

dressed his wounds and took his place, bringing the team up to the battery position. Throughout the operations his courage and coolness under fire were most-marked.

T./Lt. William Reid, 75th Fd. Coy., R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He carried out several very valuable reconnaissances of the ground captured from the enemy, and brought back most useful information, especially in regard to water supply. He also showed great energy and disregard of personal safety under heavy fire during an attack from a village, when he carried out his work mending the pumps on the wells in the village.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Henry Watson Hunter Renton, 1/6th Bn., R. Highrs., T.F.

For conspicuous gallantry and fine leadership. He commanded his company most ably during four days' battle. He skilfully filled a gap between his own and the next battalion, and also rendered valuable reports of the situation to battalion headquarters. When bombs were exhausted he found while reconnoitring his line some 400 undetonated enemy bombs, which he detonated and passed on to his own company and another. He performed most valuable service.

Capt. (A./Maj.) Bernard Talbot Reynolds, 14th Bty., R.F.A. (MESOPOTAMIA)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty whilst in command of his battery. He rapidly brought his guns into action at close range under heavy fire and opened an accurate and destructive fire on the enemy's trenches, greatly assisting the advance of the infantry thereby. He has done fine work on previous occasions.

Lt. John Lane Tempest Reynolds, R.F.A., T.F., attd. C/76th Bde., R.F.A.

When his battery was being shelled very heavily during a hostile counter-attack, and was suffering severe casualties, with great courage and devotion and without any regard for his own safety, he went up and down the guns cheering on the men. Two detachments were wiped out, but he collected spare numbers, and arranged for one gun, after which he got hold of another officer, and between them they kept the other gun firing its S.O.S. His behaviour throughout was magnificent.

Capt. Mansel Glasbrook Richards, S.W. Bord. (Bde. Maj., 113th Inf. Bde.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After an attack in the morning this officer went round the front line of both battalions under shell and machine-gun fire, gaining information which enabled a further advance to be made in the afternoon. Thanks to this personal reconnaissance he discovered a difference of 1,000 yards between the real line and the reported one, and was consequently enabled to correct the range for the artillery barrage. On a later occasion he twice went round newly captured positions which were being heavily shelled, and helped in the reorganisation of the units.

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Lt. (A./Capt.) John Dodds Rickaby, 9th Bn., Dur. L.I., T.F.

When his flank was exposed he made a skilful reconnaissance under heavy fire and established connection with troops on either flank, and then attacked and carried a portion of enemy trench, routing the enemy with heavy loss. His gallantry and initiative were conspicuous, and his skilful dispositions enabled the operation to be carried out with few casualties.

T./Lt. George Fitzpatrick Rigden, M.B., R.A.M.C., attd. 16th Bn., Lan. Fus.

He established a first-aid post well forward, and in spite of heavy machine-gun fire carried on his duties with admirable self-possession, several times going forward in face of intense fire to dress wounded lying in exposed positions. It was largely due to his unselfish devotion that some of the most serious cases received prompt attention. His courage throughout was most marked. Finally he was wounded.

2nd Lt. John James Robb, R.F.A., T.F., attd. 400th By., R.F.A., and 14th Bde., R.H.A., attd. Guards Divl. Arty.

This officer managed by his coolness and judgment to take 18 wagons forward in spite of heavy and continuous shelling of the track, and to deliver the ammunition at the time ordered, without which the battery could not have carried on. Later, when he saw the infantry retiring, he went through the enemy barrage and obtained an account of the situation, at the same time rallying the infantry. His conduct was admirable throughout.

T./Lt. Frank Roberts, 15th Bn., Welsh R.

For conspicuous gallantry and fine leadership in an attack. With only sixteen men and no officer left he consolidated the position gained, and by judicious use of his Lewis guns he deceived the enemy as to his numbers and held on to his position for 24 hours without support on his flank, under heavy shell fire, inflicting considerable casualties on the enemy both with his own guns and with machine guns captured the day before. He did splendid work.

T./Sub-Lt. Charles Martin Robertson, Anson Bn., R.N. Div., R.N.V.R.

For conspicuous gallantry during an attack. He led his men splendidly, and when units on his flank were compelled to retire he established a flank defence which he led until he was severely wounded. By his prompt action and courage a critical situation was averted.

2nd Lt. (A./Capt.) Hamish Neil Robertson, R.F.A., attd. C/317th (Nb'rn) Bde., R.F.A., T.F.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Between 3.30 p.m. and 7 p.m. the enemy put down a concentrated bombardment of high explosive, gas and shrapnel, and launched an attack at 5.30 p.m. The S.O.S. barrage was at once opened and maintained, this officer personally superintending the work at the guns, besides collecting information and sending back a report as to the situation, when all communication