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CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

> St. James's Palace, S.W.I. 24th January, 1941.

. The KING has been graciously pleased to award the GEORGE CROSS to:

Norman Tunna, Shunter, Great Western Railway, Birkenhead.

Énemy action over the Liverpool Port Area resulted in a number of serious fires involving railway and dock warehouse

properties.

A large number of incendiary bombs fell on and about the goods station and sidings. Amongst the wagons in the yards were a train load of ammunition, various trucks of petrol in tins, bombs and ammunition fuses. Most of the enemy incendiary bombs were extinguished by the prompt action of the staff on duty before damage could be done, but a serious fire developed from incendiaries falling in one section of the station premises.

In the course of these events Shunter Tunna discovered two incendiary bombs burning in a sheeted open wagon, containing 250-lb. bombs. With complete disregard for personal risk, Tunna removed the sheet, extinguished the incendiary bombs and removed them from the truck. The top

layer of these heavy bombs was hot.

Tunna's action displayed courage in very high degree and eliminated the risk of serious explosions, the results of which it would be difficult to measure.

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The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the undermentioned appointments to the Fifth Class of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, for the following Awards of the George Medal and of the Medal Most Excellent Order, the said Meritorious Service, and for the publication in the London Gazette of the names of the persons specially shown below as having received an expression of commendation for their brave conduct in Civil Defence.

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

Cecil Alexander Baines, Docks Superintendent,

Port of London Authority.

The docks of which Mr. Baines is in charge have been heavily bombed. He has been almost continuously at his post and has directed both dock services and A.R.P. Work with conspicuous ability. On several occasions he has led parties to extinguish incendiary bombs and has been instrumental in saving valuable dock premises from destruction.

Frank James Dowsett, Assistant Docks Superintendent, Port of London Authority.

The docks of which Mr. Dowsett is Assistant Superintendent were heavily attacked and serious fires were started. Mr. Dowsett