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**CIVIL DEFENCE PARADE AND REVIEW BY THE
HOME SECRETARY ON HORSE GUARDS PARADE
SATURDAY, 5TH DECEMBER, 1953.**

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dated 27.11.53.)**

Among the 1,000 strong Civil Defence detachments expected to be on parade "to meet the Home Secretary" on Horse Guards Parade on 5th December, will be people from all over the County of London and other areas within the London Civil Defence Region, who have become volunteer fire-fighters, ambulance drivers and attendants, and members of mobile rescue teams and first aid units.

Quite apart from the importance to everyone of Civil Defence, this biggest yet Civil Defence Parade in London will have a personal interest not only for those on parade and their families but also for a great number of their friends and neighbours some of whom are themselves civil-defenders.

The Auxiliary Fire Service will be represented by a detachment on foot of 60 firewomen, leading firewomen and senior leading firewomen; and a mobile column manned by auxiliary firemen and firewomen and comprising a column control unit, 5 company control units, 50 pumps, a hose lorry, foam tender, communications unit, mobile kitchen, canteen van, maintenance van and despatch riders - about 70 vehicles in all. The whole Auxiliary Fire Service contingent will be under the command of Auxiliary Divisional Officer Burnham (London Fire Brigade/Headquarters) whose home is at 200, Kings Hall Road, Beckenham, Kent. Divisional Officer Burnham joined the Beckenham Auxiliary Fire Service in May, 1938, and served in a part-time capacity until September, 1939. On mobilisation he became a whole-time company officer and was promoted to column officer and then to divisional officer, which rank he held until May, 1946. He rejoined the Auxiliary Fire Service in May, 1950. In addition to being a M.B.E., Mr. Burnham has been awarded the Coronation Medal.

The detachment of firewomen and their officers will be under the command of Auxiliary Assistant Group Officer (Mrs.) Margaret S. Jacobs (London Fire Brigade/Headquarters) who lives at 122, Clarence Gate Gardens, N.W.1.

The Senior Woman Auxiliary Officer in the mobile column will be Mrs. Joyce S. Hicks, O.B.E., whose home is at High Wold, Woldingham, Surrey.

The Auxiliary Fire Service contingent will include auxiliary firemen and firewomen from the counties of London, Surrey, Middlesex, Hertfordshire and Kent and from the county boroughs of Croydon and West Ham.

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A list of personnel in charge of appliances in the mobile column with some interesting notes about a few of them is attached (Appendix I).

The contingent will begin to assemble at London Fire Brigade Headquarters at 10 a.m. on 5th December and will move off at 10.45 a.m. from Albert Embankment. They will return to London Fire Brigade Headquarters for lunch after the Parade.

The London Ambulance Service Civil Defence contingent will comprise a detachment of about 60 volunteers on foot; and a mobile detachment of 6 ambulances. Details of the men and women volunteers taking part are attached (Appendix II).

The detachments will assemble at 10 a.m. at County Hall.

The Rescue Service will be represented by a detachment on foot of 60 members of the Civil Defence Rescue Service and a mobile detachment of 6 rescue vehicles. Personnel will be from Croydon as well as London. In charge of the detachment on foot will be Mr. Cyril Jordan of 27, Sheridan Road, Bexley Heath, Kent. The mobile detachment will be under the command of Mr. J. E. Carleton of 3B, Wordsworth Parade, Green Lanes, N.8. Both are experienced Rescue Service instructors. Mr. Jordan was in the Heavy Rescue Service in the last war although later he was a sapper officer in Burma and India. He was awarded the Coronation Medal. Mr. Carleton was an R.A.F. pilot, engaged on close support work with Transport Command, South East Asia. The rescue detachment will include Mr. K. H. Ahmed of 22, Collingham Gardens, S.W.5, who comes from Pakistan and Mr. E. Forster-Jones of 29, Otford Crescent, S.E.4, who comes from Lagos, Nigeria. Mr. A. V. Bean, the leader of a Lewisham rescue party whose home is at 113, George Lane, S.E.13, is a Coronation medallist. The Rescue Service detachments will assemble at County Hall at 10 a.m.

