

650731 Sjt. S. Tidmarsh, M.M., 1/21st Bn., Lond. R. (Peckham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He made daring reconnaissances in front of enemy posts. Later, he took the duties of the Intelligence Officer. He brought the first news of the attack, furnishing our dispositions correctly from personal reconnaissances. His work constantly led him under heavy fire, but after every change in the situation he returned with full and accurate news of events.

375831 C./S./M. K. Toogood, 1/10th Bn., Manch. R. (T.F.) (Oldham).

He led several attacks against hostile positions under heavy shell and machine-gun fire with conspicuous gallantry and devotion. He was of the greatest assistance to his company commander in organising the defence of a captured position, and throughout set a splendid example of courage and energy.

G/1192 Sjt. A. W. Trevor, M.M., 7th Bn., R. Suss. R. (Portslade).

For conspicuous gallantry and fine leadership. He commanded a platoon in the leading wave of the attack and cleared up a pocket of the enemy who were delaying troops on his right, and captured two machine guns and several prisoners. Later, he again led his platoon with the greatest courage, advancing over some three hundred yards of exposed ground under heavy machine-gun fire, and gained his objective.

52983 Sjt. W. Trousdale, 1st Bn., R. Sco. Fus. (Old Cumnock).

When an enemy machine gun was enfilading the line, and holding up an advance, he, with two men, attacked the post under very heavy fire. Both men were killed before going far, but he rushed on alone, shot the gunner and captured the team. From this position he saw another machine gun in action, and by sniping the gunner he rendered the gun useless. He displayed complete contempt for danger and the highest military qualities.

6897 Sjt. J. Trundley, 1st Bn., Bedf. R. (Hampton Wick).

During operations he continually exposed himself under intense fire, dressing wounded and placing them under cover, at the same time carrying out his duties as Acting C.S.M. with the greatest efficiency. Later, he assisted in re-organisation, and his fearless bearing materially assisted in keeping up the spirits of his men.

17925 Cpl. (L./Sjt.) J. Tyrer, 1st Bn., C. Gds. (Liverpool).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In an attack in a dense fog he showed great skill in leading his section direct on to the objective, showing the most utter contempt of danger and setting a fine example under an intense hostile barrage. On another occasion he, at great personal risk, brought back a comrade who had been wounded and was lying in an exposed position to a place of safety, notwithstanding intense machine-gun fire.

26692 Sjt. A. J. Voyle, M.M., 13th Bn., Welsh R. (Mardy).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an advance. When all the officers had become casualties he assumed command of his company and by his fine example of fearlessness and able leadership he kept his men thoroughly in hand under very heavy fire and did much useful work.

1334 Pte. A. Walker, 4th Bn., Gds. M.G. Regt. (Birmingham).

For conspicuous gallantry. In the course of an enemy counter-attack it became necessary to send a machine gun across a gap in a trench about a hundred yards long. Although two men who attempted to cross in front of him were killed he unhesitatingly carried his gun across and mounted it, still under heavy fire. When the counter-attack developed it was repulsed largely through the accuracy and steadiness of his laying. He showed throughout an utter disregard of personal danger.

TZ/1899 P./O. J. Walker, M.M., Hood Bn., R.N.V.R. (Pelaw-on-Tyne).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty while acting company serjeant-major. When the enemy counter-attacked and broke through his line his company commander was killed. He assumed command, rallied the men and drove the enemy back. Single-handed he attacked a party of five of the enemy, killing them all. He then led his men forward and got in touch with the company on the right. He set a splendid example of courage and good leadership.

203393 Cpl. W. Waltho, 4th Bn., Bedf. R. (Hurstmonceux).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the company was held up by machine-gun fire and snipers this N.C.O. in charge of a platoon pushed forward under very heavy fire and placed in position the Lewis gun under his command. The whole of the team were wounded, but he organised another team and kept the gun in action. It was then found that the right flank was not supported, and he personally went about five hundred yards under fire in an endeavour to gain touch. His bearing during the whole operation was excellent, and his example encouraged the fighting spirit of his men.

22869 Pte. R. Watson, 1st Bn., R. Sco. Fus. (Glasgow).

With another man he rushed and captured an enemy machine-gun post under heavy fire, thereby permitting his platoon to advance. The machine-gun nest contained a team of twenty-two of the enemy and four machine guns. The daring and spirit of the charge completely upset the nerves of the garrison, and when three had been killed the remainder surrendered. He then turned one of the captured guns on another enemy party, causing casualties.

13353 Sjt. A. S. Watts, M.M., 3rd Bn., G. Gds. (Towcester).

When the leading platoon in an attack had been held up by casualties at the first objective he reinforced it with the support platoon of which he was in command and then assuming command of both organised an attack on