

T./Lt. (A./Capt.) Joseph Thompson, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when a gun-pit camouflage and ammunition dump were set ablaze by enemy shell fire. He organised a party of men, and eventually succeeded, while ammunition in the pit was exploding in all directions, in putting out the fire. He saved the gun and a large quantity of ammunition.

T./2nd Lt. John Edwin Tillotson, D.S.O., W. York. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In full daylight he reconnoitred an enemy post, and, finding it unoccupied, he took out a small party to it in the evening. He found the enemy occupying it, so crawled into a hut close by for observation purposes. This action was observed by the enemy, who opened machine-gun fire on the hut. However, he managed to crawl back and warn neighbouring posts, and when a party of about twenty of the enemy advanced towards the hut, they suffered heavy casualties from Lewis gun and rifle fire from these posts. On the following night he went out and found six of the enemy killed, and obtained identifications.

T./Lt. Noel Francis Tripp, A.S.C., attd. R. War. Regt.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Though prevented by enfilading machine-gun fire from capturing a position with two platoons, he displayed great coolness and power of command, and personally captured one prisoner. Next day he led a patrol, which was reinforced from the front line, and succeeded in capturing three officers, fifteen other ranks, and three machine guns.

T./2nd Lt. Robert Henry Turnbull, Len. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. He was in charge of a special party to clear enemy posts on the right flank. He led his party with great dash and ability, and was entirely successful, thereby greatly helping the advance of the right of the main attack. The posts he cleared were covered by several machine guns, which caused many casualties to his party. He did excellent service.

2nd Lt. The Hon. Allen Rupert Ingleram Twisleton-Wykeham-Fiennes, R.F.A., S.R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of two teams ordered to move the forward section of guns to a new position. Under a heavy concentration of enemy howitzers he started from the old position to the new, from which he was later ordered to move to another position. During these moves, in which he and his teams came under heavy shelling, he showed great coolness and ability.

Lt. Reginald Charles Van Der Ben, Gen. List and R.A.F.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When on contact patrol this officer was severely wounded in the leg from the ground. Notwithstanding this, he con-

tinued his offensive action, machine gunning the enemy troops, and told his pilot to carry on, thus enabling him to complete his reconnaissance.

2nd Lt. Michael Veitch, R. Scots.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty while in command of a fighting patrol. He led his party against an enemy patrol, which he had located by previous reconnaissances, and in face of heavy bombing overcame the garrison and captured a prisoner. He set a fine example of gallantry to his men.

T./Lt. Walter Cyril Vibert, M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of a section which had been ordered to reinforce. Under very heavy shell fire he placed his guns in position, and caused heavy casualties to the enemy and delayed their advance. Throughout the subsequent fighting he fought his guns in a very gallant manner, at all times covering the withdrawal of the infantry, and displaying initiative and fighting qualities of a high order.

T./2nd Lt. William Roland Vince, R.W. Kent R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. After the enemy had penetrated the line, he led forward his platoon of the reserve with the greatest dash, and drove them back. After this he took up a position with his own men and others, and held it all day against several hostile attacks. He behaved splendidly.

Lt. Douglas Ashton Loft Wade, R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when all the telephone lines from brigade headquarters to batteries and observation posts had been cut by enemy shell fire. He took out linesmen under heavy fire and mended them; and also kept up visual signalling and a service of runners, so that brigade headquarters were rarely out of communication with batteries and observation posts, and orders were successfully carried out.

T./2nd Lt. George Wake, M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a counter-attack by the infantry. On his own initiative he led his section forward with the attack under very heavy fire, and when the position had been taken he placed his guns on the exposed flank, thereby greatly strengthening the position. While doing this he was severely wounded. His fine gallantry and leadership were largely responsible for the successful consolidation of the position.

T./Lt. (A./Capt.) Thomas Herbert Wallace, R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. With a very heavy fire on a road and much congestion of traffic, he worked for hours, until wounded, to clear the way for his