

T./Lt. Frederick Albert Linsell, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He worked continuously for twenty-four hours in a forward area, testing and repairing lines under heavy shell fire and setting a splendid example to his men. Throughout the preparation for the battle he was in charge of cable burying, and his powers of organising working parties, his contempt for danger, and untiring energy were directly responsible for the completion of the system.

2nd Lt. Reginald John Hessel Linsley, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when Brigade Forward Observing Officer. By his fearlessness and energy in continually moving forward and reconnoitring under heavy machine gun and rifle fire, he was able to keep communications open and to continually inform the brigade headquarters of the tactical situation. The information he sent through was valuable and accurate, and, although heavily and continually sniped, he displayed a complete disregard of his own safety in keeping his line in working order throughout the day.

2nd Lt. (A./Capt.) Owen Robert Lloyd, Shrops. L.I., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty, when commanding his company in an attack. Having gained his objective, he held it until relieved three days later, attacking nests of the enemy with small parties and giving valuable assistance to the unit on his left by repelling determined hostile counter-attacks. His very gallant action on the flank considerably added to the success of his battalion.

2nd Lt. (A./Lt.) John Garnett Lomax, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an intense bombardment his dug-out was hit by a shell and wrecked. Although unable to find his respirator, he rendered first aid and guided the three officers and twelve men who were with him to the dressing station through heavy shelling. On arrival he fainted, but refused to be detained next morning, and, in spite of the effects of the gas, carried out his programme of wire cutting most successfully during the following five days' bombardment. A few days later, he displayed splendid gallantry and coolness in rallying a party who were working upon an ammunition dump when shells were falling continually all round them.

T./2nd Lt. (T./Lt.) Charles William Longley, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as Forward Observing Officer. Having got into touch with the attacking infantry, he continued throughout the day to send back most useful information, although the whole time exposed to heavy machine gun and shell fire, displaying splendid resolution and courage under the most trying circumstances.

T./2nd Lt. Harry Lonsdale, attd. N. Lan. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of a mopping-up party. He carried out his task with such dash and rapidity that he was able to rejoin his own wave before it reached its final objective. He then pushed forward a patrol under very heavy machine-gun fire, reorganised his platoon along with the remnants of several others, and effectively consolidated the captured position. His coolness and fine leadership were of immense service at this period of the operation.

2nd Lt. Gilbert Henry Lord, R. Lan. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when all his officers and N.C.O.'s had become casualties and he himself was wounded in the hand. He took command of his company and carried on under heavy shell fire and very adverse weather conditions, until he was again wounded in two places, displaying admirable courage and devotion to duty.

T./Capt. William Francis Loudon, N. Lan. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When commanding the right company in an attack, he led them with the greatest gallantry and determination, personally helping to take a strong point, capturing the machine gun, and killing or capturing its crew. The success of this operation was due to his skilful personal reconnaissance previous to the attack, and he afterwards displayed the utmost initiative and ability in strengthening his new line.

T./2nd Lt. Bertram Lovell, Tank Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He rendered most valuable assistance to the infantry, and when his tank had become badly ditched under heavy shell fire he formed two strong points with his crew and kept them supplied with ammunition until he was wounded. He remained with his men in one of these strong points for over an hour, until he became so weak from loss of blood that the crew persuaded him to go back to the dressing station. He set a splendid example of pluck and devotion to duty.

T./Lt. William Henry Lovell, G. Gds.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty under critical and dangerous conditions. He went out with an orderly and, under continuous and heavy shelling, laid out the lines upon which his battalion was to attack. His work was accurately and quickly completed, and it was due to him that his battalion formed up without a hitch and with very few casualties on an intensely dark night.

2nd Lt. Edward James Lovett, R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a party moving a gun. A shell fell amongst them, killing or wounding six men. He displayed great coolness, attended to the wounded, and then succeeded in getting the gun into position although heavy shelling continued. He had on a previous occasion displayed great promptness and gallantry in extinguishing a