

1631 Coy. S./M. P. Smith, 6th Bn., R. Ir. Regt.

For conspicuous gallantry. He picked up a trench mortar bomb which had landed in the trench and hurled it over the parapet, where it immediately exploded. His prompt courage probably saved many casualties.

8653 Sjt. F. Spanton, 1st Bn., E. York. R.

For conspicuous gallantry. During a heavy bombardment by the enemy, followed by an infantry attack, although he was severely wounded in the neck and arm, he assumed command of his platoon when his platoon officer was incapacitated, and refused to report himself wounded till the following morning, when all was quiet.

2/8534 Sjt. J. Sullivan, 2nd Bn., R. Muns. Fus. (Spec. Res.).

For conspicuous gallantry during a raid. He was the first man to jump into the enemy's trench, and then directed his men to a better point of entrance. He bombed at least four dug-outs, and was the last man to withdraw.

5791 Sjt. W. Summers, 9th Bn., E. Surr. R.

For conspicuous gallantry on several occasions, notably when, after the bombing officer had been killed, he took charge, visited all the squads under very heavy fire and supervised a fresh bomb supply. On another occasion, when on patrol, he entered the enemy trench, shot one man and brought back useful information.

1349 Cpl. V. S. Thomas, 1st Pioneer Bn., Australian Imp. Force.

For conspicuous gallantry. When some men had been overcome by fumes in a mine, he descended no less than three times, under very difficult and dangerous conditions, and rescued eight men.

2648 L./Cpl. G. Tindall, 20th Bn., Lond. R. (T.F.).

For conspicuous gallantry. He showed great initiative in gaining touch with the battalion on his flank under heavy shell fire. He then collected a few odd men, cleared and manned a vacated portion of trench, and held it during an enemy attack.

6188 Coy. S./M. C. H. Tipton, 1st Bn., N. Staff. R.

For consistent gallantry and good work on several occasions. He has set a fine example on the occasion of attacks by the enemy, and on one occasion went out several hundred yards through a shelled area in order to take charge of a working party which had suffered casualties.

21385 Acting Sjt. F. Trehitt, 15th Bn., Durh. L.I.

For conspicuous and consistent gallantry. On one occasion, during a heavy bombardment, when exposed to the view and fire of the enemy, he assisted to dig out a N.C.O., who had been wounded and buried. His coolness under fire has frequently given great confidence to his men.

9/854 Coy. S./M. J. Tyner, 9th Bn., R. Muns. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry when, under heavy rifle and machine gun fire, he left his trench and assisted 2nd Lt. Gleeson to bring in a wounded man who was lying within ten yards of the enemy's entanglement.

2707 Cpl. L. Van Schaick, Recruits' Depôt, R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and skill. As observer to one of our machines on escort duty, he attacked an enemy machine and brought it down out of control in some small gardens. He has frequently brought in valuable reports when on reconnaissance.

5800 Cpl. J. H. Waller, No. 25 Sqdn., R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and skill. On one occasion, as passenger on an aeroplane, he dived on to an enemy biplane and shot it down. It was seen to crash to the ground. On another occasion, as passenger, he shot down a Fokker, which was also seen to crash to the ground.

23564 Sjt. P. Waltham, 15th Bn., Notts. and Derby. R.

For conspicuous courage, energy, and leadership. When all his officers had become casualties during an intense bombardment, Sjt. Waltham took command and kept control of his men. He assisted the company on his left in driving back the enemy and reorganising the line.

23625 Pte. F. W. Ward, 15th Bn., Notts. and Derby. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. His Company Comdr. was wounded, but refused to leave his post. Pte. Ward remained with him. When the enemy were rushing the trench, Pte. Ward was ordered to take a report to Bde. Hdqrs., which he did under very heavy fire, subsequently returning to the front line trenches.

No. 9834 Pte. D. H. Webb, 12th Bn., South African Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry. Privates Webb and Langman brought a wounded officer out of the firing line and into safety under heavy fire.

139 Pte. G. Webb, 22nd Bn., R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry. He remained with his wounded serjeant and dressed his wounds under heavy fire. Though himself wounded in the chest he went for stretcher-bearers, and refused all medical aid till his serjeant had been attended to.

1226 L./Sjt. C. A. Wheeler, 22nd Bn., R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry. He volunteered for and carried out two very risky reconnaissances after a successful assault by his company. Later he guided an officer of the R.A.M.C., and remained with him, under machine gun and rifle fire, till the last wounded man had been brought in.

198 S./M. F. Whilton, No. 17 Sqdn., R.F.C.

For consistent good work. His devotion