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

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

29th July, 1952.

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the British Empire Medal (Military Division), in recognition of gallant and distinguished conduct during the disturbances which took place in the Bechuanaland Protectorate on 1st June, 1952, to the undermentioned:—

- No. 710 Constable Osemile RESHENG, Bechuanaland Protectorate Police.
- No. 696 Constable Radio OABILE, Bechuanaland Protectorate Police.

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The QUEEN 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 George Medal and of the British Empire Medal, 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:—

- Philip Gordon BATHO, District Officer, Bechuanaland Protectorate.

Awarded the George Medal:—

- Dennis Arthur Treves ATKINS, Assistant District Officer, Bechuanaland Protectorate.

For courage and devotion to duty during the disturbances in Serowe on 1st June, 1952.

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

- Captain Henry Gwynn WATKINS, Master, m.s. "Dromus", Anglo-Saxon Petroleum Company. (Lampeter, Cardiganshire.)
- Kenneth ARMSTRONG, Chief Engineer Officer, m.s. "Dromus", Anglo-Saxon Petroleum Company. (Consett, Co. Durham.)

Awarded the British Empire Medal (Civil Division):—

- Baharun bin Mat, Sergeant, Pulau Bukom Security and Fire Squad, Singapore.
- Abdul Rahman bin Mohamed, Corporal, Pulau Bukom Fire Squad.
- Mohamed Din bin Abdullah, Corporal, Pulau Bukom Fire Squad.

While the motor oil-tanker "Dromus" was loading oil at Pulau Bukom a violent explosion occurred on board which caused the forepart of the vessel and the wharf to be immediately enveloped in flames. Captain Watkins and Chief Engineer Officer Armstrong ran to the scene and boarded the vessel in an attempt to bring the fire under control and move the ship to a safe distance from the oil installation.

Corporal Abdul Rahman and Corporal Mohamed Din also helped to extinguish the flames and when the men at the wharf had succeeded in gaining some control of the fire, the two Corporals boarded the "Dromus". They joined the Captain and Chief Engineer in trying to put out the fire which had spread to the forepart of the ship.

The Captain and Corporal Abdul Rahman closed the valves which controlled the flow of oil into the vessel. They then tried in vain to put out the fire by means of extinguishers available on the "Dromus". In this task they were helped by the Chief Engineer and Corporal Din. A second explosion occurred which caused the superstructure amidships to