

turing the whole of the enemy. He showed exceptional qualities as a leader.

Capt. (A./Lt.-Col.) Thomas Henry Scott, M.C., 14th Fd. Amb., R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the vicinity of his advanced dressing station was being heavily shelled, it was due to his coolness and able management that a number of stretcher and walking cases were evacuated quickly and smoothly. His foresight and organisation were mainly responsible for the very large numbers of officers and men successfully evacuated during this period under most difficult conditions.

T./Sub-Lt. Tom Simmonds, M.C., D.C.M., Drake Bn., R.N.V.R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. He rallied his company under heavy fire and rushed a machine-gun nest, capturing many prisoners and machine guns. After taking his final objective he pushed on and captured a convoy consisting of two large field guns, ammunition limbers and an ambulance wagon, together with many prisoners. He also captured the whole of a party of one officer and seventy men, with transport. Throughout two days' operations he was continually performing gallant acts, and his courage and cheerfulness were a splendid example to his men.

T./2nd Lt. George Ernest Spencer, York. L.I., attd. 2/4th Bn., T.F.

When his battalion, moving to positions prior to an attack, was located by low-flying aeroplanes, the courage and skill he displayed in handling the leading company enabled the battalion to take cover with comparatively light casualties. Later, when the battalion was held up by machine-gun fire and subjected to heavy shelling, the advanced posts being driven in, he called up a Lewis gun section, which promptly got into action, and, shouting for his company to follow, he charged the enemy. His fine example was followed by other companies, the enemy driven back with heavy casualties, and a critical situation restored.

T./Capt. Lancelot Dykes Spicer, M.C., Genl. List (Bde. Major, 64th Inf. Bde.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty while acting as brigade major during an advance. When the commanding officer was wounded he carried on the immediate reorganisation of the brigade and consolidation of the position. His arrangements were very instrumental in causing the defeat of repeated counter-attacks. Later, when the force was entirely surrounded, he crawled out and brought back a report of the situation which enabled arrangements to be made for the relief of the brigade.

Capt. (A./Lt.-Col.) Edward Geoffrey St. Aubyn, K.R.R.C. (Spec. Res.), attd. 2nd Bn.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Although wounded early in the day, he refused to leave his battalion until the fighting died down in the evening. He handled his battalion throughout with marked ability, and superintended the re-

organisation of his dispositions after the objective had been obtained. The success of the attack was largely due to his determination and to the fighting spirit with which his example inspired the battalion.

Capt. (T./Maj.) William Duncan Sturrock, M.D., R.A.M.C., T.F. (SALONIKA)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty, when the main surgical ward and operating tent of a field ambulance were wrecked by shell fire, one officer and two other ranks being wounded. He very quickly put matters right, and owing to the excellent arrangements made by him throughout the operations the wounded, in spite of difficult country and lack of roads, were very rapidly collected and evacuated.

T./Maj. Fred Sweet, R. Welsh Fus., attd. 13th Bn.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Throughout a month's operations he commanded his battalion with unvarying success, including four separate attacks. On each occasion his careful arrangements and personal reconnaissances under heavy shell and machine-gun fire ensured the comparatively safe progress of the attack. Throughout the whole operations he set a splendid example to his men.

T./Maj. Alexander Richard Sykes, M.C., L'pool R., attd. 14th Bn. and 10th Bn., S.W.B.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After reaching the objective, in command of his battalion, he made a personal reconnaissance under heavy fire and found that the ground in front was only lightly held. This enabled him to advance his battalion to some high ground with very few casualties. Some days later, when in support, he handled two companies on the right flank of the brigade with such dash that forty prisoners, with machine guns, were captured, and the flank secured. He showed great initiative and total disregard of danger.

Maj. (A./Lt.-Col.) George Grant Tabuteau, No. 1 Fld. Amb., R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in supervising the evacuation of casualties during three days' operations under heavy shell fire. He maintained a chain of medical posts in close touch with the battalions of his brigade, and the rapid removal of the wounded was due to his coolness and untiring energy, which inspired his officers and men with confidence.

Capt. and Bt. Maj. (T./Lt.-Col.) Thomas Edgar Hugh Taylor, M.C., R. Ir. Regt., attd. 10th Bn., Hamps. R. (SALONIKA)

For conspicuous gallantry during an attack. When under a very heavy barrage the enemy almost effected a lodgment in a portion of his most advanced position, he personally organised a counter-attack with such troops as were available, with the result that the enemy was driven out and the position maintained intact. Throughout the whole operation he set a fine example of courage and determination to all ranks.