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Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit	Regtl. No.	Rank and Name (Christian names must be stated)	Action for which commended (Date and place of action must be stated)	Recommended by	Honour or Reward	(To be left blank)
	32nd.Battln. A.I.F.	2112.	Sergeant Sydney Alexander James SMITH.	During the period 29th.September/1st.October 1918 while the 32nd.Battalion was engaged in operations near BELLICOURT Sergeant Smith displayed great powers of leadership and much gallantry, bravery and devotion to duty. He was of the greatest assistance to his Platoon Commander who when the Company passed through JONCOURT placed Sergeant Smith in charge of detached posts all of which were under almost constant enemy artillery and machine gun fire. The task of visiting these posts at intervals was dangerous in the extreme, but was carried out with skill and courage which greatly heartened the men occupying the posts. He at one time made a special tour when the hostile barrage fire was so intense that it seemed a counter attack on our positions was immiment, and throughout carried out the hazardous duties with entire success,			

I certify that the Reg.No., Rank and designation as set out and referring to the abovementioned soldier is correct according to the Battalion Nominal Roll.

Date recommendation passed forward to :-

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Recommended for ~~D.C.M.~~ M.S.M. in New Years Honours Gazette on 20/9/1918.