

trenches. He rushed the enemy's block and the dug-outs so quickly that they were only able to offer a feeble resistance. Thanks to his splendid leadership, several of the enemy were killed, and eleven men and a machine gun captured.

T./2nd Lt. Brian George Edwin Haywood, attd. R.W. Surr. R.

During a raid this officer, accompanied by another soldier, went out in advance of his company, and attacked an enemy machine-gun post, killing two of the team and accounting for the remainder. Immediately after this they were fired on by another machine gun, which they also attacked, killing the whole team. His gallant behaviour throughout the operation inspired his men with the utmost confidence.

T./2nd Lt. Thomas Gordon Hector, R. Fus.

This officer was in charge of a raiding party which he led with great gallantry and initiative, capturing prisoners and bringing back his men without casualties. Previous to the night of the raid he led patrols right up to the enemy positions, obtaining valuable information which enabled the raid to be carried out so successfully.

Lt. Joseph Bernard Hepton, York and Lanc. R., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This young officer took over command of his company on the day before a night attack. While waiting for the time to advance the trenches of his company were heavily bombarded with rifle grenades and swept by machine-gun fire at frequent intervals. He walked about encouraging and steadying the men, among whom casualties occurred, with great unconcern. When the objective of the attack had been reached, he organised the defence with marked ability.

2nd Lt. William Lister Henderson, Dur. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty whilst leading his platoon. His men suffered many casualties from machine-gun fire, and whilst he and a serjeant were dragging some wounded into a shell hole eighteen of the enemy rushed up and called on them to surrender. He and the serjeant killed eight and the rest were driven off. He then sent a report to his company commander saying he was maintaining his position until further orders, and finally withdrew successfully the remainder of his platoon. He showed courage, resolution and initiative of a high order.

T./Capt. Guy Anderson Herbert, Tank Corps.

This officer behaved with the greatest gallantry throughout a severe action, going backwards and forwards continually with orders and messages under fire of the heaviest description, between his tanks and the company headquarters. He was quite regardless of his personal safety, and displayed excellent judgment and initiative in directing the movements of the tanks, volunteering over and over again for work that he knew would

have to be performed under the heaviest machine-gun fire. His example was admirable.

T./2nd Lt. Albert Cecil Higgins, M.G.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of two machine guns some 200 yards in front of the front line. Under heavy enemy bombardment, during which he was slightly wounded and one of his guns destroyed, he secured good targets and did considerable execution on the enemy. He did not withdraw till the enemy were within twenty yards of his position, and on reaching the front line he organised the remains of his sub-section and kept the enemy off with rifle fire until forced to fall back by weight of numbers.

2nd Lt. (A./Capt.) Frederick Herbert Hill, W. Rid. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty while in command of a daylight raiding party. The enterprise called for the most skilful handling and close control of the various waves, as the enemy's front line in a wood was attacked from the rear. By his personal supervision he ensured that all objectives were captured and securely held before a further advance was made. During the whole operation, in which heavy casualties were inflicted on the enemy and twenty-eight prisoners taken, he displayed great courage and coolness.

Rev. James Llewellyn Grice Hill, Army Chaplains Dept.

For conspicuous gallantry during an attack. He followed close in rear of the assaulting columns, and remained in front during the whole operations and visited all parts of the captured line, greatly cheering the wounded and all ranks. Throughout he showed fine courage and devotion to duty.

Lt. Norman Gray Hill, Yeo.

For conspicuous daring and resource when on patrol. He led a patrol by daylight, and cutting through four belts of enemy wire, penetrated into a front line post, but found it occupied. He returned and at dusk led a party and occupied the post, and attacked the garrison on its arrival, inflicting several casualties. Being then attacked by superior numbers he withdrew his patrol. Although wounded in the struggle, he carried a wounded man safely back to his lines under very heavy machine-gun fire at close range.

T./2nd Lt. Arthur Hirst, York & Lanc. R.

For great gallantry and excellent leadership during an enemy attack. When sent forward with a party to re-establish and maintain communication, he placed his men at important points on the line and went forward under heavy enemy barrage to ascertain the situation. He collected details from various units, organised them into a platoon, and led them forward to a well-chosen defensive position, thereby greatly assisting the defence. Later, he handed over command of his platoon and returned to brigade headquarters with a very