

Lt. (T./Capt.) Frederick William Mathias, R.A.F.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He carried out several successful shoots, doing considerable damage; he took a large number of successful photographs, and completed several long reconnaissances, obtaining valuable information.

T./Lt. Robert Maule, Manch. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When only one junior officer was left with a company this officer was sent up from battalion headquarters to take command of it. On the enemy attacking he beat them off, and counter-attacked with a small body of men, inflicting heavy casualties and bringing in one officer and one man as prisoners. A very fine performance, considering he was with a company which he had not previously led.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Edgar Joseph Arundell Maunsell, R. War. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. The far end of a position over a canal which was under heavy shell and machine-gun fire was blown up. He volunteered to go into the position and report the damage. Later, he repeatedly led his men into a wood through heavy fire in his endeavour to force a way through the enemy line. His fine leading and cool behaviour were an example to all.

T./2nd Lt. Leslie Frederic Maxwell, M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When one of the guns holding the position along which the enemy was advancing had been knocked out, he rushed one of his own guns up to the position with two men under intense enemy shell fire, got it into action, and inflicted great losses on the enemy.

Lt. Frederic William John May, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When communication had been destroyed he immediately established visual communication from the top of a house. Though the house was several times hit he remained at his post during the whole day under continuous and heavy shell fire. By his pluck and determination many messages of vital importance were got through.

T./Lt. Thomas William May, R. Innis. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a withdrawal he remained consistently with a Lewis gun section, and under heavy machine-gun fire saw that his men kept all means of enemy approach under fire.

Capt. Robert Caldwell Maunsell Mayne, R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in carrying out a very difficult registration under heavy shell fire, which enabled the battery to destroy an enemy trench, only a part of which could be seen. He had to

cross the open under continual enemy barrage to get to his observation post. He performed fine service.

2nd Lt. Hubert McBain, Durh. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led a counter-attack and established a block in a trench at a very critical time. He held this position for four hours and greatly assisted his battalion to maintain its position. He showed great fearlessness and devotion to duty. In the afternoon he was wounded.

Capt. Andrew Best McBride, Bedf. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed great determination and skill in commanding his company during several enemy attacks, and led his men successfully in counter-attack, killing many of the enemy and assisting in capturing a village.

T./Capt. Reginald Campbell McCankie, H.L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During several days' intense fighting this officer frequently visited the posts held by the battalion, and found out the immediate situation, which was constantly changing. When the enemy was working round the flank he improvised a defensive flank, thereby delaying the enveloping movement. On another occasion he checked an enemy rush by establishing a post with a Lewis gun and snipers, which prevented their collecting in some dead ground.

Lt. Terence Cormac McCarthy, Jats, I.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. By skilful handling of his Lewis guns throughout the day he enabled his company to advance with little loss when exposed to hostile machine-gun fire. In the final assault he engaged an enemy machine-gun which was enfilading the attacking waves, capturing it with sixty prisoners and forty mules. He did very fine service.

Lt. Robert Richard McCartney, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty while acting as liaison officer. He sent back very valuable information to the batteries throughout the day. When the wire was cut he made strenuous efforts to repair it, and finally resorted to sending back runners. He twice brought back urgent messages himself at the request of the infantry, afterwards returning to battalion headquarters. He showed great gallantry and determination.

T./2nd Lt. Frederick McChesney, R.A.F.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He succeeded in getting valuable photographs of the enemy system, his machine being damaged by machine-gun fire from the trenches. On six occasions he carried out low reconnaissance flights, bringing back valuable information, though his machine was badly damaged by machine-gun fire from the ground.