

heavy fire to locate the crossing places at a railway embankment, and led his tank across. Having secured the infantry in their position, he cleared the way for the light tanks. His gallantry and ability materially contributed to the success of the operations.

T./2nd Lt. Walter Robert Branker, K.R.R.C., attd. 11th Bn., Notts. & Derby. R. (ITALY)

For conspicuous gallantry and good leadership during a raid. He led his platoon with great coolness and determination, and when a section lost its way he went out and found it and guided it back to its position under considerable enemy fire.

2nd Lt. Edward Cecil Briggs, R.F.A., S.R., attd. B/110th Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He carried out a valuable reconnaissance and located a whole line of posts under heavy fire after an attack.

2nd Lt. Wilfrid Richard Bowman Brooks, 1/4th Bn., Ox. & Bucks. L.I., T.F. (ITALY)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid. He was the first to enter the enemy's trench. He found a post at the point of entry and immediately charged it, capturing an officer and four men. He then organised his platoon so as to cover the left flank of the attack, and remained in the enemy's lines until the whole raiding party was out. He displayed fine dash and leadership.

2nd Lt. Alfred Gordon Cecil Browne, K.R.R.C. (Spec. Res.), attd. 1st Bn.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led a fighting patrol in broad daylight through the enemy outpost system for several hundred yards, and held his ground until reinforced. He personally accounted for two of the enemy, and by his fearless and able leadership set a fine example to all ranks.

Lt. (A./Capt.) John Lindsay Bryan, 1/5th Bn., Manch. R., T.F., Secd. 42nd Bn., M.G. Corps.

Under very heavy fire he made a skilful reconnaissance and brought his guns into positions from which he broke up a counter-attack with heavy loss, and was able to cover the subsequent advance of our infantry. He displayed great ability in the way he handled his guns, and his coolness and courage under fire set a fine example to his men.

2nd Lt. Joseph Bryson, R. Irish Fus., attd. 9th Bn.

This officer led his platoon with great dash and gallantry over open ground, subjected to heavy machine-gun fire, capturing one gun and its crew. He then formed a defensive flank with his platoon, maintaining his position, under withering machine-gun fire, both frontal and enfilade, until it became necessary to withdraw.

2nd Lt. Harold Samuel Buck, R.F.A., T.F., attd. X/55th T.M. Bty.

For conspicuous gallantry and resource. The charges of a large number of trench

mortar bombs were ignited by enemy fire and several men were injured. He at once led a party to the rescue and removed all the wounded, showing great coolness throughout.

Lt. Herbert Guy Bullen, 5th, attd. 2/4th, Bn., S. Lanc. R. (T.F.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. He was wounded at the beginning of the attack, but continued to lead his men, setting them a splendid example of determination, until the objective was reached.

T./2nd Lt. John Arthur Bullock, Worc. R., attd. 1/8th Bn., T.F. (ITALY)

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative in a raid. He allowed strong enemy forces to approach within thirty yards, and then ordered his platoon to charge, driving the enemy back and inflicting heavy losses. In doing this he effectually protected the right flank at a critical moment, and it was chiefly due to his prompt and fearless leadership that the raid was a success.

T./Capt. (A./Maj.) John Burke, 130th Fld. Amb., R.A.M.C.

During ten days' severe fighting he was unremitting in his devotion to duty, tending the wounded and selecting, often in the middle of the night, suitable places for his dressing stations. He displayed conspicuous courage and coolness under fire, and his initiative and endurance evoked the admiration of all who were with him.

T./2nd Lt. Matthew Burn, 15th Bn., Tank Corps, attd. 12th Aust. Inf. Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry in an attack. He went forward well in front of the final objective with his Tank under heavy shell fire until it was finally hit and caught fire. His fine work was of the greatest assistance in clearing the advance for the infantry. During the night he went out, under heavy fire, and endeavoured to get his Tank back. Throughout the whole operation he displayed great energy and courage.

Lt. Arthur William Kirkman Burnett, D/317th Bde., R.F.A., T.F.

While the battery was firing a barrage the enemy commenced a heavy bombardment. This officer sent all spare men away to cover, and remained moving about the battery encouraging the men. His example was most inspiring to all, and his gallantry undoubtedly helped all ranks to carry out their important duties.

T./2nd Lt. Henry C. Burrowes, 9th Bn., R. Irish Fus.

This officer led and commanded his platoon with great courage, and displayed considerable initiative in working round enemy machine guns. He maintained his position on the objective till both his flanks were turned, and then extricated his men from a difficult situation with much coolness.

2nd Lt. Frederick Burt, War. Yeo., attd. 20th Hrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when sent with his troop to find out enemy dispositions. Coming under heavy machine-gun fire, he pushed on with three