

Samuel Stillwell, Auxiliary Messenger, London Auxiliary Fire Service.

At a large Docks fire this boy was discovered holding a hose until relieved by firemen.

He continued afterwards to deliver messages and bring drinking water to officers and men who were unable to leave their positions.

Altogether Stillwell was at the fire in the Docks on the first day and night for over 14 hours and on five succeeding nights carried out duties at fires in the same area with great courage.

He was quite indifferent to the danger he was in and, although ordered to shelter, he turned up again and again later in the night and the next morning carrying drinking water to the men on the hoses.

John Richard Unwin, District Officer, London Fire Brigade.

District Officer Unwin has been sent by Headquarters from fire to fire where there were special difficulties in rescue work or with fire fighting apparatus. He has carried out his special technical duties with conspicuous gallantry and complete disregard of danger and fatigue.

He has been responsible for the saving of lives and appliances endangered as a result of enemy action.

Annie Matilda Wilkins, Auxiliary, Women's Auxiliary Fire Service, London.

Bessie Constance Wulbern, Auxiliary, Women's Auxiliary Fire Service, London.

These women were alone in a sub-station while the immediate neighbourhood was being subjected to a most intensive bombing. Throughout they received and transmitted all their messages absolutely correctly, and reporting crews were sent to their correct fires with accuracy and despatch. When the station was struck by incendiary bombs and set on fire they reported this occurrence by telephone to the local station, and remained at their posts until the officer in charge arrived and ordered them to leave the station.

Commendations.

Those named below have been brought to notice for brave conduct in Civil Defence:—

Frederick George Anstey, Member A.R.P. Rescue Party, Lambeth.

Herbert Edward Anstey, Leader A.R.P. Rescue Party, Lambeth.

John Appleby, Motor Car Driver and milk Roundsman, Eastbourne.

George Ashton, Hawker, Swansea.

Norah Ashton, Welfare Nurse, Worcester Local Authority.

Miss Heather Barnes (deceased), V.A.D. British Red Cross Society, Horsham and Worthing.

William Barr, Inspector, Metropolitan Special Constabulary.

Harold Richard Barrett, Senior Fireman, London Fire Brigade.

John Bennett, Police Constable, Reserve of Pensioners, Metropolitan Police.

A. Bowles, Assistant Valveman, City of Birmingham Gas Department.

Thomas Walter Donoghue, Police Sergeant, Metropolitan Police.

Charles George Elvery, Head A.R.P. Warden, Dover.

Frank Evans, Police Constable, Metropolitan Police.

Edward Fast, Police Constable, Metropolitan Police.

Louise Finbow, Section Officer, Women's Auxiliary Fire Service, London.

Thomas Harold Ruben Fisher, Police Constable, Salford Police Force.

Leonard Ewart Fox, Sub Officer, London Fire Brigade.

Lillian, Mrs. Halle, North Kensington.

Ernest Claude Heaton, Ambulance Room Attendant, Gas Works, Birmingham.

John Henry Ward Heaton, Member A.R.P. Rescue Party, Lambeth.

Charles Edward Hollis, Member A.R.P. Rescue Party, Islington.

G. T. Phillips, Assistant Valveman, City of Birmingham Gas Department.

Gertrude Norah Pitceathly, V.A.D. British Red Cross Society, Horsham and Worthing.

Robert Rowley (deceased), Member A.R.P. Rescue Party, Westminster.

Albert Richard Smith, Auxiliary Fireman, London Auxiliary Fire Service.

Ralph Smith, Station Officer, London Fire Brigade.

Charles David Southam, Member A.R.P. Rescue Party, Islington.

David Stoddart, Section Officer, London Auxiliary Fire Service.

Arthur Harold Thomas, Member A.R.P. Rescue Party, Islington.

Miss Dorothy Grace Weaver, Centre Organiser, W.V.S., Worcester.

Algeron Webb, Supervisor, Gas Works, Birmingham.

Ernest Robert McDonald Welch, Station Officer, London Fire Brigade.

Hubert James Willey, Inspector, Metropolitan Police.

Albert Savage Williams, Police Constable, Metropolitan Police.

John Williams, Leader A.R.P. Rescue Party, Islington.

Herbert Wiseman, Police Constable, Metropolitan Police.

Arthur Wragg, Relief Supervisor, Gas Works, Birmingham.

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