

led a rush against an enemy machine-gun post, capturing the gun, killing two of the crew, and taking the rest prisoners. Later, he pushed his men some way forward in the direction of the enemy to provide covering fire for the battalion. Throughout he showed great determination and initiative.

2951 Tpr. H. Newth, Mtd. Rgt.

For conspicuous courage and devotion to duty. He engaged and captured two enemy machine guns, though his own detachment were all casualties and he had to work his own gun alone. He has always set a fine example of coolness in action.

6553 Pte. J. O'Loughlin, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in putting out of action an enemy machine gun during an attack. On the first objective being reached, this gun opened fire on our troops, who were digging in. He rushed forward, bayoneted the gunner and captured the gun. A splendid performance.

6099 Pte. J. J. O'Meara, M.M., Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attempted enemy raid he leaped on to the parapet and bombed the enemy back. He was severely wounded, but continued to inflict many casualties with his bombs until the block in the trench was re-established. His courage and promptitude were of the greatest value.

2415 Cpl. A. G. Penny, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid. He successfully rushed an enemy machine-gun post with his section, himself bayonetting three of the garrison. Inspired by his skill and courage, his party worked along either flank and accounted for all the enemy in that part of the trench. On the signal being given to withdraw, he got all his men back to the lines, having contributed greatly to the success of the raid.

3883 Cpl. (T./Sjt.) W. G. Phillips, M.M., Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as Lewis gun serjeant of one of the assaulting companies during an attack. When an enemy machine gun threatened to hold up the advance Sjt. Phillips, followed by three men, rushed straight at the gun and shot five of the crew with his revolver. The gun was captured and several prisoners taken. Throughout the operation he set a splendid example of coolness and determination.

329 Sjt. P. H. Rede, L.H. Regt.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid. He led his men with great dash in the occupation of a hill, and though overwhelmed by numbers several times, he charged into the enemy with fixed bayonets, holding them at bay. His prompt action, bold initiative, and courageous example to his men were of great value.

2012 Cpl. J. V. Reilly, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In broad daylight he and two others went out and captured two of the enemy from one outpost and returned safely. Later, the same party visited another post which was strongly held and killed eight of the enemy. He and his party showed fine courage and initiative.

2080 Sjt. D. M. Reuben; M.M., L.T.M. Bty.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in charge of two Stokes mortars during an attack. He fought his guns most effectively during the advance and during a counter-attack by the enemy. In order to knock out an enemy machine gun, he dismantled his mortar, dashed forward to a shell-hole, and held the barrel in his bare hands while his comrade dropped the shells down the muzzle. He did fine work.

2699 C.S.M. (now 2nd Lt.) W. R. Rogers, M.M., Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. Owing to the delay caused by enemy machine-gun posts, the barrage kept getting ahead of the infantry. This warrant officer constantly went from end to end of his company and backwards and forwards from the barrage curtain to where men were being delayed, bringing them forward again. His quick insight and ability greatly contributed to the success of the operation.

15258 Spr. W. G. Ross, Engrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty while employed with Bangalore torpedoes during a raid. He got right up to the enemy's wire without being observed, but almost immediately after an enemy bomb landed in the wire between the two torpedoes. Notwithstanding the danger from explosion, he remained absolutely quiet. His cool behaviour enabled his party to successfully surprise the enemy.

1105 L./C. (T./Cpl.) B. V. Schultz, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. With two others he located a dug-out which was full of the enemy. He left his men outside, went in and captured the lot, four officers and twenty-three other ranks (the whole of the battalion headquarters). It was a splendid piece of work, showing great daring and initiative.

5086A Sjt. D. H. Scott, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He accompanied an officer on patrol and surprised and captured the garrison of an enemy post. Several times he was instrumental in locating enemy posts, in some cases rushing them single-handed and capturing the occupants. He also did most valuable work in helping to establish the new line, which was advanced some hundreds of yards. He showed great courage and initiative.