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Lt. (T./Capt.) Martin Cahill, 60th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He organised his company for an attack at very short notice, and led them forward under heavy machine-gun fire. Having penetrated the enemy's line, by skilful leadership he succeeded in working round in rear of their position and captured a large number of prisoners and machine guns. He showed splendid initiative and resource.

Capt. Donald Chalmers, 30th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. He handled his company brilliantly and captured five machine guns and crews without loss to his company. He also made a personal reconnaissance, with the result that he captured 120 prisoners. Next day he sent forward a patrol, which captured three machine guns and sixteen prisoners. He did splendid work.

Lt. Frederick Stanley Croker, 5th Fd. Coy., Aust. Engrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Under heavy fire he repaired a bridge which was urgently required for the advance of artillery and horse transport during an attack, and though wounded he remained at work until the bridge was completed. He showed splendid determination and resource.

Lt. Cornelius Aloysius Deane, 58th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and resource. He led his company with great skill in an attack. When part of the attacking troops lost direction in the thick fog and a gap occurred in the line, he filled the gap and then led his men to the objective, taking 50 prisoners. In a later attack he led his men in the capture of an enemy headquarters, taking 18 officers and 250 other ranks prisoners. He showed splendid leadership and courage.

Lt. Harold Arthur Devenish, 16th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of a Tank and Lewis guns during an attack. Just before reaching the final objective his Tank was disabled by a direct hit, and a number of men wounded. He immediately got his personnel together, and under heavy enfilade fire advanced and established his post according to instructions. He then returned to the Tank, and although seriously wounded superintended the evacuation of the wounded.

Lt. Arthur Schorey Dickinson, 46th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and good leadership. When the advance of his battalion was held up by a party of the enemy in a gully he led his platoon forward under intense fire and inflicted heavy losses on the enemy, capturing some 50 prisoners. His

courageous and determined action enabled the advance to be continued.

Lt. Guy Landon Ditchbourne, 28th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry during an attack. When his platoon was held up by an enemy strong point he personally rushed the post, his act resulting in the capture of forty prisoners, four machine guns, and two light trench mortars. Later, he assumed command of his company, and led them brilliantly. Throughout he set a splendid example of courage and determination.

Capt. William Lemuel Edward Domenev, 15th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and able leadership in an attack. After clearing strong opposition from a village he led forward a party and captured an enemy strong point which was holding up the advance, taking twelve machine guns and some fifty prisoners. He set a fine example of courage and initiative to his company.

Lt. Harold Doust, 30th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. He took forward a patrol and captured three machine guns and sixteen prisoners, killing several of the enemy with only three casualties on his own side. His fine action greatly helped the advance, and throughout the operations he did splendidly.

Lt. Oeric Mervyn Elliott, 23rd Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative in an attack. When progress was delayed owing to a lack of bombs and ammunition he led a party across a fire-swept area, organised battalion headquarter details, and carried forward the necessary supplies under continuous fire. His prompt and courageous action enabled the attack to continue successfully.

Lt. Arthur Claude Farmer, 29th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and fine leadership during an attack. When his company commander was wounded he assumed command, and under heavy enfilading machine-gun fire reorganised the company and led them forward to the final objective and consolidated his position in spite of the fact that he was wounded. He displayed great courage and ability throughout.

2nd Lt. Arthur Clement Foster, 3rd A.L.H.R. (EGYPT)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. At daybreak the post of which this officer was in command was strongly attacked. He met each assault with coolness and determination, and the large numbers of dead lying in front of his post bore witness to the fine defence which he and his garrison put up.

Lt. Charles James Fulton, 22nd Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative. When his company were caught by heavy machine-gun fire during an attack he at