

carried out his duties under most difficult conditions, being continually subjected to bombing and machine-gun fire from enemy aircraft. It was due to his initiative and presence of mind that the supply services were so successfully carried out.

Lt. Donald Finlayson, Yeo.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in controlling observation posts during an enemy attack. Under continuous shell fire, and finally under close-range machine-gun fire, he maintained touch throughout the day. The tree from which he was observing was twice hit by shells, but he did not vacate the post until intense machine fire was directed on to him. He then took up a position in another tree close by, but he was observed by the enemy and heavily fired on by machine guns. He nevertheless remained at his post and, tying himself to a branch of the tree lest he should be wounded and fall off, he continued to observe and report the dispositions and movements of the enemy. Throughout the day, and during the operations of the following day, he showed magnificent skill and resource.

2nd Lt. (A./Lt.) Richard Bradley Firth, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of two trench mortars he did not commence to fire until the enemy were well within range. He then expended all his ammunition, effecting considerable execution in the enemy ranks, and only withdrew after he had destroyed his guns. On his return, learning that one of his men was missing, he returned through the barrage, found him wounded, and saw that he was evacuated to a dressing station. He showed coolness and judgment of a high order.

Lt. (T./Capt.) William Raymond Fish, Gen. List and R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. While on reconnaissance, observing a number of enemy troops and transport on a road, he engaged these, diving on them from a height of 500 feet. He was throughout subjected to the most violent machine-gun and rifle fire from the ground, but he succeeded in scattering the enemy in all directions and inflicting heavy casualties on them. He has also destroyed several enemy machines, and his personal example and determination have been of the greatest value to his squadron.

2nd Lt. Archibald Clyde Wanliss Fischen, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He kept his guns firing with great determination under heavy fire during an enemy attack until they were put out of action by shell fire. When acting as observation officer he was several times driven out of his observation posts by heavy shelling, but succeeded in maintaining communication throughout the operations. He showed great skill and resource.

Lt. John Ford, Lond. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his company with the greatest coolness across a narrow ravine, which led to a hill under point blank machine-gun fire, capturing two machine-guns and many prisoners. When after dawn the position was shelled and he was wounded, he remained at his post and consolidated the position.

T./Lt. Cecil H. John Foster, Lan. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in command of a party which had been detailed to raid the enemy's trenches at short notice, thoroughly grasping the task set him he remained for an hour and a quarter in the enemy's lines in thick fog and under heavy machine-gun fire, and refused to leave until he had searched the whole area in the most thorough manner. To his gallantry and determination was principally due the success of the raid.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Robert St. Ledger Fowler, Lrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of a dismounted party during six days' operations. He held on to his position when his left flank was exposed, and, though heavily outnumbered, he skilfully covered the withdrawal of the neighbouring troops. He showed great coolness and resource throughout.

T./2nd Lt. Adrian Winfrid Franklyn, Gen. List and R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On one occasion he silenced an enemy battery which had been most active, and on the following day shot down a hostile plane, which finally crashed to earth. He has on numerous occasions successfully attacked enemy aircraft on the ground, and by accurate bombing and machine-gun fire has inflicted heavy casualties on personnel and a very considerable amount of damage to materiel. His skill and gallantry have been of the highest order.

2nd Lt. William Copey Furminger, North'n R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He himself carried out reconnaissances on two successive nights prior to a raid, and obtained most valuable information. During the raid he led his party to the enemy wire, cut through it and rushed a post. He himself killed one of the enemy and captured a prisoner, finally withdrawing his men without loss in the most skilful manner. He gave a fine example of gallant and able leadership.

Lt. Edward David George Galley, A.S.C., and R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Attacking, on one occasion, fourteen enemy scouts, he shot down one of these, which was confirmed to have crashed. On a later occasion, he engaged from a low altitude a large convoy on a road, and after diving down from 800 feet, fired all his ammunition into its midst. He then returned to his aerodrome for a further supply of