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CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

*St. James's Palace, S.W.1.
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The KING has been graciously pleased to award the GEORGE CROSS to:—

Harry Errington, Auxiliary Fireman, London Auxiliary Fire Service.

High explosive and incendiary bombs demolished a building. Errington and two other Auxiliary Firemen were the only occupants of the basement of the building at the time of the explosion. The blast blew Errington across the basement, but although dazed and injured he made his way to the other two Auxiliaries, whom he found to be pinned down, flat on their backs, by debris. A fierce fire broke out and the trapped men were in imminent danger of being burnt to death. The heat of the fire was so intense that Errington had to protect himself with a blanket. After working with his bare hands for some minutes he managed to release the injured men and dragged them from under the wreckage and away from the fire.

While he was so engaged, burning debris was falling into the basement and there was considerable danger of a further collapse of the building. He carried one of the men up a narrow stone staircase partially choked with

debris, into the courtyard, made his way through an adjoining building and thence into the street.

Despite the appalling conditions and although burned and injured, Errington returned and brought out the second man.

Both Errington's comrades were severely burned but survived. He showed great bravery and endurance in effecting the rescues, at the risk of his own life.

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The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the undermentioned appointment 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 an Additional Officer of the Civil Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire:—

James Foulds Knappe, Deputy A.R.P. Controller, Plymouth.

Mr. Knappe has given outstanding service to the Plymouth A.R.P. organisation.