

a reconnaissance and obtained valuable information.

420738 Q.M.S. E. J. Naylor, Lond. R. (Bow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. By his untiring energy, courage and example, he was responsible for getting up rations and ammunition through a heavy barrage to the battalion. The splendid supply arrangements were of the utmost value at a very trying time.

S/7084 Cpl. A. Neilson, Gord. High., attd. L.T.M. By. (Inveresk, Midlothian).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When being guided to the gun position the guide lost his way and led the party of three into No Man's Land, where they ran into an enemy post. This N.C.O. rushed the post, wrestled with one of the occupants and finally killed him, leaving the other two to grapple with the two other occupants.

90023 Pte. W. I. Neville, M.G.C. (Northants).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He took charge of a gun team when his leaders had become casualties, and established his gun so as to cover a serious gap in the line. He then took charge of a captured enemy gun and brought it into action against the enemy. His initiative and determination under heavy fire were magnificent.

44887 Pte. T. W. H. Newby, R.A.M.C. (York).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as stretcher-bearer, leading out stretcher squads and succeeding in bringing in many wounded from shell-holes. He also made two journeys into an area swept by machine-gun fire and brought back nine cases.

5520 Sjt. A. Newman, M.G.C. (Brampton, Chesterfield).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the attack seemed likely to be held up by a strong point he brought his gun into action, under intense fire, and greatly assisted in the capture of the strong point. He remained in action throughout the night, under intense shell-fire, until his gun was destroyed. His courage and disregard of personal safety set a fine example to all.

56744 B.S.M. W. Newman, R.F.A. (Denton, Nr. Salisbury).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When one gun received a direct hit he ran forward and got the detachment, who had been stunned, away from the gun. It is mainly owing to his zeal and determination that the ammunition supply has been maintained.

351957 Pte. A. E. Newnham, Lond. R. (Shepherd's Bush).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as one of an attacking party. On reaching the objective he patrolled down a trench single-handed and came across several of the enemy, whom he fired on, killing two and bringing back four as prisoners.

494456 C.S.M. W. R. Nott, R.E. (E-Bristol).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his company headquarters-billets were set on fire by shelling, and one man was still left in a burning cellar, he twice endeavoured to make an entry, but without success. A sapper reached the man, who was unconscious, and dragged him into the passage, where he, too, became unconscious. This N.C.O. reached the two men and succeeded in dragging them both out, and saved both their lives.

8481 C.S.M. J. Nunn, Hamps. R. (Fulham, London, S.W.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. With a few men he rushed an enemy strong point which threatened to hold up the advance of a whole brigade. Though wounded in the advance, he was the first to reach the objective, and when the enemy counter-attacked he took command of his company and held his position when the troops on both flanks were driven back. His conduct throughout was beyond all praise.

13056 L./Cpl. J. H. Oakes, Leics. R. (Hinchley, Leics.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He continued to use his Lewis gun against an enemy counter-attack, though he was seriously wounded. By his courage and endurance he contributed largely to the repulse of the attack. When the attack was finally beaten off he withdrew his team intact. He set a splendid example to his men.

13886 C.S.M. J. F. O'Brien, R. Dub. Fus. (Maesteg, Glamorgan).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When all the officers of his company had become casualties, though wounded by shrapnel in three places, he took charge of half the company, and, placing the other half in charge of another N.C.O., kept the men together and took up a position in shell-holes.

12171 B.S.M. J. O'Hara, R.G.A. (Liverpool).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This W.O. endeavouring to salve an ammunition dump, which had been blown up, at great personal risk, received a wound in the head, but he continued on duty. Later he attended to the wounded, under heavy shell-fire, and extricated some men who had been buried in a dug-out. These actions were performed with complete disregard of personal danger.

S/3617 Sjt. J. O'Mahony, Rif. Bde. (Cardiff).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when acting as Company Serjeant-Major in an attack. He took charge of a bombing party, led his men through a gap into a position in rear of the enemy's trench, and from there launched his attack at exactly the right moment. He bombed down the trench with the greatest fearlessness and determination, capturing four machine guns and killing and capturing many of the enemy. When the officer in command of the attack was killed he took charge and organised the defence of the position with