

gun and killing the gunner. Later, he went out repeatedly to "No Man's Land" under heavy fire in order to collect grenades from the dead and wounded.

40096 2nd Cpl. (A./Cpl.) W. J. Richards, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry. When his section officer was wounded, he dragged him into a shell hole under heavy machine gun fire, bandaged his wound and got him back to the trenches. On five other occasions during the afternoon he went out into the open and dragged wounded men into safety.

17418 Sjt. M. Richmond, Mach. Gun Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. He brought up his gun, utterly regardless of personal risk, into positions whence he could inflict losses on the enemy. He kept the gun in action when he was the only man of the team left.

15245 Pte. G. Ridings, N. Lan. R.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. He is an officer's servant, but volunteered to accompany the leading bombing party. When a temporary check occurred he dashed forward into the open with fixed bayonet, and supported the officer who was leading after the latter had been badly wounded.

13344 Coy. S./M. T. Robertson, R. Scots.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. Hearing cries, he at once went out and brought in from about 60 yards in front of the enemy's parapet a wounded serjeant of another regiment. Later he went out again in search of a wounded officer.

3577 Sjt. E. Robins, R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry during a night attack on an enemy trench. When his officer was shot he bayoneted the man who shot him. He then did fine work in the trench, and accounted for many of the enemy. Though wounded, he refused to retire till he was ordered.

2496 Pte. S. Roper, Worc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He used his machine gun with great effect during the attack, and, when another platoon was being driven back from an attack on another point, he got up on the parapet with his gun and fired into the enemy trench, which was only 100 yards distant.

156594 L./Cpl. E. J. Rossiter, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in advancing with a detachment of trench guns under very heavy machine gun, rifle, and artillery fire. He carried out his instructions with the greatest courage and coolness under intense fire.

2763 Sjt. E. J. Rundle, Glouc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. He succeeded with his platoon in holding up the enemy with bombs and in recapturing a lost barricade with the bayonet. His platoon accounted for all the enemy who were holding the barricade.

L/10276 Bombr. J. Rushworth, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry. He maintained communications with group headquarters single-handed under very heavy shell fire, after the man with him had been killed. He was quite alone.

14885 Pte. W. L. Scott, N. Staff. R.

For conspicuous gallantry. While attending to a wounded officer he was attacked by seven of the enemy, all of whom he captured and brought in. While returning to the firing line he captured two more.

15676 L./Cpl. W. Shenton, Worc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. During the attack he got a gun up on the enemy's parapet, and laid it on an enemy gun, which was coming into action a few yards away. Before they could fire he destroyed or put to flight their whole gun team, and then captured the gun.

7154 Pte. (Actg. Cpl.) T. Simmonds, R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Although knocked down by a falling beam in the evacuation dug-out which had been hit by a shell, he calmly dressed a serjeant who had been wounded. He then started off up the road under heavy shell fire to warn the medical officer not to send up any more cases, as the stretcher-bearers would probably be killed. On his way he extricated a wounded bearer, who was buried, and got him into safety.

14475 Cpl. Shoeing-Smith H. Smith, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. When taking up four wagon loads of ammunition, the enemy shells killed and wounded some drivers and horses. He behaved with the greatest coolness and pluck, extricating men and horses, and rearranging the teams under heavy shell fire. He then took the wagons on to the battery.

7685 Coy. S./M. J. Snodden, R. Innis. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. He took command of a party of his own company, with some men of another regiment, and very effectively bombed the enemy's trenches. He has frequently shown great coolness and bravery.

18083 Sjt. J. Taylor, Mach. Gun Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. With an officer he reconnoitred the captured trench, and returned under heavy shell fire to bring up his guns. Finding both teams and guns out of action, he helped the officer to collect two more teams and another gun, and brought them up into position. Later, when his officer was killed, he took charge of these guns and did fine work during a counter-attack.

14233 Pte. J. Thirtle, York. R.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. He was one of a party of volunteers who carried out a bombing attack. He threw bombs with great accuracy, and killed several of the enemy, and, when wounded in the leg and hand, stuck to his post and threw bombs, though repeatedly urged to go to the dressing station.