

fire, he led out a party under heavy fire, and by the prompt and courageous action of this party a serious explosion and probable loss of life were averted.

6348 Sjt. A. B. Hammond, 1st Bn., R. W. Kent R.

For conspicuous gallantry. When repairing wire the enemy opened rapid fire at 35 yards range, causing several casualties. Sjt. Hammond and Lce.-Cpl. Liddamore, under heavy fire, rescued a wounded officer, and brought him back into safety. Coy Sjt.-Maj. Crossley was killed while with them.

19477 Pte. W. Hampson, 2nd Bn., E. Lan. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in repeatedly carrying messages across the open during a very heavy bombardment after the wires had been cut.

30685 By. Qrmr.-Sjt. J. D. Hastie, 93rd By., 18th Bde., R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry. While his battery was under heavy shell fire, 2nd Lieut. Campbell and By. Qrmr.-Sgt. Hastie left shelter on their own initiative, and extinguished a fire in one of the gun-pits which had been hit and in which the ammunition was ignited. They set a very fine example.

117 Coy. Sjt.-Maj. J. Hill, 1st Bn., Lanc. Fus.

For conspicuous devotion to duty, and for giving great assistance to his officers when rallying the battalion.

10415 Sjt. (Actg. Coy. Q.M.S.) F. Hirschfeld, 4th Bn., Worc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry. He took command of his platoon when his officer had been killed and led it forward under heavy fire.

G.8/5235 Sjt. J. A. Howard, 8th Bn., E. Surr. R.

For conspicuous gallantry. When his picquet was forced for the moment to fall back before a very superior number of the enemy and a counter-attack was ordered, he displayed great bravery. Though fired at by a sentry at 15 yards, he shot him dead and got his men over a plank bridge. His fine example carried the men forward, and the enemy were driven back. He personally captured an unwounded prisoner.

10641 Pte. T. Jennings, 1st Bn., R. Dub. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry in going forward and cutting wire which was holding up the advance.

9812 L/C. M. Keirse, 1st Bn., North'd Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry in carrying messages across the open under heavy fire, and in personally obtaining valuable information. He also assisted an officer in putting an enemy machine gun out of action, killing two of the gun team.

1036 L/C. F. Liddamore, 1st Bn., R. W. Kent R.

For conspicuous gallantry. When repairing wire the enemy opened rapid fire at 35 yards' range, causing several casualties. Serjeant Hammond and Lance-Corporal Liddamore under heavy fire rescued a wounded officer and brought him back into safety. Company Serjeant-Major Crossley was killed while with them.

1/11161 Pte. L. Lomas, 1st Bn., S. Wales Bord.

For conspicuous gallantry. After being himself buried by the effects of a shell he dug out two comrades who were also buried. One of them was again buried, and Pte. Lomas tried but could not rescue him. On his report, however, the man was rescued by a party the same night.

159 Sjt. D. McD. Lowe, 4th Bn., R. Scots, T.F.

For exceptional bravery and initiative. When all his officers had been killed or wounded, he assumed command of the detachment and captured an enemy trench, which he succeeded in holding against repeated counter-attacks.

20/17423 L/Sjt. E. E. May, 20th Bn., Manch. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and resource. He carried out a daring reconnaissance within five yards of the enemy's lines, and, though snipers were active and there was brilliant moonlight, he completed his work and rendered a valuable report.

27222 L/C. (Actg. 2nd Cpl.) H. McBryde, 5th Signal Coy., R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry in repairing telephone wires under heavy shell fire. Although seriously wounded, he continued to direct operations till communication was re-established. He set a fine example of courage.

2/14967 Pte. L. McCarthy, Spec. Res. (attd. 2nd Bn.), S. Wales Bord.

For conspicuous gallantry in keeping off the enemy's bombers, and later going out over the parapet and bringing in fifteen enemy rifles.

4474 Sjt. W. McClelland, 1/8th Bn., L'pool R. (T.F.).

For conspicuous gallantry during a raid on the enemy's trenches. He had previously cut the enemy's wire. He led an attack, accounted for two of the enemy with his revolver, and generally set a fine example.

1484 Sjt. J. McEachnie, 1st Bn., Gord. Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry when repelling a counter-attack by the enemy. When part of the line was temporarily evacuated, his party was the first back to reoccupy it and reorganise its defences. Later, when holding another point, he held on under very severe shell fire.