

10050 Cpl. R. Pratt, 1st Bn., W. York. R.

For conspicuous gallantry. When his platoon officer and the bombing serjeant had become casualties during an attack he rallied his men and consolidated his position under heavy fire at close range. During the night he brought in two wounded men.

1291 Bombr. S. T. Prior, C/235th By., 5th Lond. Bde., R.F.A., T.F.

For conspicuous gallantry. When an enemy shell set fire to a gun pit and ammunition was exploding, he assisted his major in moving 170 rounds of ammunition from within the pit. He has done consistent good work.

1/15021 Pte. P. Quirke, 1st Bn., S. Wales Bord. (Spec. Res.).

For conspicuous gallantry. When on patrol near the enemy's wire the enemy opened fire on a patrol of another regiment near him and were leaving their trench to capture those who were not wounded when Private Macauley shot one and wounded another at a few yards range. Finally, Private Quirke carried a wounded man of the other patrol on his back from the enemy's wire.

1423 Coy. S./M. A. A. Reed, 1st/4th Bn., York. R. (T.F.).

For conspicuous gallantry. After his company commander had been wounded during a heavy bombardment by the enemy he showed great coolness and ability in repairing the breaches and reorganising defences. He has always done good work.

79437 Actg. Coy. S./M. S. Rees, 31st Canadian Infy. Bn.

For conspicuous gallantry and good leading when in command of a platoon in the front line. He reserved his fire when the enemy attempted to rush a crater, and then at 100 yards annihilated them. Later he successfully bombed a party of some 25 of the enemy who had crept up to his post.

15522 Pte J. Regan, 8th Bn., N. Lan. R.

For conspicuous gallantry. When their officer and many men of their platoon had become casualties while gallantly defending a crater against superior numbers, Privates Regan and Sangster were among those who threw stones and empty bomb boxes at the enemy after all the ammunition was expended. After what remained of their platoon was compelled to retire these two men assisted in building a barricade.

9954 Sjt. J. Reith, 1st Bn., R. Highrs. (attd. W. African Fld. Force).

For great gallantry and coolness in the attack on a hill. When his company commander and several men were killed he held the ground gained with a handful of men unsupported for a period of 30 hours.

12954 Cpl. F. H. Richards, 6th Bn., Shrops. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry during a raid. Though severely wounded he led his men into the enemy trenches, accounting for many of the enemy and taking 7 prisoners. He was in great pain all this time.

3/4958 Pte. P. Ring, 2nd Bn., R. Muns. Fus. (Spec. Res.).

For conspicuous gallantry during a raid. When the leading bayonet man was wounded in the enemy's trench, Private Ring took his rifle and with one other man held up the enemy for 20 minutes. He was badly wounded by a bomb, but stuck to his post till ordered to withdraw.

11463 L./Cpl. L. A. Robinson, 5th Bn. (formerly 3rd) C. Gds.

For conspicuous gallantry when assisting to rescue, at great personal risk, officers and men from a deep mine full of poisonous fumes.

10742 Pte. R. Rowland, 2nd Bn., Bord. R.

For conspicuous gallantry. When all the officers and n.c.o's of his platoon had become casualties he took command and led the platoon with great skill to its final objective.

C/6687 Pte. H. Rumsey, 18th Bn., K.R.R.C. (attd. 122/2 Trench Mortar By.).

For conspicuous gallantry. During an intense bombardment by the enemy Privates Rumsey and Marshall dug out and got into safety 3 wounded comrades who had been buried in a ruined house. They were under heavy fire for half an hour while working.

8672 Sjt. C. Rush, 2nd Bn., R. W. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry when the enemy exploded a large mine and after an intense bombardment broke into our trenches. Serjeant Rush at once organised his men, attacked and drove them out in disorder.

345 Cpl. J. Russell, 11th Bn., R. Suss. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Although his leg was broken and his body badly crushed by the explosion of an enemy mine he rallied his men, crawled along the trench giving orders and refused assistance till all his men had been attended to.

15357 Pte. J. Sangster, 8th Bn., N. Lan. R.

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86 Bombr. J. S. Seivwright, No. 8 Fd. Bty. (Calcutta Vol. Bty.).

For conspicuous gallantry when bandaging a wounded man under fire and removing him to a place of safety. He also went back across the open for water for the forward observation post under heavy fire.

10/13627 L./Sjt. A. W. Smith, Dépôt. (frmly. 10th Bn.), Ches. R.

For conspicuous gallantry, as Medical Officer's assistant, when endeavouring to rescue, under heavy fire, a wounded officer who was lying close to the enemy's lines. He finally succeeded in bringing in his body. He was himself wounded while assisting a wounded man to the Aid Post.