

of heliograph and flag, signalling from a very exposed position under heavy fire. His gallant action was of great value during a critical period.

420232 Sjt. J. Hopwood, Lond. R. (Bow, E.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. The company having suffered heavy casualties he organised the remainder of his company and held on to his position throughout the day. His cheerful and courageous behaviour inspired his men under the most difficult and trying circumstances.

20177 L./Cpl. M. Horan, G. Gds. (Haslingden).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of a post which was attacked by superior numbers of the enemy. He prevented most of the enemy from reaching his position, inflicting casualties on them as they approached and killed the only one who succeeded in entering the post. He then went to the assistance of another party who were hard pressed by the enemy. He showed the greatest courage and determination throughout.

200943 C./S./M. G. H. Houghton, R. War. R. (Birmingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This W.O. displayed untiring energy and indomitable courage whilst acting as regimental serjeant-major when the enemy attack reached battalion headquarters. It was mainly owing to his assistance that that portion of the line was successfully defended. He inspired all ranks by his personal example.

82362 Pte. C. E. Hunter, M.G.C. (Wallsley).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In the face of heavy enemy shell fire from three different directions he made over thirty journeys between his post and the ammunition dump. His determination and gallantry undoubtedly saved the situation, since it enabled the guns to continue firing, whereby heavy counter-attacks were repulsed with loss to the enemy.

345083 L./C. A. Hutchings, Devon. R. (Moretonhampstead).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the defence of an objective, on the line being slightly withdrawn he at great personal risk went forward, brought in two boxes of grenades and continued to throw these under heavy fire, thus enabling this portion of the line to carry out its withdrawal successfully. His splendid conduct during the whole action cannot be too highly praised.

491908 Pte. I. Hyams, Lond. R. (Southampton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was always right to the fore during the whole of the attack, and in four successive bayonet charges, which succeeded in repulsing hostile counter-attacks, he was the first man on each occasion to come to grips with the foe. His dash and splendid fighting spirit set a most stirring example to his comrades.

6/936 A./Sjt. T. Hyde, R. Mun. Fus. (Cardiff).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in command of a patrol of one platoon which was fired on by the enemy at short range. He at once led his men to the attack and captured an officer and eleven other prisoners. He was then counter-attacked by over 60 of the enemy; he sent one man back with the prisoners, engaged the enemy, inflicting heavy casualties on them, and then withdrew his party, bringing back two of his men who had been wounded. He set a magnificent example of courage and initiative.

61334 L./C. T. W. Jenkinson, M.G.C. (Leamington).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a critical period, after the majority of his team had become casualties, he continued to fire his gun with great courage and coolness, thus rendering invaluable assistance to the infantry, which he was supporting. His gallantry and determination throughout were most meritorious.

590906 C./S./M. A. Johnson, Lond. R. (Clapham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in command of a company, during heavy and continuous shelling, he displayed the greatest courage and resource. Although badly gassed, he commanded the company with the greatest ability and refused to be evacuated until ordered by the Medical Officer.

L/7655 Sjt. J. T. Johnson, R.F.A. (Sacriston).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When an N.C.O. was buried by an enemy shell he at once set to work with three others to dig him out under an intense enemy bombardment. A shell fell among the party, killing the three men with him, but he remained on the spot and continued to work until he found that the buried N.C.O. was dead. He set a magnificent example of courage and self-sacrifice.

300305 Pte. R. C. Johnson, Yeo. (Birmingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Volunteers being called for to bring out of a shell-swept zone the wagons of an ammunition column, he immediately came forward and assisted in improvising teams from amongst the sound horses. Later, whilst he was taking a wagon to a place of safety, on the wheel driver being severely wounded, he pulled him from under the wheels of the wagon, and then succeeded in getting the wagon with the team of mules over the ridge to safety. His conduct throughout was characterised by great gallantry and coolness.

9738 C./S./M. D. T. Jones, S.W. Bord. (Bargoed).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of a party carrying up ammunition to the firing line, he was heavily fired upon by the enemy. He skillfully withdrew his party, inflicted serious losses on the enemy and saved all the ammunition. As regimental serjeant-major, he