

and blown in, he rescued a man from the most dangerous place where three men lay buried, and attended to the men affected, assisting to get them away. In one case he tried for hours to save a man who had lost consciousness, and during this time lost consciousness himself, but continued his work on recovering. His personal example of courage was of the utmost assistance.

T./2nd Lt. Thomas Bolam, M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. He brought up two guns to fill a gap on the left of the line. Unable to get into touch, he remained and fought with other troops for twenty-four hours, covering their right flank and repeatedly engaging the enemy, who were attempting to widen the gap. Subsequently, during the enemy's advance, he did great execution amongst their transport and infantry. He rendered valuable service.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Leslie Raymond Bomford, Worc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. He took out two platoons to clear the ground in front and ascertain if the enemy were still occupying a village. On the way he captured five prisoners and a mountain gun. After gaining the enemy trench he sent forward a small party to within fifty yards of the village, when the enemy opened heavy machine-gun fire. He then withdrew to his lines, having gained valuable information by fine leadership.

2nd Lt. John Francis Borradaile, North'd Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the troops on his right flank fell back and exposed his flank to the enemy he at once formed a defensive flank in the face of intense rifle and machine-gun fire, and held back the enemy for some hours. He set a fine example of gallantry to his men.

T./2nd Lt. Harold Edward Boswell, Worc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer commanded a party in a night raid against the enemy's lines. Five prisoners were taken and many killed, the raiding party only suffering two casualties, both of whom were brought in. He established his headquarters in the enemy lines, and although blown up by a shell, continued in control of operations until the whole of his party had returned. Through his careful organisation the raid was completely successful.

2nd Lt. Frederic Bottomley, R.G.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when a dug-out containing fifteen men was blown in by a direct hit. He proceeded at once to the dug-out and with three men, after an hour's work under heavy shelling, succeeded in extricating the survivors. His

promptitude and courage saved a certain number of lives.

Lt. William Lloyd Bowen, Mon. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in assisting to reorganise scattered units when the enemy broke through, and in assisting to hold the position all night. He used his Lewis guns with great skill, causing considerable casualties to the enemy, and enabling his men to withdraw when the position was untenable.

Capt. (A./Maj.) Henry Boxwell, R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When two ammunition trucks were hit and set on fire by a hostile shell, the cartridges in one truck being ignited, and some of the shells exploded, this officer with two men mounted the burning truck, and at great risk put out the fire and prevented further explosions. This act in all probability saved several lives, and set a fine example of courage.

T./2nd Lt. Richard John Boyes, R. Suss. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. He reorganised men of his company and stragglers, dug a line, and held off enemy attacks throughout the night and again in the morning. He himself brought down with rifle fire a low-flying enemy aeroplane which was directing artillery fire on the position. He set his men a fine example of courage and determination.

T./Lt. Arthur Charles Branch, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He relaid some lines in a heavily shelled area in extraordinarily quick time. He had only a small party of men and the country was very difficult. He has previously done good work.

Lt. (A./Capt.) James Thomas Bridge, M.M., R. War. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. After having first received orders to stand to he intercepted a brigade message ordering the battalion forward, and at once pushed forward and took up his alarm positions. In the enemy attack which followed his company was severely involved, but he coolly and skilfully handled his men with such good effect that the enemy suffered heavily and his advance was held up.

Lt. Francis Boase Broad, Midd'x R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer commanded a company in a night raid. Finding that the enemy barrage was descending on the raiding point he fired two green Very lights, causing it to be lengthened by 100 yards. When, shortly afterwards, the enemy attempted a raid on our trenches he countered it. He then went out with search parties to bring in those missing from his raid, and owing to his efforts all were recovered. His initiative and resource set a fine example to all.