

he had carried out four daring personal reconnaissances of the position.

2nd Lt. Leonard Schofield Winn, Hamps. R., attd. M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a battery of machine guns. Whilst engaged in an indirect fire barrage under very heavy shell fire, he went from gun to gun, cheering and exhorting his men and accurately carrying out his orders. Later, when his ammunition mules had been stampeded by a shell, he pushed forward and appointed carrying parties whereby he still maintained a supply of ammunition sufficient for the second barrage, which he again carried out with complete success under heavy shell fire. Finally, when the hostile counter-attack came, he brought intense fire to bear upon the enemy, and the excellent work accomplished by his guns was entirely due to the splendid personal example set by this officer.

Lt. Robert Neville Southam Withers, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. As forward observing officer with the attacking infantry he succeeded in laying a telephone wire under a very heavy enemy barrage. Whilst dashing forward his party was subjected to heavy shell fire and had many casualties, but he did not abandon his task until compelled to do so by being severely wounded in the shoulder.

2nd Lt. Howard Percy Wolstencroft, S. Lan. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an advance of 2,000 yards he skilfully kept his men together, repeatedly rushing enemy snipers in shell holes and displaying fine leadership under heavy machine gun cross fire. His work in the consolidation of captured trenches and during heavy bombardment, and his initiative and determination in dealing with counter-attacks were deserving of the highest praise.

T./2nd Lt. Ethelbert Wood, attd. W. Rid. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in leading his company in the attack upon a very strong position occupied by greatly superior numbers of the enemy with machine guns. On two occasions he crawled over ground swept by machine gun fire and covered by snipers, in full daylight, to report the situation to his company commander; and when the situation became so critical that it was necessary to withdraw, he carried out the order with such skill and coolness that there were no casualties, by his splendid leadership and contempt of danger filling his men with the greatest confidence.

2nd Lt. Frank Featherstone Wood, N. Lan. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid on the enemy's trenches. Although wounded in the leg as soon as he left the trench, he hobbled on and led his men to the objective, capturing one prisoner himself. His splendid and plucky example had a most inspiring effect on his men, and added greatly to the success of the operation.

T./2nd Lt. Hector Frederick Wood, R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a heavy enemy counter-attack upon his line of advanced posts. He showed splendid fearlessness and ability under shell fire, keeping touch with the posts on his right and left, and by his personal example maintaining the morale of his men at a critical period, when the enemy had broken through the line on his left.

T./Lt. Sydney Herbert Wood, R.M. Arty.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a forward observation post. He established communication where others had failed, and pushed forward to a very advanced position, where he was severely wounded in two places. In spite of this, he remained at his post and continued to superintend the mending of broken wires under heavy shell fire throughout the night. He then brought his party together to the gun position, having set a splendid example of endurance and gallantry.

T./2nd Lt. (A./Capt.) William Bertram Wood, Wilts. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when commanding the third wave of an attack. It was largely due to his ability and determination that the objective was reached and consolidated in spite of obstacles and strong opposition from enemy machine guns. The success of the operation was brought about by his skilful leading and fine personal example.

T./Lt. (T./Capt.) Henry Winslow Woollett, Gen. List and R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in engaging three enemy aircraft and following them down to a low altitude behind the enemy's lines, destroying one and driving down another out of control during the operations. He has done excellent work as a patrol leader, and has always displayed great gallantry in aerial combats, having brought down three other enemy machines in addition to those already mentioned.

T./2nd Lt. John Woollett, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on many occasions. When engaged in marking out machine-gun emplacements, he insisted on going out to complete his task, although he had been heavily gassed a short time before. He was ill for several days from the effects. Again, when in charge of a working party, one of his legs was shattered by a shell, and he was also wounded in two other places. He, however, gave clear and concise orders to his party to withdraw to safety, and it was not until this had been achieved that he allowed himself to be attended to. He set a magnificent example of coolness and cheerfulness to his men, although suffering great pain from his wounds.

2nd Lt. Ernest John Woolsey, Norf. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a hostile attack on our trenches. He displayed the greatest initiative and fearlessness in organising the supports, taking reinforcements up through a heavy barrage and personally bringing a Stokes mortar into action under very heavy shell fire after it