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Capt. Wilfrid Laurance John Nicholas, E. Kent R., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. He organised bombing parties after the enemy had penetrated into the battalion sector and thanks to his able handling his company was able to check the enemy and link up with another company holding its original front. Later, when his men were somewhat shaken and worn out, he set them a splendid example of courage and cheerfulness under continuous shell fire.

2nd Lt. Harold Grover Charsley Nightingale, Lond. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He helped his company commander to organise a composite company, and led them forward with great dash to their final objective. The next day he was very severely wounded, but in spite of his injuries he directed and encouraged his men in a most cool and cheerful manner as he lay on the ground. His fine example had a most inspiring effect on all around him.

T./2nd Lt. (A./Capt.) James Joseph Nulty, R. Innis. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry while acting adjutant. When an attack on a village was held up, and touch was lost with the advanced companies, he went forward in the dark, under heavy artillery and machine-gun fire, found the companies and brought back valuable information. Throughout the operation he displayed the greatest coolness, and the success was in a great measure due to his behaviour under trying circumstances.

2nd Lt. Frank Cecil John Nurcombe, R.F.A. (Spec. Res.).

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative. He went forward on his own initiative to the battalion his battery was covering, and from the observations he made was able to direct the fire of his guns on points from which the enemy were firing. His gallant conduct has always been worthy of high praise, and his example of courage and coolness has been of great encouragement to his men.

T./Lt. Harold Ockendon, Essex R.

For conspicuous gallantry and good leadership during an attack. He led his company brilliantly through heavy barrage and thick fog, and when a portion of his command were held up by machine-gun fire he led them forward and captured the post. He set a fine example of courage and determination.

T./2nd Lt. Clifford Grayson Oddy, Tank Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and resource. When the tank on his left was put out of action in front of a village, and the infantry were held up, he turned his own tank and entered the village alone. Although surrounded by the enemy, he engaged three machine guns and a trench-mortar battery,

eventually forcing their surrender, with 200 enemy infantry. His quickness and skill enabled our infantry to advance, and saved many casualties.

Lt. Bernard Donald Ogden, E. Surr. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. Leading his company forward to the counter-attack with great skill, he reached his objective and organised a defensive flank, sending out parties of bombers to enable the unit on his right to come forward, and maintained his flank throughout. He showed great coolness, determination and ability to command.

2nd Lt. Henry Ogle, R. Lanc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He carried out numerous patrols with his party of scouts, bringing back most valuable information. It was mainly due to his daring and able reconnaissances in a locality infested with enemy snipers and machine guns that it was possible to establish a line on the centre sector of the brigade.

T./Lt. Reginald Theodore Oldfield, Bedf. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. Finding that the enemy were occupying the trench immediately on his flank, he made an effective bomb block, and at the same time moved a section of his platoon to prevent the enemy moving round his flank. He effectively beat off the attack, and finally forced the enemy completely out of the support system. His gallant and able leadership prevented a serious penetration of the line at this point.

T./Capt. Thomas Arthur Hood Oliphant, Yorkshire L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative. He was in command of the reserve company, and followed up the attack with great initiative, throwing in his supports at a critical moment. He personally reconnoitred the positions, and kept battalion headquarters well informed of the situation. His courage and ability inspired his men with the greatest confidence.

T./2nd Lt. John Freeman Pain, attd. Hamp. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. He led his platoon brilliantly under very heavy fire to a position in advance of where his company had been held up. Though wounded he remained with his men until he was able to withdraw them to conform with the dispositions of his company under cover of darkness. He set an inspiring example under trying conditions.

T./2nd Lt. Ernest Charles Parsons, R.E.

He was laying communications between brigade headquarters and batteries when the enemy put down a heavy and accurate barrage on the area. He remained until the situation was clear and brought back accu-