

tion which was destroyed by shell fire. Though rendered unconscious, he continued to attend to the wounded in the open when he recovered, accompanied the battalion into action, and remained at duty for forty-eight hours. He showed the greatest courage and devotion to duty.

T./Lt. (A./Capt.) Maurice Gordon Willmott, K.R.R.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his company was held up during an attack by an enemy strong point, though wounded, he at once led an attack and captured it, with fifteen prisoners and a machine gun. It was due to his prompt and courageous action that the whole advance was not seriously impeded.

T./2nd Lt. Harry Raymond Wilks, attd. R. War. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in reorganising and leading forward to their objective the men of two companies, after all the other officers and many men had become casualties. His utter fearlessness and good leadership set a magnificent example to the men, who were badly shaken.

2nd Lt. John Herbert Victor Willmott, Essex R., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in reorganising his company and men of other units when an attack was held up, and gaining touch with the battalion on his right under most trying conditions. He was throughout an example of cheerfulness and determination.

2nd Lt. Eric Blackett Wilson, K.O.S.B.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After leading his platoon forward to its first objective he took two sections on and captured and consolidated a thickly wired and uninjured machine-gun position, although severely wounded in the arm and hand and in great pain. He remained at duty for some time and finally went back to his company commander and gave a detailed account of the action and the situation.

2nd Lt. John Wilson, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as junior liaison officer with a battalion. He sent back valuable information, and remained out in front for forty-eight hours, exposed the whole time to very heavy fire.

T./Capt. Rufus Wilson, attd. Lanc. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in taking a convoy of ammunition pack mules forward across a stream, where the only crossing considered feasible was declared useless for a further advance. He decided to risk another crossing, in full view of the enemy and on his barrage line, and, despite difficulties of ground and heavy shelling, succeeded in getting within easy reach of the reserve battalion. Previous convoys had failed.

Lt. Stanley Hey Winterbottom, Lanc. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in taking command of his company when all the other officers had become casualties, and making good the objective.

2nd Lt. Hubert Victor Wise, R. Fus., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He thoroughly reconnoitred the assembly position for the attack, marked out the positions, and trained the company guides. It was due to his careful work that all companies got into their assembly positions on a very dark night without any delay or confusion. During the action he rendered valuable service as battalion intelligence officer.

Capt. (A./Major) Robert Alexander Wolfe-Murray, Gord. Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of his battalion. It was largely owing to his careful reconnaissance and skilful dispositions that the attack of the battalion across a stream, in many places impassable, was successful, and its consolidation on its objectives was effected.

Lt. Leonard Wolverson, S. Staff. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of his company in the front line during an attack. He gained his objective exactly according to orders, sending back clear and valuable information and consolidating the position until he was wounded.

T./Lt. (A./Capt.) Ernest Wood, Manch. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in marking out and consolidating a forward track over the ground won by his brigade, under heavy shell fire.

2nd Lt. Gerald Langton Worlock, R. Berks. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in leading a raid, without artillery preparation, and cutting his own way through the enemy's wire with wire cutters. After his party of fourteen had entered the trench and accounted for several of the enemy, when the signal for withdrawal had been given, he returned with two volunteers to the enemy's wire to assist a wounded man. Later, he led a party of stretcher-bearers to search for wounded.

2nd Lt. (A./Capt.) Henry Leslie Wostenholm, R. War. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his company with great dash and initiative against several enemy machine-gun emplacements, and by skilful control and handling of his men surrounded and captured the emplacements, thereby saving many casualties.

T./2nd Lt. William Ernest Wright, attd. Notts. & Derby. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of a company in an attack. When the troops on his flank were held up by a strong party of the enemy he went forward with two Lewis guns and opened fire on them, killing and wounding many of the enemy, and compelling thirty-three of them to surrender. His prompt and courageous action enabled the advance to continue.