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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)
41370	32nd Battalion. A.I.F.		Lieutenant Frank HARDY.	During the period 30th September - 1st October 1918 in the operations carried out by this Battalion against the enemy positions near BELLICOURT, Lieutenant HARDY displayed great courage, initiative and devotion to duty. On the 30th September all four Companies were thrown into the assault and Lieutenant HARDY took command of two Companies and led them throughout with great dash. When nearing MAUROY they were held up by heavy machine gun fire and this Officer immediately collected the men nearest him, cleared the position capturing the machine guns and some prisoners. At MASNY LA POSSE, he, with a small party cleared portion of the village capturing over 30 prisoners and four machine guns. During the whole period of the operations he continually moved forward with the assaulting Companies and by his skill and courage set a splendid example to all ranks. His untiring energy and devotion to duty materially helped towards the success of the operation.	E.TIVEY, MILITARY Brig.Gen., ~~General~~. Commdg., CROIX 8th Aust Infantry Brigade.		

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MAJOR-GENERAL,
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