

moving two more guns, he remained on the position till the last, superintending the loading and removal of the ammunition under an intense bombardment. He set a splendid example of fearlessness and devotion to duty.

10228 Cpl. F. C. Fairhall (Brighton), R. Suss. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a bombing sap on the flank of his battalion. He held it against a determined flame attack by the enemy, shooting all the team before they could bring their projector into action. When eventually forced to retire he did so with great skill, getting all his wounded away. Throughout the whole operation he displayed remarkable personal courage, and by his fine example greatly encouraged all who were with him.

R31544 Rfm. A. W. Faith (Vauxhall, London), K.R. Rif. C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a heavy hostile bombardment his dug-out was blown in. He and another man cleared the entrance and reached the river which was between them and safety. Finding that several of their comrades were unable to swim they crossed and recrossed the river for ropes, by means of which the whole party was safely got across. Had it not been for the courageous and resourceful action of these two men their comrades would not have escaped.

432015 Spr. H. Farnen (St. Helens), R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when at work upon a cable. A shell burst and severely wounded his fellow worker, whereupon he took him to the dressing station and returned to the cable alone. He continued to work under shell fire so violent that everyone else had taken cover, and when a shell destroyed his materials he went to fetch a further supply. On the way he picked up and carried a wounded man to the dressing station, afterwards obtaining his materials and returning again to his job. He displayed marvellous coolness and gallantry of the highest order.

240638 Sjt. J. Farrington (Bolton), N. Lanc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid on enemy trenches. He led his men with the utmost dash, and when his party was fired on from a concrete dug-out he rushed to the entrance, bayoneted two of the enemy and bombed four who were inside, killing them all. He displayed great gallantry and presence of mind at a critical moment.

10440 L./Cpl. J. Garstang (Preston), L.N. Lanc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. With a comrade he established and maintained telephonic communication under conditions which rendered their work almost impossible owing to the extreme danger to which they were subjected. Heavy and direct machine gun fire, hostile barrage, and aeroplane bombardments were continuously directed upon them, but in spite of all, these two very gallant men continued to patrol the line and effect repairs which were constantly

becoming necessary, thus maintaining communication between the front line and battalion headquarters at a most critical time. Their splendid determination and fearless devotion to duty cannot be too highly praised.

11339 Sjt. A. Gibson (Forfar), High. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid upon enemy trenches. He led his men through hostile wire in spite of a heavy trench mortar bombardment, afterwards going voluntarily into No Man's Land to search for missing men. He went right back into the enemy's trenches whilst the bombardment was still going on, setting a magnificent example of fearlessness and great devotion to duty.

6085 Sjt. J. R. Glare (Lambeth, London), R.W. Kent R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in holding on to a strong point for seventeen hours. After the troops on his flanks had been forced to withdraw he proceeded to bomb outwards, thus forcing the enemy to expose themselves to our fire. Serjeant Glare was foremost at all times in leading and directing the bombing, singing and cheering his men on, and displaying a very gallant spirit.

240262 L./Cpl. H. Gorse (Bolton), N. Lanc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid upon enemy trenches. He led an attack down the communication trench and bayoneted four of the enemy, afterwards carrying his wounded officer back across "No Man's Land" under a hail of snipers' bullets. His conduct won the highest praise throughout, and was worthy of the best traditions of his regiment.

240664 L./Sjt. O. Gouldthorpe (Barton-on-Humber), Linc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack he advanced single-handed against a machine gun which was firing from a house and bombed it, killing two of the gunners. Later, he established himself with a party in a forward post, under very heavy fire, from which he inflicted heavy casualties upon the enemy. Although wounded, he insisted on remaining at duty until the position was secure, displaying a very high standard of personal gallantry and leadership.

63316 Gnr. R. W. Hardwick (Nottingham), R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in rescuing a comrade under very heavy shell-fire. When his wagon was wrecked and all the team killed or wounded by shell-fire, he carried a wounded comrade to the nearest dressing station. He was returning to the shelled area to remove a dead N.C.O., when he was stopped by an officer. His conduct offered a splendid instance of presence of mind, fearlessness and devotion.

18851 Pte. H. Hargreaves (Rishton, Lancs.), Shrops. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a hostile raid. He continued to fire his Lewis gun over the top of the