

MR. MENZIES SEES LONDON'S FIRE FIGHTERS

A great gathering of London's Civil Defenders assemble at the Headquarters of the London Fire Brigade, for an inspection by the Australian Prime Minister. Regular and Auxiliary firemen, A.R.P. Personnel, Home Guardsmen and Roof Spotters are all here.

Following the parade comes the spectacle of Despatch Riders in a clever display of figure and track riding. After long association with fire, the motor bike leap through a burning hurdle comes easy.

A gymnastic display by firemen, is another high spot in the programme. Physical fitness is a proud claim of these men who do such superhuman work in the Battle of London.

Yes, they keep in good trim these fire fighters. As well as earning the respect of everyone, men, in the uniforms of the fire services are pulling their weight one hundred per cent. In his address of congratulation, Mr. Menzies referred ^{to} them as "brave soldiers in the defending army of Britain".