

Temp. 2nd Lt. Herbert Arthur Short, Suff. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. As brigade bombing officer during an attack he showed the greatest courage in maintaining the bomb supply and directing carrying parties under heavy artillery and machine-gun fire.

Temp. 2nd Lt. Julius Edward Sierra, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry when cutting wire with trench mortars, two of which were in the open under heavy fire, one being eventually knocked out. He was twice wounded during the enemy's bombardment, but stuck to his command.

Temp. 2nd Lt. Alexander Couper Small, E. Lan. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He led his platoon with great dash nearly 600 yards across the open under machine-gun and rifle fire, and reached his objective. When wounded he returned to duty after his wound was dressed, and set a fine example during the operations of the next two days.

Temp. Lt. Allen Higson Smith, Lincoln R., and R.F.C.

For most gallant and skilful work in connection with artillery. In one instance flying at 1,000 feet under heavy fire his information led to the destruction of two enemy batteries. On another occasion he flew under clouds for two hours at 600 feet, sending down information. His machine was repeatedly hit. He has set a fine example.

Temp. Lt. John Elliot Smith, Sea. Highrs.

For gallant conduct and devotion to duty during a raid. Though severely wounded he continued to lead and encourage his men till again wounded. Prior to the raid he had on two occasions made daring reconnaissances.

Temp. 2nd Lt. William Soward, E. Surr. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. During the enemy's counter-attack he led his platoon through a wood, occupied a dangerous gap in our line, and, though severely wounded, held on under heavy bombardment for three hours till ordered to withdraw.

Temp. 2nd Lt. Ernest Vernon Speakman, Manch. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He held his ground in the open under heavy fire of all kinds with only a few men. He shot four of the enemy himself and set a fine example to his men.

2nd Lt. (temp. Lt.) George Hargreaves Speight, W. York. R.

For conspicuous gallantry. When the enemy obtained a foothold in our front trench, occupied by another unit, he led his bombers with great dash and drove them out. On another occasion he drove off the enemy with bombs, inflicting heavy casualties.

2nd Lt. Kenneth Lionel Spiers, Worc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. On three separate occasions he led his company

forward with great dash under heavy fire. He also showed great skill and energy in occupying a position in the enemy's trench and organising the defences.

2nd Lt. James McCosh Sproat, L'pool R.

For conspicuous gallantry on patrol. Previous to our assault he entered the enemy lines on three separate nights with a small party and brought back most useful information.

Temp. Lt. Charles Victor Stewart, R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. When unable to carry out his duties as forward Observing Officer, he volunteered and led forward a party of infantry in the attack after they had been hung up, and remained to consolidate the position won. He was slightly wounded.

Temp. 2nd Lt. Cecil Henry Stork, Glouc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. Although wounded, he volunteered for and carried out in broad daylight a dangerous reconnaissance in a wood, and brought back valuable information.

Temp. Lt. John Stevens Stower, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations. After being wounded in the head, he carried on the work allotted to him for five days, until it was completed. He only gave up then as his eyes became closed up.

Lt. Frederick George Ernest Sutton, Can. Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry when, as Observer with 2nd Lt. Ross, he carried out two reconnaissances at very low altitude. Their machine was repeatedly hit by bullets, and the pilot was severely wounded in the arm. The reports rendered were most valuable.

2nd Lt. Hubert John Swann, Dorset R., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He led forward his sub-section under heavy machine-gun, rifle and shell fire. He then bombed dug-outs, causing the enemy to emerge and surrender. Finally he volunteered to return across fire-swept ground in order to despatch a message to Brigade Headquarters.

Lt. Gilbert Wansbrough Thacker, Lan. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry when leading his company in action. After the capture of his objective he led forward a reconnaissance and was twice wounded before he returned to the Aid Post.

Temp. Capt. Arthur Ravesly Thomson, York. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He rallied his men, led a bombing attack, and showed great coolness and skill in holding his particular part of the defences against all opposition.

Temp. 2nd Lt. Lawrence Maughan Tinkler, York. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He reorganised the defence of a flank at a very critical moment. He has also done gallant