

determination in an attack, and although wounded, refused to leave them until he received a further severe wound, which fractured his thigh.

Maj. William John Frederick Halliday, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He ran across to the battery next to his own when it was under heavy shell fire, and the men had been ordered away, and extinguished a serious fire which was involving the ammunition, guns and camouflage along the whole position. His gallantry and initiative saved serious disaster.

Capt. (T./Maj.) Arthur Preston Hobler, Midd'x R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After all company commanders had become casualties, he displayed the greatest courage and ability in collecting and reorganising detachments of other units during our attack, in organising the advance and in sending excellent reports to Headquarters.

T./Maj. John Alderney Howell, M.C., Ches. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed great powers of leadership and resource in commanding his battalion during an attack, and afterwards consolidated his position with great skill.

2nd Lt. (T./Capt.) George Hudgell, Yeos. att'd. Welsh R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After his Commanding Officer and second in command were wounded, he assumed command, although severely wounded himself, and kept his men going. He set a splendid example of courage and endurance, and although in considerable pain, remained in command until he was sent away.

T./Maj. Charles Edward Hudson, M.C., Notts. & Derby. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack and before the objective was gained, he showed great promptitude and disregard for his own safety in reorganising his battalion and leading it forward to the objective, which was secured and consolidated through his successful efforts. He has on many occasions showed capacity of the highest military value, notably in repulsing hostile counter-attacks upon his battalion at a critical moment.

T./Maj. John Hendley Morrison Kirkwood, Household Bn.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. The battalion under his command suffered heavy casualties, and was subjected to severe shell fire. Despite this he led them forward and gained his objective and consolidated the line. The success of the operation was largely due to his fine example and the able manner in which he handled his men.

Maj. Frederick Ernest Koebel, Sikhs, Ind. Army.

For conspicuous gallantry and resource. He rallied his men when the left flank was

seriously threatened, and by his energy and fine example saved the situation. He subsequently commanded his battalion with great ability. He has displayed marked gallantry in every action in which he has taken part.

Maj. (T./Lt.-Col.) (now Lt.-Col.) Ronald Macdonald Laurie, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He handled his brigade with marked ability and success, giving much needed assistance to the infantry brigades in their attack on the enemy's position.

Capt. Frederick Henry Linton, Welsh R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack he showed great courage and initiative in being one of the first to enter the enemy's lines, disarm prisoners and establish communication. He displayed the greatest gallantry and good leadership throughout.

Maj. William Edgar Mann, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He commanded his battery with great skill and courage throughout three days of heavy fighting, during which his position was under intense shell fire, and, although wounded early in the attack, he continued at duty, setting an excellent example to all ranks by his good spirits and cheerfulness.

Capt. (T./Maj.) Frank Mills, R. W. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed the greatest coolness and skill when in charge of the firing line of his battalion during an attack, directing operations and sending back accurate messages under heavy fire. The success of the assault was due to his fine example.

T./Capt. Hugh Parker Naunton, E. Surr. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his company forward with great dash and courage, and with about 50 men successfully stormed an enemy strong point, capturing ten prisoners. Later, at a critical period he took command of the Battalion, and carried through until the objective was gained.

2nd Lt. (T./Capt.) George Elliss Nelson, Ches. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. At a critical moment, when our advance was held up, he collected sufficient men to move forward and straighten the line. By his fine example and disregard of danger under heavy fire he eventually led this line, which was composed of seven different units, into the enemy's position.

Capt. & Bt. Maj. Richard Nugent O'Connor, M.C., Sco. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry and resource. In consequence of a change in the situation a revision of plans became necessary, but, owing to darkness and heavy shelling, confusion arose. By his courage and promptness he quickly restored order, and organised a successful attack.