

3/7913 L./Cpl. W. G. Loader, Dorset R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He carried messages over about 120 yards of open ground under heavy machine gun fire. Several messengers had been killed or wounded in this space.

69424 Actg. Bombr. W. W. Lucking, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. He repeatedly mended wires under heavy shell fire. He also took back an urgent message through two hostile barrages, going across the open to save time.

11976 Pte. W. Luff, Wilts. R.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. He assisted a lance-corporal to mend the telephone wire seven times when it had been cut by shell fire. All other wires had been cut, and it was only from their line that information could be sent back.

L/16805 Actg. Bombr. T. Lynsky, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry. When an enemy shell exploded the ammunition dump of his gun, knocking out all the detachment except himself, he continued to fire the gun single-handed under heavy shell fire.

19 Actg. By. S./M. J. Mason, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations when laying and repairing telephone wires under heavy shell fire. By his coolness and disregard of danger he was invaluable in getting men and heavy mortars through the hostile barrage.

2249 Cpl. E. A. Mazey, Oxf. & Bucks. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. On his own initiative he organised a bombing party, drove back the enemy bombers, and secured the left flank, which was exposed. On another occasion, when the enemy had got a footing in our trench, he ran along the parapet bombing them till he was severely wounded.

1342 Actg. Sjt. M. McArthur, Arg. & Suth'd Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He went out under heavy fire during an attack and brought into safety a badly wounded man. Later, he went out to his company commander three times to dress his wounds and take him water. After dark, with a stretcher-bearer, he brought him in.

1222 L./Cpl. J. A. McKenzie, Sea. Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. When a shell ignited an ammunition dump he at once got a shovel, threw earth on the dump and extinguished the fire after twenty minutes. At great personal risk he prevented the whole dump from being set on fire.

7384 L./Cpl. S. A. Merritt, Wilts. R.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. He mended telephone wire no less than seven times when it had been cut by shell fire. He was usually assisted by a private. All other wires through the wood were cut, so that it was his line alone by which information could be sent back.

10518 Actg. Coy. S./M. W. J. E. North, R. Scots. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. He went out to within a few yards of the enemy's parapet and brought back a wounded officer some 400 yards. On the next night he did fine work consolidating the ground won and guiding up R.E. parties under heavy fire.

36854 Gnr. W. J. Palmer, R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry. He kept up visual communication with his battery for three hours under heavy shrapnel and sniper fire. He has repeatedly shown great courage.

2807 Sjt. E. M. Pearce, Glouc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. When the whole of his section, including himself, became casualties at a barricade, he stuck to his post with an officer, and though unable to throw bombs himself, continued to collect and hand them to the officer to throw. In this way the barricade was held.

16/1154 Pte. T. Pearson, W. York. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. When he and one other man were all that remained of a machine gun team they continued to work the gun in "No Man's Land" under heavy shell and machine gun fire. When the other man was knocked out and he himself was wounded, he continued to fire the gun single-handed for an hour till assistance arrived.

65337 L./Cpl. E. Porter, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. During an enemy counter-attack he went out under machine gun and rifle fire and rescued a wounded officer of another unit, bringing him back into safety. He then rejoined his company.

31122 By. S./M. G. Porter, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. When a gun was hit and some men wounded, he tended the men under heavy fire, and quickly got the gun into action again. On another occasion he showed great courage in assisting to dig out men who had been buried by shell fire.

14320 Sjt. W. Powell, N. Lan. R.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. By his fine example, during two days and nights of continuous shelling, he was largely responsible for keeping the men steady and successfully repelling counter-attacks.

13438 Sjt. F. H. Read, R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. He repulsed enemy bombing attacks almost single-handed. On two occasions, with one man only, he broke up strong parties of the enemy.

14117 L./Cpl. J. Reilly, R. Innis. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. Seeing an enemy machine gun in action, he crawled along a shallow trench until within bombing distance of it. Then he stood up and threw a bomb at the gun, disabling the