

largely due to his sound preliminary arrangements and skilful leading.

2nd Lt. Walter Ernest Phillips, Lond. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of the left company in a raid. He was mainly responsible for killing a machine-gun team and for the capture of the gun.

Lt. Charles Henry Pillman, Cav., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his men to the help of the advanced squadron, thereby preventing them from being surrounded and enabling them to complete a most successful enterprise. When a captain was killed he took over command of the advanced squadron, having previously placed his own men so as to cover the retirement.

T./2nd Lt. William Pithouse, M.G. Co.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He made a reconnaissance over swampy and difficult ground right up to the enemy lines, though a number of the enemy were encountered in advanced shell hole positions. The next day he led his section forward, and repulsed an enemy counter-attack.

T./2nd Lt. Frank Godwin Free Platten, attd. Norf. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in continuing to lead his platoon forward through heavy shell fire though wounded, and gaining his objective. He reorganised his men and strengthened the position until obliged to go to the dressing station four hours later.

2nd Lt. Herbert Christopher Barker Plummer, Durh. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when engaged in moving guns under very heavy fire. When the last gun had been taken forward an intense barrage was put down, and the officer directing the work decided to abandon the gun. He rallied his party and succeeded in completing the work and so probably saved the gun from destruction.

T./Lt. Henry Pollitt, Lan. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as transport officer. He made, under heavy fire, three journeys to the front line with rations. On one occasion when the ration party was dispersed by shell fire he personally superintended delivery of rations to each company.

T./Lt. George Alexander Porterfield, Worc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When an ammunition dump was set on fire by a bomb from enemy aircraft he immediately realised the situation and rushed for water, which he threw on the fire till it was finally extinguished. His prompt action and total disregard for his own safety undoubtedly averted further disaster and saved the rest of the dump from being burnt. On another occasion he showed great coolness under fire, and did most valu-

able work when in charge of 100 stretcher-bearers collecting wounded from the front line under fire.

T./Capt. (A./Maj.) Reginald Poole Pridham, Dev. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When an advance was temporarily held up by the bad state of the ground and machine-gun fire and all the other officers had become casualties he rallied all men round him and repeatedly led them forward, afterwards taking charge of the whole advanced line and reorganising the men.

2nd Lt. Charles Vernon Powell, R.G.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When a number of men were killed and wounded, though himself wounded in the stomach, he refused to have his wound dressed until he had seen the other wounded taken away. He personally helped, though in great pain, to dig some men out of a dug-out where they had been buried.

T./Capt. Maurice Aloysius Power, M.B., R. A. M. C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a bearer division. He collected and dressed wounded under heavy fire. On the way to the aid post his bearer was killed by a shell and he was wounded, but he succeeded in clearing his sector of wounded before dark, and then had to be assisted in an exhausted condition to the dressing station.

Lt. Sylvester Lindsay Quine, Ches. R., Spec. Res. and R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He went out in exceptionally rough and stormy weather during an attack, and, flying very low over the enemy's batteries, reported and located those which were in action. By his courageous and determined efforts he assisted materially in clearing up the situation and enabled effective fire to be brought to bear on the enemy's batteries.

T./Lt. Cyril George Radford, Notts. & Derby. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of the right party in a raid. Though severely wounded in the stomach at the start he led his men to their final objective in the enemy second line. After much hard fighting, in which several of the enemy were killed, he succeeded in capturing four prisoners. After the recall signal, though suffering severely from his wounds, he remained to see all the wounded safely brought back.

T./Capt. Reginald Thompson Raine, R. A. M. C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an intense barrage he went out in the open to attend to wounded, and when his stretcher-bearers became casualties he himself carried cases in. Returning later he also brought in the stretcher-bearers, though exposed all the while to an intense shell fire. He showed a magnificent example to all, and undoubtedly saved many lives.