

officers had become casualties. Though unsupported and enfiladed on both flanks he lay out in shell holes for thirty hours, finally bringing back the remainder of the company through the enemy's lines.

275201 Sjt. T. B. M. Cunningham, Arg. and Suth'd High. (Carron, Stirlingshire).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He commanded a platoon with the greatest courage and determination in an attack. On reaching his objective he immediately reorganised and consolidated the position, and then led a party forward to clear the enemy from his front. During heavy enemy shelling and counter-attacks he continually encouraged his men, quite regardless of his own safety, and the success achieved was largely due to his magnificent example and initiative.

22/264 Pte. G. Curry, North'd Fus. (South Shields).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as a company runner, carrying messages, each time successfully, through a hostile barrage. When a shell fell in a trench, burying four men, he got on top of the parapet, and under heavy machine-gun fire, dug them out.

776382 A./Bomdr. P. Dalton, R.F.A. (Ilkley).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When an ammunition dump was set alight after the position had been rendered untenable, and had been evacuated, he ran across, and after a stiff fight, succeeded in extinguishing the flames under very heavy shell fire.

15201 Cpl. A. Danby, York. R. (Acomb, York.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of the battalion signallers and runners. He carried an important message to all the companies of his battalion immediately before the attack under heavy shell fire, and afterwards kept the lines repaired under continuous fire. He set a splendid example of indifference to danger.

G/15198 Pte. J. Daniels, Midd'x R. (Waltham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as a stretcher-bearer. He several times rescued wounded in the face of heavy machine-gun and rifle fire. On one occasion, when three stretcher-bearers were wounded at their work in the open, he went out and brought all three in turn to safety. He set a fine example of courage and contempt of danger.

37668 B.Q.M.S. F. Darling, R.F.A. (Forest Gate, Essex).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in charge of wagons bringing ammunition to the battery. Finding the road blocked by wagons of other units, whose drivers had taken cover in the ditches owing to the heavy shelling, he went forward, and himself pulled them out of the ditch, and forced them to go back to their horses, which were in danger of being stampeded.

240583 L./Cpl. A. Davidson, Gord. Highrs. (Newburgh, Nr. Aberdeen).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He attacked and captured single handed an enemy post of eight men. This prompt and plucky deed was also the means of an enemy machine-gun being deserted, which was being defended by this post.

40051 Sjt. D. Davies, Tank Corps (Newton-le-Willows, Lancs.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He took command of his tank when his commander was wounded, and guided it through a heavy barrage to safety. Later he took it into action and inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy, and rendered valuable assistance to the infantry when they were held up by machine-gun fire. His coolness and courage contributed largely to the success of the operations.

18086 Cpl. J. Davies, Ches. R. (New Ferry, Birkenhead).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When a large gap occurred in the line he at once filled the gap with his Lewis gun team. He also cleared a dug-out, capturing several prisoners. His initiative and promptness undoubtedly saved the situation.

15625 Pte. M. Davies, Welsh R., att'd. L.T.M. By. (Port Talbot).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When he was the only man left of his gun team he dug an emplacement and assembled the gun under heavy fire. He went over the open under machine-gun fire to fetch ammunition. He showed great courage and determination.

5499 Pte. J. H. Davis, M.G.C. (Oswestry).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He rendered valuable services as runner under most difficult conditions, and successfully carried messages through heavy barrages. When his officer was wounded he helped him out under heavy fire, and at once returned to his post. His courage and contempt of danger were beyond all praise.

18437 Cpl. C. A. Deaville, N. Staff. R. (Bucknall, Shrops.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He crept forward with one man to an enemy strong point in front of the final objective, the garrison of which were keeping up a heavy and accurate fire. He killed several of the enemy, and the remainder fled, except one, whom he took prisoner.

3331 Sjt. E. E. Depper, Rif. Bde. (Canvey Island, Essex).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in command of his party after the officer had been killed, leading his men with great dash and personally killing several of the enemy. On returning to our trenches he carried back the body of his officer under heavy machine gun fire.

79294 Spr. P. Dewhurst, R.E. (Blackpool).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. A large ammunition dump, near which he was working, was set on fire by