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CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

St. James's Palace, S.W.I. 11th July, 1941.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the George Medal to:---Pilot Officer Peter Talcott Curry (84314), Royal

Air Force Volunteer Reserve.

901077 Leading Aircraftman Harry Robert Garner, Royal Air Force. This officer and airman displayed

courageous conduct when an aircraft, with a full load of bombs, crashed and burst into flames one night in May, 1941. They succeeded in extricating two of the crew who were trapped in the aircraft, while the bombs were actually exploding.

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The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the British Empire Medal (Military Division) to the undermentioned :-

525199 Sergeant Percy Evans Pacey, Royal Air Force.

One day in April, 1941, this airman was despatcher in an aircraft which crashed on landing and immediately burst into flames. He saw the six passengers, who were in his charge, to safety and, in spite of severe leg injuries, unhesitatingly re-entered the aircraft and crawled up the fuselage to rescue the wireless operator whose clothes were on fire. The fuselage tanks exploded and set fire to he Sergeant Pacey's clothing just as succeeded in dragging the wireless operator

Sergeant Pacey took clear of the aircraft. a considerable risk in re-entering the blazing aircraft and set a splendid example of courage and self-sacrifice.

968365 Sergeant Dudley Farquhar Allen, G.M., Royal Air Force.

One evening in April an enemy aircraft dropped incendiary bombs on an aerodrome. · One bomb fell into the cockpit of an aircraft on the ground and lodged beneath the seat and under the front of the fuselage petrol tank in a position which prevented its removal. Sergeant Allen attempted to extinguish the incendiary but his efforts were unavailing owing to its position. He therefore climbed into the cockpit and, although fully aware that the fuel tank was likely to explode at any moment, he plied fire extinguishers against the side of the tank and put soil on the incendiary until it was finally extinguished. At the time a large number of men were engaged in putting out other incendiaries near the aircraft. There is no doubt that Sergeant Allen, by his initiative and gallant conduct in the face of extremely would certdangerous conditions, many casualties which certainly have occurred had the tank exploded.

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The KING has been graciously pleased to award the Imperial Service Medal to the following officers:

HOME CIVIL SERVICE.

(Dated 8th July, 1941.)

Allen, John, Postman, London Postal Region, Eastern Central District.