

2nd Lt. Bertie Arthur Barron, E. Lan. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in charge of a party protecting the flank of the battalion during an attack, and showed great skill and initiative in filling gaps and helping to overcome opposition. He personally led a party out and silenced some enemy snipers who were causing casualties. He set a fine example of determination and cheerfulness.

T./2nd Lt. Albert Sylvester Gilbert Bates, att. Leic. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After a heavy hostile assault, he led his platoon to immediate counter-attack, and regained the position. Under heavy artillery fire he organised his company and held on to the position for many hours.

2nd Lt. Cyril Hamilton Beattie, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a hostile bombardment of his battery one man was wounded and another partially buried, he himself being knocked over at the same time. Under continuous shell fire he succeeded in extricating the buried gunner and getting both men under cover, returning to the battery and continuing his duty until the task allotted to the battery was completed.

2nd Lt. Norman Molyneux Benton, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. His battery was heavily shelled, and two men were wounded. He got them away to safety and remained exposed to hostile fire until all the men of the battery had been cleared from danger. He set a splendid example of coolness to all.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Gerald Bruce Best, Lond. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He commanded his company with great skill and courage. He gained and consolidated his final objective, and defeated with heavy loss an enemy counter-attack made by a greatly superior force.

Capt. Bernard Gordon Beveridge, R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in charge of a divisional collecting post and relay bearer posts during an action, and organised and carried out the evacuation of the wounded over the open under continuous fire. It was only by his unflinching courage and energy that the work was successfully accomplished.

T./2nd Lt. Arthur John Blomfield, attd. R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. With a small party he entered the enemy's front line and reconnoitred it for a distance of 300 yards, bringing back valuable information. On the following night he again entered the enemy's front line with six men and attacked a party of the enemy, inflicting casualties on them, keeping up the fight until all his bombs were exhausted. He set a magnificent example of pluck and good leadership.

2nd Lt. Sydney Glazebrook Blow, Mon. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in charge of his company

while they were working in the open at night. The enemy opened an intense barrage on their position, causing some casualties. He promptly got his company under cover, and personally superintended the removal of the wounded under heavy fire. Later, he completed the work. He showed the greatest initiative and resource in a difficult position.

T./Capt. Evelyn Boys, attd. York. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. He captured, consolidated, and held some strong points with his company, and when his Commanding Officer and adjutant were wounded, took over the command of his battalion. He showed great courage and ability.

2nd/Lt. Frank Bramwell, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During heavy shelling a hostile shell set fire to the sand screen and ignited the charges. This officer at once ran to the gunpit, and, after prolonged efforts under heavy shell fire, succeeded in extinguishing the fire, thereby preventing serious loss of material and ammunition.

Lt. (A./Maj.) Eli Brandish, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. His battery was heavily shelled, two ammunition pits were hit, and several men were buried by shell fire. He at once organised a party to dig the men out, and, having started the work, went with another party through heavy fire to extinguish the ammunition dump, which was exploding dangerously and threatened to damage his guns. His coolness under difficult circumstances was a splendid example to his men.

T./2nd Lt. Sidney Brewin, North'd Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. While in command of a carrying party during an advance he was severely wounded, but refused to return to the dressing station until he had completed his task. Throughout the morning he continued at duty in spite of great pain, and set a wonderful example of courage to his men.

T./Lt. (A./Capt.) Thomas Lindsay Browne, North'd Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to while in charge of a company during an advance. Although most of his company were heavily engaged on the first objective he collected men from his own and other units, and, after heavy fighting, secured his ultimate objective. He set a fine example of courage and devotion to duty.

Lt. Harry Leslie Burgis, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. His battery was under heavy shell fire for several hours, and three guns were put out of action and several fires started. He twice extinguished the fires single-handed, preventing a fourth gun being put out of action at a most critical period, and saving much ammunition at great personal risk.

T./2nd Lt. Frederick Burnett, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in maintaining forward communications under constant shell fire. The lines were re-