

splendid example of coolness and determination.

2nd Lt. William John Rusden Hill, 2nd Bn., Auck. R.

Finding his line was being badly enfiladed he took four men with him and worked out to the threatened flank. He reorganised the troops there and led them forward against heavy fire and re-established the situation. His gallantry and leadership inspired and encouraged the men at a trying time.

Lt. Frederick Cecil Hubbard, Divl. Sig. Coy., N.Z. Engrs., attd. 2nd N.Z. Infy. Bde. Hdqrs.

During two days' hard fighting he was untiring in his efforts, and displayed great gallantry under heavy fire, as he went forward to battalions in advanced positions in his successful work of maintaining the communications between brigade headquarters and battalions in the line. His behaviour was an example of coolness and courage and he contributed in no small degree to the success of the operation.

2nd Lt. John Alexander Douglas Iverach, 2nd Bn., Cant. R.

He made repeated reconnaissances to the front under difficult conditions and heavy fire and brought back the information that was required. His behaviour has always been conspicuous for gallantry and devotion to duty and he has set a fine example to his men.

Lt. Alexander Douglas Jack, 1st Bn., Auck. R., attd. 1st N.Z. L.T.M. By.

He went forward with four Stokes' mortars with the leading wave of the attack and dealt with points of resistance and machine-gun nests with promptitude and effect, thus permitting the infantry advance to proceed with little delay. His fine example of courage and initiative as he led his men forward through heavy shell and machine-gun fire inspired all who were with him.

Capt. Lancelot Fairfax Jones, 2nd Bn., Cant. R.

During two days' hard fighting he was conspicuous for gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his company with skill and resolution and repeatedly rallied them under heavy fire. He set an inspiring example to all ranks.

2nd Lt. Hubert Leigh King, 2nd Bn., Auck. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and resource during several days' operations. He maintained communication between his battalion and brigade in spite of constant shell fire which cut the wires at critical times. He carried out his work with the greatest initiative and coolness.

Lt. Bernard Callcott Kirk, 1st Bn., N.Z. Rif. Brig.

When all the other officers of his company had become casualties, he took command and led the men forward with great gallantry and skill to the objective. After a daring reconnaissance down a forward slope in full view of the enemy, he led a second very

successful attack in which he captured 76 prisoners, seven machine guns and a light trench mortar. His conspicuous courage and his initiative greatly contributed to our success that day.

Lt. Clarence Eli Lee, 2nd Bn., Well. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He carried out a reconnaissance of the front line under heavy fire, and obtained most valuable information. Throughout the day he showed great initiative and contempt of danger.

Capt. Douglas Wiremu McClurg, 4th Bn., N.Z. Rif. Brig.

He found the place in which he was ordered to assemble for an attack occupied by the enemy in some force. In spite of the darkness he rushed the position and dispersed the enemy with heavy losses, and captured several machine guns. In the advance which followed at dawn, all the officers of the company on his flank became casualties. He took command of both companies and led them to their objective in spite of the stubborn resistance of the enemy. His tireless energy and gallantry overcame all difficulties.

Lt. John Gordon McGhie, 2nd Bn., N.Z. Rif. Brig.

During ten days' heavy fighting, which led to the capture of an important position and surrounding villages, he was acting as adjutant of the battalion. He displayed the greatest energy and disregard of danger, superintending under heavy fire all details of assembly and of the occupation of positions as they were established. He displayed conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty.

2nd Lt. George McSavney, 1st Bn., Well. R.

He was in command of two platoons on the flank of the leading wave of his battalion, and when a very difficult situation arose owing to the battalion on his flank being held up, he maintained his position with great resolution and kept his men together by his example until the situation was restored. His courage and determination were of great value at a critical moment.

2nd Lt. Alan Hugh Miller, 12th Bty., 3rd Bde., N.Z.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry as forward observation officer. He carried on all day under heavy fire of all kinds, controlled the fire of the brigade on observed targets, and sent in much useful information. Later, when a heavy barrage killed and wounded several of his battery, he carried on his duties as control officer, and was wounded in helping to remove wounded men. Throughout the operations he displayed marked courage and devotion to duty.

Lt. Frank Moyses Mitchell, 7th Bty., N.Z. Fld. Arty.

He went forward with the infantry as F.O.O., and sent back valuable information regarding the progress of the attack. He also captured fifteen prisoners. Subsequently, when his battery was subjected to an intense bombardment, his example of courage and coolness had a most encouraging effect on his men.