

for his daring and gallantry it is doubtful if his flank could have been maintained in its position, and subsequent operations would have been rendered extremely difficult.

T./Capt. Victor Henry Parr, M.C., R. Innis. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of an advanced battalion headquarters. On his way there he mopped up three machine guns and fifty prisoners. On the battalion being forced back, through both its flanks being exposed, he was responsible for its orderly retreat. Practically all the officers were killed, wounded, or missing, and the casualties by this time were about sixty per cent. He himself was wounded, but by his resolute action the advance of the enemy was delayed and the troops in rear given time to take up covering positions.

Capt. William Archer Redmond, Ir. Gds., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of a company holding a line of posts. When, following a heavy barrage, the enemy attacked in strength and a bomb fell in his post, knocking out half the occupants, he immediately led the survivors out and drove the enemy back, which enabled him to establish a new defensive line and to hold it against repeated attacks until day broke.

2nd Lt. William Storrie, High. L.I., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of a reconnoitring patrol. Under heavy fire he went forward in daylight and located two enemy posts and returned to his own lines. He again went out with two men at night and attacked an enemy post of twelve men. Again at daylight he entered an enemy tunnel, blew it up, causing serious damage. His courage, resource and daring are beyond all praise.

Maj. the Hon. Odo Richard Vivian, M.V.O., Yeo.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when commanding his battalion. At a most critical period of an attack he rallied his men and led an advance on an enemy strong-point, which was taken and held. He organised the defence of the ground gained, exposing himself under heavy fire for some hours, with an utter disregard of personal safety. Had it not been for his initiative at a difficult time no ground would have been gained at this point.

T./Capt. Herbert John Wenyon, R.W. Kent R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He collected a party, and led them through heavy shell-fire in a counter-attack upon one of our posts which had been captured by the enemy, and although the position was exceptionally strong, it was retaken at the first attempt. This was entirely due to Captain Wenyon's prompt action and the determined energy which he displayed at a critical moment.

Capt. (T./Lt.-Col.) Harry Edward de Robillard Wetherall, M.C., Glouc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. A strong-point held out, and the enemy succeeded in breaking our line and endangering the advance. He immediately organised two attacks on this point, which he captured, thus saving the situation and enabling the line to be straightened and advanced. Next day this point was again seized by the enemy, who were promptly ejected by another attack organised by this officer. By his promptitude and ability many lives were saved and the general situation re-established.

T./Maj. Gavin Laurie Wilson, M.C., Arg. & Suth'd Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of his battalion. The officers having become casualties, and his men held up by machine-gun fire during an advance, he at once set out from headquarters and personally reorganised his front during a critical time as the enemy were taking the offensive.

#### CANADIAN FORCE.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Charles Edward Bailey, M.C., Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. At a critical moment, when an attack was held up by strong enemy posts, he brought up reinforcements and attacked under heavy machine-gun fire, which resulted in heavy casualties to his party. It was only by the skilful leadership and determination of this officer that the enemy strong points were captured, a matter of vital importance in order to hold the line which was being consolidated. He maintained the position with complete success against no less than six counter-attacks, during which he accounted for seventeen of the enemy himself.

Maj. (A./Lt.-Col.) Walter Richard Brown, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when temporarily in command of his battalion. He made preparations for attack with great thoroughness. During the attack he handled his battalion with marked ability. By his leadership and coolness in trying circumstances he repelled several counter-attacks, with great loss to the enemy. His conduct throughout the whole operations was most inspiring.

Maj. Sydney Smith Burnham, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Previous to an attack he displayed exceptional initiative and forethought in personally supervising the placing of observation posts in the forward area, thus ensuring that at no time during the battle was there any lack of communication from front to rear. On at least two occasions he made daring personal reconnaissances under very heavy machine-gun and shell fire, and brought back very valuable information. His cheerfulness and coolness throughout this period were a wonderful example to the men in the front line.