Whitehall, November 1, 1955.

The QUEEN has been pleased by Warrant under Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual bearing date the 29th ultimo, to re-appoint Louis de Soissons, Esq., O.B.E., R.A., F.R.I.B.A., to be a Member of the Royal Fine Art Commission.

Admiralty, Whitehall, S.W.1.

1st November, 1955.

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to approve the posthumous award of the Albert Medal for gallantry in saving life at sea to:— Temporary Surgeon Lieutenant Charles Eric RHODES, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., R.N.V.R.

RHODES, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., R.N.V.R. An explosion occurred in H.M. Submarine SIDON in Portland Harbour on 16th June, 1955, which later caused the submarine to sink. Surgeon Lieutenant Rhodes was among the first to enter the SIDON after the explosion and, in spite of the total darkness and dense smoke, he brought out an injured man to safety. He then put on a Davis Submarine Escape Apparatus and re-entered the submarine with morphia to give further help to the injured. In doing so he greatly prejudiced his chance of escape. He was not a submarine officer and was not familiar with the use of the breathing apparatus or the lay-out inside a submarine. In spite of these handicaps and the pitch darkness his only thoughts were for those within the submarine; he had no hesitation in re-entering the SIDON and he succeeded in helping two more men to escape before the subin helping two more men to escape before the sub-marine sank. Surgeon Lieutenant Rhodes' gallant and selfless act in helping to save the lives of others cost him his own life.

Admiralty, S.W.1, 5th October, 1955.

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Col. (Actg. Brig.) R. W. MADOC, O.B.E., A.D.C. to The QUEEN in pursuance of Her Majesty's pleasure vice SIMONDS. 31st Oct. 1955.

Ministry of Labour and National Service. Factory Department, 19, St. James's Square, London, S.W.1.

7th October, 1955

The Chief Inspector of Factories has appointed Dr. D. F. Nicholson to be Appointed Factory Doctor under the Factories Acts, 1937 and 1948, for the Falkirk District of the County of Stirling.

Ministry of Labour and National Service, Factory Department, 19, St. James's Square, London, S.W.1.

24th October, 1955.

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that in consequence of the resignation of Dr. Jean W. Symington an appointment as Appointed Factory Doctor under the Factories Acts, 1937 and 1948, for the District of Johnstone in the County of Renfrew is vacant. Latest date for receipt of applications: 1955 26th November, 1955.

PETROLEUM (PRODUCTION) ACT, 1934.

The Minister of Fuel and Power hereby gives notice that in accordance with the provisions of that Act and the Petroleum (Production) Regulations, 1935, he has renewed for a period of one year two prospecting licences granted to Steel Brothers and Co. Ltd., 24-28, Lombard Street, E.C.3. A description of the boundaries of the areas was published in the London Gazette of 18th November, 1952. Maps showing boundaries of the areas may be inspected on application to the Ministry of Fuel and Power, Petroleum Division, Thames House South, Millbank, S.W.1. South, Millbank, S.W.1. October, 1955.

PETROLEUM (PRODUCTION) ACT, 1934.

In pursuance of Section 2 (3) of the Petroleum (Production) Act, 1934, the Minister of Fuel and Power hereby gives notice that in accordance with the provisions of that Act and of the Petroleum (Production) Regulations, 1935, he has granted to the D'Arcy Exploration Co. Ltd., Britannic House,

Finsbury Circus, E.C.2, two prospecting licences in respect of

(i) an area of 186 square miles in the county of Gloucester (ii) an area of 187 square miles in the counties

(iii) an area of 187 square miles in the counties of Oxford, Buckingham, Berkshire and

Northampton.

Descriptions of the boundaries of the areas were published in the London Gazette of 13th June, 1945.

Maps showing the boundaries of the areas may be inspected on application to the Ministry of Fuel and Power, Petroleum Division, Thames House South, Millbank, S.W.1.

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND CIVIL AVIATION.

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947.

The Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation hereby gives notice that he proposes to make an Order under s. 49 of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947, authorising the stopping up of a length of footpath at Church Road, Peasedown St. John, Somerset.

Somerset. Copies of the draft Order and relevant plan may be inspected in Room 259, Ministry of Transport and Civil Avation, 21-37, Hereford Road, London, W.2, and at the Bathavon R.D.C. Offices, 32, Westgate Buildings, Bath, at all reasonable hours during three months from the date of publication of this notice. During three months from the 1st November, 1955, any person may by notice to the Minister of Trans-port and Civil Aviation, 21-37, Hereford Road, London, W.2, object to the making of the Order quoting HDG 23/35/014. N. Procter-Greeg.

N. Procter-Gregg, An Assistant Secretary of the Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation.

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND CIVIL AVIATION.

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947.

Town AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947. The Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation hereby gives notice that he proposes to make an Order under s. 49 of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947, authorising the stopping up of a length of footpath at "Taylor's Close," Grove, Berkshire. Copies of the draft Order and relevant plan may be inspected in Room 259, Ministry of Transport and Civil Avation, 21-37, Hereford Road, London, W.2, and at the Wantage R.D.C. Offices, Belmont, Wantage, Berkshire, and at all reasonable hours during three months from the date of publication of this notice.

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A. H. M. Irwin, An Assistant Secretary of the Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation.

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND CIVIL AVIATION.

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947.

The Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation hereby gives notice that he proposes to make an Order under s. 49 of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947, authorising the stopping up of a length of footpath at Beake Avenue, Foleshill, Coventry, and requiring the provision of a new footpath repair-able by the inbahitant at lenge for which the able by the inhabitants at large, for which the highway authority is to be the Coventry C. and C.B.C.

C.B.C. Copies of the draft Order and relevant plan may be inspected in Room 259, Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation, 21-37, Hereford Road, London, W.2, and at the Coventry C. and C.B.C. Offices, The Council House, Coventry, at all reasonable hours during three months from the date of publication of this notice

of this notice. During three months from the 1st November, 1955, any person may by notice to the Minister of Trans-port and Civil Avation, 21-37, Hereford Road, London, W.2, object to the making of the Order quoting HDG 23/154/013.

B. E. Bellamy, An Assistant Secretary of the Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation.