

vicinity. Despite this, he commenced unloading, and although several casualties were sustained amongst the men and horses he continued until his task was completed, when he was wounded. He set a splendid example of gallantry and dogged determination. On numerous other occasions he rendered most excellent service under heavy fire in getting forward rations and stores.

Capt. Roy Cecil Phillipps, F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He has performed continuous gallant work at very low altitudes in almost impossible weather. Whilst flying alone in a mist he forced an enemy aeroplane to land. On two occasions, flying at an altitude of 200 feet, he made very valuable reconnaissances, and his reports on the general situation were of the greatest value. His leadership is excellent, and he has set a high example to his flight.

Lt. Harry Taylor, F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Whilst he was engaging enemy troops his machine was shot down and crashed in the open. On crawling out of his machine he was fired upon by enemy snipers, whom he engaged with a rifle, which he had picked up. He eventually made his way back to one of our patrols, carrying a badly wounded man whom he had discovered on the way. On a later occasion, when flying at 1,500 feet, he engaged an enemy two-seater, which dived steeply to the ground and crashed. He is a clever and daring pilot, and is always ready to perform any kind of duty.

Lt. (T./Capt.) Gordon Campbell Wilson, F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. His work at low altitudes under very adverse conditions has been of the greatest value. On one occasion he scattered the enemy from a strong point with his machine gun. On another occasion he bombed and fired upon a field gun, killing two gunners. Despite the constant attacks of enemy scouts he held his formation together, which was out on a bombing raid, and enabled it to drop all its bombs on the objectives, an enemy aeroplane being also driven down. His dashing leadership has been a splendid example to his flight.

NEW ZEALAND FORCE.

Capt. Rex Carrington Brewster, F.R.C.S., Med. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an action. Throughout the day he was continually exposed to heavy shell fire while attending to the wounded, and set a splendid example to all ranks by his devotion to duty and contempt of danger.

2nd Lt. Allan Farquhar, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in carrying out a reconnaissance of the enemy's wire defences in bright moonlight. Though continually fired on by machine guns at close range he reconnoitred the enemy's wire along the whole sector.

2nd Lt. Charles Albert Gray, Mtd. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. His position was several times attacked by the enemy under cover of an intense bombardment, but he repelled all the attacks and set a splendid example to his men of courage and coolness.

Capt. George Herbert Gray, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a company forming part of the leading wave of an assault. When his company suffered heavily from machine-gun fire and was held up, accompanied by an N.C.O. he went forward to a "pill-box," rushed the machine gun and captured it with eight prisoners, thereby enabling the advance to continue. Although twice buried by shells he came back to report to his commanding officer through heavy fire, and then rejoined his company.

2nd Lt. Randolph Norman Gray, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of his company during an attack after the company commander had been killed. When a counter-attack was anticipated he went round all the posts cheering and encouraging the men. His prompt action did a great deal to prevent the attack developing. During a heavy bombardment of his trenches he was twice wounded, but remained on duty till he collapsed.

Lt. John Nelmes Hines, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Though wounded early in an attack he continued to lead his men forward in the face of heavy machine-gun fire. Although his company suffered many casualties he pushed forward and enveloped the left flank of an enemy stronghold. He was again seriously wounded and unable to advance further, but he established his men into a good position and enabled them to hold all the captured ground.

Lt. Alfred Cecil Christian Hunter, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in command of a company forming part of the leading waves of an assault and himself led the foremost troops. When the advance was finally held up he encouraged his men to dig in, and sent back valuable reports to battalion headquarters.

Lt. Hugh Johnston, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in charge of a platoon ordered to form a defensive flank to the right. Although he met with strong opposition, he fought his way forward under heavy machine-gun fire, and in spite of heavy casualties established a strong line of posts protecting the flank. When the advance was finally held up he dug in under heavy machine-gun fire, and sent in valuable reports.

Lt. David McAuley, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When all the officers of the three attacking companies had become casualties, he led his platoon forward under heavy machine-gun fire to strengthen the centre of