

292693 Cpl. D. Reid, R. Highrs. (Lark-hall).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He outflanked two enemy machine-guns which were holding up the advance. He killed the teams and captured the machine-guns. He showed magnificent courage and determination, and rendered most valuable service.

6475 L./Cpl. H. Reid, The West India R.

For conspicuous gallantry and consistent good work in a patrol action. Later, during an attack, when the firing line charged, he led the advance, carrying the machine gun and tripod on his shoulder, and brought the gun into action with great courage and promptitude under heavy fire.

203103 Pte. W. Rennie, Sco. Rif. (Annbank).

For remarkable courage and tenacity as No. 1 of a Lewis gun. He was hit in the arm early in the morning, and later was again wounded in the leg, but he still refused to go back, and continued firing his gun. In the afternoon, when the company was forced to withdraw, he covered the retirement, and was again hit in the head. He would not give up, but brought his gun back and handed it over to his No. 2 before being taken to the aid post.

240335 Pte. S. Rice, Devon. R. (Chagford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was acting as company signaller, but volunteered to attack a machine-gun post that was holding up our advance. Single-handed he rushed the post, killing two of the garrison and pursuing the remainder out of action. He found himself cut off from his company, but fought his way back with admirable skill and determination. His gallant action greatly assisted the advance of his company.

37805 Pte. (L./Cpl.) A. Richelieu, W. York. R. (Leeds).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Immediately after our objective in an attack had been reached, he went out in charge of a patrol. He was severely wounded in the leg shortly after starting, but refused to have his wound dressed until he had completed his reconnaissance, during which he captured two prisoners and obtained valuable information. He showed a conspicuous example of soldierly endurance and devotion to duty.

G/3560 Sjt. W. Rickards, M.M., R. Fus. (Wealdstone).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in charge of the Lewis gun section of a fighting patrol. The patrol suddenly came under heavy fire from three machine guns in the enemy trench. He rushed his gun in front of the platoon and caused heavy casualties among the enemy, who were manning the trench in large numbers, and enabled the patrol under cover of his fire to regain their lines. He remained where he was till dusk, firing occasional bursts, and returned at dark with the gun to his platoon. The courage, presence of

mind and determination of this N.C.O. were splendid, and he saved the lives of several of his platoon and caused several casualties to the enemy.

53691 Sjt. W. Rigg, Durh. L.I. (Kendal, Westmoreland).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a raid on the enemy line this N.C.O. showed great gallantry and devotion to duty, being responsible for keeping the party together in spite of difficulties. He, with his officer, bombed the enemy with great effect, and although wounded, he was the last man of the party to leave the enemy position. He set a fine example to all ranks by his courage and determination.

23048 Sjt. J. Roddy, R. Sco. Fus. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his platoon was temporarily checked by the fire of an enemy machine-gun he dashed forward and bombed the crew, killing some and causing the remainder to surrender. He was seriously wounded, but remained at duty until his company had reached the objective, and had dug in. He showed a splendid example of courage and determined endurance.

13699 L./Sjt. J. M. Rooney, M.M. K.O.S.B. (Clayton-le-Moors).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his platoon commander became a casualty he went forward and led the way. He was attacked by an enemy officer, who managed to lame him severely by a blow on the leg with the butt of his rifle. Corporal Rooney, having bayoneted the officer, continued to limp ahead until he reached the enemy support line, where, single-handed, he captured a machine gun, killing the gunner and taking the three other men prisoners. In spite of his injured leg, he dispatched nine of the enemy, and working with tireless energy, he was of the greatest assistance to his company commander, encouraging the men by his example of gallantry and unflinching endurance.

86334 Sjt. P. Roscoe, M.G. Corps (Halifax).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of two gun teams. He handled his guns with great skill, and his courage and initiative had a cheering effect on his men. When ordered to withdraw he successfully led his team across 300 yards of open country in full view of the enemy and under heavy machine-gun fire.

437308 Pte. (A./L./C.) F. Rowlands, M.M., R.A.M.C. (Birmingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. He showed great courage and determination in leading bearer squads to the assistance of wounded men. He worked continually for two days from the front line to the dressing station, and in spite of machine-gun fire and heavy shelling was most successful in getting his cases through. His example was such that the men would follow him anywhere.