

considerable machine-gun and rifle fire, but he kept them going, and the position was successfully captured and consolidated. His stout-hearted leadership was of the greatest value, and he set a fine example of pluck and determination.

304530 Pte. E. R. Tyler, Lond. R., attd. R. Bde. (Plumstead).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the enemy's bombardment, before his infantry attack, a Lewis gun and the whole of its team were buried. Seeing this, he left the trench, ran to the position, dug out the gun, and got it into action single-handed by the time the enemy's attack was launched. He continued to fire the gun throughout the attack, and by his coolness and initiative saved what threatened to be a very critical situation.

20479 L./Cpl. H. Unsworth, G. Gds. (Wigan).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in rushing, together with another N.C.O., two field guns and twenty-four of the enemy, who were lying by the guns and firing their rifles. They surrendered when they charged them with the bayonet.

242558 Pte. W. G. Upton, Lan. Fus. (Swansea).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. For thirty hours he carried messages to and fro from all parts of the battlefield, and never once failed to carry out his task. On two occasions he was blown into the air by shells, but recovered and carried out his orders. On relief, he collapsed from sheer fatigue and had to be assisted back.

G/10386 Pte. G. Vickery, Mdx. R. (Hounslow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He continually carried important messages through heavy shell fire and through intense barrages. He also conducted carrying parties forward when the shelling was at its worst. His cheerfulness and courage were a splendid example throughout the action.

218 Pte. J. Voller, R.W. Surr. R. (Kilnplatt).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as a company stretcher-bearer during a raid. He remained in the enemy trench after the raiding party had withdrawn, to look after any wounded. On his way back he worked for six hours under fire in "No Man's Land," eventually getting three men back to our lines.

241248 C./S./M. T. Vose, S. Lan. R. (St. Helens).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his men became disorganised, owing to heavy machine-gun and snipers' fire, he showed great courage and coolness in rallying several parties and leading them forward. He was among the first to reach the objective.

2259 Pte. O. F. Waddington, W. Gds. (Llantrisant).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He went out in daylight with a party in an attempt to destroy an enemy strong

point. On reaching the enemy's lines he stood on the parapet and tried to take them prisoners, but his party were outnumbered, and fired on by the enemy, and were forced to withdraw. Two of his party were wounded, and he went out in daylight to search for them, and succeeded in bringing one of them in, though under fire from enemy snipers the whole time. At night he went out with a party to find the other wounded man, and went right up to and along the enemy's trench. He set a splendid example of courage and determination.

24478 Cpl. C. J. Wall, R. Dub. Fus. (Battersea).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. He went out to establish connection with the company on his right and on his way found a party which was held up by fire from two machine-guns. He at once took command, organised them into a bombing party, which he led, capturing both guns and ten prisoners. He showed the greatest courage and initiative.

9650 C.S.M. J. Wallgrove, R.W. Fus. (Warwick).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the enemy retired he and an officer and two men went out and attacked a "pill-box," killing three of the enemy himself.

8/10879 Sjt. (A./C.S.M.) H. Ward, S. Staff. R. (Willenhall).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his company straight to the final objective with great coolness and disregard of danger, and organised the consolidation of the captured position, all the officers having become casualties. He personally captured twenty prisoners and continued to command the company with great courage and ability for two days.

6047 C.S.M. V. W. Ward, R.W. Fus. (Blackpool).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He took command of his company when all the officers were casualties. Later in the day, when the supply of ammunition in the front line gave out, by his personal example and influence he held his position until the arrival of a fresh supply. His courage and example were undoubtedly responsible for maintaining the front-line position.

40603 Pte. (A./Sjt.) C. A. Watch, Lanc. Fus. (Shepton Mallet).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When an enemy machine-gun post was seriously affecting the left of the line, he collected three men, and rushed it, putting the gun out of action and capturing two officers and twenty-five men. At the end of the attack the party found themselves in enemy lines, but though a barrage was put on it by our artillery they succeeded in making their way back to our lines.

6434 Pte. (A./L./Sjt.) T. Waterman, R.A.M.C. (Gillingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in leading his squads of bearers eight times through an intense barrage and get-