

this warrant officer was continually in and out amongst the men, cheering them on, and assisting in directing the fire, and finally leading them in a successful assault. Later, his energy and disregard of danger were most helpful in consolidating the position.

7866 Sjt. F. Hughes, Infy.

This N.C.O., acting as C.S.M., rendered invaluable service in two days' fighting, by keeping close liaison between platoons and the company commander, under intense fire of every description. He made a reconnaissance with his company commander of machine-gun posts which were holding up the advance, which resulted in their being outflanked and destroyed. He showed tireless energy throughout the operations.

A34735 Cpl. E. M. Hume, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative during an attack. He led his platoon cleverly round an enemy strong point and rushed it, killing five of a gun crew and capturing the gun and 30 prisoners. After being wounded he continued to lead his section with great gallantry, and throughout set a splendid example to his men.

210436 Pte. C. N. Hurd, Infy.

This man approached within a few yards of a post which was strongly resisting, and opened fire with a Lewis gun. This did not effectively silence the enemy, so with another man he worked up a trench and rushed the post, killing at least ten.

63491 Sjt. J. J. Jackson, Infy.

This N.C.O. took charge of the company when his company commander and three platoon officers were wounded, making an advance of 50 yards through a heavy machine-gun barrage and drove the enemy out of a village. He was wounded the next day, after most efficient work.

202138 L./Sjt. R. H. Jackson, Infy.

When his platoon officer and serjeant had both been killed while attacking a machine-gun nest, he took command, and, reorganising the men, cleverly manœuvred them and captured the post of two machine guns and 18 men. He then led his platoon to the final objective, saving casualties by his skilful handling. He was a splendid example to his men.

171911 L./Sjt. W. Jennngs, Infy.

This N.C.O. single-handed rushed two enemy machine-gun posts and bayoneted the crew. On nearing the final objective there was a machine gun at some cross roads which held up the right flank of the advance. He worked round it, tackling the entire crew of six men by himself. He bayoneted five, but the last man wounded him severely. His work and cheerfulness when wounded was an inspiration to his men.

404376 Sjt. J. Jessop, Infy.

When battalion headquarters came under heavy machine-gun fire from a large force of

the enemy, this non-commissioned officer handled his section with firmness, and, though suffering many casualties, continued to advance, and drove the enemy back. The next day he showed courage and resource in repairing telephone wires under heavy fire and restoring communications. He set a fine example throughout the two days' fighting.

809009 Pte. W. R. Johnson, M.M., Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. In company with another man, he rushed a nest of snipers working with a machine gun, bayonetting some of the occupants and capturing the remainder. His dash and courage inspired the men of his company. He has consistently done excellent work.

59530 R./S./M. T. F. Jordan, M.C., Infy.

When the left flank of the battalion advance was held up by the resistance of two enemy machine-gun posts, this warrant officer quickly reorganised the men near him and led them to help the company which was dealing with these posts. His prompt action led to the destruction of both posts, one of which was dealt with by his men and himself. He was then seriously wounded. He has set a gallant example on numerous occasions the last three years.

788242 L./Sjt. E. L. Kelly, Infy.

When his platoon became separated from the rest of the company in a thick fog, and his officer was wounded, he took command, and by skilful manœuvring rushed a machine-gun post, which he captured, as well as a brigade headquarters. He then pushed on and joined another company of the battalion, showing great initiative. The next day he skilfully established an outpost line on high ground.

874958 Pte. R. A. Kenney, Infy.

This man, acting as battalion scout, assisted to locate the bridges over a river under heavy fire. Later, in a counter-attack by the enemy, he with four others worked round their flank and rushed a patrol, killing six out of seven. This man was full of resource and courage.

126712 Pte. V. T. Keough, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative during an attack. Single-handed he rushed three machine guns, killing at least fifteen of the enemy. He set a splendid example of courage and devotion to duty.

416782 Pte. E. Latour, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative during an attack. Single-handed he captured fourteen of the enemy, besides killing over fifty with his Lewis gun. At the consolidation he used his gun to great advantage on the retreating enemy. He showed great courage and rendered invaluable service.