

Lt. Oswald Loy Wight, R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of his battery. The battery was about to limber up when a heavy enemy fire was opened on them. The first team that got away with a gun was immediately killed, and the remainder were in danger of suffering the same fate. He cleared the dead team and got the gun away and removed the guns by degrees. Nothing was left behind. He set a fine example of steadiness to the men.

T./Lt. Philip White, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After the drivers of a team had become casualties he took the centre driver's place and started to return under heavy fire from three batteries. Both the lead and wheel horses fell, but he managed to withdraw the gun. After dark the whole of the guns of the battery were successfully withdrawn, the last gun being brought into action, Lt. White acting No. 3. This act of gallantry set a splendid example to a body of men who were in action for the first time.

2nd Lt. Ellis Whiteside, L.N. Lancs. R., Tank Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in leading his Tanks into action over wide trenches and difficult country in the dark. In spite of heavy shell and machine-gun fire he led on and successfully engaged the enemy, causing them heavy casualties. Throughout the operations he performed valuable services.

R. Lt. (A./Capt.) Robert Leslie Whittle, Lond.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a hostile attack. He repeatedly went himself to any threatened point, and by his quick grasp of a situation prevented all attempts to pierce the line. When eventually outflanked he steadied his men and made a gradual withdrawal, inflicting at the same time very heavy casualties on the enemy.

Yeo. Lt. (A./Capt.) Gustavius Aird Whyte,

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in the command of his company and when holding a post from which he repelled two very determined attacks, and causing the enemy heavy losses. When parties of the enemy had worked round his flanks and rear he managed to extricate the company by fighting his way through, and rejoined the battalion.

T./2nd Lt. Hartley Waddington Whyte, Tank Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On one occasion the enemy having attacked under cover of an intense machine-gun barrage, he rallied a party of about 50 men, led them across the open, and beat off the attack. Later, in charge of a detachment of Lewis guns, he was able, by his skill and courage, to break up several heavy attacks, inflicting severe casualties on the enemy. Finally he held on to a most important position although three times

heavily attacked. His initiative and fearlessness set a splendid example to all ranks.

Lt. Clifford Elverston Wigelsworth, Manch. R.; secd. M.G.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When, owing to heavy shelling, an ammunition dump became ignited close to his guns, he rushed to the dump and succeeded in isolating the blazing boxes, thereby saving the rest of the ammunition. Previously, he carried out a daring reconnaissance of a village, which had been evacuated, and gained valuable information.

Capt. Henry Ormsby Wiley, D. Gds.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion in action. Seeing a unit on his left retiring, he went out, reorganised it, and led it back through the hostile barrage, and although it suffered heavy casualties, by his splendid example and disregard of personal danger, he was able to re-establish it in the line to repulse an enemy attack which was launched at that moment.

2nd Lt. Harrower Spence Wilkie, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in charge of a T.M. battery. He controlled the fire throughout the day, till in the evening the enemy approached so close he was compelled to withdraw; he got two guns, his telephone and spare parts, and all his men, including two wounded, safely away, burying the other guns. Before dark had all the guns withdrawn and in action again.

Lt. James Wilkie, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He organised defences and held a position with his section for seven hours under heavy shell and machine-gun fire, and although the enemy had worked round both flanks, he refused to retire until ordered to do so at dusk. Throughout the operations his splendid example of courage and coolness under fire inspired the utmost confidence in all ranks.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Hugh Martin Wilkinson, Ches. R., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was acting adjutant at a critical point in the battle when battalion headquarters was being surrounded owing to the enemy having broken through on the flanks. He organised headquarters and manned a sunken road, and on receipt of orders withdrew with great coolness under heavy rifle and machine-gun fire. He set a fine example to his men and sustained very little loss of life.

T./Capt. David Roberts Williams, R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty while in charge of bearers in evacuating wounded. On one occasion, going back and searching for wounded when, in spite of darkness, barbed wire and torn-up ground, he brought away two men from an abandoned aid post, carrying one on his back. On another occasion it was largely due to his