a small hole and reach the casualties. With help he released six persons, who were passed through the opening to safety.

Mr. Ruffle was in grave danger from a thirty foot wall which was liable to collapse but he worked unceasingly and with complete disregard of his own safety.

Charles Frederick Ward, Police Sergeant, Birmingham City Police.

For brave conduct in hazardous circumstances.

Walter Derrick Wilson, Divisional Staff Officer, Coventry Special Constabulary.

During enemy air attacks on Coventry Divisional Staff Officer Wilson has driven small parties of Police, from one incident to another. He has displayed great initiative, leadership and courage and has inspired Special Constables and Regular Police alike by his utter indifference to his personal safety.

## COMMENDATIONS.

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

- Herbert George Adams (deceased), Officer in Charge, A.R.P. Casualty Bureau, Bristol.
- William Collister, A.R.P. Messenger, Plymouth.
- Eric Warden Copson, A.R.P. Warden, Birmingham.
- Albert James Davies, Constable, Royal Marine Police.
- Carmen Peter Dinambro, Mobile Unit Driver, A.R.P. Casualty Service, Bristol.
- Tommy Flint, Member, Works Fire Brigade, Leeds.
- Joseph William Bettles Hall, Constable, Royal Marine Police.
- James Hamilton, Whitley Bay, Northumberland.
- Alfred James Hayward (deceased), Royal Marine Police.
- Edward Hill, A.R.P. Messenger, Plymouth.
- Albert Roval Lee, Leader, Departmental A.R.P. Squad (Junior Executive Officer), Supreme Court of Judicature.
- Supreme Court of Judicature. Rosina, Mrs. Llovd, Ambulance Attendant, A.R.P. Casualtv Service, Plvmouth.
- Arthur Pain, A.R.P. Warden, Birmingham.
- Bernard Newton Blvth-Palk (deceased), Junior Assistant to the A.R.P. Controller, Plymouth

- Thomas Francis Pooley, A.R.P. Messenger, Plymouth.
- Thomas Powell, Constable, Royal Marine Police.

Samuel John Priddle, Works Foreman, Bristol.

- John Henry Prothero, Assistant Clerk of Works, Public Works Department, Birmingham.
- Thomas Edward Ramskill, Ambulance Driver, A.R.P. Casualty Service, Bristol.
- Gerald Edward Holman Rice (deceased), Constable, Royal Marine Police Special Reserve.
- John Savory, Window Cleaner, Lowestoft. Percy Shurmer, Member, Voluntary Sector Fire
- Party, Birmingham.
- Willis Godfrey Smallwood, Constable, Royal Marine Police Special Reserve.
- Harold Smith, Whitley Bay, Northumberland.
- Cyril Walter Tart, Police Constable, Birmingham City Police.
- George Thomas, Member, First Aid Party, Bristol.
- Miss Marie Louise Thornton, Health Visitor, Public Health Department, Bristol.
- Miss Nora Gertrude Tudball, Ambulance Attendant, A.R.P. Casualty Service, Bristol.
- Ravmond Williams, Member, Voluntary Sector Fire Party, Birmingham.

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