

Cambrai, when in command of a company. Again, on October 16th, during the attack on Haussy he manœuvred his men splendidly and took his objective in spite of heavy opposition, with very few casualties. When the enemy counter-attacked and practically surrounded him he extricated his men in a most masterly manner. He showed marked courage throughout.

T./Lt. (A./Capt.) Victor Kennard Maitland, 13th Bn. Tank Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Pontruet on September 24th, 1918. He acted as a section commander in an attack, and led his tanks into action on foot, under heavy artillery and machine-gun fire. Later, seeing that the infantry on the left flank were held up by a nest of machine guns, he walked across the open under heavy machine-gun fire, and directed a tank so that it succeeded in clearing the enemy machine guns and enabled the infantry to proceed. He showed great courage and ability to command.

2nd Lt. William Theodore Malcomson, 222nd Fd. Coy. R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and determination. On September 30th, 1918, he went forward with a non-commissioned officer 1,000 yards in advance of the infantry to reconnoitre the canal bridges west of Honnecourt. Finding a party of the enemy still on the west bank, he opened fire on them, and in spite of heavy rifle and machine-gun fire, and that he had been wounded in two places, he completed his reconnaissance, bringing back information which was of the utmost value during subsequent operations.

T./Lt. George Manley, 2/2nd Bn. K.A.R. (E. Africa).

For conspicuous gallantry in action and devotion to duty. When heavily engaged with the enemy and both his senior officers had become casualties, he showed great dash and coolness under heavy fire. It was largely due to his efforts that large quantities of ammunition were captured. Later, at Pere, on September 6th, 1918, when his company commander was wounded, he displayed great coolness and ability in the handling of his men when heavily attacked. He has previously shown great dash and leadership when in action.

T./2nd Lt. John Walker Mannes, Sco. Rif., attd. 18th Bn.

For gallantry and determined leadership at Berclau on the night of October 6th/7th, 1918, whilst in command of a fighting patrol. He successfully led his patrol, consisting of 14 men, through a marsh and four belts of thick wire, until within 12 yards of a house containing a machine gun, and then rushed it, killing eight of the enemy and taking one prisoner. In spite of heavy machine-gun fire opened by enemy posts in the vicinity and the fact that he was wounded, he successfully withdrew his patrol and brought back the prisoner.

2nd Lt. Donald Alfred Startup Manning, 10th Bn., attd. 2/2 Bn., Lond. R.

For conspicuous gallantry during the attack on Peizieres, September 18th, 1918. He led his platoon forward with great dash from the assembly position, captured in succession McPhee post and railway line and his final objective (Princes reserve trench). During the whole of the advance he encountered hostile machine guns and either killed or captured the crews. He set a splendid example to all about him.

2nd Lt. Sidney Walter Manning, 3rd Bn., attd. 10th Bn., Lanc. Fus.

He led his platoon with great gallantry and determination throughout the operation of clearing the village of Neuville on October 12th, 1918. He captured two parties of snipers from a very strong position in a house by bombing them out. The capture of some 50 prisoners and the killing of many of the snipers in the village, which was strongly held, was almost entirely due to his energy and dash.

T./2nd Lt. Gordon Alfred Martin, R.W. Surr. R., attd. 10th Bn.

On September 28th/29th/30th, 1918, near Comines, he showed the greatest courage and initiative. On the second day of the attack, when the company was held up by machine-gun fire, he worked round with the lance-corporal in charge of the scouts, and succeeded in capturing the gun, killing two of the team and taking 21 prisoners from a dug-out near by. Throughout the whole operations his courage and leadership were an example to all.

2nd Lt. Reginald Thomas Martin, 4th Bn. E. Yorks R. Secd., Tank Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry as a tank commander near Estrees on October 3rd, 1918. He fought his tank in action, disposing of a large number of machine-gun nests. Later, when his crew had all become unconscious from petrol fumes, he obtained volunteers from the infantry to man the tank and with this volunteer crew he again attacked, and driving the tank himself disposed of further enemy opposition in this sector. Throughout the action he showed great courage and resource.

2nd Lt. (A./Capt.) Louis Septime Martin, R.G.A. (Spec. Res.), attd. X/30th T.M. Bty.

For conspicuous gallantry in action and devotion to duty. On September 28th, 1918, near Boesinghe, he commanded his battery with the utmost gallantry, and by pushing his mortars forward under a heavy barrage materially assisted the Allies in their successful advance. He displayed a splendid example to all ranks.

T./2nd Lt. Henry Percy Maskell, 7th Bn. Wilts R.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations near Gouy from October 4th/6th, 1918. He worked with endless energy throughout the operations. During the attack on the 4th, when the left flank of his company was detached from the battalion, he showed great