

to leave the enemy's trenches, and then only when his bombs were exhausted. He himself descended an enemy mine shaft and brought up four prisoners.

Temp. 2nd Lt. Arthur John Pearson, Machine Gun Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. When held up by the enemy's wire after an advance through heavy fire, he established himself in a shell hole and held on for five hours. He then withdrew, bringing back his gun and a wounded man.

Temp. Lt. (temp. Capt.) Charles Herbert Pigg, Worc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry. He has done excellent work throughout the operations, and organised his company with great skill.

Lt. Joseph Patrick St. John Pike, R. Ir. Regt., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry in an attack. As battalion bombing officer he was ordered to bomb up a trench and cover a flank. When driven back by superior numbers he returned three times to the attack; and finally drove off the enemy. He set a fine example.

Temp. 2nd Lt. William Arthur Lloyd Poundall, S. Lan. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in advancing twice to an attack under heavy machine-gun and rifle fire. Although twice wounded, he remained on duty and personally assisted in carrying in wounded men under heavy fire. On previous occasions he has done fine work.

2nd Lt. Brian Cawes Rigden, Oxf. & Bucks. L.I.

For conspicuous ability and powers of command when occupying a forward trench. He maintained his position against great odds, and finally withdrew, with small loss.

Temp. Lt. Leonard Seardison Robson, R. Scots.

For conspicuous gallantry. For three days he held on to the most advanced position occupied in the attack. When a strong enemy counter-attack was forcing back a mixed body of our troops, he sprang up on the parapet under heavy fire and succeeded in rallying them.

Temp. Lt. Eric Roper, R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry when rescuing wounded men and directing stretcher-bearers. He personally carried a badly wounded man from the enemy's wire, though fired at and bombed. He was instrumental in saving many lives.

Temp. Lt. George Noel Seddon, Suff. R.

For conspicuous gallantry. When bombs were urgently required he led up a party of men through heavy fire and succeeded in getting the bombs up in time. He was severely wounded.

Temp. 2nd Lt. James Patrick Shaw, Shrops. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry when in charge of a detachment of a successful raiding party. By his coolness and good leading he withdrew his men without a casualty, after holding up the enemy with bombs and covering the withdrawal of another detachment.

2nd Lt. Robert Macmillan Stevens, R. W. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and good work when in command of bombers. He drove the enemy out of a whole system of trenches, bombing dug-outs and forcing blocks in face of considerable opposition. On another occasion he cleared a communication trench with his bombers and blocked it, enabling the enemy's counter-attack to be easily repulsed with loss.

Capt. Charles Frederic Somes Stewart, R. Muns. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry during a raid in the enemy's trenches. He exposed himself freely close to the enemy's parapet while encouraging his men to get through the wire. He was severely wounded.

Temp. Lt. Valentine Frederick Stock, M.B., R. A. M. C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After being rendered unconscious by a shell explosion, he insisted on returning to duty, and for several days carried out his duties by daylight, and exposed to heavy fire.

Temp. 2nd Lt. Charles Richard Tattam, S. Lan. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when bringing up grenades under a very heavy shell fire, and in reorganising after the failure of an attack. Later he organised parties and personally assisted in bringing in many wounded men under severe machine-gun fire.

2nd Lt. Henry Arthur Taylor, R. W. Kent R. and R. F. C.

For conspicuous gallantry when on a bombing raid in unfavourable weather with Lt. Boyd and two other pilots. He descended to less than 1,000 feet and bombed a train, derailing several trucks.

Temp. Lt. (temp. Capt.) Percy Neil Whitehead, R. E.

For conspicuous gallantry. When a party of our troops had lost their direction during an attack, he immediately went out and led them to the correct line. At the enemy's parapet he was wounded in two places at point blank range, but was rescued. His gallant act saved a serious situation.

Temp. 2nd Lt. Clifford Augustus Farnham Whitley, R. Suss. R.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. He rallied men who had pushed on into the enemy's support-trench, where they were heavily bombarded, and showed great coolness and courage. When forced back he went into the open and rescued wounded men.