

T./Maj. William Edgar Thomas, M.C., 7th Bn., E. York. R.

He commanded two companies in an out-flanking movement to capture a village which was strongly held by the enemy. By his able dispositions and fearless leading he succeeded, with only two casualties, in taking four machine guns and fifty prisoners. The advance was then continued, and the whole village finally captured. His fine example of courage and leadership inspired all ranks.

Lt. (T./Capt.) Robert Ward, M.C., 9th Bn., Manch. R., T.F., attd. 1st Bn., L'pool R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After thirty hours' unceasing work under heavy shelling, he volunteered to lead the remnants of two companies in the advance against a village. He cheered the men on in face of intense machine-gun fire until he fell wounded, and by his splendid example and personal courage the long extended line was carried right on to the objective.

Lt. Rupert Sharpe Walsh, M.M., 4th Bn., Gord. Highrs., T.F., sec'd. 11th Bn., Tank Co.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a long and trying day, when he covered some twenty miles and fought several actions, his energy and cheerful courage were a fine example to his men. When the machinery broke down on one occasion, and the enemy made his tank untenable by the fumes of phosphorus bombs, he evacuated the crew, but remained behind himself, with one man, and eventually got the engines started again, and walking along between the front horns of the tank, surrounded by the enemy, who were firing at them with their revolvers, he managed at last to bring the tank back into safety.

T./Capt. Tebbutt Hill Whitehead, M.C., 13th Bn., R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and resource in an attack. When the attack seemed likely to be held up by intense enemy fire, by his skilful and determined leadership under the most difficult conditions he enabled the advance to continue, with the result that a very strong enemy position was captured, with 500 prisoners. His personal example and initiative contributed largely to the success of the operation.

CANADIAN FORCE.

Maj. James Basevi, 2nd Bn., Can. M.G.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He commanded four machine-gun batteries in conjunction with the infantry advance. When the entire brigade staff were either killed or wounded by a shell burst, he took charge and carried on until the arrival of a fresh staff. His initiative in meeting the emergency, and the way he managed the fire power of his batteries, were of the greatest value.

Rev. Alexander MacLennan Gordon, M.C., Can. Chaplains Service, attd. 4th Can. Division.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During heavy fighting in the advance

he was continually exposed to great danger while attending the wounded in the firing line. While performing his duty he was severely wounded by a machine-gun bullet.

Maj. John Andrew Hope, M.C., 46th Can. Infy. Bn., Saskatchewan R.

For conspicuous gallantry and resource. After a strong enemy counter-attack he carried out a most valuable reconnaissance under heavy fire, reorganised the line, established touch with the enemy along his whole front, and cleared up a difficult situation. He showed marked initiative and disregard of danger.

Lt.-Col. Herbert Leo Keegan, 47th Can. Infy. Bn., W. Ontario R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. In conjunction with another battalion he stormed and successfully captured enemy positions through uncut wire. Throughout the engagement, fought with his right flank exposed, he displayed marked courage and cheerfulness, and in face of the greatest difficulties advanced and held ground gained for three days.

Lt. Arthur Rubin Kilborn, M.C., M.M., 78th Bn., Can. Infy., Manitoba R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as scout officer during four days' operations. Under heavy fire he maintained liaison between the companies and battalion headquarters, his accurate information enabling the positions to be readjusted in the face of obstinate resistance. When the left of the attack was threatened he collected some details, and fearlessly exposing himself, shot two officers at close quarters and restored the situation.

Capt. (A./Maj.) William Harold Kippen, M.C., 3rd Bn., Can. Infy., 1st Cent. Ont. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack, after the second in command had been wounded, this officer twice saved a critical situation, first by seizing a trench, and later by clearing out a nest of four machine guns in a sunken road. On reaching his objective he skilfully arranged for its consolidation. His energy and determination were responsible for the success of the operation.

Maj. Donald Bruce Martyn, M.C., 44th Can. Infy. Bn., New Brunswick R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a bombing attack. Noticing that one of the attacking parties of another battalion had taken the wrong trench turning, he immediately went forward and, finding the senior officer had been wounded, took charge and led the party into the correct trench against large numbers of the enemy, of whom he mowed down a company and captured over forty. He remained with the party for over ten hours, during which time he withstood two violent counter-attacks and consolidated the positions captured. He showed marked courage and able leadership.