

advance of the infantry. On discovering that the enemy were advancing he withdrew his party and reported the situation to the infantry, who were thus enabled to close the gap in the line in time. Later, on finding that his messages were not getting through, he returned through a heavy barrage to re-establish communication, making arrangements for relaying the line.

T./Capt. Guy Steel Peebles MacMeekin, R. Scots.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. Though wounded he led his company to the capture of a strong enemy position with fifty prisoners and three machine guns under heavy shell fire. He showed splendid skill and initiative.

T./2nd Lt. John James Marsh, attd. Bord. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in leading four patrols and obtaining all the information required about the enemy's wire. On one occasion, having engaged an enemy patrol and inflicted several casualties, he was suddenly outflanked by another; he withdrew to a disused trench, and from there dispersed the second patrol. On another occasion he dispersed an enemy working party which was mending a gap in their wire, inflicting several casualties.

2nd Lt. Charles Aloysius Marshall, Durh. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in leading a daylight raid on the enemy's position. He reached his objective, supervised the mopping up, and seeing a party of the enemy assembling about 200 yards beyond the objective, he immediately attacked them and killed or captured a large number. He gave great encouragement to his men during the withdrawal, and showed complete disregard of danger throughout.

2nd Lt. Bernard Massey, R.G.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When a gun-pit and some ammunition were set on fire by an enemy shell he at once organised a party and extinguished the flames. When the fire broke out afresh he again extinguished it, working on both occasions under heavy and continuous shell fire. His prompt action saved a quantity of ammunition and material.

2nd Lt. (T./Lt.) Frank Leonard McCreary, S. Lan. R. and R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his machine was attacked by a hostile scout in a thick mist the pilot was killed instantly, and the machine started going down with the enemy machine still following. Though wounded in the hand he drove the enemy machine off with his machine gun and got the machine under control. He brought it to within 200 feet of the ground when it crashed within a mile of his aerodrome. Although wounded and much shaken he proceeded to his corps headquarters and made his report. He showed great coolness and skill.

T./2nd Lt. John McKechnie, attd. K.O.S.B.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. When the other officers of his company became casualties, he took command and did magnificent work in reorganising the company and leading it to the second objective.

T./2nd Lt. Michael Melia, North'd Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a special wiring party during a minor operation. He succeeded in wiring 350 yards outside the newly-won area under very heavy fire. He had to stop several times to open fire on the enemy in shell holes.

Lt. Reginald Mellor, R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Under heavy shell fire, with the assistance of an N.C.O., he rescued several wounded who were lying in an exposed position, and removed them to a dressing station.

T./Lt. Frank Tremar Silby Menendez, Gen. List and R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in carrying out photographic reconnaissances and bombing raids far behind the enemy lines. On one occasion, when attacked by five enemy scouts, he drove three of them down and the other two then withdrew. On two other occasions he has driven down enemy machines out of control.

T./2nd Lt. John Campbell Morgan, North'd Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Whilst preparing a road with his company, they were caught in a heavy hostile barrage, which inflicted many casualties. This officer returned into the barrage to assist in attending to the wounded and to superintend their removal on several occasions. The cool and skilful manner in which he handled his men undoubtedly saved the loss of many more.

T./Lt. Arthur Victor Donald Morley, R.W. Kent R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his company in an attack under very heavy fire, and when the troops on his right were held up, he formed a defensive flank with great skill, and dug in in a forward position. Though gassed before the attack and afterwards blown up by a shell, he remained with his men, and set them a splendid example.

2nd Lt. Francis Strange Mortimer, Lond. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer led his platoon against an enemy strong point and was wounded. His platoon being temporarily held up, he organised an outflanking party, which took the position. Though wounded a second time in both legs, he continued to carry on until all his objectives were gained and consolidated, and his platoon reorganised. He showed a splendid example of pluck, endurance and initiative in a most difficult situation.