

Temp. Lt. John Wilson Patterson, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry. While proceeding with two men to his working party, he suddenly saw a party of the enemy coming out of a deep dug-out. He and his two men rushed at them, disarmed about 10 who had rifles, and took the whole party, two officers and 34 men, prisoners.

Maj. Henry Colin Mansel Porter, K.R.R.C.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He assumed command of his battalion, and also of another unit, displaying the greatest courage and initiative. In order to exercise his extended command he went about in the open under very heavy fire.

Maj. (temp. Lt.-Col.) William Villiers Leonard Prescott-Westcar, Rif. Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He led his battalion with the greatest courage and initiative, carrying the first, third and fifth objectives. Later, he personally supervised the reorganisation and consolidation, and sending back most valuable information. He was severely wounded.

Maj. (temp. Lt.-Col.) Lewis Leslie Clayton Reynolds, Oxf. & Bucks. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He handled his battalion with great skill and determination. On two separate occasions his good leading has achieved important success.

Temp. Lt. Frederick William Rhodes, Shrops. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. When his battalion was held up, he organised a party and rushed a battery of enemy guns, capturing four officers and 20 other ranks, as well as four field guns. He displayed the greatest courage and initiative throughout.

2nd Lt. Claude Alward Ridley, M.C., R. Fus. and R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and judgment in the execution of a special mission. When his machine was wrecked he showed great resource, and obtained valuable information.

Maj. William Maxwell Shaw, R.A.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He went forward to ascertain the exact situation of our advanced infantry. Later, with another officer and two bombers, he carried out a daring reconnaissance of a trench thought to be occupied by the enemy, thereby obtaining most valuable information.

Capt. Edgar Sheppard, M.C., G. Gds.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He led his men to their objective with the greatest courage and initiative. Later, his left flank being unprotected, he threw back a defensive flank and got into touch with the troops on his left.

Temp. Capt. Pierre Steyn, Bedf. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. In three separate fights he displayed great coolness and determination, and by his fine example greatly encouraged all ranks.

Temp. Capt. (temp. Maj.) Robert James Abbott Tamplin, Conn. Rang.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He led his company with the greatest courage and determination, and was instrumental in capturing the position. He was wounded.

Maj. Gwyn Thomas, Bengal Lrs.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He went forward to ascertain the situation, passed through a heavy barrage, rallied and collected the troops, and led them forward with great skill and determination, displaying splendid personal courage.

Maj. Henry Edward O'Brien Traill, R.A.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He handled his battery throughout with the greatest courage and determination. His fearless bearing was of the greatest value, not only to his own battery, but to the batteries on either side of him. On several occasions he extricated wagons and teams from places of danger.

Maj. (temp. Lt.-Col.) Cecil John Troyte-Bullock, Som. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He led his battalion, which was in reserve, with great skill, and by his prompt reinforcement of the attacking line materially helped to beat off a counter-attack. Though wounded in the leg, he remained in command till the position was secured.

Maj. (temp. Lt.-Col.) Sidney Twells Watson, R.W. Surr. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and able leadership in action. Under his direction and initiative the enemy attack was driven back, the position won, and many prisoners taken.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Maj. Fred Leslie Biddle, Fd. Arty.

For conspicuous gallantry during three days of operations. As liaison officer he did fine work, and when his telephone lines were repeatedly cut, passed through the barrage to telephone stations of other units in order to get his information through. He was himself wounded on the last day.

Maj. Percy Black, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. He led his company over "No Man's Land" against an enemy's strong point, which he captured and consolidated under very difficult circumstances, and under heavy artillery and machine gun fire. On a subsequent occasion he did similar fine work.

Capt. Herbert Mansel Brettingham-Moore, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. He cleared his trench of the enemy with great determination, and, hearing that some of the enemy wanted to surrender, he