

17027 L./Cpl. S. O. J. Bull, North'n R. (Long Buckby).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty while in charge of a Lewis gun section after a successful attack. He reorganised his own section and another and led on to a position which was being heavily shelled. After establishing a post there he remained the whole of the following day and kept his gun in action during a hostile counter-attack, until the enemy were within a few yards.

240181 Sjt. R. A. Burton, Glouc. R. (Cirencester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. As signalling serjeant he remained to the last, removing his instruments and destroying what had to be left, killing one of the enemy in order to get away. He then tried twice at great personal risk to get communication by tapping into brigade lines, once nearly being captured. He subsequently took charge of a Lewis gun section and with great skill covered the exposed flank until touch was regained. Finally he went back to brigade, reported the situation, and with another man ran out 1,500 yards of line to re-establish communications. He did splendid service.

3654 Sjt. J. Butler, R. Ir. R. (Carlow).

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He took part in a successful attack on a machine-gun post, capturing the gun and one prisoner and killing eight of the enemy. Afterwards, with another N.C.O., he led a successful attack, capturing another machine gun and killing the crew.

7778 L./C. W. Butler, M.M., R. Fus. (Bow, E.).

For conspicuous gallantry and fine determination during a vigorous attempt by two parties of the enemy to raid the outpost line under cover of a heavy bombardment. By the skilful handling of his Lewis gun he inflicted many casualties and forced the enemy to scatter and retire. Afterwards, when another party forced its way between the posts, he at once redispersed the garrison, thus enabling his men to deal effectively with the attack.

15/131 Sjt. O. J. Butterfield, W. York. R. (Leeds).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He personally attacked and captured an enemy machine gun and its detachment during our advance. He showed the greatest energy and determination when the final objective had been reached, in consolidating the position, cheering and encouraging his men under the intense shell fire of the enemy. During the whole day and the following night he was continually moving about from post to post quite regardless of his own safety, showing a fine example of tireless devotion to duty and conspicuous gallantry to his men.

6703 C.S.M. R. N. Button, North'd Fus. (Bishop Auckland).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the company billets were

heavily shelled with gas and high explosives he displayed great coolness and initiative in getting all the company under cover without incurring a casualty. Previously he had assisted the artillery in placing four guns in position on high slopes. It was entirely due to his energy and perseverance that the artillery were able to get the guns into action to commence firing that day.

T4/057478 Dvr. (A./L./Cpl.) J. Cairns, A.S.C. (Edinburgh).

For conspicuous gallantry while in charge of two G.S. wagons carrying engineer stores to the trenches. Under heavy fire, and over most difficult ground, he successfully got the wagon he was driving to its destination, and then returned and hooked his horses on to the other wagon, the horses of which had been killed. Whilst doing so a bursting shell knocked him over, but he stuck to it and got this other wagon up also. He showed great courage and devotion to duty.

40254 Sit. G. H. Calverley, M.M., W. York. R. (Leeds).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This N.C.O. was in command of a platoon in the leading wave of an attack. He displayed fine qualities of leadership, and by his courage and initiative enabled his platoon to capture an enemy machine gun and two trench mortars. On reaching the final objective he pursued the enemy across the stream, and inflicted severe casualties on him as he retreated. On his return he exercised excellent judgment in the measures he took to secure his position against a possible counter-attack. Up to the time he was severely wounded in the face, shoulder and hand by shrapnel, his indefatigable energy and exceptional coolness inspired his men with the greatest confidence.

38500 Sjt. J. M. Campbell, York. L.I. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a counter-attack he brought into action a captured machine gun and did great execution on the enemy while being fired at very heavily. He also controlled a Lewis gun which he arranged to fire in conjunction with his own. The success of the counter-attack was greatly assisted by his perfect handling of these guns and by his personal example of courage and resource.

238027 Sjt. R. W. Campbell, W. York. R. (Walker, nr. Newcastle-on-Tyne).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in command of a platoon which he led with great skill and success during an attack. He forestalled a heavy enemy attack on his flank and routed them completely, taking 16 prisoners. Throughout the operations he displayed fine qualities of initiative and leadership, and set a splendid example of courage to all under his command.

11977 Sjt. (A./C.S.M.) P. Carr, M.M., E. York. R. (Sheffield).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid. He led a platoon forward to the third objective with great skill