

stretcher-bearers. He went forward with the first wave of a daylight raid. Throughout the raid, and after, he went backwards and forwards to the enemy front line carrying back wounded men on his shoulders, though snipers were most active and there was a hostile barrage on our trench.

70001 S.M. H. H. Haines, Yeo. (Windsor).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in leading and bringing up reserve ammunition to exposed positions. He set a fine example of courage and coolness to the men of the regiment.

*89450 B.S.M. F. W. Hall, R.F.A. (Cheddingley).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He has done excellent work during a long period, and always set a splendid example to his men under fire.

1663 Cpl. A. G. Ham, W. Gds. (High-bridge).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. He rushed his Lewis gun forward under heavy fire and engaged some enemy machine guns which were giving trouble. On reaching the enemy's trench he got a captured machine gun into action against the enemy and was of the greatest assistance in organising machine-gun teams and getting the guns into action. His cheerfulness and courage were a splendid example to all.

15572 C.S.M. R. Hamilton, M.M., R. Innis. Fus. (Londonderry).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack he captured an enemy machine gun and three of its crew, single handed. While holding the line during the following days he rendered valuable assistance in reorganising the company and getting forward supplies of bombs and ammunition, on several occasions under fire. His example and cheerfulness throughout were magnificent.

15923 C.S.M. H. Hammond, Essex R. (S. Chingford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in taking charge of the left platoon of his company after the platoon and section commanders were put out of action. When held up by a party of the enemy in a shell hole, he sent a bombing party round the flank and succeeded in overcoming their resistance. He at once pushed on and got the platoon to the forming-up area just in time to advance behind the barrage, and led them over most difficult ground to the objective.

50743 Cpl. S. Hammond, Midd^x R. ("E" Thornton Heath).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When a strong enemy attack had driven back the company on the flank and when the enemy were endeavouring to work round to the rear of their own company, he, with another man, picked up a machine gun, rushed out with it across the open and opened fire on the enemy on their flank and rear, remaining in this exposed position for two hours. This very gallant and courageous

deed resulted in the enemy being driven back and the position restored.

24115 L./Sjt. H. A. Hampton, S. Wales Bord. (Dunmour).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty, going out on numerous occasions and bringing in wounded men who were lying out in front. When his company was surrounded he made his way through the enemy and guided a Tank to the position, thereby enabling the company to withdraw in safety. He also gave great help in repelling counter-attacks.

6706 Pte. J. W. Harris, C. Gds. (London, N.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the advance a hostile machine gun was causing many casualties and holding up his company on the flank. He went forward alone and located the gun, and, having collected a party of men, he directed their fire so skilfully that the gun was silenced, though throughout this period he was exposed to heavy artillery fire and machine-gun fire from the flank. By this gallant act he was instrumental in saving many lives in his company, and also in aiding a further advance.

6098 Sjt. (A./Coy. S.M.) F. Harrison, S. Staff. R. (Barton-under-Needwood).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the operations he acted with great coolness and courage under heavy fire, and during violent hostile attacks. His able assistance to his company commander in most trying circumstances helped greatly towards the repulse of these attacks, and his unfailing energy and marked ability were a splendid example to all ranks.

9939 Sjt. W. T. Harrison, S. Staffs. R. (Hednesford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He repeatedly led counter-attacks, repulsing the enemy attacks and successfully organising the defence of the line after his officer had become a casualty. Later, seeing a severely wounded man in the open being sniped at, he went out and brought him back safely to cover. He set a fine example of courage, enterprise and efficiency to his platoon.

*26550 Sjt. F. Hart, R.F.A. (Holloway).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed untiring energy and determination on several occasions at his work of bringing up ammunition. He carried out his duties often under the most difficult conditions and under fire from the enemy.

241326 Sjt. J. W. Hastney, Yorks. L.I. (Castleford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as acting C.S.M. When the company was held up by machine-gun fire and several section leaders became casualties, by his prompt action he got the troops forward and put an end to what might have been a fatal hesitation. He showed fine courage in clearing enemy dug-outs and reconnoitring the ground in front of the objective.