

# The University of Sydney

## WAR SERVICE RECORD

SURNAME ISON Other Names Alfred Harold.  
(Block Letters) (Clearly Written)  
Rank Lieutenant. Unit 17th Battalion, A.I.F.  
Date and Place of Enlistment Victoria Barracks, February 12, 1915.  
Date of Embarkation and Name of Transport October 5, 1915. Themistocles.  
Date of Return to Australia and Name of Transport November 18, 1917. Ulysses.  
Place, date and nature of Casualty (if any) Bullecourt, May 3, 1917 - wound in  
right knee, gassed.

Decorations (if any) -

Full details and remarks as to service:— Volunteered for service when called upon, August 9, 1914. Attended No. 17 School of Instruction at Marrickville, Feb. 8 to 6th March, 1915. Entered Liverpool Camp, March 12. Engaged in instructional work - Camp Adjutant at Holdsworthy Depot from August 23 (?) to Sept 30, 1915 - Embarked on "Themistocles" as O.C. 5th Reinforcements 17th Bn on October 5, 1915 - Appointed Adjutant 5th Training Bn, March 26, 1916 to March 1917. Joined the 17th Battalion in the field at Fricourt, April 1, 1917. Took part in the Battle of Lagnicourt, April 15, and led the third wave of the 17th Bn. into action at Bullecourt, May 3, 1917. Wounded in action on 3rd May and spent six weeks in hospitals at Rouen and Wandsworth (London). After a fortnight's furlough in Ireland I was placed on  
1 "light duty" at Perham Downs and served as a member of a Standing Court-martial for two months. My heart having been seriously affected by war service, I was returned to Australia as unfit for further active service for six months" and was invalided from the army on 18th February, 1918.

School or Schools attended before entrance to University: Brocklehurst Public School, Dubbo;  
Sydney Teachers' College, 1907, 1908.

Period of attendance at University: One year (1914)

Faculty and Degrees: Faculty of Arts. (Owing to impaired health I was  
unable to resume my studies on return from active service.)

*The particulars above are correct to the best of my belief.*

Signature A. Harold Ison

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Matraville.