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State Intelligence

BY THE QUEEN
A PROCLAMATION

FOR APPOINTING TUESDAY, 27TH DECEMBER, 1966, A BANK HOLIDAY AND A PUBLIC HOLIDAY IN ENGLAND AND WALES AND IN NORTHERN IRELAND.

ELIZABETH R.

Whereas We consider it desirable that Tuesday, the twenty-seventh day of December one thousand nine hundred and sixty-six, should be observed as a holiday in England and Wales and in Northern Ireland:

We do hereby appoint the said twenty-seventh day of December to be observed as a Public Holiday in England and Wales and in Northern Ireland and by this Our Royal Proclamation command the said day to be so observed and all Our loving subjects to order themselves accordingly:

And We do further hereby, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 4 of the Bank Holidays Act 1871, and section 3 (3) of the Customs and Excise Act 1952, appoint the said twenty-seventh day of December to be observed in England and Wales and in Northern Ireland as a Bank Holiday, and as a holiday in the customs and excise, under and in accordance with the said Acts.

Given at Our Court at Buckingham Palace, this eleventh day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-six, and in the fifteenth year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN

BY THE QUEEN
A PROCLAMATION

REVOKING THE FOREIGN COINS (IMPORTATION PROHIBITION) PROCLAMATION 1919

ELIZABETH R.

Whereas by a Proclamation, dated the fourteenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, made in pursuance of section two of the Customs Amendment Act 1886, the importation was prohibited into the United Kingdom of all coins coined in any foreign country other than gold or silver coins:

And Whereas it appears to Us that the said Proclamation should be revoked:

Now, therefore, We, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, in pursuance of the said Act and of all other powers enabling Us in that behalf, do hereby proclaim that the said Proclamation of the fourteenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen is revoked.

Given at Our Court at Buckingham Palace, this eleventh day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-six, and in the fifteenth year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN

HONOURS AND AWARDS

CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS
OF KNIGHTHOOD

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

12th August 1966.

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased, on the advice of Her Majesty's Australian Ministers, to approve the award of the British Empire Medal for Gallantry (Military Division) to the undermentioned (To be dated 11th August 1966):

R.58512 Able Seaman Fire Control John James PITCHER, Royal Australian Navy.

On 4th March 1966, Able Seaman Pitcher was, with a party of sailors under instruction, removing a 4.5" Starshell from a turret at the West Head Gunnery Range at H.M.A.S. Cerberus, when he was informed that one of the shells was leaking. He immediately checked and found it hissing from one of the base securing pins. Realising that it might explode at any time, he picked it up and took it to the misfire tank some 20 yards away. Had the shell exploded, it would have caused serious injury and possibly loss of life among the sailors present. By his prompt action and disregard of his personal safety, Able Seaman Pitcher prevented a serious accident.

CROWN OFFICE

House of Lords, London S.W.1.

10th August 1966.

The QUEEN has been pleased by Letters Patent under the Great Seal to present The Reverend David Gwyn Jones, B.A., to the United Benefice of Stonegrave with Nunnington in the county of York and diocese of York, void by the resignation of the last Incumbent and in Her Majesty's Gift for this alternate turn.

11th August 1966.

The QUEEN has been pleased by Warrant under Her Royal Sign Manual dated the 11th day of August 1966, to appoint Henry Albert Skinner, Esquire, Q.C., to be Deputy Chairman of the Courts of Quarter Sessions for the County of Nottingham holden respectively at Newark-on-Trent and East Retford in accordance with the provisions of the Administration of Justice (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1938.

TREASURY

Treasury Chambers, London S.W.1.

12th August 1966.

1. The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that Tenders will be received at the Chief Cashier's Office, at the Bank