

## THE MOUNTBATTEN MEDAL

FOR THE YEAR 1954

FRANCIS KOH TECK CHONG  
Klang,  
Malaya.

Holder of the Society's Bronze Medallion

On the evening of the 16th. December, Mr. Koh was crossing the down-stream bridge on his motor cycle, when he heard a cry for help coming from the dark river. Leaving his motor cycle he threw off his heavier clothing and, jumping into the river, swam in the direction of the cries.

He tried to locate the victim in the darkness by shouting and listening for replies, but was unsuccessful until he reached the upper bridge, some two hundred yards away. There he was told by some people on the bridge that the victim had been carried with the tide past the bridge.

With the assistance of another gentleman, Mr. Koh commandeered a small boat moored to the upper bridge, borrowed an electric torch, and set off up the river to look for the victim.

The victim was found about two hundred yards further on. He was dragged into the boat, where he was found to be unconscious but still breathing. He was taken back to the second bridge where a police truck was waiting. The patient was taken to Klang Hospital, and later recovered.

