

Capt. Henry Wakelin, R. Scots.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Just before a counter-attack was made against the enemy, it became necessary for this officer to change front from the position he was holding and attack to the right. He had his company moving in ten minutes, and successfully stopped any advance of the enemy. His prompt action at a difficult moment was of great value.

T./2nd Lt. Howard Reeve Waldoek, M.G.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when ordered forward with reinforcements, which he led through two heavy barrages without loss. He then took over a section, from which the officer had become a casualty, successfully covering a withdrawal, and eventually took up a fresh line of defence, driving off several strong enemy attacks. Throughout the operations he displayed fine courage and initiative, and his splendid example under heavy fire greatly inspired all ranks with him.

Lt. Eric Harry Wale, R.E., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in organising telephone communications. He worked with untiring energy in allotting lines and arranging for connection to the units. Later, he was in charge of a breakdown party, and, under heavy shell fire, maintained the communications of the artillery with the groups throughout the operations. He performed admirable work, and is deserving of the highest praise.

Lt. (T./Capt.) Albert Harry Wales, R.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty, evacuating stores under heavy shell fire, and while being bombed held up a reinforcement train until the attack was over, thereby saving many casualties.

T./2nd Lt. John Walker, M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a machine-gun battery of opportunity. He showed great skill and dash in covering the advance of the infantry with point-blank direct fire, and displayed generally great courage and ability.

T./2nd Lt. John McDonald Walker, Rif. Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in assisting to maintain the position after the troops on his right flank had given way. He led three gallant counter-attacks under heavy machine-gun fire until severely wounded.

Capt. William Walker, M.B., R.A.M.C., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He proceeded to a village under heavy fire and succeeded in attending and evacuating several wounded. He only desisted when the enemy entered the village. Later, he succeeded in releasing a party of stretcher-bearers who had been cut off. Throughout the operations he has shown the utmost energy and courage.

Lt. Ernest Wall, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of the demolition of bridges. Under his direction the leads, which were several times cut by the enemy's barrage, were repaired and tested during the barrage, and the charges kept intact until orders were received to blow up the bridges. Later, when his section were employed in the line as infantry, by his coolness and splendid courage under an intense bombardment, he was enabled to keep them under full control.

T./2nd Lt. Frank Pargeter Wallsgrave, M.G.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When all other machine guns had been put out of action, six guns were rushed up by car to support the infantry, who were being hard pressed. By his courage and skilful handling of these guns he held up the enemy for a considerable time, and eventually covered the retirement of the infantry to a new position. His coolness and resource in this critical period largely contributed to the successful withdrawal.

Lt. John Wilson Wallwork, R.A.F.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During recent operations he participated in many offensive low-flying and bombing attacks, and carried them out with great courage and determination. From very low altitudes he bombed enemy troops and transport, inflicting heavy casualties. He caused, while on offensive patrol, more than one enemy machine to crash, and brought down others out of control. He set a magnificent example of courage and skill.

T./2nd Lt. Sydney Walton, Durh. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion during a counter-attack, when acting as adjutant to the battalion. On the objective being gained, he organised bombing parties, cleared the trench of the enemy, and reorganised the line. Later, after the battalion had been driven out of a position, he rallied the men in his vicinity, and led them in a successful counter-attack on the lost ground.

2nd Lt. John Endell Wanklyn, R.F.A., S.R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. The battery position was being heavily shelled, and a dump of howitzer ammunition was set on fire. Fuzes were in actual contact with the flames, and although one shell had just exploded, he immediately went to the fire and removed the shell from the dump, thus preventing a large explosion. By his courageous action the battery was enabled to keep in action. He subsequently organised a party and extinguished the fire.

2nd Lt. William John Ward, Lond. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during lengthy operations. He invariably displayed the greatest courage and resource in helping to rally troops, who were retiring, and assisting to lead both our own