

small R.E. party he made a very successful reconnaissance of the enemy's trenches and then exploded charges in two concrete structures.

Lieutenant Edmund Cyril Staples, 11th Rajputs, Indian Army.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in command of Brigade machine guns, and, although wounded himself and with only one wounded man to help him, he continued to work one of the guns at close range and under heavy fire for about an hour until the action closed. At the end he was working the gun alone as the man helping him was a second time wounded.

Temporary Lieutenant Duncan Story, 10th Battalion, The Royal Warwickshire Regiment.

For conspicuous gallantry. He was on patrol and within 50 yards of the enemy's trenches when the enemy opened fire and wounded his companion in the body and himself in both legs. Lieutenant Story started to carry his companion back when a bullet, passing through the latter, shattered his own hand. Unable to carry him further Lieutenant Story remained with him till he was dead and then with difficulty made his own way back.

Lieutenant Charles Edward Henry Tempest-Hicks, 16th (The Queen's) Lancers.

For conspicuous gallantry on many occasions, notably on one occasion when the enemy exploded a mine, which our bombers occupied. Lieutenant Tempest-Hicks was in the crater when the enemy made a bombing attack, and, after getting his working party back, with all the wounded, he returned and reoccupied the far side of the crater till daybreak.

Lieutenant Alfred Syer Trimmer, 10th Canadian Infantry Battalion.

For conspicuous gallantry. He led a party of bombers through the enemy's wire and inflicted severe loss on the enemy. Although wounded, he remained behind till all his men had got away from the wire.

Lieutenant Lemuel Allan Wilmot, 29th Canadian Infantry Battalion.

For conspicuous gallantry during an assault. Lieutenant Wilmot was under heavy fire for several hours whilst cutting wire. He then led an assaulting party, and, though wounded, superintended their withdrawal.

Temporary Lieutenant Gerald Lionel Wood, 10th Battalion, The Durham Light Infantry.

For conspicuous gallantry when holding a front line trench. During a severe bom-

bardment he was completely buried, and on being extricated found attacking parties against his wire. His prompt and successful control and direction of fire frustrated the attack.

Lieutenant Edward Workman, 5th Battalion (attached 2nd), The Royal Irish Rifles.

For conspicuous gallantry under heavy shell fire during an attack. He organised and rallied attacking parties, and, although wounded himself, continued with great coolness to direct operations.

Lieutenant Lewis Younger, 10th Canadian Infantry Battalion.

For conspicuous gallantry. He commanded the men covering a wire-cutting party previous to an attack on the enemy, and subsequently led one of the bombing parties up to the enemy's trenches. He personally accounted for several of the enemy.

Temporary Second Lieutenant William Harold Armitage, 9th Battalion, Alexandra, Princess of Wales's Own (Yorkshire Regiment).

For conspicuous gallantry. He led out a wire-cutting party before an attack on the enemy's trenches, and, although hampered by the enemy's searchlights and "Very" lights, successfully cut the wire. Two nights previously he had helped a wounded man back from the wire.

Second Lieutenant Arthur James Ashdown, Royal Field Artillery, Special Reserve (attached 45th Trench Mortar Battery).

For conspicuous gallantry when commanding a detached section of Trench Mortars. He remained under heavy fire for four hours in a very exposed position, from which our infantry had been withdrawn, and never slackened his fire. When his own section had completed its task, he went to assist other sections. This is not the first time his name has been brought forward for cool bravery.

Second Lieutenant John Geoffrey Biggs, North Somerset Yeomanry, Territorial Force.

For conspicuous gallantry. He was in charge of bombers, and showed great coolness in organising the defence after the explosion of a mine. He assisted another officer in destroying loopholes and machine gun emplacements in the crater, and in bringing back equipment for identification. On a previous occasion he displayed marked courage when holding an important position.

Second Lieutenant (temporary Captain) Arnold Whitworth Boyd, 1/7th Battalion, The Lancashire Fusiliers, Territorial Force.

For conspicuous gallantry. He was appointed to command an attack after his