

Temp. Capt. Wilfrid Thomas Channing-Pearce, R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in attending to wounded men belonging to nine different battalions under heavy and continuous shell fire. His aid post was the only one in the vicinity in such a forward position, and he worked continuously and without rest until all the wounded had been attended to, displaying splendid devotion to duty.

Temp. Capt. Francis Bernard Chavasse, R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During four days of heavy fighting he attended the wounded with untiring energy and exceptional gallantry at very great personal risk. On one occasion, while dressing the wounded in a shell crater under very heavy shell fire, he was hit by bits of shrapnel about the legs and face, but continued to dress each man in his turn and to encourage others who were waiting. On the following day, while dressing the wounded under very heavy shell fire, he was blown over by a shell, but picked himself up and continued his work with the greatest pluck and devotion. He refused medical assistance in both cases, and his indomitable courage was the cause of saving many casualties.

2nd Lt. Douglas Chaworth-Musters, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an intense hostile bombardment of his battery. When an ammunition store was hit and set on fire by an enemy shell, he removed the burning ammunition and extinguished the fire, by his prompt and gallant action preventing the fire spreading and causing very serious damage. On the following day, although heavily gassed by a shell which fell within five yards of him, he refused to report sick, as his commander would have been single-handed.

Temp. Capt. William Donald Cheshire, Lanc. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a raid on enemy trenches it was due to his great coolness and determination that his company, although held up by three belts of wire, forced their way through in face of heavy bomb and rifle fire, and reached their final objective. He was the last to withdraw from the enemy's lines, and carried in the body of an N.C.O. for a distance of more than a thousand yards.

T./Capt. Peter Temple Chevallier, Midd'x R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In order to get ammunition and rations up to the front line in an attack, he personally reconnoitred the best places for forward dumps, and the routes to them, under a very heavy enemy barrage. He then returned and brought up carrying parties, and showed them the way. His example to these parties was exceptionally splendid. He was always on the spot when the situation was dangerous, and by his personal influence and disregard of danger kept up the morale of the men, although continually exposed to heavy fire.

2nd Lt. (T./Lt.) Henry Pettit Chiswell, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer was in charge of a party which laid the tapes on which assaulting battalions were to form up. The work had to be carried out within a few hundred yards of the enemy on a dark night over badly shelled ground, and took some four or five hours. In spite of all difficulties, the tapes were laid in time, under artillery, rifle and machine-gun fire, and with complete success.

T./Capt. Rigby James Mitchell Christie, R. Scots.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in command of his battalion he made a personal and daring reconnaissance in full view of the enemy to ascertain what troops were on his right flank. Finding it unprotected, he immediately organised a defensive flank, but before this was completed the enemy counter-attacked. He made a very gallant defence, and although heavily attacked on three sides, the line was not broken until he had been badly wounded and carried to the rear.

T./Lt. George Edwin Pitt Clark, M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He handled his section in a masterly way, keeping his teams together, and successfully repelling two hostile counter-attacks, thus enabling the infantry to consolidate behind him. He brought all his guns and teams safely out of action, having displayed the greatest courage and coolness under the most trying circumstances.

2nd Lt. Gilbert Alfred Charles Clarke, R.G.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in keeping his section in action under heavy shell fire, during which he engaged over ninety hostile aeroplanes with good results. By his skilful handling of his battery three hostile machines were brought down.

T./2nd Lt. (A./Capt.) Benjamin C. Clayton, W. York. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his company during an attack with remarkable skill and a fine disregard for his personal safety, and during forty-eight hours he continued to beat off determined hostile counter-attacks with such determination as to effectually discourage the enemy.

2nd Lt. Joseph Patrick Coghlan, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a wiring party in front of our line. The work was started in daylight under heavy machine-gun, rifle and shell fire, and, in spite of a number of casualties, he completed 800 yards of wire entanglement before dark. On subsequent occasions he has shown the same capacity for organisation and speed in carrying out his work.