

down right upon their post. As soon as the barrage lifted this man came back to try and get touch with our attacking troops. He succeeded in reaching advanced headquarters, and volunteered to return with the relieving platoon to show them the exact position. He showed magnificent courage and endurance, particularly in volunteering to return with the relieving party in his exhausted condition.

269818 L./Cpl. J. Pope, Notts. & Derby. R. (Ely, Cambs.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid. He was wounded in both arms before reaching his objective, but carried on, and by his fine example inspired all in his platoon. He was one of the first to rush a machine gun.

77365 Cpl. W. Prest, Tank Corps (Hull).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. On several occasions he led his Tank on foot under heavy machine-gun fire to ensure crossing over difficult places. Seeing the enemy escaping beyond the barrage, he drove his Tank through it and inflicted heavy casualties on them. Later, in co-operation with another Tank, he attacked and captured a battery of field guns in the open, and caused some two hundred of the enemy to surrender. He rendered magnificent service.

79527 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) J. Raeburn, R.E. (Tranent).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in removing land mines from the streets and roads of a town from which the enemy had been driven. He carried out his duties with the greatest energy and determination under shell and machine-gun fire.

64818 Sjt. J. Ralph, R.F.A. (Dundalk).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as acting battery serjeant-major. After the battery had been shelled and gassed for three hours, he assisted in bringing it into action under heavy fire when an S.O.S. call was received. He set a splendid example of courage to his men on this and many other occasions.

19251 Sjt. D. Rees, Welsh R. (Maesteg).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During four days' heavy fighting he was always in the forefront, leading his men in a very gallant manner and steadying and encouraging them by his splendid example of coolness and composure under the heaviest fire. He took a prominent part in the capture of a machine gun and its whole team.

57224 Cpl. J. E. Rees, Welsh R. (Cardiff)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his section with great dash and gallantry against an enemy machine gun that was causing heavy casualties. He killed the team and captured the gun, thus greatly assisting the advance.

200516 Sjt. W. Reid, R. Scots (Edinburgh).

For conspicuous gallantry during an advance. When his company was held up by machine-gun fire he organised and led on out-flanking patrols, capturing the gun and enabling the company to advance. Throughout the operations he showed great courage and devotion to duty.

203062 C./S./M. J. G. Reynolds, Lond. R. (St. Pancras).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When all his company officers had become casualties this warrant officer took command and carried forward the attack in spite of heavy enfilade machine-gun fire, and captured three enemy machine guns. Later on, though wounded in two places by a grenade, he declined to retire, but led on the men, showing them a splendid example of courage, initiative and endurance.

25922 Cpl. (A./L./Sjt.) A. Roberts, W. Rid. R. (Crowborough).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid on enemy trenches. He kept his platoon well in hand under very heavy machine-gun fire during the preliminary stages of the advance, and finally, with a few others, pushed right through the enemy position to the final objective, although the enemy was holding out on both sides of him. His conduct throughout was splendid.

205712 Cpl. E. C. Roberts, Wilts. R. (Chorlton-upon-Medlock).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After a position had been captured, and when an enemy machine gun was causing casualties, he went over with another non-commissioned officer to the enemy trench and put the gun out of action, killing or capturing the crew. He displayed great courage and saved many lives.

27632 A./Cpl. J. Roberts, Bord. R. (Wansford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in charge of a Lewis-gun post in a forward position, which was attacked by the enemy in large numbers. Though half his team were put out of action and there was a large gap on his right, he held his ground and inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy. He showed splendid courage and determination under heavy fire on this and many other occasions.

35453 Sjt. W. Roberts, Welsh R. (Rhyll).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On two occasions all the officers of his company became casualties; he took command each time, and led the men with gallantry and determination. In a later attack he was three times wounded, but declined to retire, and led his men in another attack two days later. He set a splendid example of resolute courage and endurance and great initiative.

15739 Sjt. C. Robinson, M.M., Notts. & Derby. R. (Alfreton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid. He did splendid work