

Maj. Philip Walker, Manitoba R., attd. 10th Inf. Bn., Alberta R.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative during operations on 27th/28th September, 1918, east of Haynecourt. When the advance had been temporarily held up he visited the companies under very heavy machine-gun fire, and successfully superintended the necessary changes that had to be made before the attack could proceed. His work throughout was of a very high order.

Capt. William James White, M.C., 28th Inf. Bn., Sask. R.

On 11th October, 1918, he commanded a company in the attack upon the village of Iwuy, which was strongly held by the enemy. He several times led small groups of men against enemy machine-guns in defended localities, overwhelming by his dash and gallantry the enemy resistance. On one occasion he rushed out and, single-handed, killed or captured the entire post, consisting of eight or ten men, thus ensuring the success of the operation. He showed splendid courage and dash.

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Capt. Alexander Milne Anderson, 48th Bn., A.I.F.

For most conspicuous gallantry and initiative during the advance near Le Verquier, north-west of St. Quentin, on the 18th September, 1918. When his company encountered very strong opposition on the objective he continually exposed himself to gather information, and, by directing his men, he was able to work along trenches and so cut the enemy off, who were defending a very commanding position. In this position he captured 220 of the enemy, a number of machine-guns, four minenwerfers, and one 77-mm. gun. He did fine work.

Maj. Archie Eric Gordon Campbell, M.C., 14th A.L.H.R. (EGYPT)

For distinguished leadership and devotion to duty. On the 30th September, 1918, at Salahiye (Damascus), he was charged with the work of clearing the gardens to the south of the village, in expectation of the whole force following. In spite of the main body being deflected by another order, this officer pursued a very vigorous course through the gardens, clearing out 150 enemy and many machine guns before reaching the railway line. He also did very valuable work in consolidating the position taken up across the road. Throughout the operation his work was excellent.

Maj. John Courtenay Chanter, 4th A.L.H.R. (EGYPT)

For conspicuous gallantry, initiative and devotion to duty whilst leading his squadron across the Jordan near El Min, on the 28th September, 1918, under heavy fire. By personal reconnaissance he found a way across, was one of the first to get over, and remained under fire assisting and directing his squadron, thereby keeping casualties down to a minimum. Again, on the 1st October, 1918, he was in command of the squadron which made the reconnaissance to

Meidan Railway Station, and his great dash and determination were the means of securing many thousands of prisoners. Throughout the whole operations he set a fine example to his squadron.

Lt.-Col. William Joseph Robert Cheeseman, M.C., 53rd Bn., A.I.F.

North of Bellicourt, on 1st October, 1918, he showed marked gallantry and initiative. His battalion had to attack at dawn, and to reach the start line had to move over a mile and a half of ground intersected by the Hindenberg system in the dark. When dawn broke they came under heavy converging machine-gun fire, and he got his men into artillery columns and personally led them over to the start line and got the attack up in line with the flank troops. Later in the day he made a reconnaissance forward under exceptionally heavy fire, and obtained most valuable information.

Maj. Edward Costello, 11th A.L.H.R. (EGYPT)

At Semakh, on the 25th September, 1918, he was in command of one of the squadrons that charged the enemy's position covering the east and southern part of the town. His dash and energy went a long way to make the attack a success. After going through the enemy's lines they still resisted under covering fire from machine guns placed in the town, but he collected his men—who were under fire at point-blank range of an enemy 12-pounder gun—and dismounted them for a bayonet charge. This gun was subsequently captured, together with a machine gun. After losing two officers and having his horse shot under him, he beat off a counter-attack.

Maj. Frank Mungeam Couchman, 46th Bn., A.I.F.

For great gallantry and leadership during the operations west of Bellenglise, north of St. Quentin, on the 18th September, 1918. He was in command of the right company, and when the unit on his left was held up he pushed a party forward, protected his flank, and, under intense machine-gun fire, finally succeeded in reaching a sunken road, where he established his line. Throughout his work was excellent.

Maj. Robert Fulton Craig, 15th Fd. Amb., Aust. Army Medical Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in charge of the bearer division near Bellicourt, from 29th September to 2nd October, 1918. During the whole of this period he rendered valuable service, and by his coolness and initiative surmounted all difficulties under most trying conditions. He not only worked the evacuation of wounded from rear aid posts of his own brigade, but he personally reorganised the evacuation from other brigades under very heavy shell and machine-gun fire.

Lt. Norman Dalgleish, 58th Bn., A.I.F.

For most conspicuous gallantry and determination during operations North-east of Bellicourt, between 29th September and 1st October, 1918. On the first day, owing to casualties, he found himself in command of a company, and, although wounded, gained