

wiring was completed. All through the engagement his fearlessness and initiative were beyond all praise.

34837 C./S./M. (A./R.S.M.) W. Welford, E. Lanc. R. (Liverpool).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in bringing up supplies to the firing line under heavy fire. By his skill and coolness he undoubtedly prevented heavy casualties among the transport.

610824 Sjt. L. Wells, M.M., Lond. R. (Upper Tollington Park).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After all the company stretcher-bearers had become casualties he supervised the evacuation of all cases to the regimental aid post himself, under a very heavy barrage. Also, when acting as company quartermaster-serjeant, he conducted the ration parties through heavy fire and was successful in keeping the company supplied throughout the operations. By his coolness, courage and resource he set a splendid example to all ranks.

202113 Pte. (A./L./Cpl.) T. G. Weller, R.W. Surr. R. (Mitcham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He rushed forward alone to meet an enemy counter-attack and held up the enemy with bombs. He showed magnificent courage and initiative.

3/6292 Sjt. A. H. Wheatley, Leic. R. (Leicester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of the battalion signallers. When the telephone lines were cut he exposed himself to the enemy's fire with utter disregard of danger and sent messages with flag and heliograph.

L/5915 C./S./M. F. E. Wheeler, R. Fus. (Swindon).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Always cool and courageous, he performed his duties regardless of hostile fire, and though blown up by a shell and wounded he still carried on, and rendered invaluable aid to his company commander. He was also instrumental in digging out a machine gun team who had been buried by a shell, his promptitude in getting to work saving all their lives. No man could have set a higher example of the duties of a company serjeant-major in action.

S/6688 Pte. H. A. Whipp, R.W. Surr. R. (Rotherhithe).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Whilst his platoon was held up by a machine gun which had caused many casualties he rushed forward, killed two of the team, taking the remainder prisoners, and capturing the gun. Later, though wounded, he dashed ahead and killed a sniper who was harassing the advance. Showing a fine example of courage, he carried on until the final objective was reached.

34931 L./C. C. H. White, Bord. R. (Chester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the enemy made a determined attempt to outflank our troops he led his Lewis gun team to the exposed flank and brought heavy fire to bear on the enemy, checking their advance. Though badly wounded, he remained in action until ordered to leave the firing line. He showed great courage and determination.

31705 L./C. J. Whitwell, N. Lanc. R. (Liverpool).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. His Lewis gun mules broke loose when they came under heavy fire. He caught them and led them forward and brought his guns into action in a part of the line where they were urgently needed. He showed splendid coolness and initiative.

33268 L./C. F. Wilburn, Manch. R. (Manchester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He frequently carried messages under heavy fire. On one occasion he accompanied an officer on a difficult and dangerous reconnaissance, displaying great coolness and courage.

6328 C.S.M. A. Wilcox, K.R.R.C. (Sheffield).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This warrant officer ably assisted his company commander in organising the defence under very heavy shell and machine-gun fire. On the enemy making two bombing attacks his men began to run short of bombs during the second attack. He thereupon returned through a most severe barrage and, finding a dump of bombs, organised a party which, under his leadership, brought them up to the front several times. Throughout his extreme personal coolness and disregard of danger kept all ranks steady.

9212 Sjt. W. J. Williams, Glouc. R. (Hastings).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He took command when his officer was killed during an attack. He showed great dash and initiative in controlling his men and in leading them successfully to the capture of his objective.

200077 L./Sjt. A. Wilson, R. Scots (Edinburgh).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his officers and the senior N.C.O.'s of his company had become casualties he took command, pressed on, and continued to lead the company in the attack with great skill, determination and gallantry.

120794 Spr. F. Wilson, R.E. (Newark).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid on the enemy's trenches. He went forward and placed explosives in the enemy's wire before our barrage had lifted from the enemy's position. One of the charges failed to explode, and he went forward to investigate the misfire under