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14th Aust. Inf. Brigade 5th AUSTRALIAN Division. AUSTRALIAN Corps. 7th September 1918. Date of Recommendation.

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)
	53rd. BATTALION A. I. F.	869 a	PRIVATE PAYNE Arthur Charles.	For most conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. AS a stretcher bearer during the attack, he established an AID POST on his own initiative in a captured Strong Post, and most magnificent work, bandaging and carrying wounded to the Post under the most intense artillery and machine gun fire. For 36 hours he laboured unceasingly, searching NO MANS' LAND during the night and organising parties to carry in the wounded. He moved about continuously in the most exposed and most dangerous positions of the LINE carrying on his duty of attending to wounded. His cheery disposition and heroism won the admiration of all ranks. (No award of Military Medal)	W. Cheeseman P. R. C.	DCM M M	
		4662	PRIVATE WILSON Walter Smyth.	While acting as a Stretcher Bearer during the attack on FERONE, under most intense M.G. and Artillery fire, he continued for 36 hours, without rest to attend to the wounded. His task took him into the most dangerous places and he was to be found wherever men had fallen. On many occasions going out into "NO MANS' LAND" to attend to, and bring in wounded, and undoubtedly saved many lives. His great personal bravery, cheerfulness and devotion to duty, set the finest possible example to all his fellow stretcher bearers, and it was mainly through his efforts, that the wounded of his Coy. were all cleared from the battlefield. (no award of Military Medal)	W. Cheeseman P. R. C.	DCM M M	

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