

Lt. (temp. Maj.) Leonard Wright Learmount, M.C., Gen. List and R.F.C., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He has shown great skill and determination when on photographic reconnaissances. Despite continuous fire from the ground and attack from hostile aircraft, he has repeatedly effected a safe landing after completing his task.

Temp. Capt. Hugh Maccallum, R.I.M.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty throughout the campaign. He has navigated his ship at high speed, night and day, in all weathers, with marked zeal and determination. He has at all times set a magnificent example of courage and initiative.

Capt. (actg. Lt.-Col.) Vivian Henry Bruce Majendie, Som. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He commanded his battalion with the greatest skill and determination. His battalion was continuously in touch with the enemy and under heavy shell and machine-gun fire, and its grit and determination reflect the spirit of its commanding officer.

Temp. Lt. (actg. Maj.) Leonard Challinor Miller, R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion in maintaining his newly-formed battery in action, under heavy and accurate fire, until very serious casualties had been suffered and all the guns had been put out of action.

Temp. Surgeon William James McCracken, M.C., R.N.

For conspicuous gallantry and resource during operations, when, after attending wounded in captured dug-outs, he pushed forward into a village which was being heavily shelled, compelled a captured enemy M.O. to show the best enemy R.A.P., and then kept him, with 12 enemy Red Cross men, busy all day bringing in and dressing over 150 of our wounded, who otherwise could not have been treated, and then sending them down. He also searched the front line under a heavy fire for wounded.

*Lt. William Sinclair McKenzie, Sea. Highrs., Spec. Res. (empld. I.A.R.O.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. At a critical period during a strong enemy attack, when the left flank of his battalion was exposed, he, on his own initiative, collected a few men and rushed to the point of attack, encouraging those who had been temporarily dislodged to resume the offensive. It was due to his personal influence and courage that a critical situation was averted.

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Temp. 2nd Lt. (actg. Capt.) Horace Hunter Neeves, M.C., North'd Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in handling his company during an attack of the enemy position. His skilful leading and determined courage enabled him, in spite of enemy flanking and reverse fire, to get his men to within a few yards of

the enemy's rear position. Owing to many casualties, however, he was compelled to withdraw. On his return he gave his battalion commander a full and lucid report on the situation—the only accurate one received. It was subsequently found that he had been wounded in the lungs early in the attack and had remained with his men under fire 23 hours after being wounded.

Capt. (actg. Lt.-Col.) Charles Fortescue Osmond, H.A.C.

For conspicuous gallantry in command of a battalion during operations. Owing to his coolness and courage under fire, and to his power of leadership, the enemy were held in check, and finally pushed back a considerable distance.

Temp. Lt. (temp. Capt.) Charles Frederick Algernon Portal, M.C., Spec. Res., R.E., and R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. For many months he has done magnificent work in co-operation with the artillery. During an attack he succeeded in silencing nine active hostile batteries, ranging our artillery. His splendid example has been of the greatest value.

Temp. 2nd Lt. (actg. Capt.) John Potts, Durh. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of a company. He himself rushed a machine gun, killed the team, and turned the gun on to the enemy. He held on in a very exposed position for some time, absolutely regardless of danger, and when his flanks were turned, and it became necessary to fight his way back, he personally covered the retirement of his men, leaving none behind.

Capt. and Bt. Maj. (temp. Lt.-Col.) Denys Edward Prideaux-Brune, Rif. Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Owing to the weather and exhausted condition of the men it was not possible to carry out a prearranged plan. He took steps at once to meet the altered situation and repel a possible counter attack. He finally returned through a heavy barrage and personally explained the situation to the Brigade Commander.

2nd Lt. (temp. Lt.) Ralph Shaw, R. War. R., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and ability in action. When all the senior officers of the brigade had become casualties he assumed charge of the whole line, and showed great courage and judgment under very heavy fire in organising the consolidation.

Capt. (actg. Maj.) Francis Robert Archibald Shiel, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed great gallantry and initiative in organising a party which succeeded in extinguishing a serious fire in the battery position. At the same time an ammunition dump close by caught fire. He alone rushed over and assisted by the detachment succeeded in saving a large quantity of ammunition, thus preventing a disaster.