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CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

St. James's Palace, S.W.I.
27th June, 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 of the British Empire Medal, 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:—

Alfred Francis, Chief Officer, Tenby Fire Brigade Service.

Horace Lloyd Howarth, Commandant, Milford Haven Fire Brigade Service.

When a large fire, the result of enemy action, threatened a town, Commandant Howarth, surmounting great difficulties, successfully organised the relaying of water.

He was joined by Chief Officer Francis whose practical experience combined with the initiative displayed by the Commandant greatly assisted the operations.

Both officers led their men with courage and displayed devotion to duty and resource in dealing with a very dangerous situation. To be an Additional Member of the Civil Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire:—

John Smith, Commandant, Dagenham Auxiliary Fire Service.

Awarded the British Empire Medal (Civil Division):—

Alfred Edward Jones, Deputy Commandant, Dagenham Auxiliary Fire Service.

During an air attack large fires were caused at a factory. Commandant Smith showed conspicuous leadership in organising the brigades to combat the fire and prevented its spread.

He was ably assisted by Deputy Commandant Jones who organised water supplies and the placing of the crews, thereby saving valuable machinery and stock.

Awarded the George Medal:-

William Aubrey Bailey, Captain, Church Army, Paddington.

Sidney Cyril Coomber
Police Constable
(Criminal Investigation Department),
Reginald George Grose,
Police Constable,

" D " Division Metropolitan Police.

Edwin John Pope, Police Constable,

As a result of enemy action buildings were damaged.

Detective Constable Coomber and Police Constable Grose entered one house and found