

Rev. Harold Victor Hodson, T./Chap. to the Forces, 4th Class, A.C.D.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in carrying back a wounded man in daylight from a point 200 yards from the enemy's trenches. He again went forward to the enemy's wire, where a wounded man was lying, and got him back about forty yards, but, being fired on, was forced to stop. He remained out in the open all day with the wounded man, and, after dark, returned to the lines for a stretcher-party, which he conducted to where the man was lying.

Lt. Neville Aldridge Holdaway, Manch. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When this officer observed that the officer in charge of an important advanced post had become a casualty, he immediately went up through a heavy barrage and took command. He organised and controlled the fire of the garrison with such effect that the enemy began to waver, so he promptly advanced, inflicting severe casualties; but, finding them too numerous, he withdrew, after ascertaining their dispositions. His courage and coolness throughout the whole operations were very marked.

T./Capt. Tyril Edward Holland, Gen. List, attd. Rif. Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer displayed great initiative in controlling and steadying his men during five days' retirement, until he was seriously wounded. On one day especially, when in command of a large number of stragglers from other units, as well as his own company, he fought a fine rearguard action, inflicting very heavy casualties on the enemy.

Lt. Charles Harold Hollis, E. Surr. R., attd. Camb. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. At a time when the situation was very obscure, he made his way half a mile across the open under heavy enemy barrage, and brought back most valuable information as to the position of affairs. He did very fine work.

2nd Lt. (A./Capt.) Henry Holloway, E. Lan. R., attd. Welsh R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in filling in a gap in the line with great skill and checking the progress of the enemy. He subsequently hung on to his position which the enemy was attacking vigorously, and so enabled other troops to withdraw.

Lt. Alfred Phillip Hanby Holmes, R.E., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer, with one section, was in charge of a strong point which became out-flanked on both flanks. Notwithstanding this, he held on to this point all day till orders were received at night for him to withdraw.

T./2nd Lt. Charles Holmes, R. Ir. Rifles.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. One night this officer, with 12 men and a party of infantry, captured two machine guns, holding at bay a large body of the enemy who nearly cut them off, and successfully extricating the whole of his men with but few casualties.

T./2nd Lt. John Leslie Holmes, Rifle Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of the transport throughout a retirement lasting for several days. The manner in which he brought up supplies of ammunition and food was admirable, and he was only able to perform this work by showing a total disregard for his personal safety. He frequently came forward under extremely heavy shell fire, and so kept in close touch with the Battalion Headquarters throughout the withdrawal. His fine work undoubtedly made an enormous difference to the power of endurance displayed by the battalion.

T./Lt. (A./Maj.) Richard Nowell Holmes, Linc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty whilst temporarily commanding his battalion. He was ordered at very short notice to relieve a brigade in the line. His personal reconnaissance and quick grasp of a difficult situation enabled this relief to be speedily carried out, after which, by his personal example of courage, he encouraged his men under heavy shell fire. Later, he successfully organised several local counter-attacks.

Lt. Stephen Lewis Holmes, R.G.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as forward observation officer under all conditions, in particular one night when all means of communication were unavailable except runners. He effected a liason with Infantry Brigade Headquarters in the front line, obtaining and transmitting valuable situation reports. This officer is always to the fore when forward observation officer work is to be done.

Lt. William Percy Holt, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Finding that he could see little from his observation post, he worked forward to the infantry, and, returning, sent back messages which obtained artillery support for a counter-attack. He displayed marked courage and enterprise in moving over the open under heavy fire and keeping touch with the fighting infantry. The information he sent back was most valuable.

Lt. Herbert Ralph Hone, Lond. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of a company. He led his men with skill and courage and drove out a party of the enemy who had penetrated into his trench. Later, he held the right flank of his battalion against a determined bombing attack, when he was severely wounded. By his action and example he