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**CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.**

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*7th March, 1941.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the undermentioned appointments to the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, for the following awards of the George Medal and the Medal of the said Most Excellent Order, 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:—*

**Percival Chatfield**, Chief Superintendent of Police, Southampton.

Throughout the intensive bombing of Southampton, Chief Superintendent Chatfield has shown great qualities of leadership.

He has shared whatever peril his men have been called upon to face, and his outstanding courage and coolness have been an inspiration to all members of the Southampton Police.

**George Drury**, Regional Fire Brigades Inspector, South Western Civil Defence Region H.Q., Bristol.

During heavy air raids on Bristol, Mr. Drury displayed operational efficiency of a high order, involving ability in organisation, ingenuity and resourcefulness. In addition he has shown high courage and endurance.

He attended, personally, a number of large fires, arranged water supplies, organised additional assistance and, with the co-operation of the authorities, evolved an extremely effective fire fighting organisation.

**Arthur Frederick Matts**, Commandant, Coventry City Special Constabulary.

Commandant Matts has been on duty throughout the enemy air attacks on Coventry. He has shown complete indifference to his own safety, inspiring all under him by his leadership, initiative and devotion to duty. The efficiency of the Coventry City Special Constabulary is due, very largely, to Commandant Matts' services.

**Henry Martin Smith**, Home Office (Fire Brigade Division) Regional Inspector, Southern Civil Defence Region.

During heavy air raids on Portsmouth, Mr. Smith's services were invaluable. He visited many fires giving advice and help