

fire. At dawn, though wounded in the shoulder while carrying several more cases, he volunteered to cross the open to an advanced post where casualties were occurring, and made two journeys, bringing back a wounded man each time on his shoulders. He made two more journeys to the regimental aid post before succumbing to exhaustion.

267000 Sjt. H. E. Holmes, W. Yorks. R. (Royston).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of the flank platoon of the battalion. When some troops on the flank, being without officers, retired during a counter-attack, after informing his company commander he went across, reorganised and encouraged them, and got them back to their line, thus averting a very serious situation.

2015 Sjt. F. Hopper, R.F.C. (Burnley).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Whilst on reconnaissance duty, he, with his formation, was attacked by five enemy 'planes. Though stunned by a wound in his arm, with his engine out of action and controls shot away, he succeeded in evading three of the enemy scouts which had closed on him, and crossed the line at a low altitude. He landed his machine without injury to himself or his observer. Later, he shot down two enemy planes completely out of control, and throughout he has shown the greatest vigour, determination and courage.

205007 Sjt. (A. Sqdn. S.M.) H. Hoskings, Yeo. (Stokenchurch, Bucks.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He brought in led horses of the squadron under heavy rifle and machine-gun fire, thereby contributing largely to the successful pursuit of the enemy.

205670 Sjt. A. Houghton, Yeo. (Cricklewood, N.W.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his troop with great courage and determination in the assault and, though wounded, remained at duty and organised the consolidation of the position.

91502 Gnr. J. Hault, Tank Corps (Burton-on-Trent).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his Tank was set on fire, he assisted in extinguishing the flames. Later, after his Tank had been hit by a shell, which caused casualties to his officers, he got out of it and at once advanced on foot towards the enemy armed with a revolver, the infantry being still 300 yards in rear. By his marked gallantry, bold determination and prompt action he prevented the enemy from advancing.

486814 Spr. A. Housby, R.E. (Rawdon).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the advance on the enemy, two hostile machine guns were enfilading the flank. He, with two other sappers, attacked the machine-gun crews, killing both crews save one N.C.O., who was taken prisoner.

The guns were captured, and the attack on the flank was thereby enabled to continue.

58693 Sjt. W. Howard, R.F.A. (Bourne End).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in action when acting as section commander. He engaged enemy infantry at short ranges at finally under 100 yards, and having a detachment to man one gun, he moved them from gun to gun until finally ordered to dismantle the guns, which he did, retiring in good order. Throughout the day the battery was under heavy shell, machine-gun, and rifle fire.

19394 Pte. W. H. Hubbard, M.M., M.G.C. (Harrow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his officer and N.C.O.'s had become casualties he took charge of the gun-teams. The guns when mounted were destroyed, and only his rifle was available for use. He remained with his men unsupported in shell holes for about seven hours, and accounted for several of the enemy. Though almost entirely surrounded, he succeeded in leading his men back, carrying with him a wounded man.

19005 Sjt. F. Hunnabull, M.M., M.G.C. (Dedham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of two machine guns during sixty hours' fighting. On three occasions he went forward to stalk enemy machine guns which were holding up our advance, either disabling them or causing them to retire.

41537 Pte. J. T. Hunt, Suff. R. (Bermondsey).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as a company runner. He repeatedly volunteered to take messages after other runners had been hit. During a counter-attack and under a heavy barrage he went to the battalion on the right and kept his company commander informed of the situation. When carrying an important message he was seriously wounded, but managed to pass on his message to another man for delivery.

707063 B.S.M. T. G. Hunter, R.F.A. (Liverpool).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of an ammunition convoy. The battery being in action and no unloading party available, he proceeded to unload the convoy, and personally unloaded about 300 rounds. Several men and horses were wounded, but no confusion ensued, and the convoy was cleared. He has displayed good leadership on every occasion when in charge of convoys along heavily shelled roads.

40412 Gnr. R. Irving, Tank Corps (Langholm).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After his Tank had received a direct hit, which exposed the driving position, wounding the officer and driver, he without the slightest hesitation jumped into the driver's seat and drove the tank away, during the whole of which time it was subjected to machine-gun fire. Though wounded through