

captured trench under heavy fire, and set a splendid example to his men.

115036 R.Q.M.S. S. C. Irwin, Yeo. (Streat-ham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He did consistent good work throughout the operations, and showed great initiative and skill.

355623 C.S.M. E. James, Welsh Fus. (Swan-sea).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack he rushed an enemy machine gun single-handed and captured it with its two gunners. Later, during a withdrawal, he organised small parties and held successive positions, thus giving time for the removal of the wounded and carrying the withdrawal of his company from an untenable position. He showed magnificent courage and initiative.

20488 Pte. W. Jamieson, M.G.C. (Boddam).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He kept his gun in action under heavy shell and machine gun fire, rendering great assistance to the infantry in the attack, and, though wounded, he displayed great gallantry in assisting to rescue a wounded comrade under heavy fire.

200607 Pte. A. Jane, D.C.L.I. (St. Germans).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After being wounded, he displayed great courage and coolness in keeping his machine gun in action under heavy fire.

T4/245402 C./S./M. W. H. Johnston, A.S.C. (Manchester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a period of three months he has shown energy and initiative, has performed fine service, and has displayed great devotion to duty.

240014 C.S.M. A. C. Jones, Welsh R. (Mountain Ash).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed splendid qualities of leadership and courage on all occasions, and set an excellent example to his men.

48210 Sjt. G. W. King, R.E. (Lechlade).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During recent operations he has commanded a detachment of the cable section and has displayed great initiative, successfully maintaining communications between divisions under very trying conditions, thanks to his energy and keenness.

11781 Sjt. W. Lattimer, R.G.A. (Nottingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Throughout the preliminary bombardment, and especially on one occasion when the battery was heavily shelled, he displayed marked courage, endurance and cheerfulness, upholding the best traditions of the service. He supervised the working of his detachment and performed his duties in a conspicuously able manner.

200055 Sjt. W. Line, North'n R. (nr. Wellingborough).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the capture of the position he, as pioneer serjeant, commenced to construct a battalion headquarters under heavy fire. While doing so he was attacked by an enemy officer and three men, whom he immediately engaged with bombs, killing all of them. He displayed great courage and coolness.

301422 Bdr. J. Macleod, R.G.A. (Carloway).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of the signallers during the recent operations he has performed excellent work in frequently laying and mending wire under heavy shell fire. He has shown great devotion to duty.

54347 Cpl. S. B. Maylam, R.E. (Lenham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Throughout the recent operations, in addition to his work as motor cyclist artificer, he has always volunteered, whenever necessary, to perform the ordinary duties of a despatch rider. The fact that all the machines were brought out of action at the end of the period in running order was due to his untiring efforts and great devotion to duty.

345020 Sjt T O'Keeffe, Devon. R. (Torquay).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the action he showed the greatest gallantry in repeatedly rallying the men, repulsing counter-attacks, during which heavy losses were inflicted on the enemy. On a later occasion, during an attack, when the enemy launched a flank attack, he at once collected together some men and led a counter-attack. Though the enemy fell back before the dash and determination of this charge he nevertheless was compelled to withdraw. However, rallying his men again, he led them forward, charged the enemy and completely repulsed them. His courage, boldness and energy were beyond all praise.

386964 Sjt. M. J. O'Rourke, R.E. (Spec. Res.) (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Throughout a period of three months he has always carried out his duties in a cheerful and reliable manner, and has rendered valuable service under the most trying circumstances. His devotion to duty has been most praiseworthy.

280187 Sjt. H. Parker, Yeo. (Nottingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a hostile advance he led his troop up to meet the advancing enemy and brought his machine gun into action at very close range, displaying an utter contempt of danger. Throughout the whole of the operations he has set a fine example to the men of his troop.

56087 Pte. F. L. Pelling, M.G.C. (Brighton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the capture of the first objective