

five hours under fire. At dusk he carried in three wounded men to our lines. He showed great courage and resource.

T./Capt. Eric Phillip Blashki, M.B., R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He went forward during an engagement and established a dressing station in an advanced position. He remained at his post under heavy shelling and collected the wounded from an area swept by machine-gun fire. He showed the greatest courage and resource.

Lt. George Douglas Bond, L'pool R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He held an important position with his company for five days, in the course of which he beat off two determined attacks by the enemy and inflicted heavy casualties on them. Though subjected to continual heavy bombardments he showed the greatest determination, which inspired all ranks, and handled his men and his Lewis guns with skill and courage.

T./2nd Lt. Alexander Henry Charles Borger, Tank Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty: He followed up the Tanks of his company on foot, carrying messages and instructions and reconnoitring routes under machine-gun fire. Before another attack he guided twenty Tanks to their assembly positions, and went forward on foot in the attack on two occasions. He carried out most valuable reconnaissances and set a magnificent example of courage and endurance throughout the operations.

Capt. Cecil Alfred Bourne, R.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when the wagon lines of the battery were heavily bombarded with gas and high explosive shells. He extinguished an ammunition wagon which had been set on fire, and, though gassed, he undoubtedly saved the lives of many men and horses by his promptness and courage.

T./Capt. John Fourdrinier Bourne, North'n R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the enemy attacked he showed great promptness and initiative in rallying his men and organising the defence. Though his flank was at times exposed he met the various situations with great coolness and encouraged his company by his energy and determination to hold their position for two days.

Lt. John Bowstead, R.G.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. By his courage and determination he was able to maintain communication from the group observation post to group headquarters, and to bring fire to bear on to the position where the enemy were massing. After the withdrawal of the personnel of the battery, he assisted to dismantle the guns and destroy the ammunition, being the whole time under heavy shell fire.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Charles Antony Brett, Conn. Rang., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. He led his company to the capture of all the objectives, and held them in spite of determined and repeated attacks on his exposed flanks. He set his men a splendid example throughout.

Capt. Bertram Robert Brewin, W. Rid. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his company forward with the greatest skill and determination through a heavy barrage to reinforce the attacking troops. Though severely wounded he did not relinquish his command until he had reported with his company to the commanding officer of the unit which he had been ordered to reinforce.

2nd Lt. (T./Capt.) John Verinder Brewin, North'n R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in action. The enemy in advancing outflanked his company, getting to their rear. Grasping the situation, he withdrew to a fresh position under heavy fire, and almost immediately had to meet an attack from another direction. He held his ground with great skill and courage, and, when short of ammunition, went across the open and brought it up to the company. He set a fine example to all ranks.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Henry John Raymond Brierly, C. Gds.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in command of the support company in an attack, and hearing that three other company commanders had been wounded he at once went forward through the barrage and superintended the consolidation of the captured ground. He moved about regardless of danger, encouraging the men, and set a magnificent example of courage and coolness.

T./Lt. Herbert Julian Brooke, K. Afr. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He crawled out to a dangerously wounded N.C.O. under heavy fire, and carried him on his back to a position under cover where stretcher-bearers could reach him when they arrived. He showed splendid courage and devotion to duty.

2nd Lt. Harold Arthur Browett, Essex R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his platoon was held up during an attack by a machine gun, he rushed forward, put the crew out of action, and captured the gun. He then continued the advance, killed many of the enemy, and captured 60 prisoners. He set a splendid example to his men.

T./2nd Lt. Bernard Joseph Browne, M.M., R. Dub. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He made a reconnaissance of the ground in advance of the new line, and rendered effective aid to the wiring and consolidation parties by establishing and holding a defensive position against a counter-attack. He showed splendid initiative and leadership and set an excellent example to his men.