

machine gun team. Later, he captured two enemy trench mortars.

5875 S./M. G. Lee, M.C., North'n R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He took charge of all the ammunition dumps and supervised the distribution and sending up of stores throughout the action. These dumps were in the open, and under very heavy fire all day.

5830 Sjt. (actg. C.Q.M.S.) F. Leslie, R. Berks. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He rendered invaluable assistance to his Company Commander throughout, and was largely responsible for the success of the operations.

612002 (frmly. 1) B.S.M. E. Machin, R.H.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He has rendered invaluable service throughout, and has at all times set a fine example of courage and determination.

3516 Sjt. G. J. Mackie, R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He has attacked and driven down six hostile machines. On one occasion, when on patrol, he displayed great courage and skill in driving down two hostile machines, and afterwards continuing the patrol until it was finished.

201148 (frmly. 2898) L./Cpl. W. T. Matthews, Devon. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He, single-handed, attacked a bay which was held by fire of the enemy, and succeeded in killing all of them. He set a splendid example of courage and initiative.

902 (L./Corpl.) F. G. Miles, R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. At great personal risk he extinguished a fire which had broken out in an ammunition dump, thereby undoubtedly saving many lives. Later, he brought in several wounded men under very heavy fire.

8022 Sjt. A./C.Q.M.S. W. E. Oakley, R. Berks. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He took command of a bombing party, and succeeded in clearing the enemy out of the trench. He set a fine example of courage and determination.

7897 A./Cpl. (A./Sjt.) T. Parker, North'n R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He took command of a bombing party and repelled repeated enemy counter-attacks. Finally, he held the post single-handed against an attack after all his men had become casualties.

15561 Cpl. S. L. Pettican, W. York. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Although wounded, he continued working until daylight, when he was again wounded very seriously in the thigh, and then, his post having been organised, he consented to be carried away.

8636 Pte. F. Pickard, North'n R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed great courage in rushing an enemy strong point, which had held up his company for four hours. Later, accompanied by a private, he captured an enemy machine gun, together with its team.

Y. 74 Sjt. F. C. Plumbridge, K.R.R.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He took command of a company, led it forward to his objective, and captured many prisoners. Later, he superintended the reorganisation of the company and the consolidation of the position won.

L/14017 Sjt. J. E. Prince, R.F.A., attd. T.M. By.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed great coolness and resource in guiding wagons over trenches and shell holes, and by his personal example prevented any disorder amongst the drivers. He has previously done fine work.

25534 Sjt. (actg. S./M.) J. Rankine, R.G.A.

For valuable services cheerfully given under adverse conditions. His work has been carried out with marked efficiency. (The award of the Meritorious Service Medal published in the Gazette of 1st February 1917 is hereby cancelled.)

240276 (frmly. 2001) Pte. C. Richmond, R. War. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He attacked and killed two enemy machine gunners who were about to open fire, thus capturing the gun and saving many casualties.

35972 Sjt. J. F. Ridgway, R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty while engaged in a photographic reconnaissance. He was attacked by several hostile machines, and, although his observer was killed and he himself wounded, he succeeded in obtaining seventeen photographs and in effecting a successful landing.

620287 Dvr. I. Roberts, R.H.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Although wounded, he displayed great courage, and set a splendid example by his coolness.

2662 Sjt. H. Shultz, N. Lanc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid on the enemy's trenches. He led his party in a most gallant manner, and succeeded in putting an enemy machine-gun out of action.

Z/2935 L./Sjt. Herbert Souster, Rif. Brig.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He rallied his men and succeeded in getting them across open ground under very heavy fire. He set a splendid example throughout the day.

1398 Sjt. R. F. Steggall, R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed great courage and skill