

267899 Sjt. A. D. Young, R. Highrs. (Kirriemuir).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. A strong enemy post was holding out, which threatened to hold up the advance on the company front. He thereupon immediately organised an attack on this post. Placing his machine gun to sweep the road he personally led a bombing attack on the post, which was desperately defended by four machine guns. His bold initiative and splendid gallantry saved a very dangerous situation, and permitted the following wave to go forward to the final objective.

100629 Pte. W. Young, R.A.M.C. (Maryport).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. As medical orderly attached to a Tank battalion, though blown up and wounded he performed his duties with the utmost coolness, attending to infantry wounded cases as well as those of his own battalion. He accomplished fine work in helping to extinguish the burning clothing of two men. Throughout he displayed the greatest devotion to duty and an entire disregard of personal safety.

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418451 C./S./M. P. Ackerley, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed untiring energy and resource under intense shell and machine gun fire in organising and despatching stretcher parties and reinforcements. On his own initiative he went out into No Man's Land and organised a series of posts, remaining there until the end of the operation. He set a fine example of courage and devotion to duty.

91621 Gnr. W. A. Allan, F. Arty.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as signaller. He went forward through a heavy barrage, set up a signalling lamp, and remained on duty continuously. Later, he advanced again under heavy fire, and though blown up and stunned for several minutes, he remained at his work under machine-gun fire. He assisted in rescuing some wounded men from a "pill box" which was blown up by a shell, and showed the greatest courage and endurance throughout.

124496 Sjt. A. A. Anderson, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of his company after all his company officers had become casualties. He killed five enemy machine gunners by rifle fire, thus helping the advance of his company. Although wounded, he refused to leave his post when given permission to do so, and carried on until the battalion was relieved.

433064 Sjt. I. W. Anderson, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This N.C.O., under an intense fire, with great coolness and gallantry, assumed

the duties of company serjeant-major when he was the only N.C.O. of his rank left with the company. He displayed initiative and qualities of leadership of a very high order. He personally guided and organised ration and carrying parties to the advanced posts under a very heavy fire, and throughout the entire action maintained a spirit of aggressiveness that was of the greatest value to all ranks.

71451 C./S./M. C. B. Atkinson, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After all the officers of the company had become casualties he showed great initiative in taking command, and displayed marked ability and coolness in controlling his men under an intense hostile fire. Thanks to his leadership the final objective was stormed. Though wounded early in the action, he remained with his company for thirty-six hours, supervising the consolidation of the captured position with untiring energy, and directing the efforts of his men under the most difficult and dangerous conditions.

775962 Pte. A. R. Bandy, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as a stretcher-bearer. Although buried by shell-fire three times, he insisted on carrying on, going out in the open many times under heavy fire to help the wounded. His condition became such that his platoon commander ordered him in, but he pointed out the number of wounded and shortage of bearers, and remained at work till the battalion was relieved. Even then he went out to the areas held by other companies, and helped with their wounded.

460465 Cpl. C. G. Barnes, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He took command of his company in an attack when the officers and senior N.C.O.'s became casualties, and captured and consolidated the objective. He showed splendid courage and disregard of danger.

234288 C./S./M. D. J. F. Beatty, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This N.C.O., although badly wounded, collected men of all units, led them forward, gained the objective assigned, and before proceeding to the rear to have his wounds dressed he explained the duties to the men whom he left in charge of the several posts. This is a case of persistent effort and most gallant action in the face of extreme danger.

314154 Sjt. G. W. Beck, F. Arty.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He established communication between the battery and the observation post. After four hours' work under heavy fire he returned to the battery and found the lines were broken. He went out again, and, working the whole night, established communication in time for the attack. His determination and courage were the means of establishing most important communications.