2nd Lt. John Whitham Whitaker, R.F.A., .Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in command of trench mortars. He co-operated with a raid with complete success, although subjected during the preparation to heavy shell fire. It was owing to his efforts that the enemy wire was cut and the successful carrying out of the raid made possible.

Capt. Roger Searle Whitmore, Shrops. L.I.,

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a hostile raid on our trenches. Throughout an intense bombardment by every description of projectile he kept his line manned and successfully repulsed the enemy. He showed admirable skill and energy in organising the defence, and later in re-establishing the line when it had been practically flattened by the violence of the barrage.

T./Capt. Hugh Frederic Wickens, M.B., R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in attending to the wounded whilst the camp was being heavily shelled. The dressing station was totally unprotected, and when it was eventually destroyed by enemy shell fire he showed splendid initiative and coolness in re-establishing his station elsewhere, continuing to clear the wounded and do his work in the most gallant and devoted manner. He has on several previous occasions displayed conduct of the same high order.

T./2nd Lt. (T./Capt.) Horace George Wildbore, attd. Midd'x R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Owing to the guide having lost his way to the assembly trenches, he found himself with only a portion of his company in position at the commencement of the attack. He led them, however, with the greatest coolness and determination, advancing upon his objective until held up by heavy machine gun and rifle fire. He then consolidated his position and held it until relieved some forty-five hours later. He has consistently set a splendid example of coolness and disregard of danger when under fire.

T./Capt. Ernest Leslie Williams, Gen. List, and R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in co-operating with our artillery, often under extremely unfavourable weather conditions. On one occasion in particular, although very much hampered by mist and clouds, he ranged three of our batteries on to a hostile battery position and enabled them to demolish it. His splendid example has been of the greatest value to his squadron.

2nd Lt. Oswald James Williams, Durh. L.I. For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. At a critical time, when his men had become disorganised owing to darkness, he went up and down the line through machine gun and shell fire, establishing communication with his flanks and consolidating his position. Although counter-attacked, he

held his own until relieved on the following night, and it was entirely due to his fine example and absolute disregard of danger that a critical position was held.

2nd Lt. George Logan Wilson, London R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Hearing that some men had been wounded at night about a mile away, he obtained a stretcher and went to their assistance, accompanied by a private, through very heavy shell fire. Having rescued one man, he made a second journey and brought in another, performing this extremely gallant deed under circumstances of intense difficulty; the night was pitch dark, it was pouring with rain, and the ground was a mass of shell holes and deep mud. He showed splendid devotion and disregard of his own personal safety.

Lt. Philip Grimwade Wilson, Suff. R., attd. M.G. Coy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a hostile attack. With the aid of one man he released a machine gun section which was imprisoned with its guns in a blocked dug-out, under an intense barrage. He then brought them into action in an advanced position, and showed exceptional skill and gallantry throughout. His conduct is all the more creditable, as he had only arrived at the front three days previously.

2nd Lt. (T./Capt.) Wilfred Gladstone Wilson, Y. & L.R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in leading his company with complete success and great determination. On reaching the objective he went to the aid of one of his men who had engaged three of the enemy single-handed and assisted to make them prisoners, afterwards promptly organising his line and making sound and efficient dispositions against counter-attacks. His conduct throughout the action was marked by great ability and coolness under fire.

2nd Lt. Douglas John Winnicott, Notts. & Derby. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a patrol. When held up by wire, he got into the open and attacked an enemy post at very close range. Next day he led his men with the utmost gallantry in the attack, showing great coolness and ability in organising his posts and getting his men to work. His fearlessness and splendid example under continuous enemy sniping did very much to encourage his men.

2nd Lt. Walter Bertram Wood, Hamp. R. and R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on many occasions, when engaged with hostile aircraft, during which he has shown a fine offensive spirit and the utmost fearlessness. He has had no less than twenty-three combats, in the course of which he has destroyed and driven down numerous enemy machines, frequently attacking several single-handed, and on one occasion fighting with his revolver when he had run short of gun ammunition.