

2nd Lt. (A./Capt.) John Pearson, M.C., R. Fus., attd. 2nd Bn.

On the 20th October, 1918, in the vicinity of Kappart, he, by the skilful handling of his platoons under heavy fire, gained his objective. Finding that the company on his left had managed to secure the high ground, and that the company on his right had been held up, he immediately formed a defensive flank and filled the gap, under very heavy machine-gun fire. Throughout his courage was conspicuous. (M.C. gazetted 2nd December, 1918.)

Lt. Noel Murray Pearson, M.C., 2/1st Worc. Yeo. (EGYPT)

On the 23rd September, 1918, when ordered to prevent the enemy at Ain Maleh from escaping east, with a weak squadron he drove back 200 enemy with two machine guns. He then entered their camp and took the surrender of 1,700 out of 4,000. The remainder opened fire on him when left with six men, but he covered the withdrawal of the prisoners till further support resulted in the surrender of all. (M.C. gazetted 4th June, 1917.)

Lt. William Philip, M.C., 1/4th Bn., Gord. Highrs., T.F.

For marked gallantry and good leadership. During the attack on Famars on 26th October, 1918, he successfully led his company, securing and consolidating his objective, where many prisoners were taken. Later, after the enemy counter-attacked, he greatly assisted in restoring the situation and replacing the various posts in the front line. On 27th, after the enemy had succeeded in driving the garrison out of Famars, he organised and led a counter-attack with the bayonet, inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy in the streets of the village. (M.C. gazetted 26th July, 1918)

Capt. Cecil Augustus Phillips, M.C., 4th, attd. 4/5th Bn., Welsh R., T.F. (EGYPT)

He showed great dash and courage on the night of 18th-19th September, 1918. He took his company up Hindhead, near El Mugheir, with a rush, took two machine guns, and effectually anticipated the enemy's occupying this most formidable position. On the night of 19th/20th September, 1918, he pushed on into Jurish in the fog, right through the enemy line, and in the morning the enemy found his company in their rear and surrendered. (M.C. gazetted 2nd February, 1916.)

T./Lt. (A./Maj.) Albert Maurice Pratt, M.C., 8th Bn., M.G. Corps.

For continuous devotion to duty in command of a company throughout the advance from the Fresnes-Rouvroy line to the River Escaut, east of St. Amand, 12th October to 27th October, 1918. He supported the infantry closely. No opportunity for personal reconnaissance was ever lost by him, and his guns were therefore always favourably placed for killing the enemy over the sights and for silencing his machine-gun fire. He showed great determination, skill and boldness. (M.C. gazetted 1st January, 1918.)

T./Capt. Walter Gideon Pringle, M.C., D/156th Bde., R.F.A.

For marked gallantry and initiative. On 22nd October, 1918, near Montay, he carried out a valuable reconnaissance of the approaches and crossings of the River Selle. This was accomplished prior to the attack on 23rd October, down a steep slope which was heavily swept by direct machine-gun and rifle fire. The information obtained materially assisted the rapid advance of the batteries across the River Selle in close support of our advancing infantry. On 23rd October, 1918, he carried out another daring reconnaissance and obtained much valuable information. (M.C. gazetted 26th November, 1917.)

T./2nd/Lt. William Hubert Purdy, M.C., 9th Bn., R. Innis. Fus.

On the 15th October, 1918, in the village of Gulleghem, he displayed marked gallantry and devotion to duty. In the streets of Gulleghem when the advance of his company was checked by heavy machine-gun fire from a strong enemy post, he rushed the post at the head of his platoon, capturing twenty prisoners and one machine gun, after which his company was enabled to advance and the village was soon in our hands. He behaved splendidly throughout. (M.C. gazetted 10th February, 1919.)

Capt. Joseph Richard Pyper, M.C., 4th Bn., Lond. R., attd. 33rd Bn.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He went forward with a platoon in face of heavy machine-gun fire to force the crossing of the River Lys near Comines, on 15th October, 1918. When a temporary withdrawal was ordered he remained at the crossing place organising the evacuation of the wounded. Later, the material was got forward and the bridge was built, he himself entering the river up to his waist and assisting in the erection of it. Throughout the four days' operations he behaved splendidly. (M.C. gazetted 14th January, 1916.)

T./2nd/Lt. Walter Randall, M.C., 19th Divl. Sig. Coy., R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the operations north of Bavai, from 3rd November to 10th November, 1918. He was responsible for maintaining the Divisional line of communications up to Brigade Headquarters, an average distance of two miles. In spite of heavy shelling and great difficulties he maintained almost uninterrupted telephone communication up to and in front of Brigade Headquarters, and also found time to assist Artillery Brigades with cable and other stores. (M.C. gazetted 16th September, 1918.)

T./Lt. (A./Capt.) Thomas James Redhead, M.C., 21st Bn., Manch.-R.

For conspicuous gallantry and good leadership in two successive attacks on Beaufevor on 5th October, 1918. He led a party forward in an attack against the village, on the morning of the 5th October, 1918. The attack proved unsuccessful, but he remained throughout the day with his men in an advanced position on the railway