

rafters and released her. Learning that a man was also trapped in the debris, the Constable went on working and, after three hours, this casualty was also rescued.

George Edward Switzer, Station Officer, London Fire Brigade.

During an air raid some premises, part of which was used as a stable, were set on fire. The stable, in which 39 horses were tethered, was filled with smoke and in complete darkness. Switzer first detailed a crew to deal with the spreading fire and then organised a party to rescue the animals. He led the way into the building and succeeded in bringing out the frightened animals. It was necessary to make several journeys while high explosive bombs were being dropped nearby.

Station Officer Switzer's promptitude and leadership resulted in the rescue of all the animals and prevented the complete destruction of the building.

Douglas Vosper, Leader, Boy Scouts Volunteer Trailer Pump Crew, Saltash Auxiliary Fire Service.

During an air raid a trailer pump in charge of Vosper was straddled by two H.E. bombs which killed one scout and seriously injured two others.

Vosper drove the victims to the First Aid Post and then returned to his pump and continued to fight the fires throughout the night and the next day.

Vosper showed courage and endurance and the example he set was of a very high standard.

Matthew Wallace, Member, Works' Rescue and Demolition Squad, Coventry.

Wallace displayed outstanding courage and initiative during an air raid. He dealt with many incendiary bombs, worked hard to rescue people trapped in demolished buildings and drove casualties to hospital.

Wallace performed his duties in conditions of extreme danger and by his gallant actions saved many lives.

Ismail Mohamed X Yeaqub, Deck Serang, Merchant Navy.

In the course of an air raid fires were started among oil drums in a shed near a ship and in the ship herself. These were dealt with by the ship's crew. Later, two explosions occurred which threw heavy debris over the vessel.

The conduct of the Deck Serang was outstanding. All night his tireless efforts were carried out with complete disregard of falling bombs and flying debris, and although injured he carried on with no thought for himself.

COMMENDATIONS.

Those named below have been brought to notice for brave conduct in Civil Defence:—

Charles Banzer, Firewatcher (Chargehand Fitter), City Engineer's Department, Liverpool.

Nelson William Beales, Member, A.R.P. Rescue Party, Ipswich.

William Beck, Firewatcher (Fitter), City Engineer's Department, Liverpool.

Robert Berry, Police Sergeant, "M" Division, Metropolitan Police.

Wilfrid Boothby Blandy, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Firewatcher, Nottingham.

Ernest Michael Brady, D.C.M., Assistant Fire Chief, Firm's Auxiliary Fire Service, Nottingham.

Harold Broadbent, Firewatcher (Chargehand Fitter), City Engineer's Department, Liverpool.

Ivy, Mrs. Brookfield, A.R.P. Shelter Warden, Liverpool.

Frank James Bull, Goods Guard, London Midland and Scottish Railway.

James Campaigne, Electrician, Merchant Navy. Herbert Henry Cheeseman, Special Constable, Hull Special Constabulary.

Edward Horace Childs, Police Constable, "C" Division, Metropolitan Police.

George Henry Clarkson, Fireman, Southern Railway.

William Joseph Coppola, A.R.P. Messenger, Plymouth.

Sidney Cummings, Member, Boy Scouts Volunteer Trailer Pump Crew, Saltash Auxiliary Fire Service.

George Francis Denton, Member, A.R.P. Rescue Party, Hornsey.

Robert William Dickinson, Leader, Fire Watching Squad (Chief Engineering Foreman), City Engineer's Department, Liverpool.

Walter Ellis, Special Constable, Lincolnshire Special Constabulary.

Robert Manfield Finch, O.B.E., M.Inst.C.E., City Engineer, Nottingham.

Benjamin Leonard Freeman, Yard Inspector, London Midland and Scottish Railway.

Henry Arthur Frow, Special Constable, Lincolnshire Special Constabulary.

William Arthur Goode, Coalyard Foreman, Ipswich.

Walter Hoggard, Police Sergeant, "C" Division, Metropolitan Police.

Ethel Beatrice, Mrs. James, Nurse, A.R.P. Medical Service Organisation, Wallasey.

Charles Johnson, Member, A.R.P. Rescue Party, Hornsey.

Fred Lewis, Cleaner, London Midland and Scottish Railway.

Randal Ernest Lewis, Firewatcher (Petrol Waggon Attendant), City Engineer's Department, Liverpool.

John Alfred Long, Leader, A.R.P. Rescue Party, Ipswich.

Charles Stanley Marsh, Dock Labourer, Ipswich.

Arthur Edward Moore, War Reserve Constable, "C" Division, Metropolitan Police.

Harry Stanley Moore, Fire Watcher (Motor Driver), London Co-operative Society Ltd.

Henry Murray, Auxiliary Fireman, London Auxiliary Fire Service.

William Petitt, Crane Driver, Wandsworth.

Eddie Price Rees, Senior A.R.P. Warden, Crosby, Lancashire.

Thomas Richards, Fire Watcher (Maintenance Engineer), London Co-operative Society Ltd.

Samuel Edward Rogers, Leading Seaman, Merchant Navy.

Terence Rowan, Engineer, Merchant Navy.