

were subjected. It was largely due to his fine example of determination and endurance that the efficiency of the battalion was completely maintained throughout the operations.

2nd Lieut. Lewis Duckett, Lond. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. As intelligence officer he carried out careful reconnaissances under heavy fire, and during three days' operations was indefatigable in his efforts to ensure communication on either flank, as well as to obtain accurate information as to the enemy's position. His ability was remarkable and his coolness was an example to all.

T./Lt. Leonard Thomas Dudley, R. Fus.

For fine resolution and gallantry at a time when his company was subjected to a very heavy machine-gun fire, causing a large number of casualties. He rallied his men and pressed on, capturing the gun and gaining his objective. The success was largely due to his fine example.

T./2nd Lt. George William Dunn, Cam'n Highrs.

For remarkable coolness and resource while acting as battalion transport officer. He brought up the first-line transport to the rendezvous through heavy shell fire. When a number of his mules were killed under intense fire he cut them out, and, hitching in others, brought the complete transport to the required point.

Lieut. George Harold Dures, Sea. Highrs., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry while in charge of a raiding party which had failed to reach its objective. He immediately reorganised the party and led them forward in a second attack, which proved entirely successful. During a subsequent counter-attack by the enemy he succeeded in beating them off, inflicting many casualties. He showed fine determination and leadership.

2nd Lt. Richard Oliver Eaton, Royal Irish Fusiliers.

For conspicuous gallantry. He penetrated single-handed into the enemy lines, where he remained for a considerable time, searching for information. He was wounded in an engagement with seven of the enemy, but accounted for his assailant and others, and returned to our lines with valuable information and documents. His coolness and daring were remarkable.

2nd Lt. Jacob Hannah Edgar, L'pool R., S.R.

For conspicuous gallantry and coolness in action. He led the company of which he was in command through a heavy enemy barrage and formed a defensive flank against enemy enfilade fire. He thus enabled his battalion to seize and hold an important ridge. He showed a very fine example to the men under his command.

Capt. Joseph Ellse, York and Lancs. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and good leadership. He led his company forward

through an intense barrage and captured an enemy machine gun and two gunners during the advance. He continued to push on until he was severely wounded. His example to his men was worthy of great praise.

T./2nd Lt. John Harold Elstone, M.M., Essex R.

For conspicuous gallantry and fine leadership during an attack. He led his platoon through two areas heavily barraged, and attacked two enemy strong points, silencing the machine guns and killing the garrisons. Although wounded, he continued to carry out his duties splendidly until ordered to report to the dressing station.

T./Lt. Walter Fred Courtney Embley, E. Surr. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and cool courage during an enemy attack. He led forward bombing parties to clear the trenches held by the enemy. Moreover, throughout the operations he sent back much useful information, and by accurately locating an enemy machine-gun post and trench mortar he enabled fire to be brought to bear on them. He set a splendid example to his men.

T./Lt. John Calthorpe Emslie, Tank Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in command of a section of Tanks. Under heavy machine-gun fire he directed his Tanks in an attack on a wood and knocked out all the guns. As a result, the infantry co-operating advanced so rapidly that they were able to capture sixteen field guns and a large number of machine guns.

Capt. Claude Ernest Torin Erskine, Corps of Guides.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. He repeatedly went forward from battalion headquarters under intense artillery fire and took temporary command of two companies in the front line who were without an officer, and re-organised the line. The success of the operation was mainly due to his fine example of courage under most trying circumstances.

Lt. Sydney George Faire, Notts. & Derby R.

For conspicuous gallantry and determination in leading his platoon under heavy machine-gun fire against an enemy strong post. He personally led the final rush, and in spite of bombs and rifle fire, captured the post and a machine gun, taking two prisoners himself.

Lt. Gervase Fardell, K.R.R.C., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and good leadership during a raid. He rushed and helped to capture an enemy machine gun, and personally took one of the crew prisoner. He brought his party back with very slight casualties. He displayed marked ability, courage and determination.

2nd Lt. Richard Playford Fenn, Hampshire R.

For conspicuous gallantry and fine leadership. He led his company forward under intense enemy fire until it was impossible to