Mobile First Aid Units - There will be a total of 8 vehicles and about 100 members of the National Hospital Service Reserve taking part, including teams from the areas of all four Regional Hospital Boards for London. Mobile units will include teams from Enfield Group Hospital Management Committee (North East Regional Board - a team from which won the challenge cup presented by the Minister of Health in September, 1953; from Barnet Group Hospital Management Committee (North West Regional Board) - a team from which won the Regional Challenge Cup holders for 1953; from Bromley Group Hospital Management Committee (South East Regional Board) - holders of the South East Regional Challenge Cup for 1953; and from Chelsea Group Hospital Management Committee (South West Regional Board). Detachments on foot will include N.H.S. Reservists from the following Group Hospital Management Committees:-

North East Regional Board - Hertford, Edmonton, Chelmsford, Colchester, Central, Hackney, Stepney, Bow, West Ham, Forest (Walthamstow and Woodford), Ilford and Barking, Romford, S.E. Essex, Brentwood, Epping.

North West Regional Board - Paddington, Archway, Hendon, Northern, Windsor and S.W. Middlesex.

South East Regional Board - Bromley.

South West Regional Board - Lambeth, Croydon, Worthing, Winchester and Westminster Hospital.

Experimental Mobile column - Details of this are available via the Press Officer, Home Office. The Column is to take part with other civil defence services in a large scale Civil Defence Exercise at Bully Fen, Hackney, at about 8 p.m. on Thursday, 3rd December. Further information to follow.

LONDON FIRE BRIGADE.

Fire Station

Manchester Square
Divisional
Headquarters Officer in charge of "A" Company (comprising "A" and
"B" Divisions below)
Aux. Stn. O. R. W. T. Chegwidan, 86, The Green,
Morden, Surrey.

"A" Division.

Euston Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. Sub. O. W. H. Gramalt, 23, Hilldrop Crescent, N.7.

Euston Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. Fm. G. W. Hedgeley, 29, Sheaves Hill Avenue,
Colindale, N.W. 9.

Belsize Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. L. Fm. A. H. Rogers, 49, Herbert Street, N.W.5.

Hammersmith Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. Fm. E. J. Dutton, 29, Felden Street, Fulham, S.W.6.

Belsize Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. Fm. J. Larthwell, 170, Fernhead Road, Paddington,
W.9.

"B" Division.

Clerkenwell Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. Sub. O. Stothard, 220, Dawlish Drive, Ilford.

Whitechapel Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. Sub. O. Senchell, 95, Roberts Road, Walthamstow,
E.17.

Islington Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. L. Fm. Hastings, 11, Cremer Street, Kingsland Road,
E.2.

Kingsland Road Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. L. Fm. Stubbington, 67, Mount Pleasant Lane,
Clapton, E.5.

C.46 Greenwich Officer in charge of "B" Company (comprising "C" and
"D" Divisions below)
Aux. Stn. O. Hubbard, 60, Nightingale Grove, Hither
Green, S.E.13.

(Production Manager at Messrs. Elliott Bros.,
Century Works, Bermondsey)

"C" Division.

Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. L. Fm. Morley, 108, Northover, Downham, Bromley,
Kent.

(Commended by H.M. The King in 1941.
Works Fire Officer, S.E. Gas Board)

Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. L. Fm. Tomlinson, 31, Further Green Road, Catford,
S.E.6.

"C" Division (continued)

Fire Station

Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. L. Fm. Hampshire, 42, Furzefield Road, Blackheath,
S.E.3.

Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. L. Fm. Cook, 27, Hichisson Road, Peckham, S.E.15.

"D" Division.

D.60 Clapham Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. L. Fm. T. D. Barclay, 54, West Side, Clapham Common,
S.W.4.

(Recognised as very knowledgeable on Fire Brigade history -
lectured to L.O.T.S. and College during N.F.S. days)

D.64 Old Kent Officer in charge - one pump
Road Aux. Fm. D. F. Strudwick. St. Clement's Vicarage, Barry
Road, S.E.22.

