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CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS
OF KNIGHTHOOD.

St. James's Palace, S.W.1.

27th June, 1944.

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the undermentioned appointments to the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, for the following awards of the British Empire Medal, in the Merchant Navy, and for the publication in the London Gazette of the names of those specially shown below as having received an expression of Commendation for their brave conduct.

To be an Additional Officer of the Civil Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire:—

Captain John Henry Colvin, Master.

The ship, which was at a Russian port for a long period, was subjected to constant attacks by enemy aircraft, being bombed nearly every night in addition to day raids.

The Master displayed outstanding courage and coolness throughout this trying and strenuous time. It was due to his leadership and example that the ship put up an excellent defence which undoubtedly did much to prevent the enemy from scoring direct hits or seriously damaging the vessel. Captain Colvin has rendered outstanding service in the vital work of supplying armaments to Russia. He had the Commodore on board his ship when outward bound and himself acted as Commodore on the homeward passage.

To be Additional Members of the Civil Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire:—

Captain Lawrence Bruce Anderson, Master.

A vessel was torpedoed when sailing in a coastal convoy which was attacked by "E" boats. She sank rapidly and many of the crew had to jump into the water. Two torpedoes were fired at another ship in the convoy but, by prompt and skilful evasive action, these were avoided and, in the midst of the enemy attack, Captain Anderson then manœuvred his ship close to the rapidly

sinking vessel. A boat was launched and survivors were picked up. After a thorough search for more survivors, the ship proceeded at full speed to rejoin the convoy, which was contacted four hours later and port made without loss of time.

Captain Anderson displayed exceptional courage, coolness and seamanship.

Wilfred Harold Hackworthy, Esq., Chief Radio Officer.

Mr. Hackworthy has been in charge of radio apparatus in ships since 1941, and has shown the utmost zeal and efficiency in his work. The great skill displayed by the Chief Radio Officer during Atlantic convoys has contributed to their safe passage.

Awarded the British Empire Medal (Civil Division):—

Herbert Thomas Stamp, Able Seaman.

When an American vessel was mined and sunk, the ship immediately went to the assistance of the personnel.

Able Seaman Stamp displayed outstanding courage in these rescue operations. When it was found that those in a lifeboat were unable to make fast the line passed to them by the ship, he clambered down the nets into the boat, and, after making it fast, helped the occupants to the nets and ladders. One of the survivors was semi-conscious and fell back into the swamped boat with his head under water. Stamp immediately went to his aid but in so doing was thrown overboard. He pulled himself back and, with great difficulty, lifted the survivor's head out of the water and made a line fast round him so that he could be hoisted aboard. Able Seaman Stamp's courageous and prompt action undertaken without thought of self, was instrumental in saving a number of lives.

Arthur William Street, Assistant Steward.

When the ship was attacked by enemy aircraft she was severely damaged and many of the lifeboats were rendered unserviceable. The vessel became a mass of flames and she sank some hours later.

Assistant Steward Street showed great courage and devotion to duty. After taking

two of the crew who had been injured, to safety and helping to fight the fires, he climbed through an opening in the ship's side on to a ladder from the boat deck and with help lowered one of the boats which had been isolated by the fire. This action enabled nearly thirty of the personnel who had been trapped by the flames to embark in the boat and reach safety.

COMMENDATIONS

Those named below have been Commended for brave conduct when their ships encountered enemy ships, aircraft, submarines or mines:—

William McIver Blackwood, Esq., Third Engineer Officer.

Arthur Brown, Able Seaman.

John Charlton, Able Seaman.

Captain John Reginald Copping, Master.

James Patrick Donovan, Extra Second Steward.

Henry Ambridge Elkins, Esq., Third Officer.

Captain John Newby Gibson, Master.

Leonard Gollings, Esq., Second Officer.

Christopher Hull, Chief Steward.

Captain Matthew Hunter (deceased), Master.

Alexander Pirie Irvine, Esq., Second Engineer Officer.

Robert Arnold Johnson, Esq., Second Officer.

Phirojshaw Hormusjee Khursigara, Esq., Third Engineer Officer.

Andrew Henry Gillan March, Apprentice.

Captain Peter McNab Mirrlees, Master.

Captain Thomas Cecil Pearsall, Master.

Walter Bernard Shepherd, Able Seaman.

Thomas Joseph Swalwell, Cook.

Charles Fletcher Townend, Esq., Fourth Electrician.

Alfred Frank Walker, Second Cook.

in his way he reached a man whose clothes were on fire. Calow endeavoured to lift him but was unable to do so. Albert Calow then arrived and came to his brother's aid. Together they smothered the flames which enveloped the man and dragged him towards the hole. By this time ammunition was exploding inside the machine and the fire was becoming more fierce. They removed exploding ammunition belts and other debris from their path and were then able to drag the man head first through the hole underneath the 'plane and carried him to safety.

Albert and George Calow, who were badly burned during the rescue work, showed courage and determination without regard for their own safety.

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Those named below have been Commended for brave conduct.

When aircraft crashed and caught fire:—

Andrew Thompson Bell, Column Officer, No. 10 (Grimsby) Area, National Fire Service.

Phillip Helyar Chapman, Farmer, Petworth, Sussex.

Frederick Thomas Denyer, Cowman, Petworth, Sussex.

Henry Privett, Bricklayer, Duncton Hill, Petworth, Sussex.

George Scutt, Tractor Driver, Duncton Hill, Petworth, Sussex.

When rescuing men from a land mine-field:—

John William Arnold, Fitter's Mate, Dover Harbour Board.

William Henry Shingleton, Leading Compressor Driver, Dover Harbour Board.

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Awarded the British Empire Medal (Civil Division):—

Albert Groves Calow, Process Worker, Palterton, Nr. Chesterfield.

George Rolston Calow, Colliery Fitter, Palterton, Nr. Ghesterfield.

When an aircraft crashed and caught fire George Calow immediately went to the scene. Hearing cries for help coming from inside the nose end of the machine which was burning furiously, he tried to enter the plane by breaking a hole through the fuselage but failed. He then found an opening about 18 inches high underneath the centre gun turret. Removing the wreckage which was

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the publication in the London Gazette of the name of the person specially shown below as having received an expression of Commendation for brave conduct in Civil Defence:—

Reginald William Green, Lengthman, London Passenger Transport Board.

The announcement relative to B.36001 Corporal B. Andrews, Veterans Guard of Canada, on page 2658 of Gazette No. 36545, dated 8th June, 1944, is cancelled, the award to him of the B.E.M. having been already announced in Gazette No. 36310, dated 1st January, 1944.

The names of the undermentioned are as now described and not as stated in Gazette No. 36547 dated 10th June, 1944:—

Sidney James Beamish, page 2676.

John Harrop, page 2678.

Patrick Millar, page 2679.

Percival Simm, page 2681.

Margaret, Mrs. Tolley, page 2681.

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