

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to give orders for the publication of the name shown below as having received an expression of Commendation for Brave Conduct:

Warrant Officer Class II Martin MCGARRY, Corps of Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers.

In the Habilayn—Al Milah area of South Arabia Warrant Officer McGarry was with a Flight Workshops R.E.M.E. maintaining light aircraft of the Army Air Corps. On 2nd February 1966, four aircraft were supporting operations and flying at high intensity rates. These aircraft were hit by enemy fire which on several occasions caused severe damage necessitating immediate repair to make them air-worthy.

Throughout the day, by sheer ingenious resourceful improvisation determination and devotion to duty Warrant Officer McGarry kept his flight flying making a major contribution to the complete success of the operation.

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to approve the undermentioned awards in recognition of gallant conduct in Aden:

Military Medal

22802945 Private Colin Winter WATSON late The Parachute Regiment.

On the night of 20th May 1965, Private Watson was a member of a patrol found from "C" Company, 1st Battalion, The Parachute Regiment, then operating at Ad Dimnah. The task of the patrol was to set up an ambush on a high feature approximately six hundred yards from the Company position. At about 2100 hours the patrol opened fire on a party of about twenty enemy approaching their position. Almost immediately the patrol came under heavy and accurate small arms and rocket launcher fire from the flank from two other enemy groups, each twelve to fifteen men strong. At this stage both wireless operators with the patrol became casualties. Private Watson on his own initiative immediately gave first-aid to one of them who had received a serious wound in his arm and was losing a great amount of blood. He also administered morphia as the man was in great pain. At this stage the patrol was still under heavy and accurate fire and Private Watson exposed himself in a most selfless fashion whilst giving this first-aid.

The Medical Officer attached to the Company at that time, who subsequently examined the wounded soldier on his evacuation to the Company Aid Post, is of the opinion that Private Watson's prompt and efficient action saved the wounded man's life. Private Watson then attended to the other wounded man whom he believed to be still alive. Again, with complete disregard for his own safety he gave the man artificial respiration including "the kiss of life" treatment for over an hour in an unsuccessful attempt to save his life. Throughout the action Private Watson, who had never before been under fire, conducted himself in an exemplary manner displaying a selfless dedication to his wounded comrades at considerable risk to himself.

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2nd Lieutenant The Honourable Roland Thomas John HANDCOCK (477416) The Parachute Regiment.

In the Western Aden Protectorate on the 25th September 1965, 2nd Lieutenant Handcock was acting as a Forward Air Controller to a battalion of the Federal Regular Army. For some twelve hours the battalion came under sustained enemy fire, and throughout this prolonged engagement he called for and controlled nine separate air strikes against enemy positions. This involved several moves of himself and his wireless detachment whilst under enemy fire. On the evacuation of his wounded signaller, 2nd Lieutenant Handcock remained with the radio, and single handed directed pilots on to their targets. His persistence, skill as an Air Controller and complete lack of thought for his own safety ensured the success of the air strikes, without which casualties in the battalion would have been much heavier.

23882357 Corporal Peter John BARNES The Parachute Regiment.

On the night of 20th May 1965 at Ad Dimnah Western Aden Protectorate, Corporal Barnes was a

member of an ambush patrol which engaged about twenty enemy approaching their position. The enemy reacted with heavy and accurate fire which caused casualties, killing the wireless operator and seriously incapacitating the other. Without hesitation Corporal Barnes took over the dead man's wireless maintaining and relaying accurate and comprehensive communications between his Company and Patrol Commanders. His calmness, self-control and exemplary conduct was an inspiration to all and undoubtedly helped his patrol repel the strong enemy attack.

19th July 1966.

Col. Henry Leslie CLARKE, T.D., J.P., D.L., late R.A., T.A., is appointed Aide-de-Camp, Territorial Army to The QUEEN, 18th July 1966, in succession to Col. Harold Tidbury WHEELER, E.R.D., tenure expired.

REGULAR ARMY

Brig. E. H. G. LONSDALE, M.B.E., (63661), late R.A.S.C., to be Maj.-Gen., 12th June 1966, with seniority 14th Apr. 1965, and with precedence next above R. H. WHITWORTH, C.B.E. (124539), late Ft. Gds.

Brig. D. L. LLOYD OWEN, D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C. (74596), late Inf., to be Maj.-Gen., 20th June 1966.

Col. D. L. GRIFFITH, O.B.E. (74558), late R.E., to be Brig., 23rd June 1966.

Col. W. R. POTTER, M.B.E., T.D. (78906), late Inf., retires on retired pay, 18th July 1966.

The undermentioned Lt.-Cols. to be Cols. on the dates shown:

J. PROUDMAN (137883) from R.A. (E.L.1), 24th Feb. 1966, with seniority 16th Sept. 1965.

B. J. EASTWOOD, O.B.E. (345648), from R.C.T., 11th Apr. 1966, with seniority 13th Aug. 1965.

F. J. T. DURIE, M.B.E. (95100), from R.A., 29th Apr. 1966, with seniority 20th July 1965.

H. G. KEMBALL, O.B.E., M.C. (95490), from Lan. R. (P.W.V.), 7th May 1966, with seniority 2nd Aug. 1965.

J. F. WESTON-SIMONS, O.B.E., M.C. (95553), from Q.R.I.H. (E.L.1), 17th May 1966, with seniority 2nd Aug. 1964.

REGULAR ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS

The undermentioned Offrs. having attained the age limit for liability to recall, cease to belong to the Res. of Offrs. on the dates shown:

Brig. K. H. COLLEN, C.B.E. (41105), late Inf., 16th July 1966.

Brig. H. E. C. de CHASSIRON, C.B.E. (40369), late R.E., 18th July 1966.

Brig. R. E. OBBORNE-SMITH, D.S.O., O.B.E. (41242), late Inf., 18th July 1966.

Col. F. J. J. PRIOR, O.B.E., E.R.D. (65841), late R.E., 18th July 1966.

ROYAL ARMOURD CORPS

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REGULAR ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS

Maj. M. J. P. STARKEY (71080) having attained the age limit, ceases to belong to the Res. of Offrs., 17th July 1966.

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REGULAR ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS

Lt.-Col. J. L. YEATMAN (52728) having attained the age limit, ceases to belong to the Res. of Offrs., 20th Sept. 1965.

R.T.R.

REGULAR ARMY

Lt. P. N. JARVIS (467128) to be Capt., 17th July 1966.

W.W.Y.

TERRITORIAL ARMY

24012883 L/Cpl. John Reginald LEES (482123) to be 2nd Lt. (on probation), 25th Apr. 1966.

23991017 Tpr. Andrew Walford TURNER (482099) to be 2nd Lt. (on probation), 25th Apr. 1966.

ROYAL REGIMENT OF ARTILLERY

REGULAR ARMY

Lt.-Col. H. R. A. HUNT (77870) (Special List) retires on retired pay, 17th July 1966.

Capt. R. K. BURNAND (407777) retires on retired pay, 20th July 1966.

Lt. R. C. PEACHEY (464781) to be Capt., 19th July 1966.