

tenacity in effecting the arrest of the armed man who had already shot and wounded one of their colleagues.

*Awarded the George Medal :—*

Osmund Ertman CISLOWSKI, Constable 1st Class, Queensland Police Force.

*Awarded the British Empire Medal (Civil Division) :—*

Earle Leonard NEEDHAM, Constable 1st Class, Queensland Police Force.

Constable Cislowski and Constable Needham were called to some premises where a prowler had been seen on the roof. Needham went to the side of the premises while Cislowski went to the rear where he saw a man about to jump from an iron fence. He called to him to stop, but the man ran up a track closely pursued by the Constable and, stopping in a galvanised iron shed, he faced the Constable and threatened him. Cislowski, however, moved towards the man who drew a gun and shot the Constable in the chest. A struggle ensued, but the Constable could not hold the man, who broke away and ran down the track. Despite his injuries Cislowski continued the chase and caught hold of the man by the trouser leg, which tore away. The man then started to run down the track again but the Constable again grappled with him. The man fired several shots and broke away but was chased and caught by Cislowski who threw him to the ground face downwards.

Constable Needham arrived on the scene at this point and both Constables grappled with the man, who then fired two shots, one of which struck Cislowski near the left hip. Another Constable then arrived and the man was overpowered. Constable Cislowski was taken to hospital with three bullet wounds in his body and other injuries. Despite his serious wounds Constable Cislowski was prepared to do his duty no matter what the cost to himself might be.

Constable Needham displayed great devotion to duty and courage and gave no thought for his personal safety.

*Awarded the George Medal :—*

William Robert MORROW, Sergeant, Royal Ulster Constabulary. (Rosslea, County Fermanagh.)

An attack was made by armed criminals on the Royal Ulster Constabulary Station, Rosslea. Sergeant Morrow was asleep in a bedroom on the first floor. A Constable was resting in the guardroom on the ground floor and three others were asleep in cubicles on the first floor. The criminals placed a charge of gelignite in a gutter beneath and outside the guardroom window and detonated it electrically, blowing a hole in the wall measuring 4 feet 4 inches by 2 feet 6 inches, and causing much other damage. The Constable was blown from his camp bed and partially buried under the debris. The criminals entered the guardroom through the hole made by the explosion and fired seven bullets from automatic weapons into the Constable's body.

Sergeant Morrow, awakened by the explosion, dashed out of his quarters into the main building and there obtained a Sten gun. Calling to one of the Constables to

send out a radio message for help and to the others to take up defensive positions, he ran to a landing giving access to the staircase, up which the criminals were then firing and calling on the garrison to surrender. From his position on the landing the Sergeant opened fire on the criminals and after an exchange of shots the criminals fled, leaving behind them a sub-machine gun, an American automatic rifle, a gas pistol, hand grenades and other articles.

Sergeant Morrow followed up his attack into the open, but the criminals had come in three cars, which they had left close to the Station during the attack, and they succeeded in making their escape in these and in reaching the Irish Republic. One of the criminals was killed and one wounded.

Sergeant Morrow's coolness in giving instructions to his party and in taking on himself the task of repelling those of the criminals who had entered the building and his complete disregard of his personal safety, showed courage of an extremely high order.

*Awarded the British Empire Medal (Civil Division) :—*

Jane Frances, Mrs. BOYCE, Housewife, Ruislip, Middlesex.

Mrs. Boyce was walking on the outskirts of a wood with her husband and their dog when she heard screams and shouts for help. Having previously seen a man with an animal, which she had taken to be a cow, she seized her husband's walking stick and ran into the wood. She found a bull mauling a man on the ground. The man, who had just been thrown, was dazed, defenceless and badly injured. Mrs. Boyce broke the walking stick over the animal's head, and drove it back by shouting and waving her arms. While her husband was getting help she remained alone for fifteen to twenty minutes between the injured man and the bull with no weapon other than the broken walking stick. During this time the bull was still threatening to attack.

Eventually help arrived and the bull was led away. Mrs. Boyce acted with sustained courage. Her only weapon was a walking stick which broke at the first blow. Nevertheless, she continued to protect the injured man for a relatively long time and he undoubtedly owes his life to her.

Morgan Franklyn CLARK, Detective Senior Constable, Queensland Police Force.

Wesley John COOKE, Constable 1st Class, Queensland Police Force.

The Police were called to a house where a man had fired shots at his father from a rifle. The father was hiding in some bushes and the son had taken cover in the house and threatened to shoot anyone who approached. While a Policeman engaged the man in conversation Constables Clark and Cooke gained entry to the house through a window. They were seen by the man who came towards them carrying a .22 calibre rifle in both hands and pointing to the floor in front of them. He approached to within a short distance of the Officers, trained the rifle on them, and threatened to kill them both. He then fired his rifle at Constable Cooke who fired a shot from his automatic into a kitchen cabinet, in the hope that it