

occasions. He carried out daring reconnaissances under the most difficult conditions, and obtained information of the utmost value. He set a fine example of courage and initiative.

2nd Lt. Herbert Henry Tyler, Notts. & Derby. R., attd. Leic. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a torpedo party. Although wounded, he remained with his party until the torpedoes were satisfactorily exploded. He carried out splendid reconnaissance work in this area before and for the attack.

2nd Lt. Frederick Kenneth Walbank, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He carried out a dangerous reconnaissance and obtained most valuable information. Later, he controlled the fire of one of the forward guns with marked ability. He set a splendid example throughout.

Temp. 2nd Lt. George Walker.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He worked continuously for six hours under very heavy fire, and succeeded in erecting three lorry bridges across our front line trenches.

2nd Lt. John Steel Watson, Arg. & Suth'd Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Although wounded, he went forward with two bombers and commenced bombing the enemy trench, thereby covering the retreat of the remainder of the party.

2nd Lt. (temp. Lt.) Richard Henry White, Lond. R., attd. Oxf. & Bucks. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Accompanied by two men, he went out four times to examine the enemy wire, and, in spite of meeting several hostile parties, attained his objective and brought back very valuable information.

Lt. (actg. Capt.) Arthur Cecil Willison, Notts. & Derby. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He, with his platoon, personally led five important and hazardous reconnoitring parties. He seized a partially evacuated enemy trench, and was largely responsible for the success of the operations.

Temp. Lt. Alexander Paterson Young, R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed great courage and ability in establishing dumps of bombs in the front line preparatory to an attack on the enemy's trenches.

12/481 S./M. Charles Polden, York. & Lanc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He collected a few men and carried several wounded men to cover under very heavy fire. He has on many previous occasions done fine work.

13/297 C.S.M. John Bennet Wilson, E. York. Regt.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He

with his Company Commander and eight men consolidated two shell holes, and though unsupported held this post against repeated counter-attacks for seven hours. He set a splendid example throughout.

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Lt. Samuel William Aldenton, Aust. Fld. Arty.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He laid an armoured cable to the front line, being under very heavy fire for a great part of the time. On another occasion he carried out most valuable reconnaissances and sent in excellent reports. He set a splendid example throughout the operations.

Lt. Leslie St. John Allen, Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his company in a most gallant manner, and throughout the operations set a magnificent example to his men. He led out a patrol and obtained valuable information.

2nd Lt. Reginald Francis Baillieu, R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Accompanied by his observer, he descended to the rescue of a pilot who had been forced to land and who had set his machine on fire. He landed safely on difficult ground, and, in spite of the close proximity of the enemy, succeeded in rescuing the pilot and in carrying off his two passengers under a close and heavy rifle fire.

2nd Lt. Eric Sullivan Baldock, Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed great courage and ability in establishing and maintaining communication in spite of heavy hostile fire. Later, he supervised the laying of nearly two miles of wire to forward posts within 300 yards of the enemy position.

Lt. Allan Torrance Doig, Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On several occasions he carried out very valuable reconnaissance work under heavy fire. On another occasion he led out a patrol, and in spite of heavy hostile fire ably fulfilled the duties allotted to him.

Lt. John Lowe Fawcett, Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He organised the defence of his post with marked skill, and maintained his position in spite of two determined enemy counter-attacks.

2nd Lt. Cyril Denton Fethers, Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led a reconnoitring patrol in a most gallant manner, and brought back valuable information. He set a splendid example to his men throughout the operations.

2nd Lt. Henry Alfred Harrison, Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He organised a small party, and succeeded in clearing the enemy out of a village. On one occasion he attacked and dispersed a party of 100 of the enemy.