

party fled in disorder and demoralisation, leaving a wounded prisoner in our hands. Lt. Wallace's party had no casualties. The success of this brilliant little exploit was largely due to the dash and initiative displayed by him.

Lt. Frederick Roy Watson, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He made a daring reconnaissance to locate enemy posts, and during the raid that followed personally maintained communication between the raiding parties, greatly contributing to the success of the raid. In many previous raids he has distinguished himself by his courage and ability.

Lt. William Lee Young, Rail. Troops.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When a gas train was being pushed up a very heavy gradient a short distance behind the front-line trenches this officer, who, with four other ranks of his platoon, was stationed there as an emergency repair party, seeing that the success of the intended gas attack was likely to be endangered by the heavy casualties suffered by the party pushing the train from machine-gun fire, volunteered his services with his party and guided the train to its destination. It was undoubtedly to his intrepidity and devotion that the success of the operation was largely due.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Lt. Edward James Archer, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and quickness of perception in dealing with an enemy post which put up a strong resistance with bombs and machine-gun fire. Having located the post on a daylight reconnaissance, he led forward a party of six and succeeded in killing nine of the enemy and taking two prisoners and a machine gun, which were brought in under heavy fire from other enemy posts.

Lt. Arnold Baker, Infy.

During an attack he led a bombing party with the greatest gallantry and determination. In face of heavy fire he personally captured a machine gun, shooting three of the crew. After establishing a block in the captured trench, he made a daring reconnaissance forward, and finding better tactical ground he returned for his platoon and occupied it, capturing another machine gun at the same time. He showed great courage and initiative.

Capt. Isaac Manly Barrow, A.A.M.C.

Under heavy fire he dressed wounded in an open trench, and when the battalion attacked he advanced with them and established his dressing station behind the front line. When two of his bearers were wounded carrying a casualty he dashed forward under direct machine-gun fire to their assistance. Later, he was severely wounded. Throughout the operations he showed conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty.

Capt. George Albert Blumer, Aust. A.M. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the R.A.P. was heavily shelled, a direct hit causing casualties amongst the staff, he succeeded, single-handed, in getting the wounded away, and attended to many cases in the area of the bombardment. Throughout the period his courage and determination saved many lives.

Capt. Bertram Kenelin Burnie, Mtd. R.

During our attack he captured a group of enemy machine guns which were holding up our advance. Later, by skilful manoeuvring, he worked round the flank of the enemy, who were resisting with determination, and, though his party had suffered heavy casualties, he forced the enemy to retire and the advance continued. He set a fine example of personal courage, and displayed admirable qualities of leadership.

Capt. Richard Scott Carrick, Engrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty and ability in pushing forward with a platoon allotted to him for the digging of a strong point. He carried out the work without a protective screen, and, when the assaulting troops closed in to cover the gap in front of his strong point, he went forward through heavy shell and machine-gun fire and pointed out the front line position.

Lt. John Evan Davies, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and endurance while commanding a company during an attack. Although wounded by shell fire at zero hour, he led his men forward and mopped up several machine gun posts, killing the garrisons. He consolidated on the objective, and, although weak from loss of blood, remained at duty for forty-six hours until relieved.

2nd Lt. William Victor Diamond, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and dash whilst leading his platoon against an enemy position. In face of heavy machine-gun fire and bombing he successfully gained his objective. Later, he beat off two counter-attacks and killed several of the enemy. He also organised and led parties against enemy posts which were harassing his platoon and holding up the platoon on his flank. He set a fine example of courage and determination.

Lt. Avelyn Clarence Dunhill, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry while in charge of a fighting patrol, when, after an unsuccessful attack on an enemy post, he reorganised and made a second attempt, bombing and rushing the position. The post was completely mopped up, and a much-needed identification procured.

Lt. Nevinson Willoughby Faulkner, M.M., Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. Owing to heavy casualties amongst linesmen he went out himself three times under heavy fire to repair