

the enemy barrage against a heavy hostile counter-attack, displaying throughout the operation a high example of courage and powers of leadership.

2nd Lt. Charles Edward Collin Morgan, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a hostile raid on our trenches. In the face of the heaviest shelling he organised a party and led it up the trench, driving the enemy out of the position. Two days later, he commanded a portion of our raiding party, and displayed splendid leadership and fearlessness in attempting to capture the enemy strong post, which he could have done had there been sufficient time. He went forward repeatedly regardless of his own safety, doing everything that was possible for a man to do, and when operations were over he carried a wounded man back 500 yards under severe machine-gun fire.

2nd Lt. Robert Kenneth Nicol, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of Stokes mortars in the defence of a captured village one of his two guns was destroyed, so he handed the other on to his corporal and joined the company, which was in the village. Here he displayed magnificent gallantry and the utmost fearlessness in assisting the company commander, personally leading a bombing party against an enemy counter-attack, and accounting for six of the enemy himself in the desperate hand-to-hand fighting which ensued. His prompt action and fine leadership saved the situation.

2nd Lt. (T./Capt.) Jesse Rodgers, Infy.

This officer was in command of his company during an attack on the enemy's position. The whole operation was most successfully carried out, and although wounded during the attack he remained on duty in the trenches until his company was relieved some considerable time later. He is a born leader, and has done exceptionally good work.

Capt. Murray Urquhart, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when commanding his company in an attack. In spite of no barrage being available, and of the fact that the enemy's position was exceptionally strong and heavily wired, he so admirably arranged his plans that he overcame the stubborn opposition which was offered, and captured the position, killing and capturing numbers of the enemy. After this was effected he held the position for twenty-four hours under a violent bombardment, displaying the same splendid coolness and courage throughout and greatly inspiring his men by his personal example under very trying conditions.

2nd Lt. Rupert Worley, Engrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty whilst superintending the forwarding of ammunition by light railway trains. In spite of the fact that the line was being heavily shelled and cut to pieces, he persevered, and successfully completed the delivery of the ammunition.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

Capt. Reginald Grant Paterson, Newfoundland Regt.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed great skill and coolness in laying a tape in front of our positions, just before an attack, for his battalion to form up on. He then led his company with great coolness and judgment, captured his objective, killing many of the enemy and capturing several guns.

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