

to duty. He showed the utmost courage and determination when commanding his battery. On several occasions he personally organised the repairs when the pits had been blown in and his guns buried. On each occasion this was carried out under heavy shell fire.

2nd Lt. Charles Edward Blayney, R.F.C., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and skill on many occasions in successfully bombing stations and trains at very low altitudes. He has at all times displayed the greatest bravery and skill.

Lt. (temp. Capt.) Alphonso Bloomfield, Devon. R. and M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He commanded a machine gun company during the advance. His organisation and prompt action were of a very high order. His fine leadership and ability were of the utmost value to the infantry.

Temp. Capt. Edward Upton Body, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed great presence of mind and fine courage under heavy shell fire in running to a burning ammunition dump and extinguishing the fire which was threatening to spread; a further explosion would have had very serious consequences.

2nd Lt. (actg. Capt.) Malcolm Maxwell Irving Body, R.F.A., Spec. Res. (temp. Lt., R.F.A.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He went forward with the advancing infantry, and under most trying conditions managed to control his Battery and send most valuable information. This task was carried out under continuous shell and machine-gun fire.

Temp. 2nd Lt. Walter Geoffrey Boldero, S. Staff. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He handled two machine guns with great skill and initiative at a very critical period. By his prompt action and good leadership he succeeded in driving off several parties of the enemy who were trying to turn the flank.

2nd Lt. Frederick Calver Bolton, York. L.I., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed the utmost gallantry and determination when with a small party he was cut off and attacked by a strong enemy party. He rallied his men and without any reinforcements gained the trench lost by bombing the enemy out.

2nd Lt. Gerald Muir Bonnin, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry in constantly conducting the fire of his battery with the greatest coolness under heavy shell fire. On one occasion he saved three guns and three ammunition dumps from destruction, extinguishing the burning material under very heavy fire.

2nd Lt. William George Bowditch, Lond. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his company to their objective, when he was compelled to lie out in front of the wire, and though wounded he directed the withdrawal of his men and then gave a valuable report of the situation. He has at all times set a fine example to his men.

Lt. (actg. Capt.) Geoffrey Grenside Bowen, Lan. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his company with great skill and courage. On four separate occasions he advanced his company, and had to dig in on new lines. His personal example was of the utmost value to his men under very trying conditions.

Capt. Theodore Clifford Bower, H.A.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Before the attack he carried out a daring reconnaissance in daylight and brought back most valuable information. Later, he led his company with great gallantry, setting a fine example throughout.

Temp. Lt. John Frederick Farmar Bowers, High. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He handled his machine guns with great skill in the newly won position, inflicting great loss on the enemy. Later, he led a patrol through heavy barrage and obtained much valuable information.

2nd Lt. John Boyd, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. A trestle bridge having been broken by enemy shell fire, he organised and superintended the work of repairing it under heavy hostile barrage. The repair restored communication which was otherwise lost.

Temp. 2nd Lt. Herbert Bradshaw, R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. As an observation officer for heavy artillery he established an observation post under heavy shell fire, from which he continued to send valuable information, in spite of constant breaks by shell fire.

2nd Lt. Percy Braidford, Durh. L.I., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He took command of the company during the attack, and although wounded in the head continued to lead it with the utmost coolness and courage. He set a fine example throughout, and remained at his post until the battalion was relieved.

Lt. Philip Acton Brooke, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the advance he went forward and established a visual station. Although heavily shelled, communication with the artillery was maintained all day, and valuable information sent through.