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CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

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

1st May, 1945.

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointment to the Most Honourable Order of the Bath:—

To be an Additional Member of the Military Division of the Third Class, or Companions, of the said Most Excellent Order:

Commodore First Class Harold Bruce FARNCOMB, D.S.O., M.V.O., Royal Australian Navy,

for most distinguished service in the command of H.M. Australian Ships Australia, Shropshire, Arunta and Warramunga, which took part in the Assault Landing in the Lingayen Gulf, Luzon Island.

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1st May, 1945.

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointment to the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire:—

To be an Additional Commander of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order:

Captain John Arthur Symons ECCLES, Royal Navy,

for outstanding service and inspiring leadership in operations against enemy oil installations at Palembang, Sumatra.

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1st May, 1945.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the British Empire Medal (Military Division) to the undermentioned:—

Temporary Chief Petty Officer George WESTLAKE, D/J.21420 (Dartmouth),

Chief Petty Officer Telegraphist Henry Alfred PRICE, P/J.112572 (Birmingham),

Chief Engine Room Artificer Thomas Edward WARMAN, P/MX.39497 (Freshwater, I.O.W.),

Shipwright Second Class C. R. FOULIS, S.A.N.F., 71705(V),

Air Artificer Third Class David McFADZEAN, FAA/FX.78783,

Air Artificer Fourth Class Arthur Ralph RAPLEY, D.S.M., FAA/FX.75101 (Lee-on-Solent),

Petty Officer Wireman (L) George Albert WOOD, P/MX.99079 (Broadway, Lancs.),

Petty Officer Rigger David Philpin DAVIES, D/SR.545,

Temporary Petty Officer Air Mechanic (E) George Francis MORRIS, FAA/FX.79747,

Air Artificer Fourth Class William John HUGHES, FAA/FX.79646,

Acting Leading Seaman Norman Alexander SMITH, C/JX.201335 (Acton),

Steward Ronald Geoffrey SETCHELL, D/LX.29808,

Able Seaman Geoffrey STANWAY, D/JX.368322,

for outstanding service in diving operations and as tenders to the divers during the invasion of the South of France.

ADMIRALTY.

Whitehall.

1st May, 1945.

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointments to the Distinguished Service Order and to approve the following awards:—

For great gallantry and outstanding devotion to duty:—

The Conspicuous Gallantry Medal.

Chief Motor Mechanic Fourth Class William Henry LOVEGROVE, P/MX.70809.

In the attack on St. Nazaire on 28th March, 1942, a shell passed through the engine-room of Motor Torpedo Boat 74 and Chief Motor Mechanic Lovegrove was wounded by splinters down the right leg. Disregarding his wounds he set to work to repair the centre engine, which had been put out of action, and although bleeding badly and in great pain he continued until he had repaired it, thus enabling the ship to set out on her return voyage. After starting for home the ship was again hit and became one mass of flame. The crew aban-