

No. 14575 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) J. Hayter, R.E. (near Reading).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When a retirement was started he stood in the road and turned men back, encouraging them to hold their ground. Later, he was directly responsible for preventing a retirement, and showed considerable skill in organising the trench for defence.

23938 Cpl. H. Haywood, S. Wales Bord. (Sheffield).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in dressing wounded day and night all through an attack. Although the aid post was blown down three times, he carried on in the open under heavy fire, and assisted in finding shelter for the wounded after each aid post was destroyed.

201387 Pte. J. Heard, R. Highrs. (Invergowrie).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as company runner. He carried numerous messages from the front line to battalion headquarters over ground knee deep in mud when other runners were exhausted. During an enemy counter-attack he carried messages to all parts of the front line under heavy machine-gun and snipers' fire. When the company guides had gone astray he volunteered to guide in the relieving company, and did so successfully.

R/10012 Rfn. J. W. Hardy, K.R.R.C. ([E] Stepney).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was returning from an advanced post when he met with an enemy patrol. He at once attacked single-handed, and brought three men back with him as prisoners.

\*41803 Cpl. A. Heke, R.F.A. (Pontyclun, Glam.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as battery signaller. He frequently laid and repaired lines in the open under heavy fire, showing great coolness and determination.

23050 L./C. L. Hennefer, G. Gds. (Bolton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After three N.C.O.'s of his platoon had become casualties he at once reorganised the platoon and captured two machine-guns at the point of the bayonet. He then chased a party of twenty-five of the enemy into a dug-out and made them prisoners. With great dash and skill he continued to lead his platoon on to its objective.

50866 Cpl. R. B. Henry, R.F.A. ([E] Finchley, W.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the whole of his gun detachment became casualties, though he was wounded and his right eye destroyed, he bandaged the other men under heavy fire and assisted in carrying them to cover. He showed magnificent courage and self-sacrifice.

17669 Cpl. (L./Sjt.) P. J. Herbert, Devon. R. (Stepney).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in keeping his Lewis gun in action under very bad conditions and causing many casualties to the enemy during a counter-attack. When his platoon serjeant was killed he took over his duties and reorganised the platoon.

9524 Pte. J. Hewett, S. Wales Bord. (Limehouse).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When all the officers and N.C.O.'s of his company had become casualties he took command, rallied and reorganised the men, led them in several counter-attacks. He maintained his position till the battalion was relieved when he brought his men out of action.

8785 Sjt. W. Hill, C. Gds. (Caterham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He took charge of his platoon when its commander became a casualty, and in the face of heavy fire led it forward to the final objective. On his own initiative he threw out a protective flank, and then personally led a bayonet charge against a strong point, which had a telling effect on the enemy. Later, he took over the duties of Company Serjeant-Major, and showed the greatest coolness and efficiency.

4/7782 Pte. H. Hines, W. York. R. (Tyne Dock).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a hostile counter-attack, in which our positions were penetrated, all details were collected and rushed to a position covering the village. He, on his own initiative and under heavy machine-gun and rifle fire, placed a machine-gun on a track and used it with such telling effect on the enemy that they were repulsed, thus ensuring the safety of the transport.

96187 Pte. W. Hitchcock, M.G.C. (Wellington, Somerset).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When all the other members of his machine-gun team had become casualties during an action, he assisted his officer to get the gun into action, showing great determination and resource.

8258 C.S.M. M. Hobbs, M.M., Devon. R. (Devonport).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of his company after all the officers had been wounded. He succeeded in pushing forward advanced posts and establishing a new line in spite of considerable enemy activity.

200007 (frmly. 40) C.S.M. H. Hoggarth, E. Yorks. R. (Hull).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in attending to the wounded under heavy fire, both in the open and in the trenches, on several occasions.

326580 Pte. A. J. Holmes, Cambs. R. (Cambridge).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as a stretcher-bearer. He dressed and evacuated the wounded all night under heavy