(Vicar of St. Clement's, Dulwich)

D.65 Peckham Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. Fm. A. A. Bantick, 216, Grosvenor Terrace, Camberwell,
S.E.5.

Tooting Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. Fm. A. Porter, 32, St. Margaret's Avenue, North Cheam,
Surrey.

CROYDON FIRE BRIGADE.

Croydon Officer in charge of both pumps from Croydon forming part
of "C" Company
Aux. Sub. O. Parsons, Davidson Road, Croydon.

(Awarded Queen's Coronation Medal - a popular figure with
his colleagues in Croydon A.F.S.)

HERTFORDSHIRE FIRE BRIGADE.

East Barnet Men from both stations forming one pump's crew
and Cheshunt Officer in charge
Aux. Fm. Hallett attached to East Barnet Fire Station

(Records Clerk at Barnet General Hospital)

ESSEX FIRE BRIGADE.

62 station, Aux. Fm. J. J. Emblem, 49, Blackmore Road, Loughton, Essex.
Loughton

66 station, Aux. Fm. L. K. Wickens, "Pomonia", Cuffley Hill, Goffs Oak,
Waltham Abbey Herts

KENT FIRE BRIGADE.

W. Wickham Officer in charge
Aux. Sub. O. L. Butler, 124, Birchtree Avenue, West Wickham.
(Master Builder and served in N.F.S. during war)

KENT FIRE BRIGADE (continued)

Fire Station

- Bexley Officer in charge
Aux. L. Fm. R. A. V. Jones, 127, Dominic Drive,
New Eltham.
(Insurance Broker and served in N.F.S. during war)
- Bromley Officer in charge of "C" Company - 10 pumps
Aux. Stn. O. J. B. Forster, 56, Hayes Road, Bromley.
(Diamond merchant and was Divisional Officer in N.F.S.)

SURREY FIRE BRIGADE.

- Mitcham Officer in charge
Aux. L. Fm. S. C. Mercier, 24, Heyford Road, Mitcham.
- Sutton Officer in charge
Aux. L. Fm. W. T. Allerdyce, 73, Seymour Avenue, Morden.
- Wallington Officer in charge
Aux. L. Fm. M. G. Hill, 47, West Avenue, Wallington.
- Epsom Officer in charge
Aux. L. Fm. C. J. Tyler, 38, Priory Road, Cheam.
- Esher Officer in charge
Aux. L. Fm. O. Davidson, 97, Claygate Lane, Hinchley
Wood, Esher.
- Caterham Officer in charge
Aux. L. Fm. F. Main, 51, Farm Fields, Sanderstead
(attached to Purley Station).
- Richmond Officer in charge of hose lorry
Aux. L. Fm. C. A. Spalton, 40, Sheendale Road, Richmond.
- Wimbledon Officer in charge of General Purpose lorry
Aux. L. Fm. M. Bush, 104, Ashridge Way, Morden.
- Mitcham Riding in Land Rover and officer in charge of company
Aux. L. Fm. M. A. Donaldson, 8, Walton Way, Mitcham.
- Purley Officer in charge
Aux. L. Fm. L. M. Walker, 15, Radford Avenue, Coulsdon.
- Guildford Officer in charge
Aux. L. Fm. T. F. Cheesemore, 69, Drummond Road,
Guildford.
Officer in charge
Aux. L. Fm. R. J. Bedford, The Bungalow, South Parsonage,
Church Lane, Witley, Guildford.
- Woking Officer in charge
Aux. L. Fm. S. W. Patey, 122, Blackmore Crescent, Woking.
- Egham Officer in charge of Communications Van
Aux. L. Fm. T. J. Peters, 13, Sandhills Lane, Virginia
Water.
- Kingston Officer in charge of Foam Tender,
Aux. L. Fm. F. W. Miller, 41, Cumberland House, Kingston
Hill, Kingston.

WEST HAM FIRE BRIGADE.

Fire Station

Driving the Mobile Kitchen
Aux. L/Firewoman E. Kay, 2, Abbots Park Road, Leyton,
E.10.

