

and his dash in pressing on to the objective with his entire command saved many casualties and ensured the success of the operation.

Lt. Christopher Patrick John O'Kelly, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in leading his platoon through heavy wire against the enemy trenches. Having reached and captured his objective, he led a bombing party against a hostile machine gun which was firing on his flank. He bombed the crew and captured the gun, by his gallant conduct and fine leadership saving his company many casualties and setting a fine example to all ranks.

Lt. George Clarence Rogers, Infy. and R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on several occasions. He has rendered valuable service to the artillery in ranging them on hostile batteries. In order to carry out the shoots successfully he has flown long distances over the line under very heavy anti-aircraft fire, returning in nearly every case with his machine badly damaged by pieces of shell; and although frequently attacked by hostile aircraft, he engaged and drove them off with scarcely any interruption to the shoot.

Lt. Stanley Rhys Say, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his platoon to its objective with great determination, although he had been twice wounded, the second time severely so. Coming under heavy machine-gun fire, he skilfully withdrew his men to a better position, which he consolidated. He then personally led a bombing attack upon an enemy gun, but was compelled to retire by concentrated machine-gun fire, having displayed the greatest gallantry and disregard of danger throughout. After being wounded for a second time, he carried on for over two hours.

Lt. (A./Maj.) Thomas Wardlaw Taylor, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack upon a hostile position he displayed a quick grasp of the situation, and succeeded in occupying the enemy front line, which he had ascertained by personal observation was being evacuated. Again, at a moment when the situation was critical owing to the attacking troops having become disorganised by an explosion, he took matters in hand with great energy and coolness, and, although under heavy fire, effectively carried out the defence and consolidation of the position.

Lt. James Tod, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led a stretcher-bearer party over an area which was being subjected to the most violent shelling, working for several hours with the utmost gallantry and disregard for danger. Although two of his party were wounded and four others knocked senseless, they brought twelve stretcher cases back, greatly inspired by his splendid personal example and devotion.

Capt. Edward Richard Cumberland Wilcox, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack upon enemy trenches, when one of his platoons came suddenly under heavy machine-gun fire and suffered severely, he rushed forward and reorganised them, led the bombers, and cleared the trench of the enemy, and established a block. To perform this gallant action he had to cross heavy uncut wire under continuous machine-gun fire. He set a splendid example of fearlessness and determination.

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Capt. Joseph Gordon Coates, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on two occasions. He displayed the utmost ability at a critical moment, when a determined hostile raid was made upon his company's sector, getting his men into safety and saving many casualties by his coolness and presence of mind. He reinforced his front line, and personally re-established two posts which had been driven in. He afterwards commanded his company with great skill and energy in a raid upon the enemy, and his fine leadership was largely responsible for the success of the entire operation.

Lt. John Elliot Lindsay Gardner, Fd. Arty.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his battery position came under heavy shell fire two guns were put out of action, two men killed, and an ammunition dump was exploded, but at great personal risk he attempted to cope with the fire until ordered to desist by his battery commander. He also assisted in digging out men who had been buried by the explosion, showing great courage and initiative under exceptionally trying circumstances.

Capt. Herbert Myer Goldstein, Med. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in establishing a forward aid post in our advanced lines over a mile in front of his regimental aid post. By his courageous decision to remain there in spite of heavy shelling, and his great gallantry and devotion in attending to the wounded, all the casualties were evacuated before the battalion was relieved.

Lt. Harding Waipuke Leaf, Pnrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a wiring party. He was taking his party up to the outpost line with wiring materials under the most adverse circumstances, as it was very dark and raining heavily. When just outside the front line they came under a heavy barrage, but by his fine personal example he kept his men together and led them through the barrage to their work, which they completed satisfactorily.

Capt. William Hugh McLean, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He commanded his battalion during an attack upon a village, setting them a splendid example of gallantry and indifference to danger. After the village had been captured he led out two platoons through