

2535 Cpl. R. E. Stewart, 55th Bn., Aust. Inf.

For great gallantry and resource near Proyart on 17th August, 1918. While searching for wounded this N.C.O. with another located a large party of the enemy. He worked round behind and took them by surprise, ordering them to surrender. The enemy at once dashed for the trenches, but he succeeded in capturing five, and a machine gun.

7437 Sjt. H. A. Stubbs, 16th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For gallant conduct, devotion to duty and fine leadership on the morning of the 18th September, 1918, during an attack on Le Verguier. Though early wounded, he continued in command of his platoon. During the advance he rushed a machine-gun post, and succeeded in capturing the gun, killing two of the crew and taking the remaining six prisoners.

1374 Cpl. P. R. Sutherland, 15th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the operations east of Jean-court on 18th September, 1918. When the left flank of the battalion was temporarily hung up by two field guns he, with his Lewis gun, and in company with another N.C.O., dashed forward and brought fire to bear on the hostile guns, putting the crews out of action and capturing the guns. At a later stage he again rushed forward in company with another N.C.O. and engaged the enemy with such effect that his company was able to take the position.

689 Sjt. J. G. Tarrant, 20th Bn., Aust. Infy.

During operations at Mont St. Quentin on the 31st August, 1918, he located a strong post which was causing casualties. He immediately worked along an embankment, bombed and charged the strong post single-handed, putting two machine guns out of action, and killing or capturing the crews.

7089 Pte. E. E. Taylor, 21st Bn., Aust. Infy.

During the attack on Mont St. Quentin on the 1st September, 1918, he was one of a party of eight which stormed a strong point. Rushing forward, he was the first to jump into the enemy trench. Although severely wounded, he continued to fight on. He captured one machine gun and five prisoners.

1843 Sjt. J. Taylor, 4th Bn., Aust. Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry at Chuignes, 23rd August, 1918, when he took charge of his platoon after its officer was wounded. When held up by a nest of machine guns he showed great skill in the use of his Lewis-gun section, under the covering fire of which he charged the post and captured three machine guns and forty prisoners.

3150 Pte. C. Thompson, 26th Bn., Aust. Infy.

During the attack east of Mont St. Quentin on the 2nd September, 1918, when one of a Lewis-gun crew, he advanced along a ridge, and jumping into a trench where

there was a hostile post, shot two of the occupants, and pushing on to the next post, he shot three more of the enemy with a revolver.

1619 Cpl. L. H. Tierney, 7th Bn., Aust. Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry on 9th August, 1918, near Lihons. When his platoon commander became a casualty this N.C.O. took charge and pressed on to the objective across ground swept by heavy machine-gun fire. A counter-attack developed, but he placed his platoon in position and drove the enemy back.

310 C.S.M. W. C. Trevascus, 21st Bn., Aust. Infy.

During the attack on Mont St. Quentin on the 1st September, 1918, portions of his company were prevented from reaching their objective by vigorous fire from a strong hostile party with two machine guns. He dashed forward with great gallantry, and attacking the enemy with bombs, drove them from their position, thus enabling the remainder of the company to reach their objective.

381 Sjt. R. Vale, 4th Bn., Aust. M.G.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in the attack on 18th September, 1918, east of Le Verguier. During the advance his packhorse got into difficulties while crossing a barb wire zone, which was then being shelled by the enemy. After seeing his crews safely established he returned to the packhorses and brought them safely to the guns. His action was the means of assuring an adequate supply of ammunition.

1751 Pte. R. T. Verney, 56th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry during the attack on Peronne 1st September, 1918, as a runner. He repeatedly carried messages under intense fire, and also assisted in bringing in wounded. He volunteered to go forward, and was able to bring back important information. His energy and coolness were a fine example.

914 Sjt. G. Walker, 9th Bn., Aust. Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry near Lihons on the 11th August, 1918. While the line was being advanced the enemy was encountered in large numbers. This N.C.O. showed much ability and initiative in at once engaging them, and inspired his platoon to great efforts. He captured four machine guns and twenty-one prisoners, killing five of the enemy.

1007 Sjt. E. E. Walter, 39th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Clery on 31st August, 1918. Rushing ahead with a non-commissioned officer from another unit, he silenced eight machine guns by bombing and rifle fire, capturing the lot. Later, he again captured a number of machine guns, and finished up by storming three more heavy machine guns in company with a non-commissioned officer.

982 Sjt. G. Warren, 23rd Bn., Aust. Infy.

On the 1st September, 1918, in the attack on Mont St. Quentin, he led his platoon for-