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FRIDAY, 19 NOVEMBER, 1943

BY THE KING
A PROCLAMATION

APPOINTING SATURDAY THE FIRST DAY OF JANUARY, ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND FORTY-FOUR, A BANK HOLIDAY THROUGHOUT ENGLAND, WALES AND NORTHERN IRELAND FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE BANK HOLIDAYS ACT, 1871.

GEORGE R.I.

Whereas We consider it desirable, in the circumstances of the present emergency, that Saturday the first day of January one thousand nine hundred and forty-four, shall be kept as a close holiday in all banks in England, Wales and Northern Ireland and shall, as regards bills of exchange and promissory notes payable in England, Wales or Northern Ireland, be deemed to be a bank holiday for all the purposes of the Bank Holidays Act, 1871:

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by section four of the said Act, We do by this Our Royal Proclamation, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, appoint the said first day of January to be observed as a bank holiday throughout England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

And We do declare that this Proclamation does not have the effect of making the said day a holiday under, or for the purposes of, the Holidays Extension Act, 1875.

Given at Our Court at Buckingham Palace, this seventeenth day of November, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and forty-three and in the seventh year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 17th day of *November*, 1943.

PRESENT

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Memorial from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the 8th day of November, 1943 (N/T.SD.600/43), in the words following, viz. :—

"Whereas by Section 3 of the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, it is enacted *inter alia*, that all pay, pensions or other allowances in the nature thereof payable in respect of services in Your Majesty's Naval or Marine Force to a person being or having been an Officer, Seaman or Marine therein shall be paid in such manner and subject to such restrictions, conditions and provisions as are from time to time directed by Order in Council:

"And whereas the growing importance of Radar and Associated equipment in Your Majesty's Fleet have made it necessary to revise the present system of Radar and Plotting training and organisation:

"And whereas with a view to facilitating the provision of ratings qualified in the operation and utilisation

of this equipment, we consider it expedient to establish a Radar Control Branch and a Radar Plot Branch, to form a non-substantive part of the Seaman Branch:

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to sanction the institution of the following non-substantive ratings with pay as shown:—

"Radar Control Ratings.

- "Radar Control Rating 3rd Class, 3d. per diem.
- "Radar Control Rating 2nd Class, 9d. per diem for Leading Seamen and below.
- "Radar Control Rating 2nd Class, 6d. per diem for Petty Officers and above.
- "Radar Control Rating 1st Class, 1s. 6d. per diem.
- "Radar Control Instructor, 2s. per diem.

"Radar Plot Ratings.

- "Radar Plot Rating 3rd Class, 3d. per diem.
- "Radar Plot Rating 2nd Class, 9d. per diem for Leading Seamen and below.
- "Radar Plot Rating 2nd Class, 6d. per diem for Petty Officers and above.
- "Radar Plot Rating 1st Class, 1s. 6d. per diem.
- "Radar Plot Instructor, 2s. per diem.

"The Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury have signified their concurrence in the above proposals."

His Majesty, having taken the said Memorial into consideration, was pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to approve of what is therein proposed.

And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

E. C. E. Leadbitter.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 17th day of *November*, 1943.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Memorial from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the 30th day of October, 1943 (C.W. 28031/43), in the words following, viz. :—

"Whereas by Section 3 of the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, it is enacted, *inter alia*, that all pay, pensions or other allowances in the nature thereof payable in respect of services in Your Majesty's Naval or Marine Force to a person being or having been an Officer, Seaman or Marine therein, shall be paid in such manner and subject to such restrictions, conditions and provisions as are from time to time directed by Order in Council:

"And whereas it is provided by Order in Council bearing date the 13th day of October, 1922, that Ministers of Religious Bodies not in conformity with the Church of England who are rendering whole-time