

Lt. Randle Guy Parkes, Fd. Arty.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Together with two officers, he succeeded in extinguishing a serious fire which had broken out in an ammunition dump close to his battery position, thus preventing the destruction of ammunition and probably also of the guns. They carried out the work amidst exploding ammunition.

Capt. Edward Joseph Parks, Infy

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. As Adjutant of his Battalion he showed the greatest forethought in arranging reliefs, and particularly in the matter of making personal reconnaissances both before and after reliefs. No risk was too great for him to undertake, and on several occasions he went through enemy barrage whilst reconnoitring the front line.

Capt. Alexander Thomas Paterson, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He reorganised and led his battalion with great dash and skill to its objective after it had been somewhat disorganised owing to the effect of enemy gas shells. He personally silenced an enemy machine gun, and was responsible for the capture of two others, and his courage and splendid example had an excellent effect upon his men. He was wounded whilst supervising the consolidation of the line.

Capt. Herbert Henry Percy, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his men to the capture of their objective with the utmost skill and determination, quickly establishing his company in a good defensive trench. He set a fine example throughout, and kept his Commanding Officer accurately informed as to the enemy movements, and thus enabled him to repulse hostile counter-attacks.

2nd Lt. Talbert Lawrence Pitman, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. As battalion Signalling Officer he displayed the utmost courage and perseverance in maintaining communication under circumstances of the greatest difficulty, although his lines were constantly severed and his station destroyed by shell-fire. He materially aided his battalion in a successful operation against the enemy.

Capt. Harold Powell, A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in continually working under heavy fire and the most adverse conditions, with complete disregard for his personal safety. As Medical Officer he is invaluable to his battalion, not only in regard to his assistance in keeping the men medically and physically fit, but by his example of coolness, courage and good humour when under fire.

Capt. William Hudson Rockliff, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Although suffering heavy

casualties, he led his company to the capture and consolidation of the objective. In spite of the fact that his company was isolated during the whole of this time and under very severe hostile barrage, the security of their position was never in doubt owing to his gallant determination and personal example.

Lt. Robert Stocker Scarr, Fd. Arty.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He kept his guns in action under continual heavy shell fire, although suffering heavily in men and equipment. The successful results achieved by his men were largely due to the determination he displayed in overcoming all difficulties.

Lt. John Schulz, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed great initiative and presence of mind as the attack was about to commence. His company Commander being killed, he took command and gained his objective, afterwards organising his company and repelling a counter-attack with loss; he was wounded in doing so.

Lt. Harry Blamyre Sewell, Fd. Arty.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the consolidation of a captured position by our infantry, he ascertained by a personal reconnaissance that they were held up at one point by machine guns. He brought the information back to Headquarters, and the strong point was bombarded and shortly afterwards captured by our troops.

Lt. Colin Hall Simpson, Engrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He organised the Brigade Signal Service so thoroughly that communication was maintained with every unit throughout. He was continually under shell-fire, but personally supervised all repairs, by his vigorous and cheerful manner impressing all ranks in the highest degree.

Capt. Archibald Niven Sinclair, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in leading his company with ammunition for the front line, through heavy barrage and across the open several times during the day, doing much useful work without heavy casualties. During subsequent operations he reconnoitred and arranged for his company to construct strong posts during consolidation of captured positions. He displayed the greatest fearlessness throughout.

Lt. Roy Skinner, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an advance, finding that there were no troops on his left, he showed great skill in forming a defensive flank, thus securing his own position and also that of the brigade. He afterwards brought his flank forward and established his company on the original objective. He displayed the greatest gallantry and coolness under severe artillery fire, setting a very fine example to his men. He has on other occa-