

of earth due to another shell. Throughout the shelling he displayed great resource and presence of mind, setting a fine example to the men, who were somewhat shaken by their narrow escape from entombment.

T./Lt. (A./Capt.) Alfred Victor Sully, M.G.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during lengthy operations. When his company commander became a casualty, he took command of the company, and by his personal courage and skilful handling of his batteries materially assisted the withdrawal of the infantry brigade. Although wounded in three places, he continued to fight, and was one of the last of the division to retire.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Christopher Sutton-Nelthorpe, C. Gds.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He commanded a company on the right flank of the battalion, which was out of touch with the troops on that flank. By establishing a system of patrols, and skilful dispositions, he dealt with an obscure situation most efficiently.

Lt. Leo John Sweeney, B.C. Rgt., R.A.F.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When leading a bombing raid this officer attacked enemy troops and transport with bombs and machine-gun fire from 500 feet, causing a great many casualties. Although his observer was wounded and his machine badly damaged, he succeeded in landing behind our lines. During two subsequent low flights he caused many casualties, his observer being again wounded and his machine badly damaged.

T./2nd Lt. Wilfred Swift, Ches. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during several days in operations, until he was wounded, in charge of the battalion signals. He displayed the utmost courage and skill in maintaining communications with the rear and flanks, and it was mainly due to his untiring efforts that such communication was maintained throughout the operations. His splendid example under most trying conditions was an invaluable aid to his men.

T./Capt. Stewart Legge Symonds, Ox. and Bucks. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in constantly reconnoitring positions under heavy machine-gun fire, and in rallying the men at critical moments. His fine example was of the greatest use under difficult circumstances.

T./2nd Lt. James Vernon Tailby, Suff. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when he took up ammunition to a front line at a very critical period through a heavy shell and machine-gun barrage. On another occasion, when all communication was broken, he visited advanced companies and reported on the situation, which was obscure. Throughout he displayed great coolness and an utter disregard of danger.

T./2nd Lt. Alan Taylor Tait, R. Scots.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in vacating, under orders, a position and withdrawing to a sunken road, and then retaking the same position in the face of a very heavy fire. He held the position until it became untenable, and then was ordered again to withdraw. His coolness was magnificent, and he showed himself a fine leader of men.

2nd Lt. Ernest Tankard, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty whilst acting as liaison officer with infantry, when he rallied two platoons, which had lost their officers, and, leading them against the advancing enemy, restored the situation, which at the time was critical. Later, when infantry were falling back through his battery, which was in action, he rallied the men and took up a position to cover the battery, which was then able to do good execution, and finally to be withdrawn in safety.

T./2nd Lt. James Douglas Tait, Sco. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He repulsed with great loss several heavy enemy attacks, and delayed the enemy's advance for several hours. His personal example of courage inspired all ranks.

T./Capt. Robert Renshaw Sewell Tanner, A.S.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as railhead supply officer. He did excellent work in issuing rations, salving supplies, and eventually firing the dump, when the evacuation of the depôt was necessary. He was the last to leave railhead, having already sent his detachment away, remaining behind himself and issuing single-handed till the last moment.

T./2nd Lt. (A./Lt.) Ernest Alfred Tavener, Suff. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty under very severe trench mortar and shell fire. Although his guns had continually to be moved from one position to another on account of shell fire, he controlled their fire with skill and judgment, and set a fine example of courage and power of command.

Lt. Claude de Warrenne Taylor, Hrs., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was wounded before his squadron reached the first objective, but refused to have his wound dressed, and continued to lead his men forward in order to reinforce the first line. Although in great pain, he remained at duty until the squadron was relieved four hours later. By his fine leadership and courage he inspired all ranks with confidence.

T./Capt. Raymond Brewitt Taylor, R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He searched for a missing stretcher-bearer for two hours under heavy shell fire, at last finding him in a shell-hole and assisting to carry him back. Throughout nine