

the main body had withdrawn to a new position. Throughout the operations he displayed great courage, and the handling of his men was beyond all praise.

T./2nd Lt. Frank Curtis, M.G.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a hostile attack, when in command of four forward guns, which he controlled with great courage and skill. After all his guns had been destroyed by shell fire he took command of another battery whose officer had been wounded, and when the infantry in this sector had been ordered to retire he covered the withdrawal with his guns. Throughout the day he set a splendid example of courage and cheerfulness.

Captain James Patrick Cuthbert, Sec. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer, on his own initiative, knowing ammunition was running short, carried out ammunition under heavy rifle and machine-gun fire over the open to the troops. His coolness was a fine example to the men.

Capt. William Cuthbertson, K.O.S.B.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in command of his company through lengthy operations. He covered the retreat on three occasions with great ability, and also organised the defences on his front, pushing out advance posts and skilfully placing his Lewis guns. Throughout the attack he displayed the utmost coolness, and the success of the defence in that part of the line was largely due to his splendid organisation.

T./2nd Lt. Edward Cecil Cutler, R. Suss. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when his platoon was attacked by strong enemy forces and almost completely surrounded. He showed great skill and coolness in rallying his men and beat off the attack. Next day, during a heavy enemy attack, he was severely wounded, but refused to allow himself to be taken away until the situation was restored and he had handed over the command to a N.C.O.

Capt. William Surrey Dane, Sea. Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. It was due to this officer's untiring efforts in controlling fire, posting snipers and encouraging his men that repeated attacks of the enemy were driven back with loss. He also organised and led several counter-attacks with great energy.

T./2nd Lt. Hector Daniel, Gen. List and R.A.F.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in numerous aerial encounters. On one occasion he completely destroyed three enemy aeroplanes on the same day. He has in addition crashed three others and sent down two out of control. He has always displayed the greatest skill, keenness and courage in aerial fighting, and his services have been of inestimable value to his patrol leader.

2nd Lt. Harry Daniels, R.G.A., Spec. Res.

When in charge of a corps reserve heavy ammunition dumps he worked day and night superintending the urgent despatch of ammunition to the batteries. Not only was the dump being heavily shelled with H.E. and gas, but there was great danger of its being overrun by the advancing enemy. He kept up the supply when every round was of value, and also removed nearly all the reserve ammunition, preventing its falling into the enemy's hands.

2nd Lt. Arthur John Darby, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the dump was shelled incessantly he remained at his post issuing ammunition until the last, finally destroying and firing all charges and loose cartridges by laying a trail of powder and setting fire to it. By his tireless energy and fearlessness the ammunition supply was maintained and the remainder prevented from falling into the hands of the enemy.

Lt. Robert Darley, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Accompanied by a N.C.O. he went out three times during very heavy shelling of the battalion and while a thick gas cloud was hanging around and mended wires to group headquarters. Later, he again went out, with a signaller, to repair the O.P. line, which was broken in several places. The signaller was wounded and died in Lt. Darley's arms, but he continued his work, and with the help of the N.C.O. established communication. His coolness and fine courage was most marked.

Capt. Charles George Cunningham Davey, Gordon Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He handled his company with great dash and skill in a week's fighting. On one day he drove off three attacks, constantly patrolling the line and encouraging his men. When ordered to withdraw he did so successfully from close touch with the enemy and consolidated a position in rear, keeping the line intact against repeated bombing attacks.

Lt. Albert Fisher Davidge, Lrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He observed that the enemy had worked round the left flank of his regiment so he organised a party and went out under heavy shell fire to protect the flank, thus enabling the regiment to withdraw. By his courage and initiative he rendered material assistance at a critical time.

Lt. (A./Maj.) Henry Davidson, D.C.M., R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He kept his battery in action under the most difficult circumstances. With exemplary coolness and skill, when almost surrounded by the enemy, he successfully withdrew all his guns under heavy rifle and machine-gun fire. His coolness, fearlessness and devotion to duty were beyond praise.