

8/13211 Acting Company Serjeant-Major H. S. Bird, 8th Battalion, South Staffordshire Regiment.

For conspicuous gallantry. When the enemy rushed an isolated trench he saved the situation by collecting bombs and superintending the erection of stops and barbed wire. During the whole operations he set a splendid example to his company.

959 Private H. Blakemore, 10th Hussars.

For conspicuous gallantry. When the enemy exploded a mine he went forward as a digger to consolidate the position. It was mainly owing to his coolness and example that we held the crater against the enemy bombers. On another occasion he did gallant work on patrol.

21752 Private H. Bradshaw, 10th Battalion, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regiment.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. After accompanying a party carrying up ammunition across the open under heavy fire, he dressed a wounded man in a shell hole and carried him half a mile back to the dressing station.

14582 Corporal B. Brewer, 10th Battalion, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regiment.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. When with a party bringing up supplies to the front line under heavy shell fire his serjeant was killed, but he took charge, got the supplies through, and then remained tending his wounded comrades.

2659 Serjeant H. Broadbelt, No. 4 Section, 50th Divisional Signal Company, Royal Engineers, T.F.

For conspicuous gallantry in going out alone and mending breaks in the line under heavy shell fire. Later, when the main cable was broken in several places, he repaired it, and remained all the afternoon on the spot in a dug-out, going out to repair it again whenever necessary.

10272 Corporal A. J. B. Brooke, 18th Battalion, Manchester Regiment.

For conspicuous gallantry on several occasions, notably when he cut through three lines of barbed wire, and, after being discovered by the enemy, opened rapid fire and safely withdrew his party. Also when he undertook and successfully carried out a most daring reconnaissance.

20110 Gunner A. E. Broom, 122nd Heavy Battery, Royal Garrison Artillery.

For conspicuous gallantry when repairing telephone lines under heavy shell fire, and in maintaining communications during operations.

10971 Driver W. Brown, "A" Battery, 78th Brigade, Royal Field Artillery.

For conspicuous gallantry in repairing telephone wires during operations under heavy shell fire.

11 Serjeant H. Bryan, 1/1st East Riding Field Company, Royal Engineers, T.F.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. When in charge of a working party he was buried by a shell explosion, but, after being extricated, he stuck to his work and gave great encouragement to his men under heavy shell fire.

12349 Acting Serjeant H. Buckley, 6th Battalion, Dorsetshire Regiment.

For conspicuous gallantry in rescuing a N.C.O. and a private, both badly wounded, from in front of the enemy trench under rifle, machine-gun and grenade fire. He dressed the wounds of a wounded man under fire, organised search parties, and did fine work generally.

21146 Private F. H. Burke, 19th Hussars.

For conspicuous gallantry in exposing himself to heavy shell and rifle fire while rescuing men who had been buried in a portion of trench which had been blown in. He recovered four bodies and one man still alive.

1783 Private W. Bute, 1/3rd (City of London) Battalion, The London Regiment (Royal Fusiliers), T.F.

For conspicuous gallantry in helping under very trying circumstances to get the wounded out of a trench which was being bombarded by heavy bombs.

1458 Acting Corporal A. C. Butler, 3rd Battalion, Rifle Brigade.

For conspicuous gallantry. After an intense bombardment by the enemy, Corporal Butler and Private Backshall opened fire with their machine-gun and drove back the enemy who had come out to attack. They then swept the enemy parapet with their fire.

44697 Serjeant H. Campbell, 17th Signal Company, Royal Engineers.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations when working day and night repairing telephone wires under heavy fire.

Z/2390 Private J. J. Caton, 3rd Battalion, Rifle Brigade.

For conspicuous gallantry. Privates Caton and Norman volunteered to carry an important message to Battalion Headquarters, three-quarters of a mile away, and succeeded