

post attacked and succeeded in repelling the enemy, especially one post, where his men had been all wounded, which was heavily attacked by a large raiding party. Throughout these operations he displayed great courage and ability.

275764 Cpl. J. Williams, 5/6th Bn., R. Scots, T.F. (Stockport).

For most conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 1st, 2nd and 3rd October, 1918, at Sequehart. He displayed great dash in leading his section against enemy machine guns and snipers encountered during the attack, killing several of them himself. Later in the day, under heavy shell fire, he established two posts on an unprotected flank. During the heavy enemy counter-attack which followed on 1st October he displayed a fine fighting spirit, holding back the enemy until he was almost surrounded. Throughout the operations his conduct was of the highest order.

13318 Sjt. T. Williams, 1st Bn., S.W. Bord. (Abertridwr).

During the operations near Wassigny, on 18th October, 1918, he was platoon serjeant of the right front line platoon. Though early wounded he led the men with the greatest dash and determination under heavy machine-gun fire. He organised a party to rush a body of the enemy and successfully dealt with them, his party killing 12 with the bayonet and causing about 20 to surrender with three heavy and three light machine guns. His courage and leadership throughout the action were most inspiring.

4787 Sjt. W. Williams, M.M., 13th Bn., K.R.R.C. (Sunderland).

For most conspicuous gallantry and good work during the attack on Louvignies-lez-Quesnoy, 4th November, 1918. He volunteered to go forward with the leading wave to establish the signal communication. Whilst advancing with his section an enemy machine-gun post was suddenly encountered. He rushed this post single-handed and captured the crew. He then laid the line, which he mended three times in one hour under heavy shelling.

11052 Sjt. J. Williamson, M.M., 8th Bn., R. Lan. R. (Ulverston).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations at Flesquieres on 27th September, 1918. His company had to form up in "No Man's Land" in the midst of a heavy hostile barrage, and he showed great coolness in collecting stragglers and forming the sections. In the attack on the Hindenburg support line he organised and led several attacks on a series of strong points with great skill and courage, and on reaching the objective successfully consolidated under very heavy shell fire. Although wounded he carried on, and set a very high example to all.

11286 Sjt. C. Wilson, M.M., 1st Bn., R. War. R. (Bow, E.).

On 24th October, 1918, during the attack near Verchain he displayed marked gallantry and able leadership whilst in command of a platoon. His platoon captured a number of prisoners near the first objective, and

later he pushed his platoon forward into a gap that had occurred and cleared up a difficult situation. Under heavy fire he succeeded in getting in a severely wounded officer who had fallen in front of our line. He has done excellent work on numerous occasions.

B/2818 Sjt. C. Wilson, 13th Bn., Rif. Bde. (Trafford Park).

For marked gallantry and good work on 4th November, 1918, near Louvignies. He, finding himself cut off with a party of six other ranks from his company, proceeded to advance towards the objective line under intense machine-gun fire from a house on the road. In spite of their small numbers, he led a determined attack on the house, and bombed the machine gunners through the window, put the gun out of action and captured or killed the crew. Proceeding, he led his small party towards a much larger body of the enemy, and caused fifteen of them to surrender.

41802 Pte. G. W. Wilson, 11th Bn., R. Scots (Wallsend-on-Tyne).

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative during the attack on Ledeghem on 29th September, 1918. When the attack was held up by heavy machine-gun fire, he went forward with his Lewis gun to a position from which he could engage the hostile machine guns, and by his fire enabled our line to advance. All his team except one man became casualties, but he continued working his gun, and successfully silencing enemy machine-gun fire. He did splendid work.

43032 Sjt. J. Wilson, 11th Bn., R. Scots (Preston Kirk).

For most conspicuous gallantry and determined leadership. While acting company serjeant-major during the attack on Ledeghem on 1st October, 1918, he took charge of a party of men who were temporarily disorganised, reformed them under extremely heavy fire, and led them against a group of pill-boxes, thereby assisting materially the advance of the remainder of the company. He has during the entire operations shown a complete disregard for danger, and has set a splendid example to all ranks.

15005 Pte. T. A. Wimpenny, 2nd Bn., R. Sco. Fus. (Buxton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 28th September, 1918. On two occasions during the operations at Polygon Butt he, single-handed, rushed into enemy strong points, clearing them with bombs, and taking the occupants prisoners. During the whole of the operations he has shown great coolness and marked ability.

9022 L./Cpl. C. H. Winfield, 1/4th Bn., Leic. R., T.F. (Loughborough).

On the morning of the 29th September, 1918, near Bellenglise, he rushed a machine-gun post single-handed, capturing the team, and bringing them back as prisoners. This machine-gun post had been enfilading the line and holding up the attack, and his action enabled the attack to be pushed forward. He showed fine courage and determination, and did splendid work.