

351055 Sjt. J. Fraser, R. Scots (Edinburgh).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This N.C.O. showed great gallantry and resource during an attack. When all the company officers and the company serjeant-major had become casualties, he assumed command of the company, reorganised them under heavy machine-gun fire, and sent in a written report of his position and remaining numbers to battalion headquarters. He acted with great coolness and ability throughout.

18642 Sjt. E. Froggatt, D.C.L.I. (Accrington).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed great presence of mind and initiative during an engagement, when his company commander was a casualty and the company serjeant-major had been killed. He at once took command of the left of the company, and handling them with great gallantry under heavy fire led them forward to the final objective, where he proceeded with the work of consolidation, which he superintended throughout the day. His fine leadership and personal example largely contributed to the success of the operation.

22531 Sjt. J. Fulton, M.M., M.G. Corps (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and skill in a critical situation. He got two machine-guns forward, and after inflicting heavy casualties on two strong parties of the enemy, tried to hold his ground, but was badly wounded and then captured. After a desperate struggle, in which he disposed of two of his captors, he escaped and got back to his guns. He showed fine courage and resource throughout.

335038 Sjt. J. Gall, R. Scots (Innerleithen).

For conspicuous gallantry and resource during an attack. Along with his officer he led his platoon brilliantly through intense barrage, and when the advance was held up by machine-gun fire he gathered a few men and rushed one of the guns, killing the team and capturing the gun. He behaved magnificently.

S/14411 Cpl. D. G. Geekie, Arg. & Suth'd Highrs. (Lugar-by-Cumnock).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack, when heavy enemy barrage prevented the right flank from being brought round to conform with the situation, Corporal Geekie with fine initiative promptly set to work reorganising the men and getting them forward to better positions. All day his men were exposed to heavy fire, but he had them finally so well in hand that they were ready for any further necessary advance. His example throughout was splendid, and his courage, cheerfulness and fine leadership inspired the greatest confidence in the men in a very difficult situation.

3/18273 Pte. C. Gibson, W. York. R. (S. Shields).

For conspicuous gallantry in an attack on enemy trenches. He brought back a message under very heavy machine-gun fire, and later guided up reinforcements. On entering the enemy trench he personally killed several of

the enemy, and throughout the operation he displayed splendid courage, ability and devotion to duty.

201286 Sjt. A. Gilchrist, Sea. Highrs. (Ard- rishaig).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Seeing the left flank of his company checked by machine-gun fire, he rushed the post, shot one and killed the other two of the crew with his bayonet, and continued to lead his platoon forward until severely wounded. His splendid courage and determination and his example to his men were of the greatest value.

325637 Cpl. E. Gill, M.M., Durh. L.I. (Winston, Co. Durham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the officer commanding his platoon and the senior N.C.O.'s had become casualties he took command and led his men in an attack and reached the objective. He subsequently carried out the duties of company serjeant-major as well as commanding a platoon owing to heavy casualties among the N.C.O.'s. During eight days' hard fighting he displayed qualities of leadership of a high order, and his personal gallantry under heavy fire and devotion to duty were a conspicuous example to his men.

1304 Sjt. H. Goldsborough, Durh. L.I. (Bishop Auckland).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Immediately after he had captured the objective during a successful advance he took his Lewis gun team across a stream and moved up under cover of standing corn to within a short distance of a group of enemy light machine guns. He rushed the post in a most determined fashion, and captured the guns and accounted for the teams. His prompt and gallant action and skilful leadership undoubtedly saved casualties during the consolidation, which was then carried on without hindrance.

D/14171 L./Cpl. E. Gooder, Dns. (Birmingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty while in charge of a flank patrol. He rushed a small enemy post, and with three men succeeded in killing one of the garrison and taking two prisoners. He showed fine courage and resource.

20200 Cpl. W. A. Goodlife, Glouc. R. (Bristol).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was N.C.O. in charge of two gun teams detailed to assist in taking an enemy position. He displayed exceptional dash and initiative in selecting positions for the guns to support the attacking infantry, and personally arranged and supervised the supply of ammunition. When his officer was wounded he took entire command of the two guns, and moving them forward some 200 yards, brought them rapidly into action against favourable targets. He displayed the utmost coolness under fire, and his power of seizing passing opportunities of inflicting casualties on the enemy enabled him to render valuable service and materially assist in the success of the operation.