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**CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.**

*St. James's Palace, S.W.1.  
21st February, 1941.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following awards and the publication in the London Gazette of the names of the individuals shown below as having received an expression of Commendation for their brave conduct in Civil Defence:—

*Awarded the George Medal.*

**Robert Francis Carson, Section Officer, Liverpool Auxiliary Fire Service**

Following an enemy air attack fire broke out in the skeleton framework of a damaged elevator.

It was impossible to place a fire escape against the elevator on account of the debris which had fallen from the destroyed roof. The outbreak took place high up in the framework and it was clear that it was not practicable to attack it from the ground. The only solution was that someone should attempt the dangerous climb up the elevator girder-work. Torn steel sheets, broken timbers and displaced ironwork projected at many places and slates and debris were still falling, but, without hesitation, Section Officer Carson placed a hose and branch over his shoulder and successfully made the climb. He extinguished the fire in about ten minutes.

On another occasion when his Division was badly attacked by succeeding waves of enemy aircraft which caused many fires, Section Officer Carson, in the face of intense heat, mounted a stairway on to the blazing upper storey of a shed which contained goods of a dangerous nature. His action prevented the spread of this fire.

He then went to where buildings on both sides of a dock yard were blazing furiously. Regardless of the danger involved, he made his way through the narrow entrance and so made possible the use of suction from the dock. The fierceness of the fire prevented his return by the passage, but he made his way back along the dockwall.

This officer's coolness and disregard of personal safety have had a wonderful effect on the personnel of the Division, while his efficiency in the laying out of hose and so forth have saved much valuable property.

**Thomas Arthur Davies, War Reserve Constable, Liverpool Police Force.**

During an air raid an H.E. bomb was dropped on a large building which was demolished. A number of people were trapped in a public shelter in the basement. Fierce fires broke out and made rescue work extremely hazardous.

Police War Reserve Davies was on duty at the time and immediately ran to the wrecked building. With other police officers he was successful in clearing a passage to