

resistance being encountered at a group of buildings, he took his company forward, captured the objective, and consolidated the position. With the assistance of a C.S.M. and a runner he captured 30 of the enemy in a cellar. Throughout the whole operations he displayed great courage, cheerfulness and marked ability.

T./Capt. Charles George Lambie, M.B., R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in tending wounded under intense hostile barrage, constantly going out into the open and bringing wounded in. On a later occasion he went from battery to battery under heavy shell fire, dressing the wounded and getting them away to the nearest ambulance. He was several times hit by shell splinters.

T./2nd Lt. Horace James Lancaster, N. Lanc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in action. When his company commander became a casualty, he took command of the company, and by his courage and coolness set a magnificent example to his men, rallying and keeping them together. His appreciation of the situation, and the information which he sent back to his commanding officer, was of the utmost importance. When ordered to retire, he fought a rear-guard action with great skill and judgment, thereby enabling his flank, which was nearly involved, to withdraw to the next line.

4997 T./S.M. Herbert Larkman, D.C.M., Essex R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He continually led carrying parties through heavy fire, and kept the front line trenches supplied with bombs and ammunition. One evening, there being no officer available, he led an officers' patrol under heavy fire of all kinds across the front of his own brigade and that of the brigade on the left, and obtained most valuable information. He did splendid service.

T./Lt. Dennis Latimer, R.A.F.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on offensive patrol. He and his observer in four days' fighting destroyed seven enemy machines and drove down three. They did magnificent service.

Lt. (A./Capt.) William Latimer, R.G.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in command of a battery, especially when it came under machine-gun fire from the advancing enemy. He extricated two guns, getting them safely away, and then destroyed the remaining two guns, being the last to leave. Two days later he continued in action under heavy fire until the retiring infantry were in his position and he came under direct observation.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Eric Lattey, Worc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a hostile attack. He showed great courage and initiative. With another

officer he organised a counter-attack and drove the enemy back, inflicting heavy casualties.

2nd Lt. (T./Capt.) Robert Archibald Fitzgerald Law, Wilts. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in a raid by night on the enemy's outpost position. He led a column for 3½ miles over very difficult country with no moon, and during the last 2½ miles there was a thick mist. It took five hours to reach the enemy wire, which had to be blown up with Bangalore torpedoes. After superintending this, it was quite light, and the enemy was firing from both sides. Later, he led the first company through the gaps and successfully reached the first objective. His skilful leadership and courage were a splendid example to all ranks.

T./2nd Lt. Frank Norman Lawrence, R. War. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in leading his men forming part of a successful raid. He killed several of the enemy, and also brought back a trench searchlight.

T./Lt. Idwal Thomas Lawrence, Welsh R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in reorganising the line and carrying out reconnaissance work. On one occasion with a small party he held up a large force of the enemy under intense fire, only retiring when he was practically surrounded and all ammunition was expended. His calm demeanour and cheery spirit were a fine example to all ranks.

2nd Lt. John Laws, Lond. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Thanks to this officer's courage and initiative, two Stokes mortars were carried forward under heavy fire in full view of the enemy, and successfully registered on an enemy trench. He has previously done fine work.

Capt. Robert William Lawson, High. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Through seven days' fighting this officer, as assistant adjutant and intelligence officer of the battalion, worked with untiring energy and complete disregard of danger. He was of great assistance to another officer at a post in the outpost line where all the men had become casualties, collecting a few stragglers, with a Lewis gun, and delaying the enemy's advance for some hours.

T./2nd Lt. John Henry Lay, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When enemy shell fire was breaking communication he went through a heavy barrage to the test point containing the greatest number of lines, and took control of the test station so efficiently that, if one line was broken he had another ready for use. He continued thus under heavy enemy fire for a week, and successfully maintained communications during that time. He showed great courage and determination.