(Occupation - heavy goods driver)

Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. L. Fm. C. E. Foot, 14, Park Grove, Portway, E.15.

(Local National Savings Group Secretary and Local
Secretary for Blood Donors Group)

MIDDLESEX FIRE BRIGADE.

Ealing Officer in charge of company
Aux. L. Fm. W. Spink, 28, Courtfield Gardens, Greenford.

Western Avenue Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. Fm. A. J. Carter, 44, Alexander Road, Hampstead.

Acton Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. L. Fm. C. W. Squire, 8, Clovelly Road, Chiswick, W.4.

Heston Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. L. Fm. S. W. Johns, 20, Sutton Way, Heston.

Greenford Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. L. Fm. R. Watts, 100, Girton Road, Greenford.

Wembley Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. L. Fm. E. Smith, 2, Sudbury Crescent, Wembley.

 Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. L. Fm. H. R. Ingram, 19, Churchill Avenue, Hillingdon

Edmonton Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. Fm. D. A. Read, 22, Bury Street, Edmonton, N.9.

Southgate Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. Fm. H. Blanchard, 3, Carpenters Road, Winchmore
Hill, Southgate.

Enfield Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. L. Fm. W. Muir, 50, Elmroyd Avenue, Potters Bar.

Ealing Officer in charge - one pump
Aux. Fm. E. Palmer, 28, Witton Way, Wembley.

LONDON AMBULANCE SERVICE.
DETACHMENT ON FOOT.

Base Station - "A" (Fulham) Ambulance Station, Seagrave Road, S.W.6.

Mr. D. Carpenter, 5, Glenroy Street, Wood Lane, W.12.
Mr. K. Ward, 38, Ellerker Gardens, Richmond, Surrey.

Base Station - North Western Ambulance Station, Lawn Road, N.W.3.

Mr. J. Abbass, 124, King Henry's Road, N.W.3.
Miss L. Brunson, 60, Chepstow Road, W.2.
Mrs. B. Collingwood-Smallman, 27, Bernard Shaw Court, Camden Road, N.W.1.
Miss M. Lewis, 92, Sandwich House, Sandwich Street, W.C.1.
Mr. P. G. Rees, 9, Parkside Drive, Edgware, Middlesex.
Mrs. E. Turner, 3, Blandford Place, W.1.
Mr. G. T. Wall, 100, Shirland Road, W.9.
Mr. G. Weddle, 28, Healey Street, Kentish Town, N.W.1.

Base Station - Eastern Ambulance Station, Brooksby's Walk, Homerton, E.9.

Mrs. M. Allen, 103, Highbury Hill, N.5.
Mrs. H. Ball, 118, Hemingford Road, N.1.
Miss J. Barea, 65, Mandeville Houses, Liverpool Road, N.1.
Mr. C. F. Berry, 32, Median Road, E.5.
Mrs. E. Cooper, 28, Sickert Court, Canonbury Street, N.1.
Miss J. Taylor, 199, Trinity Road, Upper Tooting, S.W.17.
Mr. L. Kandel, 39, Stork Orchard Crescent, N.7.
Mrs. D. Palmer, 7, Stavordale Road, N.5.
Miss O. M. Payne, 61, Barretts Grove, N.16.

Base Station - Brook Ambulance Station, Shooters Hill Road, S.E.18.

Mr. J. Foord, 53, Sand Street, S.E.18.
Mr. A. Fraser, 27, Keynsham Gardens, S.E.9.
Mrs. N. D. Keeble, 38, Sparrows Lane, S.E.9.

Base Station - South Eastern Ambulance Station, New Cross Road, S.E.14.

Mrs. I. Rogers, 126, Wells Way, S.E.5.
Mr. S. Winter, 12, Lynton Road, S.E.1.

