

Capt. (A./Maj.) Benjamin McDiarmad, 54th Bn., Can. Infy., 2nd C. Ont. R.

On 2nd September, 1918, in the battle on the Arras front, for most marked gallantry and devotion to duty. When the attack was delayed he went out under heavy machine-gun fire and established liaison with the battalions on the right and left, making several trips, on one of which his runner was killed, thus enabling his commanding officer to co-ordinate the attack. He never faltered in his duty, and it was undoubtedly in a great measure due to his gallant conduct that the attack was so successful.

Lt. George Duncan McDermid, 2nd Bn., Can. Mtd. Rif., 1st Cent. Ont. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 26th August, 1918, at Orange Hill, when, owing to the senior officers of the company having become casualties, he was called on to take command. He led the company in a difficult flanking movement in the dark, capturing a number of prisoners and machine guns. His left flank was threatened by a large party of the enemy that had been passed in the dark, but collecting a few men, he attacked them, killing or capturing the majority.

Lt. Francis Ian McDonald, 5th Bn., Can. Infy., Saskatchewan R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty east of Hendicourt—Les Cagnicourt—Dury road on September 1st, 1918. Shortly after a successful attack the enemy counter-attacked, forcing back our left flank company and wounding the officer in command of it. He at once took charge, and under a hail of shell and machine-gun fire, rallied the men, re-established the line, and captured about sixty prisoners. He was wounded in the hip by shrapnel, but on the way to the dressing station reported the situation to battalion headquarters. His coolness and confidence restored a critical situation.

Capt. John Neil McEachern, Can. F.A., attd. T.M. Bty., 5th Can. Divl. A.

For conspicuous gallantry and capable leadership in getting his mortars mounted on lorries into action near Villers-les-Cagnicourt on 2nd September, 1918. He reconnoitred the front, and directed the fire of his mortars under heavy artillery and machine-gun fire, destroying machine-gun emplacements and dispersing infantry.

Lt. Joseph Whitford McGrath, 58th Bn., Can. Infy., 2nd Cent. Ont. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Bois du Sart during the fighting on 27th and 28th August, 1918. On both days' fighting he led his platoon with dash, capturing several machine guns, killing or taking the crews prisoner, consolidating rapidly, and breaking up attempts at counter-attack. He was always in the thick of the fighting encouraging his men.

Lt. George Burden McKean, V.C., M.M., 14th Bn., Can. Inf., Quebec R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack near Cagnicourt on September 1st/2nd, 1918. As scout officer during two days' heavy fighting, he with his scouts led the battalion forward and sent in

accurate reports, and rallied men who had lost their officers. He was early wounded, but pressed forward and entered Cagnicourt with three men, and observing a party of the enemy over a hundred strong retiring from the village, he dashed to a flank and headed them off and caused them all to surrender. Had these enemy troops been allowed to gain the high ground east of the village, they would have inflicted heavy casualties on our troops. He continued to send in reports until exhausted by loss of blood. His conduct throughout was magnificent.

Lt. Vincent McKenna, 19th By., 4th Bde., Can. Fld. Arty.

He acted as forward observation officer during the attack on Mont Dury, advancing as far as possible with the infantry under extremely heavy machine-gun and shell fire. When the batteries advanced after the barrage, he sent back valuable information as to positions of hostile forces and our infantry and engaged machine guns holding them back. The following day he again went forward and secured valuable information. Throughout the operations he showed great disregard for danger, and set a splendid example to those under him.

Lt. Charles Harwood McKimm, 2nd Bn., Can. Infy., E. Ontario R.

During the operations on the Canal du Nord on 3rd September, 1918, a determined counter-attack by the enemy developed unexpectedly, with a very severe bombardment. He acted with great promptitude and gallantry, and collecting what men he could, he led them against the enemy, whom he repelled and finally routed. He was accompanying his commanding officer round the lines at the time the counter-attack started, and the latter was severely wounded in the first line of the assault. Lt. McKimm dressed him under intense shelling and directed him to the advanced dressing post. Lt. McKimm's courage and initiative undoubtedly helped to save a critical situation.

Lt. Harry Clarence McLean, 52nd Bn., Can. Infy., Manitoba R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Bois de Vert on 27th August, 1918. When his company commander was wounded he jumped on to high ground and rallied the company round him, and under extremely heavy machine-gun fire carried the final objective with great dash.

Capt. Henry John Gibsons McLean, 4th Bn., Can. Infy., 1st Cent. Ontario R.

During the counter-attack on 30th August, 1918, he led his platoon forward with great gallantry through an intense barrage to the place of assembly, and then took them through Upton Wood, in spite of thick undergrowth. On emerging from the wood he rushed a nest of machine guns, capturing four guns and over forty prisoners. His coolness and skill and good leadership inspired his men with great confidence, and enabled the advance to be made with very few casualties.

Lt. Ernest Victor McMillan, 4th Bn., Can. Mtd. Rif., 1st Cent. Ont. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and endurance on 28th August, 1918, near Boisy. During