

holding his position against great odds. With one non-commissioned officer he went out to the wire in front of his trench and captured nine prisoners, including one officer. When the enemy had worked round his flank he organised a bombing attack, and ejected them from a strong point. Throughout the day his coolness and disregard of danger inspired his men with confidence.

Lt. John Galt Rowan, R. Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an enemy attack he held his company together under very heavy machine-gun fire until wounded. His magnificent example encouraged all ranks to determined resistance.

Lt. (A./Capt.) George Frederick Rowe, D.L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer held an isolated position with his company under heavy bombardment, but, keeping his men well in hand, he held on until the line he was covering was withdrawn to a position in rear. Later in the day, when the enemy had broken through on the right flank, although almost surrounded, he kept them off till the companies on the left withdrew. Thanks to his determination an untenable position was held for some hours, saving a critical situation.

Lt. Harry Sibley Rowe, Yeo., attd. North'd Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He organised men of another battalion into a bombing party, and twice drove the enemy out of the trenches, leading the party himself and killing four of the enemy.

Capt. (A./Maj.) John Rowe, M.B., R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Although it was known that the enemy had penetrated the line, and the area in rear of the advanced dressing-station was being organised for defence, this officer never lost touch with the regimental aid posts. He made many journeys throughout the day, at all times under heavy fire, personally superintending the evacuation of the wounded.

2nd Lt. George Arthur Rowlerson, Ox. & Bucks. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer showed great gallantry and coolness when leading a raiding party into the enemy's lines, where he obtained valuable information. Although the ground was unknown to him and the exact position of the hostile line rather uncertain, he reached the objective, which he thoroughly searched, capturing two prisoners. He withdrew his party without casualties, in spite of machine-gun and rifle fire.

T./2nd Lt. William Henry Roxbrough, Suff. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the enemy had entered the trench he established a bombing block and retained it against repeated attacks, freely

exposing himself to rifle fire, and inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy.

T./2nd Lt. John Leslie Rudd, Notts. & Derby. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion in action, when he took charge of a company at a very critical stage, and displayed great courage and resource in leading it in a counter-attack, under very heavy machine-gun fire.

T./2nd Lt. Fred Ruddy, D.C.M., Manch. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty while commanding a company during a hostile attack. He formed a defensive flank and when the enemy broke through and both flanks were in the air he held on and inflicted severe loss on them, before withdrawing in good order. He then took up a new position, collected stragglers from other units and maintained his position, in spite of heavy barrages and strong attacks, for two days, when he was relieved.

T./2nd Lt. George Henry Rudkin, M.G.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He fought his guns with great courage and initiative during a critical period of an enemy attack under heavy artillery fire, and set a magnificent example to his men in staying to the last and covering the withdrawal of the infantry.

T./2nd Lt. Herbert Gordon Rumsey, R. Lanc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion in command of a raiding party. He was severely wounded in the initial rush on the hostile position, and, although unable to take part in the ensuing fighting, he directed the operations with great courage and ability, and refused to allow himself to be removed till all other casualties were cleared. He was then carried to battalion headquarters to make his report. His coolness and endurance offered a splendid example to his men, and he displayed exceptional capacity for command at a critical period of the raid, when the raiding party was held up.

2nd Lt. (A./Lt.) David Rushton, A. & S. Highrs., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. He directed the Lewis gun and rifle fire with great skill and determination, forcing the enemy to deploy at a considerable distance and inflicting heavy casualties. Eventually they gave up the attack. He shot twenty himself. He did very fine service.

T./2nd Lt. John William Russell, D.C.M., M.M., R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations lasting for several days, when he was continuously out laying telephone lines from divisional advance headquarters to brigade headquarters, frequently under heavy fire. On one occasion, when one of the brigades was nearly surrounded, he, although under heavy machine-gun and shell fire, succeeded in keeping through telephonic communication to the brigade, which greatly contributed to the ultimate success of the operation.