

stretcher-bearers, and by his gallant conduct undoubtedly saved several lives.

T./2nd Lt. Frank Drayton, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of traffic. Though his train was continually bombed by enemy aircraft, which followed him up the line, he successfully delivered six trucks of ammunition to the batteries. The same night, when the line was broken in front of a ballast train and six trucks were derailed, he worked all night clearing the line, in spite of heavy shell fire and bombing.

Lt. (A./Capt.) John Smerger Drought, R.G.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in keeping his guns in action under heavy shell fire. After two of the No. 1's had become casualties he himself acted as No. 1 on one of the guns. Later, after dark, when one of the guns was hit and the ammunition set on fire, he, assisted by the No. 1 of the gun, succeeded in extinguishing the fire. He has repeatedly shown himself completely devoid of any regard for his personal safety.

T./2nd Lt. George Duncan, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in command of a section. He worked all day among his men, though the shelling was very heavy. When on leaving they were caught in a heavy barrage, and suffered several casualties, he personally dressed the wounded and searched the ground to ensure that none had been overlooked. His fine example resulted in an important piece of work being finished under very trying conditions.

T./2nd Lt. William Durrand, Gen. List and R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. As a patrol leader he is dashing and determined. He has shot down seven enemy machines.

Lt. Alfred Guy Dutton, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When acting as forward observation officer prior to the attack, he laid out a line to an advanced post. During the attack he advanced with the infantry until the final objective was reached, where he remained in observation throughout the day, sending back many valuable messages. He maintained the line to brigade headquarters, mending it personally in the open under heavy fire. He showed courage and determined enterprise throughout the operations.

T./2nd Lt. John Newton Dyke, attd. R. Suss. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during enemy attacks. He went out single-handed to a concrete house to his front and killed two of the enemy, but was then badly wounded.

2nd Lt. Lancelot William Gregory Eccles, C. Gds., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of his platoon. He forced the passage of a stream with such vigour that the enemy were completely demoralised and surrendered immediately.

After reorganising he pushed forward, and though wounded, rejoined his platoon in time to capture the first objective.

2nd Lt. Roger Francis Edge, C. Gds., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty whilst engaged with a party in carrying and fixing duck boards. Although his men were continually dispersed by shell fire and many casualties caused, he rallied them again and completed his task.

2nd Lt. Samuel Bernard Edinborough, Linc. R., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in taking up a carrying party with rations and small arm ammunition through a heavy barrage, which caused severe casualties. During the night he again took up a ration party, but owing to casualties could get no further. On the third night he succeeded in getting rations right up to his battalion in the front line.

T./2nd Lt. George Mitchell Edmonds, North'd Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of his company after his company commander had become a casualty. Having captured a large strong point, he led his company on until machine-gun fire from the right caused heavy casualties. Skilfully moving his Lewis guns into position he silenced the enemy machine guns and pushed forward to his objective, where he consolidated and reconnoitred under heavy fire.

2nd Lt. Percival Henry Edmondson, R.H.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a heavy bombardment. A number of cartridges and the camouflage over a gun were set alight, but at great personal risk, with the help of one N.C.O., he succeeded in removing the remaining cartridges and in extinguishing the fire.

2nd Lt. George Percy Edwards, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He laid and fired the only gun of his battery which remained in action when all the detachment except one had become casualties, keeping up the rate of fire until his gun was finally knocked out by a direct hit. During the preceding week he had prepared the battery position under heavy fire and great difficulties, and at all times showed a fine example of energy and courage.

Lt. George Gilbert Elliot, Notts. & Derby. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as signalling officer. He took forward a party of men from various units and organised a defensive flank. He later took over the advance line of the battalion and held it for two days.

Lt. Gilbert Minto Elliot, R.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of ten G.S. wagons taking up material. When one of the wagons was damaged by a shell, blocking the road, he and a corporal unloaded it, got it off the road and repaired the damage under very heavy