2nd Lt. William Edward Smith, Lond. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in command of a raiding party, when he was responsible for working out the details of the raid, which was done with great thoroughness. He also showed the greatest courage and powers of leadership during the raid itself, and particularly during the withdrawal, in which he made successful use of his Lewis guns to keep down hostile fire. The success of the operation was mainly due to his careful organisation and fine example.

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For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. He exposed himself frequently while encouraging his men, and carried a message to the reserve company across a piece of ground swept by machine-gun and rifle fire after three runners had been killed in trying to do so. He also bound up and helped over thirty wounded under heavy rifle fire. He set a splendid example to his men.

Lt. Thomas Smitton, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty, especially on two following occasions. (1) When the wagon lines were being badly shelled and casualties were occurring to horses and men, some of the teams bolting, this officer reorganised the scattered teams and moved to a place of safety. (2) When in charge of first-line wagons on the march, the leading team and three mounted orderlies were hit, but by his coolness and example he got the wagons away under heavy fire.

2nd Lt. George Carruthers St. John Snell, R.G.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was under intense shell fire for fourteen hours. He frequently carried messages, and voluntarily relieved his battery commander at intervals. His gallantry and resource were an incentive to all ranks.

T./Capt. James Edward Snell, R. W. Surr. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. He was of great service to his battalion, assisting in rallying men and organising them in new positions. Owing to a previous reconnaissance made by him, the battalion was able to withdraw successfully under intense shell fire. Throughout he showed fine courage and exceptional powers of organisation and initiative.

2nd Lt. Charles Penfold Snow, R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer was in command of a section when it was heavily bombarded at night by high explosives of all calibres and gas shells. In spite of the fire, his example so encouraged his men that they kept the guns in action till all the ammunition was expended. His work throughout the operations has been of a high standard.

Lt. Frank Wesley Sopwith, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During more than a fortnight's operations this officer has done good work as observing officer both at outposts and on contact patrols, securing early and accurate information as to the situation, and particularly as to enemy infantry positions. To achieve this he has worked hard by day and night at great personal risk.

Capt. (A./Maj.) Norman Southern, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer has commanded his battery throughout the fighting with great skill. On one occasion he kept his battery in action in a forward position until it came under machine-gun fire. Three days later it did good work under shell fire, and at a later date he directed the fire from a windmill about 500 yards from the enemy up to the last possible moment.

Lt. Reginald Brabant Sparkes, R. West. Surr. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty while commanding a company which was holding a strong point. At all times he displayed great courage and coolness in rallying his men, and particularly in organising a counter-attack and recapturing his post, which had been rushed and taken by the enemy. Later, when retirement became necessary, he brought out his men with hardly any loss, and showed great skill and courage in taking up a fresh position under heavy rifle and machine-gun fire, at the conclusion of which he was wounded.

T./Capt. Hugh Sparks, R. Suss. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer went up in charge of rations for the whole brigade. On approaching a village some miles behind the line held by the brigade, he found the enemy in possession. He halted the transport, and made a personal reconnaissance. Discovering that the brigade had retreated some distance to a flank, he got the rations up just after daybreak. He then found that his transport was between the enemy advanced troops and our own, so he led the transport at full gallop under heavy machine-gun fire till he reached our position, being followed by low-flying aeroplane bombing and machine-gunning his column. Rations, water and ammunition were eventually delivered, thanks to his perseverance and initiative.

2nd Lt. Hubert George Spary, Midd'x R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When a barrage on a village had lifted, this officer took out a patrol to the old line, getting in touch with the enemy, and was able to inform his company commander of their advance through a thick mist, having remained in the line until the enemy was almost upon him. Later he was wounded in the back, but refused to leave the platoon, and continued to encourage the men until the battalion was relieved.