

he held back the enemy until reinforcements came up. Later, he made a personal reconnaissance of the whole brigade front under heavy fire, bringing back much valuable information.

Lt. Noel Gilbert, M.C., R. Welsh Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed the greatest skill in maintaining communication with the front line, repeatedly going out under shell and machine-gun fire, selecting routes for cables and keeping them intact. He set a fine example of courage, and his behaviour was most gallant.

2nd Lt. Thomas Fleming Gilkison, M.C., R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He remained at his guns the whole day under heavy fire, and his personal example and disregard of danger gave the finest example and encouragement to the detachment.

T./Capt. Geoffrey Ramsay Goldingham, M.C., R. Marines and M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He constantly moved about among his machine guns under an intense bombardment for two hours and by his indifference to danger steadied his men and kept his guns firing. When several of his guns were blown up during an enemy counter-attack and heavy bombardment he showed the greatest coolness and presence of mind in digging out two of them and getting them into action again.

T./Lt. (A./Capt.) Frank Harris Grange, M.C., R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. While he was searching a captured tunnel for mines with a small party he encountered a party of enemy bombers and an underground fight took place. He and his men held up the enemy and laid a demolition charge in the tunnel. They then withdrew and, when the enemy followed them up, exploded the charge and blocked the tunnel, securing the trench above from underground attack. He showed splendid initiative and fearlessness.

T./Lt. (A./Capt.) Henry Basil Melvin Groves, M.C., Tank Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He directed his tanks on foot during an attack under heavy rifle and machine-gun fire. He showed great skill and daring, and it was largely due to him that the infantry reached their objective with slight casualties.

T./Capt. Oswald Vernon Guy, M.C., Tank Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He accompanied his tanks on foot in an attack, and sent back most valuable information from his own observation. He set a magnificent example of coolness and resource.

2nd Lt. (A./Capt.) Walter Hammond, M.C., Midd'x R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in command of a large raiding

party he carried out a successful operation, and brought his party back with three prisoners and only a few minor casualties, despite heavy shell and rifle fire. Previously to the raid he had been of the greatest assistance to his commanding officer both in making preparations, reconnaissance, and in training the men for the operation. His skill and gallant leadership throughout were most marked.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Henry Harrison, M.C., R. Ir. Regt., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He went forward with the leading waves of an attack, and cleared a tunnel in the enemy's position, cutting all the wires leading to mines and capturing many prisoners. During the following days he did excellent work in the front line, and carried out a valuable reconnaissance of the enemy's wire. He showed splendid resource and initiative.

T./Lt. (A./Capt.) Edgar Owen Hill, M.C., S.W. Bord.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of a large raiding party. Throughout the operations he displayed the greatest courage, continually exposing himself to hostile fire to obtain better control over his command, and it was owing to his skilful handling and fine example that the objectives were captured.

T./Capt. (A./Maj.) Hugh Oliver Holmes, M.C., R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the enemy approaching to within close range of his battery he had to advance through the infantry, who were withdrawing, in order to obtain good observation of the enemy. He ordered his guns to be swung round, opened a heavy fire, and so held the enemy until a counter-attack was organised. Though under heavy rifle fire all the time, he continued to direct the fire of his battery on the enemy as they retired.

T./Capt. Percy Frederick Hone, M.C., Gen. List.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in reconnoitring a large area of fire-swept ground and obtaining valuable information. In an extreme forward area he found isolated detachments of men without officers, and rallying these, he led them, under very heavy fire, to a neighbouring battalion, to which he attached them. His fine example undoubtedly steadied a portion of the line.

T./Lt. (A./Capt.) Richard Bryan Ireland, M.C., R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. He collected men who were withdrawing, and manned a reserve trench, holding it, although at times almost surrounded, for 36 hours, repulsing all attacks. He set a splendid example of courage and resource at a very critical time.

T./Capt. Harold Morton James, M.C., Midd'x R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in leading a party to the brigade dump, which was in the occupation of the enemy,