

place a wounded man who was in great danger of being hit again.

C/424 C.S.M. J. S. Hallam, M.M., K.R.R.C. (Tideswell).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a withdrawal, when his company commander was wounded, he was indefatigable in his efforts to organise resistance. On three occasions he personally encountered and killed enemy soldiers in street fighting. His example and courage were admirable.

92639 Cpl. T. Halpin, M.M., R.E. (Shiremoor).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He laid and maintained a line under heavy shell fire. When the line was cut in three places he repaired it, with total disregard for his own safety. His courage and devotion to duty were the means of maintaining communication, which was of great importance to the conduct of operations.

457033 Serjt. C. Hancock, R.A.M.C. (Exeter).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in a heavy gas shell bombardment of an advanced dressing-station which was struck repeatedly by shells. For thirty-six hours he worked under very difficult conditions, attending to the wounded and supervising the evacuation, and, thanks to him, the evacuation of a great many casualties was rapidly carried out.

330395 C.S.M. J. Hannah, H.L.I. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During eight days' fighting he was the backbone of the battalion. He was animated by the fighting spirit and the determination to hold his ground at all costs, and it was due to his fine example that a position was held against enemy attacks and that heavy casualties were inflicted on the enemy.

240984 Sjt. L. Harker, York. R. (Pickering).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in going forward and taking a badly wounded man on his back and carrying him a quarter a mile, the whole way under heavy fire. Having handed him over to the R.A.M.C., he returned, though much exhausted, and though his feet were raw and bleeding, and continued to rally the men in a magnificent manner. His endurance and courage were a fine example to all.

S/42138 Pte. J. Harper, Gord. Highrs. (Stirling).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in action. When the non-commissioned officer in charge of his Lewis gun section was killed, he took charge, and eventually fought the gun himself until it was put out of action. He then collected bombs from dead and wounded, and bombed the enemy out of some posts singlehanded, thus clearing the way for the supporting platoon, which took the final objective.

07835 T./Sub-Cond. G. L. Harris, A.O.C. (Dartford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an air raid on an ammunition depôt he helped a captain of the Army Ordnance Department to uncouple and shunt into a safer area half a train carrying ammunition, the other half of which was on fire, with the ammunition exploding in all directions and the enemy meanwhile dropping heavy bombs. He behaved with much gallantry in dangerous and trying circumstances.

15399 C.S.M. F. Hartley, L.N. Lan. R. (Bolton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during three days of severe fighting, when, by his great courage and coolness throughout the whole time, he encouraged and cheered the men, and was able to give most valuable assistance to his commanding officer in every possible way. Although seriously wounded, he carried on with great determination until compelled to drop out through loss of blood.

265115 Serjt. A. Hawes, Suff. R., and Nig. R., W.A.F.F. (Stowmarket).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He sat behind No. 1 and fuzed shells for about an hour in the open and under a heavy fire, the enemy occupying a crest 300 yards distant and the gun situated on the forward slope of a hill facing them. He has done good work in every action.

14595 Pte. (L./Cpl.) R. S. Hayes, R. Berks. R. (Atherstone).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in a night raid. During the advance a hostile machine gun was causing casualties to his section. He detailed two men to cover his advance with rifle grenades, and then himself rushed the machine gun. He bayoneted two men and took the remainder prisoners. His courage and determination were most marked.

G/3067 C.S.M. W. Hayward, R.W. Surr. R. (Herne Bay).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during lengthy operations, acting as regimental serjeant-major, when he worked incessantly in getting small arms ammunition and bombers to the front line posts, often exposing himself to very heavy shell fire. On one occasion he displayed great courage and resource in rallying men at a very critical period, and at all times he offered a magnificent example of devotion to duty to all ranks with him.

202432 Serjt. R. J. Hendry, Lond. R. (Fouls-
ham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in a night raid on hostile trenches. His platoon officer was killed early in the raid, leaving him in charge of the platoon. He reached his objective, destroyed a gun emplacement with a mobile charge, and killed several of the enemy, and afterwards brought in all the killed and wounded of his platoon. Throughout the operation he set a fine example to his men by his coolness and total contempt of danger.