

2nd Lt. Ernest Albert Cobbold, M.M., 4th Bn., R. Berks. R., T.F., attd. 2nd Bn., North'n R.

He was in charge of the leading platoon during the advance on the 23rd October, 1918, east of St. Amand. When his platoon was held up by an enemy machine gun he immediately crawled forward along a ditch and got a Lewis-gun section into action, enfilading the enemy position. The enemy fled, leaving the gun. He afterwards led his men to the final objective. Throughout he showed great courage and able leadership.

T./Capt. Herbert Midgley Cockcroft, R.A.M.C., attd. 75th Bde., R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Malgarni on 7th November, 1918. Heavy and continual shelling caused many casualties, which he attended to in the battery positions, moving about from man to man with total disregard of danger, and although the position had to be cleared, he remained until all the wounded were dressed and evacuated.

T./2nd Lt. Arthur Coe, Worc. R., attd. 1/8th Bn., T.F.

In the attack on Landrecies on 4th November, 1918, he displayed conspicuous courage and skill. After gaining his objective he observed that the town was being shelled at close range by two enemy batteries. He immediately led a patrol forward, and by cleverly disposing his men, so harassed and misled the enemy that with a comparatively small force he captured both batteries and forty prisoners.

T./Lt. Edward Hazelwood Coe, R.E., attd. 56th (London) Divl. Sig. Coy., R.E., attd. H.Q., 167th Inf. Bde.

During the recent operations from 7th November, to 11th November, 1918, from Angreau to Harvengt, communication was at times extremely difficult to maintain owing to the rapidity of the advance. He was most successful in keeping communications open under most difficult conditions, especially at Harvengt, under heavy fire, when he personally superintended the laying of cables to advanced headquarters, with which communication was maintained throughout the day.

Lt. Robert Henry Schofield Coleman, 5th Bn., Essex R., T.F., Sec. 63rd Bn., M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative east of the Canal de l'Escaut. On 30th September, 1918, he went forward in advance of the infantry to locate hostile machine guns which were holding up the infantry advance, returning later, and by skilful handling of his section succeeded in bringing them into action, and finally to neutralise the fire of enemy machine guns, which allowed the infantry to again move forward. His judgment and untiring energy throughout the operations 27th/30th September were most marked.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Cecil Victor Collins, B/245th (W. Rid.) Bde., R.F.A., T.F.

For conspicuous gallantry and resource in charge of a forward section near Saulzoir on 13th October, 1918. He advanced his sec-

tion to within a few hundred yards of the River Selle, and successfully engaged targets at close and destructive range. Eventually he withdrew his guns owing to a change in the situation. His devotion to duty and fine example of courage were a magnificent stimulus to his men, and an encouragement to the infantry.

Lt. Wilfred Montague Were Collins, Dorset. R., attd. 4th Bn., K.R.R.C.

During the operations of 7th/8th November, 1918, near Dourlers, he displayed conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On 7th November he repeatedly carried important messages forward to the attacking companies under heavy fire. Later, when the attack was held up by heavy machine-gun fire, he carried out most able reconnaissance work, and obtained valuable information of the ground to be consolidated.

T./Capt. Archibald Francis Reignier Conder, M.D., 109th Fd. Amb., R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and energy during the advance through and N. of Harlebeke between 14th and 27th October, 1918, in charge of the bearers clearing the 109th battalion. During the whole time he kept in close touch with the battalions, often in the front line under heavy shell fire. At the crossing of the Lys he brought his ambulance cars and bearers right up to the canal, and quickly evacuated the wounded, remaining under heavy fire till all were cleared.

T./2nd Lt. Ralph William Conibeer, E. Surr. R., attd. 8th Bn.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the operations round Bousies on the 23rd and 24th October, 1918. He led his platoon forward with great skill and gained his objective in face of determined enemy opposition. After he was wounded he would not leave his platoon until he had handed over a thoroughly well organised defensive position. His conduct throughout was most praiseworthy.

T./Lt. (A./Capt.) Sidney Courtney Cook, 7th Bn., M.G. Corps. (ITALY).

He was in command of a company in the operations from the advance from the River Piave to the River Tagliamento. On the night of 26th/27th October, 1918, he personally conducted two sections of his company across the River Piave, and under considerable shell fire directed them to their forming-up positions with the infantry battalions. During the attack on 27th October, and in the subsequent advance on 28/29th October, these eight guns were man-handled with ammunition to a distance of four kilometres under his direction, and were instrumental in assisting the infantry to consolidate captured positions and to protect the right flank. He displayed skill, energy and cool courage throughout the operations, and his careful preparation and work assisted greatly in the success on these days.

T./2nd Lt. William Cookson, E. Lancs R., attd. 1/5th Bn. (T.F.).

Near Briastre on the night 19/20th October, 1918, with six men he encountered a party of