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TUESDAY, 5 DECEMBER, 1944

*Buckingham Palace, 30th November, 1944.*

This day had Audience of The KING:—

His Excellency Monsieur André Clasen, to present his letters of credence as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from Her Royal Highness the Grand Duchess of Luxembourg.

*Whitehall, November 27, 1944.*

The KING has been pleased to award the Edward Medal in Silver to William Jenkins in recognition of his gallantry in the following circumstances:—

Shortly after 3.0 p.m. on the 21st September, 1944, a heavy fall occurred in the Newlands Colliery, Glamorganshire, imprisoning two colliers. On the alarm being given, Mr. William Jenkins, the Under-Manager, hurried to the scene and took charge of the rescue operations. Further heavy falls occurred on several occasions. By 9.30 p.m. it was estimated that as much as forty tons had been cleared in attempting to make an opening on to the fall. Mr. Jenkins remained at work and by 2.30 a.m. was able to get on to the fall, which was twelve to fifteen yards long, through an opening some two feet square. He proceeded to make a passage down to the trapped men on the other side, and continued to do so when he himself became trapped by a further fall, which temporarily blocked the exit. In due course, with assistance from the trapped men, he established an opening on their side but was afraid that if they attempted to climb up, the opening might again become blocked. He therefore procured three leather belts and by this means formed a life line with which he hauled the first man up through the hole. On the way out a further fall occurred which injured Mr. Jenkins in the neck, chest and arm, and temporarily incapacitated him; he was pulled out by the feet, and when the exit was cleared went in and brought out the rescued man. Once again the hole was blocked by another fall, and when it was cleared Mr. Jenkins, though in pain from his injuries, returned to the fall to rescue the remaining man. This man is of considerably greater stature than Mr. Jenkins, but Mr. Jenkins was able to pull him up through the hole, and by 4.0 a.m. both men were rescued. Mr. Jenkins, who before the rescue had completed an arduous morning shift, had been below ground with a short break, for twenty-two hours.

Mr. Jenkins showed great resourcefulness, endurance and self-sacrifice and he was in constant danger of being trapped or killed outright.

*Factory Department, Ministry of Labour and National Service.*

*St. James's Square, London, S.W.1.*

*30th November, 1944.*

The Chief Inspector of Factories has made the following appointments under the Factories Act, 1937:—

Dr. T. C. Houston to be Examining Surgeon for the St. Austell District of the county of Cornwall.

Dr. J. H. Burniston to be Examining Surgeon for the Mitcheldean District of the county of Gloucester.

*Downing Street, 23rd November, 1944.*

The KING has been pleased to give directions for the appointment of David Gifford Maurice, Esq., to be a Nominated Member of the Executive Council of Malta.

*Downing Street, 12th October, 1944.*

The KING has been pleased to appoint Sir John Hathorn Hall, K.C.M.G., D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C., to be Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Uganda Protectorate.

*Scottish Home Department, St. Andrew's House, Edinburgh 1.*

*30th November, 1944.*

The Secretary of State for Scotland has been pleased by Warrant under his hand and seal dated the 27th November, 1944, to appoint the Most Hon. The Marquess of Linlithgow, K.G., K.T., G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E., one of the members of the Board of Trustees for the National Galleries of Scotland to be Chairman of the said Board in the room of the Hon. Sir Hew Hamilton Dalrymple, resigned, for the period from 1st January 1945, for the remaining term for which the present Board is constituted that is, to the 31st March, 1947.

TRADE BOARDS ACTS, 1909 AND 1918, AND  
TRADE BOARDS AND ROAD HAULAGE  
WAGES (EMERGENCY PROVISIONS) ACT 1940.

LAUNDRY TRADE BOARD (GREAT BRITAIN).

*Proposal to vary minimum rates of wages.*

The Laundry Trade Board (Great Britain) hereby give notice that they propose to vary the minimum rates of wages for male and female workers at