

against repeated enemy attacks in thick mist with great skill and determination, causing considerable loss to the enemy. He was badly wounded, but continued to encourage the men in their resistance. He showed a complete disregard of danger and set a splendid example.

T./2nd Lt. John Tennent Smellie, R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer led a successful raiding party on an enemy strong point, capturing a prisoner from whom valuable information was obtained. He had previously patrolled the ground over which he had to advance, making arrangements which ensured the complete success of the raid.

2nd Lt. Arthur Victor Smith, A. & S. Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack on an enemy post. He concealed part of the force practically in the enemy lines the night before, and with the remainder successfully attacked the objective, capturing three machine-guns and thirty-one prisoners. The success of the operation was greatly due to his thoroughness, skill and energy.

T./2nd Lt. Alfred Charles Smith, Tank Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After three hours' intense bombardment the enemy attacked in force. This officer, who was in charge of Lewis-gun posts in front of the main line, although surrounded by the enemy and subjected to intense rifle and machine-gun fire, kept his guns in action, inflicting heavy casualties, until all his men except four were knocked out, all his ammunition expended, and all his guns except one destroyed. He then fought his way back with his four survivors out of thirty, having shown absolute disregard for personal danger and set a fine example.

2nd Lt. Frederic Dartmouth Smith, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. While temporarily in command of his battery he fought his guns with great effect until the enemy were close upon him. He then withdrew, having previously rallied some men of the infantry and sent them forward to protect the crest in front of the battery. Throughout the operations he showed great courage and coolness under heavy fire.

T./Lt. Harold Robert Smith, R.W. Kent R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when his company was held up by heavy and continuous machine-gun fire from an enemy post. With a party of Lewis gunners he worked his way round the flank of this post and brought a heavy fire to bear on it, enabling the remainder of his company to advance, and himself led the final assault, capturing the post. He set a splendid example of dash and good leadership.

Lt. John Alexander Smith, R. Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He filled a gap with his platoon in an

exposed and important position. He also led a bombing attack at night, killing four and taking two of the enemy prisoners, holding on to an exposed position until it was apparent that other attempts to push back the enemy had not succeeded.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Pearman Beebee Smith, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He brought three limbers through a heavy barrage, and got three guns away under hot machine-gun fire, the enemy being only about 300 yards distant when the last gun was pulled out.

2nd Lt. Prince Smith, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when his battery was ordered into action in the open to engage advancing infantry. While unlimbering the battery came under heavy fire, and a riderless gun team made off in the direction of the enemy. He made after the team, stopped it, and got infantry soldiers to bring the team and its gun back. Later, when he was observing in the front line under heavy barrage, his communications broke down, and one of his signallers was killed and the other wounded. He tried to mend his wire himself, and was severely wounded in the attempt. He showed fine courage.

Lt. Robert Laidlaw Smith, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He held a point with his section, some infantry, and a machine-gun against heavy enemy odds, and in face of heavy shelling and machine-gun fire until the machine-gun jammed and the men's ammunition ran out. He set a splendid example of courage and determination.

T./2nd Lt. Samuel Smith, M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in moving his guns under heavy fire into positions to form a defensive flank, and in holding on and covering the withdrawal of other troops. He made two journeys under heavy fire in getting his guns and ammunition back again. Throughout his courage and initiative were an example to all.

T./2nd Lt. Turberville Smith, A.S.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in successfully getting away the guns of a siege battery, in spite of the road along which it was necessary for his motor tractors to pass being under permanent shell fire in enfilade for about 5,000 yards. He showed a fine example of courage and resource.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Walter James Smith, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. While acting in command of a company throughout five days' operations this officer displayed ability and judgment under difficult circumstances. He prepared a long line of posts at short notice, completing the work with limited means by the time required. His company took part in an infantry action, co-operating with success.