

objectives and other valuable reports. He kept his lines working, continually going about repairing them under heavy fire, and sent in timely information of an enemy concentration for a counter-attack. He showed ceaseless energy and determination.

2nd Lt. Norman Scarratt, Ches. R., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He took command of his company during an advance and led them forward to the final objective with great dash and skill. He handled his men with great ability, which contributed largely to the success achieved by his battalion.

Lt. Frank Montgomery Scott, R. Scots.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. The leading wave of the company was held up by hostile machine-gun fire. He quickly reorganised the three platoons, and again leading them forward captured the objective.

2nd Lt. Geoffrey Oswald Hamilton Sergeant, Hamps. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. He led the leading wave through heavy machine-gun fire to the first objective, where he was badly wounded. His courage before and after he was wounded was a fine example to all ranks.

2nd Lt. (A./Capt.) George Sheppard, R.G.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. A shell set fire to a group of cartridges, and he immediately organised parties, got the fire under, and had the wounded removed under heavy shell fire. But for his prompt action most serious losses both of life and material must have resulted.

2nd Lt. Eric Russell Sinclair, Arg. & Suth'd Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. Though wounded at the beginning of the attack he went forward and established his platoon in a good position on their objective. When heavily counter-attacked, he showed a fine example of courage and initiative which contributed largely to the repulse of the enemy.

T./2nd Lt. Edmund Smith, attd. North'd Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. On reaching his objective after heavy fighting he collected the men of his company and took command when the company commander was wounded. Throughout the following thirty-six hours, by his coolness and disregard of danger, he set a magnificent example to his men.

T./2nd Lt. Frank Edward Corbitt Douglas Smith, Durh. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a counter-attack by the enemy he led his platoon forward out of the trenches the better to meet the attack and brought his left flank up so that the enemy were enfiladed and driven back in disorder. He set a fine example to his men throughout the operations.

T./2nd Lt. Percival Frank Smith, attd. K.R.R.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After many officers of his battalion had become casualties he gathered scattered parties of men together and reorganised them in the captured position under continuous and heavy shell fire. Later during a relief he guided the fresh troops over difficult country, and it was entirely due to his cool and courageous behaviour and untiring energy that the relief was successfully carried out.

2nd Lt. (T./Lt.) Sydney Larom Smith, Leins. R., Spec. Res., attd. M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He advanced with two machine guns and brought them into action under intense shell fire, remaining at his post for sixty hours. He took command of the infantry round about him when their officers had become casualties, and set a fine example of endurance and devotion to duty.

2nd Lt. (A./Capt.) Frederick James Snook, N. Staffs. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When battalion headquarters had been destroyed by shell fire and nearly all the personnel became casualties, by his energy and example he enabled a new headquarters to be formed and communication with the brigade rapidly re-established. His fearlessness and conduct in a critical situation were most exemplary.

Lt. Richard Hassard Stacpoole, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He worked indefatigably for several nights getting batteries into action in advanced positions. The work was carried out under enemy shell fire, and required the utmost skill in order to avoid detection by the enemy.

2nd Lt. John Arnold Stannard, Hamps. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the enemy counter-attacked and forced back the troops on his flank, he rallied them, led them forward, and restored the position. It was largely due to his initiative and leading that the counter-attack was beaten off.

T./Lt. Harold Graham Steele, North'd Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his company with great ability in an advance, capturing two enemy strong points almost single-handed, and with his company consolidated an important position. His initiative and determination were of great service in saving the situation at a critical period.

Lt. Adrian Consett Stephen, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. While in temporary command of his battery under heavy shell fire, he himself manned one of his guns to keep up the necessary fire and later carried a badly wounded non-commissioned officer into safety. On another occasion he was the means of saving life under an intense enemy bombardment. His example and courage went a long way to enable his battery to keep in action.