

Band masters' medals

The following correspondence with the Army Council was read and ordered to be entered on the Minutes:-

18th April 1918

Sir,

With reference to War Office letter 105/Miscellaneous/128 (A.G.3) of 2nd November 1910, in which the decision of the Army Council that permission cannot be granted for the Bandmasters upon whom the medal of the Worshipful Company of Musicians has been conferred, to wear the medal when in uniform, as such a concession would entail a departure from the regulations with regard to the wearing of medals and decorations, was communicated, it is now desired by the Court of the Worshipful Company to ask that the question may receive re-consideration.

As was pointed out in a letter addressed to the Army Council on the 23rd November 1914, this ancient Company is recognised by the Council, and the names of the recipients of the medal which the Company annually awards upon the recommendation of the Commandant of the Royal Military School of Music are published in the Army List.

It is understood that the regulations for the wearing of decorations, especially foreign decorations, have now been very much relaxed, and it is therefore hoped that similar consideration may also be extended to this essentially British distinction, which is very highly esteemed in the musical profession, and as only one such medal is awarded each year, the number of the holders can never be more than quite small.

I remain, Sir,

Your obedient Servant

(Signed) A. Burnett Brown

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