

has at all times set a splendid example to his men.

14275 Coy. S./M. H. Robinson, R. Dub. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On his own initiative he remained behind the line, with a small party, under heavy rifle and machine gun fire to collect the wounded.

H/1300 Pte. P. Rogers, Hussars.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He assisted, under very heavy fire, to remove his troop officer, who was very severely wounded, displaying great courage and devotion to duty. He was himself severely wounded in two places.

18306 Sjt. H. Royle, Ches. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. Although severely wounded, he cleared the enemy trench and re-organised the position, and by his example and resource rendered most valuable service.

2551 Sjt. W. Royle, York. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He led his men with great courage and determination, himself killing and wounding eight of the enemy. Later, on four occasions he rescued wounded men under very heavy fire.

2058 L./Cpl. F. Ruddy, R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He found the central enemy telephone dug-out, attacking it and capturing fifteen prisoners. Later, he held the post for twelve hours under intense fire.

16600 Sjt. (actg. C.S.M.) R. Ruffell, R. Berks. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He supervised the working of the company under heavy fire, displaying great courage and determination. He has previously done fine work.

13005 Cpl. L. Scowen, Leic. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He organised a bombing attack and cleared about 80 yards of the trench, blocked it, and held a large force of the enemy who were enfilading his position.

8252 L./Sjt. H. Seeley, Essex R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He led a bombing attack against an enemy barricade with great courage and determination, achieving most valuable results. He was wounded.

2094 L./Cpl. J. S. Shaw, W. Rid. R.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. Lance-Corporal Shaw went out, with another man, to repair a telephone wire. A shell burst close to his head, rendering him deaf. He continued to work, under heavy fire, until he had mended the line, returning to his post.

M./2.102696 Pte. (A./Cpl.) G. B. Shepherd, A.S.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and skill in driving the Tank of his Section Commander throughout an action. It was entirely due to Pte. Shepherd's skill and courage that it reached its objective, and was successfully withdrawn.

29636 Sjt. W. H. Shillabeer, R.G.A.

For ably assisting his battery throughout, and showing himself to be cool and reliable in action.

2272 Sjt. C. A. Shute, York & Lanc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in a raid on enemy trenches. Seven, out of twelve men forming the party, were wounded before the trenches were reached, but Serjeant Shute accompanied his officer, with the remaining men, to the trenches, and searched them under heavy shell fire. When the officer was severely wounded, he carried him back to safety.

2647 Pte. J. M. Silcock, Durh. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He crawled forward under heavy fire and dressed several wounded men of a bombing party. He has previously done fine work.

15874 L./Cpl. G. Slasor, Durh. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. On three occasions he led patrols, obtaining most valuable information. Later, he lay for four hours in "No Man's Land," keeping touch with the attackers.

3229 Coy. S./M. H. C. Smith, Lond. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He entered an enemy mine-shaft alone, killing one of the enemy and capturing two prisoners. Later, he killed another of the enemy.

12762 Pte. C. Speakman, L. N. Lanc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. When in a crowded trench he noticed smoke issuing from a box of bombs. He seized the box and threw it over the parapet, where it immediately exploded, thereby undoubtedly saving many lives.

15018 L./Sjt. F. J. Sprunt, Suff. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. Single-handed he attacked and killed seven of the enemy. He has on many previous occasions displayed great courage and devotion to duty.

3354 Cpl. J. Stabler, Bord. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He attacked an enemy machine-gun and bombed it out of action, then continued to bomb down the trench and established communication with the battalion on the right.