

explosion. He behaved with great gallantry and promptitude.

4637 C.S.M. A. Griffin, M.M., M.G.C. (Greenock).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This W.O. was accompanying his commanding officer, who was directing the withdrawal of the guns of his company, when the latter was severely wounded in the back and chest. Coy. Sjt.-Maj. Griffin carried him half a mile to the rear, under heavy rifle and machine-gun fire of the enemy, who were in close proximity, and thus prevented him being made a prisoner, and in all probability saved his life, as he was so badly wounded. His courageous act was performed under circumstances of great danger.

4764 Sjt. H. W. Griffin, M.M., E. Surr. R. (Kentish Town).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. Under heavy shelling he gave his orders clearly and kept control of his platoon, using his ammunition to the best advantage and inflicting the maximum casualties on the enemy.

265726 Sjt. D. Griffiths, Welsh R. (Llan-debie).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He went forward with runners to the assistance of a wire party under heavy shell fire. While returning the officer was wounded. Serjt. Griffiths dressed his wounds under continuous shell fire, and carried him to a dressing station a mile off. His behaviour was splendid.

740852 Gnr. F. K. Griffiths, R.F.A. (Newport, Mon.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on several occasions, notably when he was sent up to the O.P. to try and gain touch with the battery commander, the wire from O.P. to battery having been cut. Passing through a barrage of H.E. and gas, he got there, and his battery commander then sent him on to another O.P. about 1,000 yards to the right front to get some information, but when he got within 200 yards he found the enemy were there, so returned through rifle and machine-gun fire with the news. He then stayed up mending the wire, until he and the commander were forced to rejoin the battery, when he brought all the signalling equipment with him.

91678 Pte. S. T. Griffiths, Tank Corps (Southwark, S.E.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty while acting as runner. He carried messages day and night for three days under close-range rifle and machine-gun fire. He showed great gallantry and determination, and was of great service to his company commander.

8586 C.Q.M.S. P. W. Griggs, M.M., E. York. R. (Beverley).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during recent operations. He did consistently good work, and under heavy shell fire he led his ration party successfully

through several enemy posts to his company. He did splendid service.

630944 Bdr. A. Grubb, R.F.A. (Aberdeen).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. With the assistance of two other men he kept his guns continuously in action for twelve hours, till all the ammunition was expended, though under heavy shell and enfilade machine-gun fire all the time. When at last they had to withdraw, they put the guns out of action, taking away the sights, thus rendering them useless to the enemy.

56922 Cpl. J. Haggart, R.F.A. (Dundee).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. As No. 1 of his gun this N.C.O. displayed great gallantry in keeping his guns in action and firing on the enemy, who were only a few hundred yards away, when our own infantry had fallen back to a position in rear of the guns. On many occasions his courage and coolness have been most conspicuous, and throughout the operations the example he set the men was worthy of the highest praise.

No. T/338 T./Armt. S./M. P. F. Hale, A.O.C. (Maida Hill).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This W.O., by the force of his cheerful example, kept the men at work under persistent shell fire, although the workshop was in an exposed position and devoid of cover, even from splinters. Thanks to him some four guns were repaired and handed over to the R.A. at a time when they were much needed, and two others were sufficiently repaired to admit of their being towed away.

700664 C.S.M. B. C. Hales, Lond. R. (Windsor).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack he took command of his company, when all the officers had been wounded. Under intense rifle and machine-gun fire he moved fearlessly about, encouraging and organising his much depleted company. Afterwards, he was placed in command of the left of the battalion line, when his courage and resource under heavy fire materially assisted in beating off two strong counter-attacks delivered on that flank.

40013 Sjt. C. Hall, M.M., R.E. (Birmingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when, having taken over the command of his section, he brought it through a withdrawal intact as a fighting unit, and showed much personal courage under fire.

48048 C.S.M. C. W. Hall, Lanc. Fus. (York).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when, although three times hit by shrapnel, it was mainly due to his efforts that his company beat off continuous attacks for some six hours. His courage and determination throughout the day proved of invaluable assistance when all but one of his company officers had fallen.