

pany in withdrawal was largely due to his ability in reorganising parties of men, and skilfully directing their fire.

7209 Sjt. G. Radford, Som. L.I. (Cardiff).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack Sjt. Radford led a section with great dash, and captured a "pill box" and two machine guns, which were holding out and causing casualties. It was owing to his gallant initiative and skilful leadership that this local attack was immediately and completely successful.

11985 B.S.M. W. Rainbow, R.F.A. (Hitchin).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty, in leading up the limbers and man handling the guns under very heavy fire. It was owing to his fine work that the guns were got away. Later, he gave great assistance in getting the guns ready for action and showed great courage in taking limbers to alternative positions under intense shell fire.

19370 A./Sjt. T. V. Ramsden, W. Rid. R. (Bradford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack, when the company on his left gave way. He kept his men going, and at one time mounted the parapet to encourage and keep them at their posts, maintaining a steady fire on the enemy.

265089 Sjt. H. Randall, Herts. R. (Hatfield).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on numerous occasions. He organised counter-attacks with the utmost gallantry, and led his men with amazing daring. Throughout the operations he behaved with the utmost courage.

457135 2nd Cpl. (A./Cpl.) A. Ratcliffe, R.E. (Gateshead).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This N.C.O. made all arrangements for the demolition of a swing bridge while the vicinity was being heavily shelled. After the bridge had been successfully destroyed, and his C.O. had been killed, he also destroyed a pontoon bridge alongside.

38368 S.M. E. Ratcliffe, R.A.M.C. (Lees, nr. Keighley).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in continuing to supervise the evacuation of wounded when the enemy were rapidly advancing towards his station. He rendered the greatest assistance, and by his coolness and presence of mind during danger and by his disregard for his personal safety he set a noble example to all ranks under him.

630066 Bdr. D. Rattray, R.F.A. (Linlithgow).

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

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at last they had to withdraw they put the guns out of action, taking away the sights, thus rendering them useless to the enemy.

28064 Pte. F. Reddish, L.N. Lanc. R. (Sheffield).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the enemy had penetrated the front line, and the situation was doubtful, this man accompanied an officer to reconnoitre. Meeting a large party of the enemy, they bombed them out of the trench. Later, when they came on again, he stood on the parapet regardless of danger, throwing bombs until his stock was exhausted. He then went on firing until wounded, his courageous conduct being instrumental in saving the left flank of the line.

16117 Sjt. H. W. Redfern, Notts. & Derby. R. (Holbrook).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when on patrol. He accompanied his platoon officer in a search through houses for the enemy, of whom several were killed and three prisoners taken. He set a fine example to the men and contributed largely to the success of the patrol. He has shown great courage, and has on previous occasions obtained valuable information when on patrol.

22774 Sjt. D. Reid, K.O.S.B. (Creetown).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty throughout a lengthy retirement. He took command of the platoon after his officer had been wounded, and kept it together with extraordinary ability. His courage and devotion was most marked.

300246 Sjt. T. Reid, A. & S. Highrs. (Kinlochleven).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid, when an enemy machine gun opened fire at short range. He at once rushed at the gun from a flank, knocked it out and killed three of the team with a rifle grenade, and captured and brought in the two remaining men. He did splendid work.

2506 Sjt. T. Reilly, M.M., Ir. Gds. (Mersham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This N.C.O. at the head of a company, on entering a communication trench, met five of the enemy. He at once went for them, shooting two, and bayoneting two, while the other ran away.

13309 Sjt. J. Rennie, H.L.I. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack he led his platoon with great skill and courage. After reaching his final objective, and when on reconnaissance with an officer, he assisted in stalking and capturing twenty-two prisoners. Later, he showed conspicuous ability in handling his platoon during the consolidation of the position gained.

7540 Cpl. T. S. Renton, Cam'n Highrs. (Edinburgh).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in temporary command of a platoon. Throughout a period of twelve hours, during which two attacks were re-