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New Fire Chief

Mr Tom Breaks, deputy Chief Inspector, Fire Brigades Division. Home Office, and Chief of the Sheffield Fire Brigade for 14 years, has been appointed Fire Officer for the Newcastle Region.

Last November he was made an officer of the Civil Division of the O.B.E. for his work during a heavy raid. "His powers of organisation and the manner in which he handled men under his command were quite outstanding," said the official report.