

ment had suffered heavy casualties and there was considerable danger of the Germans entering our trench, Second Lieutenant Leach took charge and rapidly bombed the enemy back beyond the barricade. There is no doubt that his prompt action and the gallant behaviour and good throwing of his bombers saved the situation.

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Second Lieutenant William Alexander Lytle, 1st/6th Battalion, The Sherwood Foresters (Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regiment), Territorial Force.

For excellent work on several occasions, notably on 26th November, 1915, near Boar's Head trench.

He organised and carried out a bomb attack with great ability and collected valuable information regarding the enemy. He was finally forced to withdraw before superior numbers, but not before he had thrown over 95 bombs and inflicted serious loss on the Germans. He showed great judgment in withdrawing, his casualties being only one man missing and three wounded.

Second Lieutenant Lytle has shown a total disregard for danger, and leads his grenadiers with great coolness.

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Second Lieutenant Robert Macfarlane Neill, 3rd Battalion, The Royal Scots Fusiliers (attached 6th Battalion).

For conspicuous gallantry near Zillebeke on 24th November, 1915.

When moving up to the trenches and approaching "Hell Fire Corner," on

the Menin road, the enemy suddenly opened on his party with shrapnel. One man was wounded and the party scattered, but Lieutenant Neill remained with the wounded man, bandaged him, and finally got him safely to the dressing station, although on the way he and two men who were assisting him were knocked down by a shell.

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Second Lieutenant Thomas Tannatt Pryce, 1st/6th Battalion, The Gloucestershire Regiment, Territorial Force.

For conspicuous gallantry at Gommecourt on the night of 25th/26th November, 1915.

When in charge of an assaulting column he succeeded in entering the German trenches unobserved, clearing them, and bombing large parties of the enemy, who were crowded in deep dug-outs. Although wounded himself, he subsequently extracted his men successfully in face of superior numbers.

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Temporary Second Lieutenant Harold Ralph Ruggles-Brise, 175th Tunnelling Company, Royal Engineers.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative near Hooge on 1st December, 1915.

He explored a German mine gallery, and, although attacked and wounded by two Germans, fought them off, lit his fuze and crawled out.