

T./Capt. John Stevenson, M.B., R.A.M.C

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in attending to wounded under heavy shell fire. Subsequently, he went out into "No Man's Land" under heavy machine-gun fire and brought in a wounded officer. His coolness and devotion to duty saved many lives.

Lt. Reginald Herbert Kyrie Steward, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a very heavy bombardment he went out while the shelling was at its height, and repaired several most important lines that had been cut. It was mainly owing to his fine example throughout the day that communication was maintained almost continuously in spite of the shelling.

Lt. Ernest Henry James Stewart, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. His company was moving along a road to a position in the early morning when a heavy enemy barrage opened on the road, killing the company commander, and creating some confusion in the darkness. This officer showed great coolness in steadying the men and getting them to the position.

2nd Lt. Stanley John Stidston, Glouc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He made valuable reconnaissances and then led an offensive patrol. On the approach of an enemy working party he ordered his patrol to fire on the main party while he himself jumped out of the trench and captured a prisoner single-handed, thereby obtaining a valuable identification. He showed great initiative.

Lt. Robert John Stockdale, D.L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When orders were given for the front line to be withdrawn, this officer, who was in support with his company, seeing that the enemy were pressing on so fast that a number of men were liable to be cut off, with great initiative led his company in a counter-attack, delaying the enemy sufficiently to allow the front line to withdraw unmolested. He was wounded in the thigh and arm.

2nd Lt. Harry Stoneman, N. Staff. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the enemy suddenly appeared within 100 yards from his right rear, and his company commander was killed, he organised a party and held back the enemy, who were in greatly superior numbers, and only withdrew when the enemy was within 30 yards, endeavouring at the same time to carry back his company commander. Later, he helped to organise his company, and again led them forward. His courage and example were striking.

T./2nd Lt. Herbert Storch, York. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when commanding a platoon. Although attacked by a force of the enemy at least four times superior in numbers to his own, he drove them off and maintained

his position against a further attack on the following day. By his personal example of determination to give no ground he enabled his platoon to resist the repeated attacks on their position.

T./2nd Lt. John Storey, A.S.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of motor tractors. In spite of persistent shelling and the road being cut to pieces, he succeeded in withdrawing all the guns of his battery away in turn. He showed great tenacity and resource, and was dangerously wounded by a splinter during the operation.

T./2nd Lt. Arthur Owen Stott, R. Berks. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a raid he caught sight of an enemy post, wheeled his platoon and rushed it. By his prompt decision he obtained a prisoner and identification, and enabled the raid to be completed without loss.

T./2nd Lt. Benjamin Hargreaves Stott, Lan. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty under heavy fire, when in command of a raiding party. He twice led assaults on the enemy's trenches. Although severely wounded in the first charge, he rallied his men and led a second, when he was again hit, receiving in all fifteen wounds. His determination and courage were admirable.

2nd Lt. Eric Finlinson Stowell, D.C.M., R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty while in charge of ammunition dumps. This officer with one other officer took charge successively of four dumps. Fifteen direct hits were made on the first one, causing many fires and explosions; in spite of this the issue of ammunition was continued with little interruption. For six days these two officers worked under shell fire and bombing by aircraft, keeping their men steady, and continuing the supply of ammunition to artillery, infantry and tanks.

T./Lt. Francis William Strapp, R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During three days' hard fighting, this officer, who was in command of four machine guns, displayed great gallantry and much skill; the effective manner in which he handled his command caused heavy casualties to the enemy. On one occasion, covering the retirement of the infantry, he was the last to leave the trench, bringing all his guns with him, though the total strength of his detachments had been reduced by casualties to seven men. He showed much courage and great devotion to duty under heavy fire.

Lt. Arthur Clement Streetfeild, R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer had to pass through heavy barrage to get to his observation post, and though all lines were down, he established communication with brigade headquarters and the battery. Although communications