

duties in a most efficient manner. He came back to warn the battery commanders of the situation as they were about to advance, when all communication had broken down. Later, he went forward again well in advance of the main body of our infantry and sent back accurate information of the situation which enabled the artillery to render efficient support to the infantry.

T./2nd Lt. Sidney Richard Lawrence, R.W. Kent R., attd. 10th Bn.

On September 29th, 1918, near Comines, he acted with great gallantry during a counter-attack. Under heavy shell and machine-gun fire he walked up and down the line holding his men when the flanks were withdrawing, and by his coolness and disregard of danger he was mainly responsible for the failure of the counter-attack and the retention of a battery of enemy artillery.

T./Lt. Frank Lawson, 2nd Bn. R. Berks. R.

During the operations in front of Whine Trench, near Fresnes, on the night of September 21st/22nd, 1918, the laying of cable was extremely difficult owing to the heavy shell fire and the state of the ground and trenches. On many occasions long gaps in the wire were cut by shell fire, but throughout the operations, by the gallantry and untiring efforts of this officer, communication was maintained between the forward companies and battalion headquarters.

T./2nd Lt. John Philip Lawson, W. York. R., attd. 10th Bn.

For conspicuous gallantry and good leadership on October 10th, 1918, during the attack on Neuville village. He led his company through heavy fire to the centre of the village. He was surrounded by the enemy and held up by barbed wire, but succeeded in cutting his way out and took up a fresh position. Later, he led his company over the River Selle and pushed forward and established a position beyond, which he maintained against strong enemy opposition for twenty hours until relieved.

T./Lt. Bartle Leathlean, 8th Bn. R. Lan. R.

For very great gallantry during operations round Flesquieres on September 27th, 1918. During the advance his platoon was being fired at by an enemy machine gun, which he located on a derelict tank. Without hesitation he rushed this from behind and single-handed captured the gun. Later, he led a section against a concrete post and took twelve prisoners. All through the operations he showed splendid courage and determination.

2nd Lt. William Henry Leckie, L'pool R. (Spec. Res.), attd. 4th Bn.

On September 29th/30th, 1918, at Villers Guislain, he led a daylight patrol under heavy fire through the village, securing fifty prisoners. On the night of October 10th/11th, north of Le Cateau, he successfully led his platoon across the River Selle, which was five to six feet deep, the only means of crossing being a fallen tree, and consolidated in contact with the enemy line of defence. On both occasions he displayed conspicuous gallantry and skill in leadership.

T./Lt. Richard Hildreth Ledger, 11th Bn Tank Corps.

For most conspicuous gallantry and initiative at Mortho Wood, Villers Outreaux, on October 8th, 1918. As company reconnaissance officer, he went forward in front of the tanks of his company, under heavy shell fire, putting down tape—actually through enemy posts to main enemy line. This was done at night and during an infantry action, but by his skill and enterprise he enabled the tanks to follow his tape and to get into position without the enemy being aware.

Lt. Arthur Herbert Lee, 519th Coy. R.E. (Egypt).

For gallantry in action on September 19th, 1918, when he led a party of ten men after the assaulting infantry from the trenches north of Arsuf, and laid out a road to the Nahr Falik. Seven of the party were casualties from the enemy barrage and machine-gun fire through which the party passed. The successful accomplishment of the task was largely due to the splendid example shown by this officer.

T./Lt. (A./Capt.) Harold Leeming, 12th Bn. Suff. R.

On September 28th, 1918, during the attack on the Bluff, he was in command of a company, and when the right company was held up he immediately advanced his company almost into our barrage, and then, changing front, led it in an enveloping attack, outflanking the enemy, and thus enabling the right company to occupy the position, and capturing many prisoners and machine guns. It was thanks to his most gallant and able leadership that this important position was captured.

T./2nd Lt. John Leslie, 1st Bn. Gord. Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Flesquieres (September 27th, 1918) and Rumilly (October 1st, 1918). When his company was held up by heavy machine-gun fire, which caused many casualties, he led his men forward splendidly and eventually gained his objective. At Rumilly, after his platoon had been heavily shelled all day, he led them to their objective, and afterwards took out parties to ascertain the position, gaining valuable information for his battalion.

Lt. William Stott Leslie, 1/9th Bn. R. Scots, T.F.

On October 12th, 1918, at Vendin le Viele, he commanded the company which led the assault on the village and showed skill in getting them quickly into the assault positions. He personally led his company forward, and his resource and leadership, coupled with a fine example of courage, did much to ensure the success of the operation. He consolidated his objectives in an excellent manner, and by pushing forward outposts, he considerably harassed the retreating enemy, who suffered numerous casualties.

T./2nd Lt. Disraeli Hyman Levinkind, 86th Fd. Coy. R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack over the Canal du