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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 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 an Additional Officer of the Civil Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire:—

Councillor Leonard Speight, Controller and Chairman of Emergency Committee, Hull.

Councillor Speight has given outstanding service to the Civil Defence organisation in Hull and his qualities of leadership and courage have done much to encourage the A.R.P. personnel. On one occasion a bomb destroyed the Control Centre where he was on duty, killing four persons and injuring others. Councillor Speight immediately made arrangements for the re-opening of communications at an improvised centre and remained there, throughout the raid, directing operations.

To be Additional Members of the Civil Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire:—

Edward Fisher Greggains, Deputy Rest Centre Officer, London County Council Social Welfare Department.

Throughout the period of air raids on London, Mr. Greggains has displayed great devotion to duty with complete disregard of danger.

When acting as Officer in Charge of a Rest Centre Service, he showed resource and initiative in dealing with the many difficult situations which arose when Rest Centres were set on fire by enemy action.

During the height of one raid he visited damaged Centres to see that evacuation had been completed and to ensure the safety and comfort of the many persons rendered homeless.

Harold Hughes, District A.R.P. Officer, Atherstone.

Working-class houses were demolished by a H.E. bomb and eight persons, including a child aged two years, were trapped.

A Rescue Party, under the leadership of Mr. Hughes, began work. Hughes crawled under the wreckage and found that the baby was trapped by part of a fireplace lying across her legs.