

he organised a bombing party, and working up a communication trench, he cleared it of the enemy. Throughout the action his gallantry and fine powers of leadership inspired his men and carried them forward in spite of all difficulties.

Lt. Norman Vincent Waddell, 4th Bn., Can. Mtd. Rif., 1st Cent. Ont. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and presence of mind as signalling officer near Monchy on 26th August, 1918. While engaged in establishing a relay of signal stations, close up with the attack, he noticed that the men were beginning to give under the fierce machine-gun fire. He took charge, and leading them by sectional rushes, he dislodged the enemy, killing several and capturing a machine gun which was causing the trouble. His prompt action restored a critical situation.

Lt. William Earling Walker, 75th Bn., Can. Infy., 1st Cent. Ont. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative during the attack on 2nd September, 1918, east of the Queant-Drocourt line. When the two front companies came under very heavy fire from both flanks and from the sunken road south of Dury, he went forward with another officer and made a valuable reconnaissance. He proceeded some 600 yards over the open under heavy machine-gun fire at close range, located the enemy positions which were holding up the advance, and returned and made his report to battalion headquarters. Later, he made another daring reconnaissance, located an enemy trench mortar and returned and silenced it with a Lewis gun. He rendered very valuable service.

Lt. Royland Allin Walter, 49th Bn., Can. Infy., Alberta R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the operations east of Arras from 26th to 29th August, 1918. When the company commander and second in command had become casualties he took command of the company and handled his men with skill and judgment. When the company was held up by heavy machine-gun and shell fire, he personally reconnoitred the ground, being continually in the open in doing so, and by his energetic courage and initiative placed his company in a position from which they were able to continue the advance.

Capt. Henry Gold Ware, 44th Bn., Can. Infy., New Brunswick R.

For conspicuous gallantry at Dury on the 2nd September, 1918. He commanded a company which had to advance through enemy barrage. He retained excellent control of the men throughout. Later, he held trench system under heavy fire, and inspired all ranks by his personal example and continued presence. At Recourt, on the 3rd September, by rapid advance he drove out enemy rearguard and captured a number of prisoners. He showed fine leadership and enterprise.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Thomas Weir, 3rd Bn., Can. Infy., 1st Cent. Ontario Regt.

He was battalion intelligence officer in the attack on the Drocourt-Queant system on 2nd and 3rd September, 1918, and worked with

untiring energy in directing companies to their jumping-off places. The commanding officer was wounded, and he rendered invaluable assistance to his successor in establishing the positions and in reorganising the battalion. His gallantry and composure under fire were an example to all.

Lt. Ernest Christie Whitehead, 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 killed and another company was left without an officer, he organised a composite company and led it forward, capturing the wood. Except for his prompt initiative the attack would have failed, as there was no one else available to take command.

Lt. Frank Clayton Whitehead, 21st Bn., 4th Bde., Can. Fld. Arty.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 2nd September, 1918, near Mount Dury, when detailed to go forward with the infantry in charge of a party to man and bring captured guns into action. He found three guns, and commenced firing over open sights at an enemy battery, silencing two guns. Shortly afterwards an enemy battery obtained a direct hit on one of his guns. His dash and initiative were a great help to the infantry.

Lt. Charles Wilcox, M.M., 4th Bn., Can. Infy., 1st Cent. Ontario Regt.

On the 30th August, 1918, in the counter-attack on Upton Wood, he led his platoon with great gallantry and skill in the face of heavy fire, and covered the advance of another company with such good effect that they reached their objective without casualties. He routed 150 of the enemy from their trenches with heavy losses, and subsequently beat off a determined counter-attack. His energy and devotion to duty inspired all his men with great confidence.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Marvin Wallace Williams, 38th Bn., Can. Infy., E. Ont. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on the Drocourt-Queant line near Dury on 2nd September, 1918. When his company were within 700 yards of the final objective he assumed command, owing to casualties, and, as his company was in advance of other units, he extended them on a wide front, and, under very heavy fire, held the ground and consolidated. Later, finding his force very greatly diminished, he made his way back to the Drocourt line and brought up sufficient men to make his position secure, and held on until relieved. He showed marked courage and ability to command.

Lt. James Duncan Wilson, Can. Corps, Cyclist Bn., Can. Cyclist Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 2nd September, 1918, during the attack on cross roads near Villers-les-Gazincourt. Though partially gassed, after two other officers had become casualties, he led two platoons forward under intense shell and machine-gun fire. He sent back good