

which he rushed at the point of the bayonet, capturing forty prisoners and some machine guns. Later he assisted a battalion on the flank, which was being held up, by working his platoon between two enemy posts and rushing them from the rear, again taking many prisoners and machine guns.

Lt. (T./Capt.) Gilbert Langdon McIntyre, 40th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Clery on 29th/30th August, 1918. His company met with stiff opposition, several strong points were rushed, garrisons and machine guns being captured. Out of the main post the assaulting troops captured the commandant of Clery with 59 prisoners and two machine guns. He was always in the thick of the fighting.

Lt. Harold Charles McKee, 28th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack east of Mont St. Quentin on 2nd September, 1918. While in charge of the Reserve Battalion, observing a dangerous gap in the line, he rushed a platoon through a heavy barrage and filled it. Later he led a platoon to the capture of an important point under heavy fire of all descriptions, securing the flank of the line.

Capt. Archibald Lang McLean, Aust. Army Med. Corps, att'd. 17th Bn., A. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on 8th August, 1918, east of Villers Bretonneux, near Amiens, he followed the attacking troops with his section, tending and dressing wounded under fire on the way. Almost immediately after the objective had been taken he established his R.A.P. in the village of Warfusee, where he worked continuously under great difficulties. Later, during the advance on the following day, he established his R.A.P. almost on the jumping-off line, where he tended and cared for wounded under heavy artillery fire. His energy and zeal saved many lives.

Lt. William Alexander McLean, 33rd Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on Road Wood, 31st August, 1918. He led his platoon through the wood, rushing a machine gun, killing one man and capturing the gun and five men. On clearing the wood he came under fire from a battery over open sights, but, under cover of Lewis-gun fire, rushed the guns and captured two or them. With his platoon, he captured altogether twelve machine guns and a large number of prisoners, which shows the high standard of his leading.

Capt. Henry Parker McMeekin, 19th Bn., Aust. I.F.

During the attack on the 11th August, 1918, near Framerville, east of Amiens, he led his men to their objective with great gallantry and skill in the face of heavy fire from numerous machine guns, and it was due to his splendid example that the line rushed forward without the slightest hesitation at any moment. He personally cap-

tured a heavy machine gun and several prisoners.

Lt. Samuel Sparks Shepard McMillan, 40th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Clery on 29th August, 1918. When ordered to take up an advanced position with his platoon under heavy machine-gun fire he went forward with a N.C.O. and locating the machine-gun post rushed and captured it, killing some and taking eight prisoners and two machine guns. He then went on and found two more posts, dealing with one and causing the garrison of the other to retire. He then moved his platoon up without further casualties.

Lt. Michael John Meara, 57th Bn., Aust. Infy.

Throughout the operation of forcing the passage of the Somme, from 30th August to 5th September, 1918, he commanded his company with great gallantry under fire and fine tactical ability. He was untiring in his reconnaissances and patrols, working night and day, and setting an example of devotion to duty to his men that had a great effect. His skilful handling of more than one difficult situation materially helped the success of the operation.

Lt. Thomas Brunel Midelton, 15th Fld. Coy., Aust. Engrs.

Near Peronne, during operations from 30th August to 5th September, 1918, he displayed conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in getting an infantry footbridge across the Somme valley in face of the enemy under heavy artillery and machine-gun fire. He conducted reconnaissances 500 yards ahead of our lines by night and by day and was indefatigable in his efforts to bring his task to a successful conclusion.

Lt. Arthur Eugene Mining, 10th Bn., A.I.F.

He displayed great gallantry in the fighting before Lihons on 10th-12th August, 1918, and in the defence of Crepey Wood. When the company on his flank withdrew and most of his men had become casualties, he very skilfully extricated the remainder and reinforced a neighbouring post, which was in serious difficulties. It was largely due to his action that the position was saved.

Capt. John Alexander Stevenson Mitchell, 54th Bn., Aust. Infy.

On the 1st and 2nd September, 1918, during the operations at Peronne, he led his company with great skill and gallantry against machine-gun nests which were hampering our operations. In the town itself he cleared the narrow side streets of the last elements of the enemy, causing heavy casualties and capturing many prisoners. His coolness and daring greatly encouraged the men under his command.

Lt. George Barn Morrison, M.M., 14th Fld. Coy., Aust. Engrs.

Near Peronne on the 1st and 2nd September, 1918, with his section he constructed footbridges over the Somme swamp under direct observation of the enemy and heavy