

example of courage a determined attack by some 200 Bolshevik infantry, covered by heavy machine-gun and rifle fire, was beaten off, with a loss to the enemy of forty killed and twenty-one prisoners.

T./2nd Lt. Arthur Charles Morrall, Leicester R., attd. 13th Bn., Yorks. R.

At Sred Mekrenga, 3rd April 1919, when in charge of an advanced position on the Alexandrovo Road, with fifteen other ranks and two Lewis guns, he held up a force of enemy, about 500, with six machine guns, for three and a half hours. Several times this small party was practically surrounded. It was only due to his personal gallantry and total disregard of danger that all his men were withdrawn safely. After evacuating the forward positions he fought a steady rearguard action for four versts back to Sred Mekrenga.

T./Lt. George Richardson, 6th Bn., Yorks. R.

For conspicuous gallantry during the attack on Zemstovo on 25th March 1919. When the flank attack on the village had been held up by heavy machine-gun fire, he led forward his platoon through deep snow and under rifle fire, and endeavoured to rush the village. When compelled to withdraw, he extricated his platoon very skilfully without further loss, and evacuated all his wounded.

2nd Lt. (T./Capt.) William Carl Trorey Roeber, 15th Bn., Lond. R.

When Adjutant of this force during the whole attack, without any rest, he was working unceasingly and untiringly, and it was through him that the close co-operation between the infantry and artillery was maintained so well.

#### CANADIAN FORCE.

Lt. Walter Selkirk Newton, Can. Fld. Arty.

During enemy attacks on Vistafka, 28th February 1919 to 4th March 1919, he displayed great ability and coolness. His observation work under heavy shell fire was invaluable and enabled our guns to do most effective work. He worked for nearly five days with next to no rest, and set a fine example to his men.

*Awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal.*

374008 B./S./M. C. F. Grayson, "C" Mtn. By., R.G.A. (Lewes).

For great gallantry in action at Tarasevo on the 29th January 1919. When the enemy had broken through our lines, and had opened fire with rifles and machine guns from within 200 yards, he took a leading part in the withdrawal of the second gun from its exposed position. The gun horse had bolted into the enemy lines, and it was necessary to improvise harness at the last moment, and it was due to the coolness and example shown by this Warrant Officer that this was possible.

Throughout the whole action he did splendid work.

201421 Sjt. E. Harrison, 6th Bn., York. R. (Thornaby-on-Tees).

For gallantry and able leadership during the attack on Zemstovo on 25th March 1919. When the attacking platoon was held up by deep snow and heavy machine-gun fire, he led his platoon forward with great skill to support the attack. He took up a position close to the village and succeeded in covering the withdrawal of the attacking platoon and the evacuation of the wounded, and finally extricated his platoon from a difficult position without casualties. The determination and resourcefulness displayed by him were admirable.

63953 Pte. P. Hughes, 13th Bn., York. R. (Egremont).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on two occasions. On the night of the 31st March-1st April 1919, he engaged the enemy with his Lewis gun. The enemy was attacking with two machine guns. By his action the patrol was enabled to withdraw safely to the blockhouse. On the 3rd April, when sent forward with a patrol to ascertain the whereabouts of the enemy, he got his Lewis gun into action and saved the party from being cut off. He also showed great gallantry while covering the subsequent withdrawal to the blockhouse.

65761 Sjt. E. M'Laughlin, 13th Bn., York. R. (Callaby).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. At Sred Mekrenga on the 17th March 1919 he set a fine example to his men. When the situation was obscure, he carried out a reconnaissance of the enemy's dispositions under heavy rifle and machine-gun fire, and obtained very valuable information. He was always the first man into action and the last man out.

66005 Sjt. A. O. L. Parsons, 2/10th Bn., R. Scots; attd. R.E. Signals (Harrow).

He showed conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the enemy attack on Mala-Beresnik on 1st May 1919. He repeatedly repaired wires under heavy fire, working for twenty-three hours without rest of any kind. On 5th May, under intense bombardment, he on three occasions went out into the open to repair the line to the forward outpost position, thus enabling the artillery to get observation. He behaved splendidly.

13021 C./S./M. W. Rutter, 6th Bn., York. R. (South Hetton).

During the attack on Zemstovo on 25th March 1919, and the subsequent operations, he displayed marked gallantry and determination. When the flank on the village was held up by machine-gun fire, he forced his way through deep snow and heavy rifle-fire to the outskirts of the village, acting as guide to one platoon of his company, which endeavoured to carry the village by a frontal