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T./2nd Lt. Philip Robert Barnes, attd. W. York. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative. He made a dangerous personal reconnaissance of an enemy strong point, and having obtained reinforcements, he led his men on with great dash, and captured the post and eight machine guns and forty prisoners. His fine example of courage and leadership were largely responsible for this success.

2nd Lt. Frederick Stuart Vere Barr, Sco. Rif.

He took over a company on the commander becoming a casualty, and handled it with marked courage and efficiency throughout the operations, under intense shell and machine-gun fire, being finally the only officer left. At all times he was a splendid example to his men.

2nd Lt. James Middleton Barratt, Lond. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. As acting Adjutant of the battalion his efforts during our advance were unceasing, and he made several personal reconnaissances under very heavy fire, which were productive of valuable results, as a dangerous gap was in consequence filled up in time. Though wounded, he remained at duty until relieved. His gallantry and untiring zeal were conspicuous throughout the operations.

T./2nd Lt. Roland Harry Baylis, R.W. Surr. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative during an attack. He commanded the support platoon of the leading company, and on reaching his objective found his right flank open. On his own initiative he worked round, and in the face of heavy machine-gun fire twice led his men to the attack, knocking out four enemy machine guns and capturing about twenty-five prisoners. His splendid work enabled the troops on his right to continue their advance.

2nd Lt. Frederick Parkman Beagley, E. Kent R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when sent in charge of a daylight patrol to ascertain if any enemy bomb-stop was held. With one man he proceeded to within a few yards of the bomb-stop and gained the required information. Later, in charge of two platoons, he by his fine example maintained the spirit of his men under most trying circumstances.

Rev. Henry Beauchamp, A.C. Dept.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Apart from his duties as chaplain, which he performed in a fearless manner under very exposed conditions, he was always in the fighting line and rendering assistance to the wounded. He won the admiration of all ranks.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Charles Critchison Bell, A.S.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Captain Bell assumed command of the camp during a severe air raid, when the commanding officer was killed. He displayed the utmost coolness and ability in the measures he took for the care of the wounded, casualties among men and animals being exceptionally heavy. His splendid example of courage and presence of mind had a most excellent effect during a trying situation.

2nd Lt. Herbert William Bell, R. War. R.

For conspicuous gallantry while leading a platoon against the enemy's trenches under heavy machine-gun fire. His platoon captured two machine guns and some prisoners, and afterwards consolidated the ground won. He showed great courage and determination.

Lt. Robertis Charles Rudolph Busby Bennett, Lond. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his company under heavy artillery and machine-gun fire with marked ability and courage, and maintained the spirit and determination of his men under very trying circumstances by his fine example.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Philip Barnett Berliner, Lond. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He was leading his company with great determination through the enemy's front lines when he was severely wounded in the leg, but he struggled on for a thousand yards with the help of his runner, encouraging and directing his men. All the other officers had become casualties, and his courage and endurance were of particular value to the success of the attack.

2nd Lt. Edward John Berryman, D.C.M., R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He delivered ten waggon loads of ammunition which were very urgently required to the battle positions of the brigade in spite of the heavy barrage that the enemy put down on the approaches. His coolness and judgment were worthy of high praise and greatly helped his men.

2nd Lt. Ernest Arthur James Bilham, R.E.

He carried out his task of wiring the front line under a heavy bombardment with great courage and coolness under very trying conditions. His excellent leadership and dispositions enabled the party to carry out their work with comparatively few casualties.

T./2nd Lt. Percy Augustine Binley, Essex R.

For conspicuous gallantry and fine leadership during an attack. He led his platoon brilliantly, maintaining direction through thick fog. When they were held up by machine-gun fire he led them forward with the greatest determination, and rendered valuable services in the clearance of the ground to the first objective.