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T./Lt. Henry Norman Heeley, 2nd Bn., S. African Infy.

East of Beaufevor, on 8th October, 1918, a nest of machine guns was located in a copse. He, by his courage and example, was instrumental in enveloping and capturing the position, together with several machine guns. North-east of Le Cateau, on the night of the 17th October, he commanded a company of which all officers had become casualties, and captured an enemy position at the point of the bayonet, inflicting severe casualties on the enemy. He did very gallant work.

T./2nd Lt. Ronald Duxbury Hewat, 2nd Bn., S. African Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the 15th October, 1918, the two main bridges over the River Selle in the western outskirts of Le Cateau were ordered to be captured and bridgeheads established prior to an impending attack. With a party of men he succeeded in establishing two posts, sustaining several casualties from strong bombing opposition. He maintained the two posts until the main attack took place on the 17th.

T./Capt. Henry Ruthven Lawrence, 1st Fld. Amb., S. African Med. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion during operations before Beaufevor and Le Cateau, between 7th and 15th October, 1918, whilst in charge of the collection and evacuation of wounded. On the 7th his organisation and energy were admirable, and from early morning on 8th to the evening of 9th October he worked without rest, and the successful and expeditious evacuation of the wounded was due in a large measure to his tireless energy, resource, and disregard of danger.

T./Capt. Ralph Bell Marshall, 4th Bn., S. African Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on Le Cateau, on 17th October, 1918. In the face of close-range machine-gun fire he took and consolidated a trench system fortified with three uncut belts of wire. On reaching his objective, he found himself enfiladed and taken in reverse by enemy machine guns. These he dealt with, and with rifle fire broke up several enemy attempts to encircle his flanks. At the outset he was left the only officer in his company, and his handling of a most difficult situation was admirable.

T./2nd Lt. Horace Arnold Martin, 1st Bn., S. African Infy.

For fine courage and leadership. In the attack on Maurois on the 9th October, 1918, he was personally responsible for the capture

of two enemy machine guns on separate occasions. On the 17th October in the attack north-east of Le Cateau, he, being the only officer of his company left, carried out an attack with great dash under heavy fire, again being personally responsible for the crew and capture of an enemy machine gun. He set a splendid example to all.

T./Lt. Edgar Middleton, 4th Bn., S. African Infy.

During the advance of 8th and 9th October, 1918, on Serain and Maurois, he displayed great gallantry and ability to command. When his company was assembling for the attack it was caught in a severe enemy barrage, and it was mainly owing to his presence of mind and coolness that it was saved serious casualties. During the advance he was to a large degree responsible for the success of the attack, and for the rapidity with which his battalion secured and consolidated its objectives.

T./2nd Lt. Herbert Frederick Pentz, 1st Bn., S. African Infy.

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T./2nd Lt. Charles Henry Perrem, 1st (Res.) Bn., S. African Infy.

During the operations east of Beaufevor, from the 8th to 19th October, 1918, he displayed great energy and gallantry in maintaining communications. On all occasions, when the lines were cut and communication interrupted, he personally supervised the repairs under very heavy shell and machine-gun fire until severely wounded while at his duty.

T./Lt. Carey Woolcott Roberts, 2nd Bn., S. African Infy.

On the 8th October, 1918, east of Beaufevor, he, with a Lewis gun, worked well forward to an enfilade position, from which he inflicted numerous casualties on the enemy holding this strong point. Under cover of his fire the advance was able to proceed, and the position was captured with a large number of prisoners and six machine guns. He showed marked gallantry and initiative.

2nd Lt. Francis Gilbert Rose-Innes, 73rd Siege Bty., S.A. Hy. Arty.

For conspicuous gallantry in the battery position at Lesdain, south of Tournai. During the night of 6/7th November, 1918, the battery was heavily shelled with high-explosive and gas. One shell fell in the billets occupied by a detachment, killing two and wounding the remaining six occupants. He immediately entered the building and remained there throughout, personally supervising the rescue work. By his fine conduct he undoubtedly saved the lives of the six gassed men.