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**CENTRAL CHANCERY OF  
 THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD**

St. James's Palace, London S.W.1.  
 3rd November 1959.

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the British Empire Medal for Gallantry (Military Division) in recognition of gallant conduct, to:

MYA/18107942 Private (acting Lance Corporal)  
 OTHMAN bin IDRIS, 37 Company, Royal Army  
 Service Corps (Water Transport).

On the 7th February 1959, Lance Corporal OTHMAN was coxswain in charge of a harbour launch. A large vessel entering the harbour at Keppel Head, Singapore, violently collided with its attendant tug causing the latter to begin to sink. Seeing this OTHMAN cast off and proceeded to the scene with all speed. He knew that there was grave danger to himself and his crew from the swirling tide rips and currents and the need to heave to in the close vicinity of the sinking vessel, but he did not hesitate to start rescue operations.

Using life buoys and rigging a life line he succeeded in hauling aboard his launch, from the water, five men of the crew of the tug, two of whom were unconscious. Until he was satisfied that he could not help any further victims he remained in the area, despite the low engine power and small size of his craft, in a situation made perilous by the strong currents in a narrow channel and the abnormal conditions produced by the collision of the two larger vessels.

Lance Corporal OTHMAN acted with great presence of mind and personal gallantry and in the highest traditions of the service of the sea. He saved the lives of the men he rescued.

**WAR OFFICE**

3rd November 1959.

Rev. J. B. MORSON, O.B.E., M.C., T.D., Q.H.C. (93368), Chapln. to the Forces 2nd Cl. (C. of E.) relinquishes his appointment as Honorary Chapln. to The QUEEN, 1st Oct. 1959.

**REGULAR ARMY**

The undermentioned Brigs. to be Supernumerary to Establishment on the dates shown:

R. C. ELSTONE, C.B.E., M.C. (41128), late Inf., 13th Sept. 1959.

T. P. KEENE (38398), late R.A., 1st Oct. 1959.  
 D. C. CURME, C.B.E. (39125), late R.A., 8th Oct. 1959.

K. H. COLLEN, C.B.E. (41105), late Inf., 13th Oct. 1959.

J. T. S. TUTTON, O.B.E., M.A. (36628), late R.E., 15th Oct. 1959.

R. W. HOBSON, C.B.E. (44876), late R.A.C., 23rd Oct. 1959.

Col. A. K. INGLIS (38665) late R.A.D.C., retires on retired pay, 1st Nov. 1959. (Reserve Liability.)

Lt.-Col. G. McD. WRIGHT, M.B.E., M.A. (363466), from R.A.E.C. to be Col, 27th Oct. 1959.

**ANNUAL BREVETS**

The undermentioned Maj. to be Brevet Lt.-Cols., 1st July 1959:

J. M. BROCKBANK, M.C. (176700), 12 L.

H. R. S. PAIN, M.C. (262929), 4/7 D.G.

H. C. WALKER, M.B.E., M.C. (88796), 5 Innis. D.G.

R. J. BISHOP, M.B.E., M.C. (149941), R.A.

C. J. CODNER (94294), M.C., R.A.

M. JANES, M.B.E. (243497), R.A.

C. P. A. JOYNES (112936), R.A.

H. KNUTTON (288346), R.A.

D. I. A. McKECHNIE (95107), R.A.

R. M. SOMERVILLE, M.B.E. (126254), R.A.

W. F. COOPER, M.C. (125181), R.E.

A. J. I. POYNTER, M.C., B.A. (95189), R.E.

A. E. YOUNGER, D.S.O., M.A. (85568), R.E.

D. COATESWORTH, M.B.E., M.Sc., A.M.I.E.E. (180830), R. Sigs.

C. E. PAGE, M.B.E., B.Sc.(Eng.) (193565), R. Sigs.

R. J. D. E. BUCKLAND, M.B.E. (165022), Coldm. Gds.

J. R. BURGESS, M.B.E. (95592), S.C.L.I.

D. W. FRASER (184424), Gren. Gds.

P. R. LEUCHARS (200120), W.G.

C. M. MOIR (105763), B.W.

J. B. OLDFIELD (77623), Green Howards.

M. C. THURSBY-PELHAM (176790), W.G.

D. A. H. TOLER, M.C. (165027), Coldm. Gds.

A. J. WILSON, M.B.E., M.C. (180730), R.B.

W. BATE (337000), R.A.S.C.

**REGULAR ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS**

Col. G. C. CLARK, O.B.E. (19125), late R.E., having attained the age limit of liability to recall, ceases to belong to the Res. of Offrs., 2nd Nov. 1959.