Base Station - "E" (Kennington) Ambulance Station

Mr. D. Butcher, 172, Sheepcote Lane, S.W.11.
Miss Y. Childs, 25, Blenkarne Road, S.W.11.
Mrs. V. Edgar, 87, Grove Lane, S.E.5.
Miss R. Fein, 85, Prince of Wales Mansions, S.W.11.
Miss J. Garner, The Birklands, 208, Fir Tree Road, Epsom Downs, Surrey.
Mr. A. Gordon, 25, De Quincey House, Churchill Gardens, S.W.1.
Miss E. Lee, 25, Bessborough Gardens, S.W.1.
Mr. L. Lyall, 110, Denmark Hill, S.E.5.
Mr. G. A. Oliver, 33, Irby House, Tulse Hill, S.W.2.
Mr. R. Rouse, 43, Chaucer House, Churchill Gardens, S.W.1.
Mrs. E. Stundon, 783, Wandsworth Road, S.W.8.
Miss M. Thompson, 4, Gorst Road, S.W.11.
Mrs. D. Young, 46, Morrison Street, S.W.11.

Base Station - Headquarters Ambulance Station, Lambeth.

Miss E. C. Bailey, 37, Deloraine Street, S.E.8.
Mr. W. Berg, 391, Guinness Buildings, Pages Walk, S.E.1.
Mr. A. F. Bromage, 52, Altenburg Gardens, Lavender Hill, S.W.11.
Mr. F. Clapson, 16, Burland Road, S.W.11.
Miss R. Cook, 208, Ossington Buildings, "J" Block, Marylebone, W.1.

Base Station - Headquarters Ambulance Station, Lambeth (continued)

Mrs. J. Corder, 5, Reynolds Buildings, Millbank Estate, S.W.1.
Mrs. M. E. Daines, 35, Magdalen Road, Wandsworth Common, S.W.18.
Miss M. Edwards, 6, Beulah Hill, Upper Norwood, S.E.19.
Miss J. Fook, 9, Abbots House, Tachbrook Estate, S.W.1.
Miss F. Hunter, 130, Cambridge Street, Victoria, S.W.1.
Miss P. Kilvington, 29, Cresswell Road, Twickenham, Middlesex.
Mrs. C. Levi-Tilley, 126, Montague Mansions, W.1.
Miss E. London, 30A, Vicarage Crescent, S.W.11.
Mrs. G. Munday, 16, Freshford Street, S.W.18.
Miss M. Munday, 16, Freshford Street, S.W.18.
Miss B. Neighbour, 52, Furneaux Avenue, West Norwood, S.E.27.
Mr. R. Phillips, 39, Gloucester Square, W.2.
Miss S. Rawbone, 91, Broxholm Road, S.E.27.
Miss J. Richardson, 9, Loddon House, Church Street East, N.W.8.
Miss H. M. Smith, 1, Mountfort Terrace, Barnsbury Square, N.1.
Miss D. Sullivan, 21, Gibbs Close, S.E.19.
Mrs. C. D. West, 68, Vanguard Street, S.E.8.
Miss C. Worrall, 602, Chelsea Cloisters, Sloane Avenue, S.W.3.

Mobile Detachment

Drivers

South Eastern Ambulance Station - Mr. J. Rose, 51A, Wickham Road, S.E.4.
"E" (Kennington) Ambulance Station -
Mrs. I. Griffey, 5, St. James's Crescent, S.W.9.
~~Mr. A. Tomlinson, 281, Trinity Road, S.W.18.~~
Headquarters Ambulance Station -
Miss L. Bowman, 86, Berkeley Court, Baker Street, W.1.
Miss E. Chambers, 183, Sussex Gardens, Flat 5, W.2.
Miss E. Lamerton, 71, Friern Road, S.E.22.

Attendants

South Eastern Ambulance Station - Mr. K. Wallace, 306, Commercial Way, S.E.15.
Headquarters Ambulance Station -
Mr. F. Green, 7, Senhouse Road, North Cheam, Surrey.
Mrs. L. Bowtle, 2, Roseway, Dulwich, S.E.21.
"E" (Kennington) Ambulance Station -
Mrs. E. Harrison, 54, Lamberhurst Road, S.E.27.
Miss B. Parry, 225, Underhill Road, S.E.22.
"A" (Fulham) Ambulance Station - Miss J. B. Orr, 4, Holland Park Mews, W.11.