executive Chief Officer.	} Dover Fire Brigade
Cyril William Arthur Brown, Second Officer.	
Alexander Edmund Campbell, Section Officer, Dover Auxiliary Fire Service.	

Commended.

Dover Fire Brigade. Dover Auxiliary Fire Service.	
Harold Thomas Hookings, Station Officer.	} Dover Fire Brigade.
Ernest Alfred Foord, Fireman.	
Edward Jesse Gore, Fireman.	
Arthur Thomas Cunnington, Auxiliary Fireman.	} Dover Auxiliary Fire Service.
Lionel Rupert Hudsmith, Auxiliary Fireman.	
John McDermott, Auxiliary Fireman.	

In a recent large scale attack by enemy bombers on Dover Harbour, fires were started in ships and oil stores. Air raids continued throughout the day. During the attacks all members of the Dover Fire Brigade and Auxiliary Fire Service engaged at the fires did excellent work in difficult and dangerous circumstances and the fires were eventually extinguished.

The individuals named above volunteered to return to a blazing ship containing explosives, in which they fought fires while enemy aircraft were still in the neighbourhood.

Awarded The George Medal.

George Archibald Howe, Manager, Shell-Mex and B.P. Ltd.
William Sigsworth, Manager, Anglo-American Oil Company Ltd.

George Samuel Sewell, Engineer, Shell-Mex and B.P. Ltd.

Jack Owen, Fireman, Kingston-upon-Hull Fire Brigade.

Clifford Turner, Leading Fireman, Kingston-upon-Hull Auxiliary Fire Service.

Commended.

Thomas Gant, Handyman, Shell-Mex and B.P. Ltd.

During a recent air raid bombs were dropped on an oil depot, petrol tanks being pierced in several places, causing serious fires. Mr. Howe showed outstanding leadership and organization in fighting the fires and conspicuous bravery in entering the tank compound, which contained burning spirit, to open the valves so that the stock could be transferred. He was assisted by Mr. Sigsworth who also entered the tank compound and who was untiring in his efforts to extinguish the flames. Mr. Sewell led a party of men into the tank compound and was also continually on the tank roof whilst the gas inside was burning, endeavouring to extinguish the flames by playing foam over the tank top and placing sandbags over the roof curb. Fireman Owen volunteered to operate a hose on the top of an almost red-hot tank after wading through petrol and water to a depth of about four feet. His clothes were thus soaked with petrol and might have caught alight at any moment. Leading Fireman Turner volunteered to assist Mr. Howe in fixing hose on a tank-top surrounded by flames from burning petrol. Their clothes were thus soaked with petrol and might have caught alight at any moment.

Handyman Gant showed considerable resource and at great personal risk endeavoured to extinguish the flames.

Awarded the George Medal.

Dorothy, Mrs. Clarke, Ambulance Driver.	} Aldeburgh.
Bessie Jane, Mrs. Hepburn, Ambulance Attendant.	

These ladies showed courage of a high order and devotion to duty in rescuing a man badly injured in an explosion.

William Fisher, Dock Labourer, Southampton.

During an air raid great gallantry was displayed by Fisher in rescuing Gunner S. W. Jones of the 71st Light A.A. Battery from the Bofor's Gunsite on the roof of a building about 50 ft. above ground level.

In the early part of the raid, a series of bombs fell on the building itself and on the ground adjoining and one man of the gun team was seriously wounded in the face and head.

Fire quickly broke out, and in addition to the ammunition which began to explode, ammonia gas fumes were released from a cold storage chamber below.

The Sergeant in charge of the gun realised the danger to his men and rightly ordered them to abandon the post.

It was found impossible to get the wounded man over the parapet wall and down the ladder on to the crane platform, as the ladder slipped off the ledge.

Fisher then came up, and without hesitation made a rough seat of a sling rope and fastened it to the hook of the jib crane.