

very heavy shell fire. He repeatedly made his way through heavy barrages to ensure the good work of his guns.

Temp. Capt. Hugh Jones, Glouc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. While clearing trenches with his company after an attack, the enemy opened a heavy bombardment. He displayed the greatest courage while standing in the open under shell fire for two hours assisting his men to get into safety. Later he went by himself, under heavy shell fire, and fetched two stretchers for his wounded.

Lt. (temp. Capt.) Hubert Gordon Keet, L'pool R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. Though badly wounded early in the day, he advanced and held his position until evening. His wound was dressed in a shell-hole, and he remained on duty till the company had firmly consolidated the ground won. This is the second time he has been wounded.

Temp. 2nd Lt. Harry Edward Keeton, W. York. R.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. As liaison officer at brigade headquarters, he went through a very heavy shell fire to the front line, after all the wires had been cut. Though twice buried by shells and suffering from shell shock, he got back and delivered his report before collapsing.

Temp. Capt. Arthur George Kenchington, E. Kent R.

For conspicuous gallantry. When ordered to clear up a crater area, the craters being held in strength by the enemy, who resisted for 1½ hours, he completed his task successfully, all the enemy being either killed or taken prisoners. Later in the day he consolidated a strong point in the captured position.

Temp. Capt. William Kennedy, High. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. He handled his company with great skill in the defence of his part of the line. He organised men from various regiments who were retiring before a counter-attack. Though himself wounded, he remained at his post, and was mainly instrumental in repulsing a counter-attack.

Temp. 2nd Lt. Edwin Alboro Ketteringham, Norf. R.

For conspicuous gallantry during a raid. He entered the enemy's trenches, gathered useful information, and inflicted considerable loss. During the previous reconnaissance he brought back a wounded man under fire.

2nd Lt. Sidney John King, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry. He carried out a difficult and dangerous reconnaissance, and, though fired at by machine guns close to an enemy's strong point, remained out until he had completed his work. He was out altogether eight hours, and his information was of the greatest value.

Temp. Lt. Wilfrid Lyle King, Midd'x R.

For conspicuous gallantry in leading a bombing party to attack an enemy strong point. He showed great determination and courage until himself wounded.

Lt. (temp. Capt.) Ralph Bertram Kite, Oxf. & Bucks. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. He did fine work organising the attack, and displayed great coolness and utter disregard of danger. When the bombers holding one of our saps had become casualties, he went at once to the spot, organised the defence, and threw bombs himself.

2nd Lt. Macgregor Knox, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. When he was liaison officer with the infantry during an attack, he returned under heavy shell fire to his O.P. to fetch some apparatus which the infantry required. Next day he found out the position of our infantry at great personal risk, and, no other means of communication being available, he returned under heavy shell fire to report to the Brigadier. On his way he was knocked over by a shell and fainted twice, but succeeded in making his report.

2nd Lt. Oswald William Latham, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. He personally reconnoitred the ground won by our infantry and sent back a most valuable report. It was not believed that our infantry could have advanced so far as the line they were actually holding. 2nd Lt. Latham's speedy report was, therefore, of very special value.

Temp. 2nd Lt. Victor Alfred Lavers, R. Berks. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. When his senior officers became casualties, he reorganised a new line of defence, and held his own against determined attacks.

2nd Lt. Edward Lawrence, North'd Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry when leading a successful raid against the enemy's trenches. Though early wounded in the head, he stuck to his command and assisted to remove the wounded under heavy fire.

Temp. 2nd Lt. Alan Layfield, L'pool R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He brought up a trench mortar and successfully dispersed the enemy, who were massing for a counter attack. Under heavy shell fire he continued to fire his guns, and rendered great assistance to the troops on our right, who were held up.

Lt. (temp. Capt.) Kenneth Harper Leake, N. Lan. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. After an attack he took out a patrol with a machine gun, and established a post to protect the right flank of the outpost line, though the enemy were still in position on the flank and rear and were using machine guns.