

4520 Sjt. F. H. Snook, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This N.C.O. displayed great dash, being instrumental in capturing three hostile posts with their garrisons and machine guns. By his promptitude and initiative in rushing these posts, almost before the barrage had lifted from them, his company were undoubtedly saved many casualties.

131 Sjt. J. McD. Stewart, A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He continually led his bearers under heavy barrages, often acting as bearer himself to fill the place of casualties. He worked continuously for thirty-six hours without rest, and by his splendid example acted as a high incentive to his men.

275 C.S.M. T. R. Swan, M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He took charge of six machine guns when his officer was killed, took them forward in the advance and placed them in excellent tactical positions. He also got into action two captured enemy machine guns. Though badly wounded he encouraged and inspired his men by his splendid example.

2048 Cpl. G. W. Taylor, Engrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when working on the construction of a strong point under heavy fire. He took charge when his officer was wounded, and, keeping his men under perfect control, completed the work. He showed great initiative and fearlessness.

392 Sjt. (now 2nd Lt.) C. Thompson, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his platoon commander became a casualty at the final objective, he immediately took command and consolidated and wired the position. He reconnoitred his front under heavy machine-gun fire, and set a splendid example to his platoon throughout.

3949 T./Sjt. W. A. Trevena, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Though badly wounded, he went forward in the attack and led his section towards their objective until put out of action by a second wound. He set a splendid example of courage and determination to his men.

1576 Sjt. L. E. Vernazoni, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This N.C.O., when his platoon officer had become a casualty, took charge at a critical moment, controlling the men and leading them on. It was largely due to his fearlessness that an enemy "pill-box" was successfully dealt with. Throughout he showed himself to be a fine leader, and inspired his men by his fearlessness and determination.

1021 Cpl. W. Wade, Engrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. While repairing cables the N.C.O. in charge was wounded. He promptly took charge, and with utter disregard for personal danger directed their work from crater to crater. He worked his party under continuous shell fire and completed his task.

He maintained these communications for five successive days.

735 Sjt. A. C. Walder, Pnrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in command of a platoon after his officer had become a casualty. Although wounded, he remained with his platoon for five hours until the completion of the track between two strong points.

2692 Pte. H. B. Warner-Bubb, Pioneer Bn.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. A truck of ammunition close to a dressing station was set on fire and several shells exploded, endangering the lives of the wounded and others. For ten minutes he continued to pour water on to the burning truck until severely wounded by an explosion. His prompt action undoubtedly saved many lives.

2818 C.S.M. G. Webster, Engrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was detailed with a party to construct communications to a captured position over marshy ground. In spite of heavy and continuous barrage fire he accomplished his task with great skill in the most difficult circumstances. He did excellent work on many other occasions, and always set his men an inspiring example of coolness and contempt of danger.

6702 Pte. W. A. Wilkins, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the advance was held up by two enemy machine-guns, with another man he dashed forward, captured one of the guns, putting the team out of action. This gallant act inspired other men to attack and capture the second gun, taking many prisoners and allowing the advance to proceed.

1068 Sjt. H. Williams, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. Single-handed he attacked an enemy concrete blockhouse which was holding up the advance, and captured it with ten prisoners. He showed the greatest initiative and determination throughout the engagement.

685 C.S.M. R. C. P. Wilson, Engrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. The enemy shelled a light railway train, and a truck containing ammunition was set on fire, several explosions were caused, and other trucks were set alight. He at once went to the spot, uncoupled single-handed the burning trucks, and enabled the rest of the train to be got away. Further explosions still occurred, and by his courage and presence of mind he prevented the destruction of a large amount of ammunition and rolling stock.

2232 Sjt. (now 2nd Lt.) J. R. Wood, M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his officer was killed during an attack he at once took charge of his section and handled his guns very skilfully, rendering valuable service to the infantry. Though wounded, he would not leave his post for three days. He set a fine example of courage and determination.