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State Intelligence

HONOURS AND AWARDS

CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD

St. James's Palace, London S.W.1.
28th May 1968.

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased on the advice of Her Majesty's Australian Ministers to award the Imperial Service Medal to the following officers on their retirement.

AUSTRALIAN CIVIL SERVICE

DENT, Alice Amy, Supervisor, Grade 2, Telecommunications Division, Postmaster-General's Department, Tasmania.

LUMLEY, William Alfred, Overseer (Mails) Postal Services Division, Postmaster-General's Department, Tasmania.

TURTON, Allan Eli John, Clerical Assistant, Grade 4, District Postal Manager's Office, Albury.

WILLIAMS, Sydney Albert Ernest, Senior Assistant (Mails), Mail Exchange Branch, Sydney.

CROWN OFFICE

House of Lords, London S.W.1.
27th May 1968.

The QUEEN has been pleased by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the Realm, bearing date the 27th day of May 1968, to appoint John Charles Wade, Esquire, O.B.E., to be Her Majesty's Lieutenant of and in the County of Cumberland in the room of Colonel Sir Frederick Fergus Graham, Baronet, K.B.E., T.D., who has retired.

TREASURY

H.M. Treasury,
Treasury Chambers,
Great George Street,
London S.W.1.

4 PER CENT. VICTORY BONDS— ANNUAL DRAWING

The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury give notice in accordance with the Regulations dated 29th May 1920 for the drawing of 4 per cent Victory Bonds, as amended, that the 49th annual drawing of these Bonds will take place on Tuesday, 11th June 1968.

The lists of Bonds drawn will be published as a special supplement to the *London Gazette* on Friday, 21st June 1968.

REDEMPTION AND CONVERSION OF: 4½% DEFENCE BONDS (CONVERSION ISSUE) 5% DEFENCE BONDS (CONVERSION ISSUE).

The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury give notice:

(i) in accordance with paragraph 5 of the Prospectus for 4½% Defence Bonds (Conversion Issue) dated 28th December 1957, that Bonds issued in the period 1st April 1958 to 30th September 1958 (maturing on 1st October 1968), will be repayable, upon application by the holders, at the rate of £105 per £100 on 1st October 1968, unless the holders accept an offer of conversion into 6% British Savings Bonds (First Conversion Issue);

(ii) in accordance with paragraph 5 of the Prospectus for 5% Defence Bonds (Conversion Issue) dated 13th May 1961, that Bonds issued on 15th September 1961 (maturing on 1st October 1968), will be repayable, upon application by the holders, at the rate of £103 per £100 on 1st October 1968, unless the holders accept an offer of conversion into 6% British Savings Bonds (First Conversion Issue).

Interest on these Defence Bonds will not be paid in respect of periods after 1st October 1968.

Holders of the Defence Bonds concerned will be invited to exchange their holdings, in whole or in part, in multiples of £5, into 6% British Savings Bonds (First Conversion Issue) on 1st October 1968 at the rate of £5 of such bonds for each £5 of Bonds tendered for exchange. The terms of the new First Conversion Issue Bonds will be the same as those of the 6% British Savings Bonds (First Issue) currently on sale, except that interest will be payable on 15th April and 15th October.

Holders of the maturing Defence Bonds who decide not to accept a conversion offer should apply for repayment. No interest will be payable on the Bonds after they mature on 1st October 1968, and they can only be repaid upon application by the holder.

The full conversion terms will be given in a Prospectus and Notice which, in respect of each conversion offer, will be sent to holders, or in the case of joint holdings to the first named holder, on 31st May 1968 together with a form of request for conversion, and a form of application for repayment for use if they do not wish to convert. Holders should signify their intentions by completing the appropriate form and returning it with the Certificate(s) or Bond Book(s) to the Director, Bonds and Stock Office, Lytham St. Annes, Lancs., or to the Trustee Savings Bank at which the Bonds are held, as appropriate.

Any holder who does not receive these forms, with the Prospectus and Notice, within a reasonable time after 31st May 1968, should report the fact to