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Schedule No. (to be left blank) Unit Calg Highrs (CIC)

Army No. and Rank K-52168 Sergeant

Name Emile Jean LALOGE, DCM
(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)
<p>On 8 February 1945, the Calgary Highlanders were ordered to capture the town of WYLER, GERMANY, in order to open a vital communication and maintenance route to permit the advance of 30th British Corps. "D" Company's task was to cut the main WYLER-KRANNENBERG road, then to clear the north edge of the town of WYLER.</p>	<p>(R.L.Ellis) Lt-Col - Calg Highrs</p>	<p>IMMEDIATE</p>	
<p>Opposite the village of VOSSENDAHL the commander the leading platoon was wounded and the platoon was temporarily disorganized. Realizing the advantage of following close behind the artillery barrage and the vital necessity of cutting the road, Sergeant Laloge, who was commanding the second platoon, passed his platoon through the other, and advanced through a mine field under enemy mortar fire, finally reaching the road.</p>	<p>CO'D 2 CDN INF BDE Maj Gen Comd 2 Cdn Inf Div (G.G. Simonds) Comd 2 Cdn Corps</p>	<p>17 Mar 45</p>	
<p>The platoon immediately started house clearing on both sides of the road. They came under fire from a well sited enemy machine gun which inflicted</p>			

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casualties and forced them to take cover. Appreciating that this machine gun post could not be outflanked, Sergeant Laloge ordered covering fire and himself charged the position and, firing from the hip, silenced the machine gun, killing the crew of four.

After advancing a few hundred yards further, they again were halted by machine gun fire. After several attempts to silence the post by fire had failed, Sergeant Laloge, at great personal risk, directed the infiltration of his platoon into the enemy position, silencing the post, killing the machine gun crew and capturing four prisoners. To accomplish this he had to expose himself many times and in fact his clothing was pierced by enemy bullets.

The initiative, leadership and cool, good judgment of this N.C.O. resulted in his company successfully attaining its object. Due to his actions many enemy were killed or wounded and one officer and thirty-nine other ranks taken prisoner.

H. D. G. Crerar
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G.O.C.-in-C.
First Canadian Army.

If a casualty as under, fill in date

Nature of Casualty	Date
Killed in action	
Died of Wounds	
Died	
Missing	
Prisoner of War	

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