

closure, being responsible for many prisoners, and accounting for six of the enemy with his revolver.

2nd Lt. Frederick William Shea, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When withdrawing from a position one gun team was knocked out by enemy shell fire; he volunteered to return with a team made up of bad horses from the other teams, and successfully pulled the gun out. On many occasions he showed great coolness, and did excellent work.

T./2nd Lt. Geoffrey Ewart Shead, M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer was in charge of four machine-guns accompanying an infantry battalion in an attack on a trench. He successfully got three of his guns into action, the fourth being destroyed by shell fire. By the evening his remaining guns were blown up and his ammunition buried. He kept constantly in touch with his headquarters, thus enabling the guns and ammunition to be replaced.

2nd Lt. Thomas Shearer, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer was in command of a detached section of the battery, and was left in a very exposed position with the enemy only a few hundred yards away in front and on the right flank. In spite of continual hostile fire of every description, he engaged the enemy with open sights for several hours, checking their advance. In the afternoon a lull in the firing enabled limbers to be sent up, and he succeeded in withdrawing his section and rejoining the battery.

T./2nd Lt. Edward Iles Sheat, R. Innis. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When a party of the enemy with a machine-gun began enfilading his platoon, this officer with two men made a detour and put most of the machine-gun team out of action. The two men were both killed, but he destroyed the gun with a stick bomb. As a consequence of this exploit the gap in the line was restored and the position held for another two hours. His helmet had four bullet holes through it when he returned.

Lt. Arnold Hoseason Shennan, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When some ammunition dumps were set on fire by heavy enemy shelling, this officer rushed to them, and, throwing the lighted cartridges off the pile, prevented a large explosion, thereby saving much ammunition and the lives of some of the gun detachment near by. By his coolness and promptitude he did very valuable service.

T./2nd Lt. Charles Hubert Engelbert Shepherd, M.G.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Though surrounded on three sides by the enemy and wounded early in the day, he kept his battery in action and inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy. His

total disregard for personal safety inspired all ranks, and the fine stand made by his battery was of great service.

T./2nd Lt. Albert Victor Shillcock, attd. R. Berks. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his patrol was attacked by about sixty of the enemy, he took up a position, opened rapid fire, and inflicted severe casualties on them. He also drove back with loss another party which was working round his flank. Although twice hit on the helmet by rifle bullets and knocked down by a bomb, he continued to control his men, sending back the wounded and covering their withdrawal. Throughout the operation he showed great coolness and fine leadership.

2nd Lt. Henry Leonard Shrimpton, R.W. Kent R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty after an ammunition and gun-cotton dump had been blown up by enemy shell fire near the battalion transport lines. Although badly shaken, having been thrown some distance by the explosion, he organised rescue parties, and got both soldiers and civilians out of burning buildings, though high explosive shells were bursting round, and explosions from the dump continued. He also assisted to save about fifty horses.

T./Lt. Frederic Siddeley, North'd Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Under a heavy attack his company began to fall back, but with great energy he rallied and reorganised them, and, leading them in a counter-attack, drove off the enemy. He was severely wounded in the arm during the counter-attack.

T./Capt. (A./Maj.) Karl Otto Siedle, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty while in command of his battery during a withdrawal. He remained out all day on a forward slope, directing the fire of his own and another battery with great effect on enemy troops and transport. He also sent back a great deal of most valuable information.

2nd Lt. Leonard Theodore Simeons, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer personally for four hours mended and maintained the telephone line of over three miles in length, under very heavy shell fire, thereby ensuring that continuous and important firing orders were sent to the batteries. Throughout six days of retirement this officer organised communications which were never interrupted in spite of constant changes of position.

2nd Lt. Stanley Furness Simpkin, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his battery commander was wounded early in the engagement, he continued to direct and control the fire of his guns, fighting them until the enemy were