

2nd Lt. (A./Capt.) William Henry Maxwell Pierson, S. Wales Bord., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his company forward with great determination during the attack, but after reaching his objective they came under fire from a strong point close in front. He and another officer thereupon collected some men and started working up to the emplacement, but, getting ahead of their men in the marshy ground, the two officers rushed the emplacement and captured its garrison single-handed. Their tactical skill and initiative in rushing this important post proved invaluable to the subsequent advance.

T./2nd Lt. Eric Seabrooke Pinker, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when acting as advanced Artillery Intelligence Officer. Advancing with the first wave of an attack he maintained communications under great difficulties, and was thus able to render valuable assistance to the infantry when temporarily held up by machine gun fire. The information which he sent back was accurate and frequent, and throughout the operation he displayed the greatest coolness and determination.

2nd Lt. Charles Edward Plewman, L'pool R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of a reconnoitring patrol of three men. He left our trenches in broad daylight and entered the enemy's trench, killed one man and brought back valuable information, finally bringing his party back to safety, although under heavy hostile fire.

T./Lt. (A./Capt.) James Plowman, Leins. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty under heavy fire. In spite of very severe casualties, which included almost all his officers and N.C.O.'s, he commanded his company throughout the action with exceptional ability, and at one period personally led an attack upon an enemy strong point, the capture of which was due to the confidence with which he inspired his men. Although wounded, he remained at duty until his battalion was relieved.

2nd Lt. Herbert Keith Pople, Som. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when leading his platoon in an attack. Finding himself left with only six men, he returned and collected the remainder of another platoon and led them forward over difficult ground, with great skill and gallantry. He took up an excellent position, which he held until relieved, and the success of the operation was entirely due to the personal leadership of this Officer.

2nd Lt. Percy Potts, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a heavy hostile bombardment of his battery. Assisted by two N.C.O.'s he dug out a detachment which had been buried by a shell, and afterwards assisted to extinguish a burning gun-pit. His conduct while performing this task was a very fine example to his battery, and undoubtedly prevented the gun from being destroyed, besides saving the lives of the men who were buried.

T./2nd Lt. Leslie Archibald Powell, Glouc. R. and R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on several occasions in attacking enemy aircraft in superior numbers at close range, destroying some and driving down others out of control. He has also done excellent work on photographic reconnaissances, and has, in every instance, displayed the greatest gallantry and splendid offensive spirit.

Lt. Arthur Christopher Norman Prance, S. Wales Bord.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in maintaining his communication in face of most adverse circumstances and under very severe and continuous shell and machine gun fire. He showed complete disregard of his personal safety, and it was entirely due to his fearless and successful efforts in maintaining communications that timely notice of hostile counter-attacks was given, and means thereby were taken in time to deal with them.

2nd Lt. Roland Pym Prentys, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as forward intelligence officer for his brigade. He disregarded both shell and rifle fire, kept in touch with the foremost troops, including the corps cavalry, and sent back valuable information, displaying throughout the day the utmost fearlessness and energy.

T./2nd Lt. Leslie Gordon Preston, R.W. Kent R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his platoon with magnificent dash, and with only twelve men left captured his objective. He then took out a bombing patrol, bombed dug-outs and took prisoners. Finding both flanks in the air, he formed his party into an advanced post until the remainder of his battalion was securely established.

2nd Lt. Arthur Charles Price, Essex R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack he led his company with the greatest gallantry and disregard of danger, and, when the battalion on his left was held up, skilfully organised a flanking movement which enabled them to continue their advance. He successfully captured two enemy strong points, taking sixty-five prisoners, and his conduct throughout the operation was a most inspiring example to his men.

2nd Lt. (A./Capt.) Harold Rokeby Price, Rif. Bde., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. He led his company in a most gallant manner in spite of heavy casualties, and although he had his arm broken by a machine-gun bullet, he remained for several hours organising his men in an advanced shell hole position until satisfied that the position was secure. All his work was carried out under heavy machine-gun and sniping fire.

T./Lt. Nigel Primrose, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on two occasions on the same day. Although severely shaken and wounded by