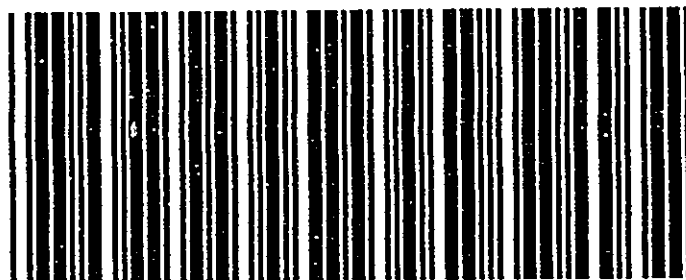


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**5409 Private  
Reginald Hartley  
Tyson**

**19th Battalion**



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A.I.F. 4/19th Battn.

TYSON  
L/Cpl. Reginald  
Hartley  
5409

K/A. 3/5/17

No trace in Germany  
Cert. by Capt. Mills 10/10/19.

London  
21/10/19

Sgt  
I.

A.I.F. 19th Btn  
14th Rfts

TYSON  
L/Cpl Reginald Hartley 5409

"Wded & Missing"

Killed in action 3-6-17 - previously reported Wded & Missing  
cert. by A.I.F. Hqs 8-1-18.

S(L.C.O)  
& P.I

London  
18-1-18

19th Btn

TYSON

R.H. (Reginald) 5409

"WOUNDED"

Wounded 4-5-17

Cert. by A.I.F. Headquarters 14-6-17

No further report

Cert. by A.I.F. Headquarters 27-6-17

Missing and Wounded

Cert. by Rouen letter 26-6-17.

P.I. &

S.

(L.C.O)

A.I.F. 19.

TYSON, R.H. 5409.

W/H May 3rd 1917.

I knew a man called Tyson but I don't remember his company or platoon. I know his number was 5000 and something and as far as I know he was the only man called Tyson in the Bttn. He came from N.S.W. He was about 5ft 10, clean shaven, inclined to be fair, about 21-22. I did not know anything of him before joining up. I never knew he had been reported W/H on the 3rd May. I saw him in July at No. 2 Command Depot, Weymouth. I spoke to him and he told me that he had been wounded on the 3rd May and that his wound had healed then. About August I met him again at Perham Downs Overseas Training Camp waiting to rejoin his unit. I heard afterwards that he had got sick and had gone to some hospital in England but I don't know where.

Inf: Pte S. Walsh. v5938. 19.A.IV.  
 No. 13 Gen Hosp.  
 BOULOGNE. 20.12.17.

5936 W. Tyson - 19 Bttn -

AGE

S  
P.I

ad. Joking Hosp. 20.5.17.  
 disch. 25.6.17.  
 I.A.D.H. 20.8.17.

not sent on

19th Battn.  
A.I.F.

TYSON,  
H.R. 5409

"Killed 3.5.17."

Tyson and I were signallers. I was with him at Bullecourt on 5rd May, but we got separated and I saw him no more. A S/Bearer told me he had helped Tyson to a D/S and Tyson started to walk to the next D/S. He cannot have reached any clearing station, for if he had we should have got a report of it.

Eye-witness:- No.

Description:- About 24. From Sydney.

Informant:- I/Cpl. A. Murphy, 5365,  
19th Battn, A. Coy, 11 Plg.,  
King George V Hospital,  
Dublin.

A.M. B. Irwin.  
9.2.18.  
London.  
19.2.18

S.  
P.I.

19th Battn.  
B. Coy.  
A.I.F.

Tyson.  
R.H. 5409

"Killed 3.5.17"

I was in the Military Hospital, Church Lane, Tooting, with him in June 1917. He left hospital before I did, but I saw him the first day I was on furlough. I have not seen him since. The statement in the April list that he was killed is in my opinion incorrect.

Informant:- Pte. I. Hayton 4430  
19th Battn.

Home address: Beaufort War Hpl. Bristol.  
Thirroul, South Coast,  
N.S. Wales.

13th April. 1918.  
T.A. d'Arcy

London.  
19.4.18.

Note Not sent on.

S.  
P.I.

This evidently refers to  
Tyson W. 5936. Tooting Hpl. 20.5.17. 19.13m.  
Disch. to C.T.D. Parkhouse 15.1.18.

19th BATTALION, A.I.F.

TYSON,  
Private R.H. 5409.

"KILLED, 3.5.17."

Informant described Tyson as about 5 feet 10 inches high, medium build, aged 25 or 26 years. Tyson was a Signaller in the Battalion.

Informant states that on 3.5.17 the Battalion was in action at Bullcourt. They hepped over in the early morning and about 7 or 8 o'clock, were driven back. When Informant was on his way back he saw Tyson lying in a shell-hole near the German wire, but could not see whether he was still alive. Informant could not give me any further details as to what became of Tyson.

Informant and Tyson were particular chums, and Tyson was well thought of by his other mates.

INFORMANT: Sapper J. Dear, 5809,  
19th Battalion, A.I.F.

Home address; Simpson Street, TUMUT. N.S.W.

V.F.O.  
Casac Buffet, SYDNEY.  
20.5.19.

J. A.

SYDNEY BUREAU.

S  
True ✓



A.I.F. 19th Bn  
14th Div

TYSON  
L/Opl Reginald Hartley 5409

"Dead & Missing"

Killed in action 3-6-17 - previously reported Dead & Missing  
cert. by A.I.F. Rep 8-1-18.

Druff. I.

(1) R.W. Marshall Esq.  
White Birch Rd  
Rannoch  
Sheffield.

London  
18-1-18

Druff. II.

Mrs. G.A. Hartley  
S(L.C.O)  
& P.I  
Wm. Coe  
Market St  
Dalton in Furness  
Lancs.

(2) Mrs. Boyd.  
1152 Annie's Terrace  
Sydney, N.S.W.

(3) H. Lane Esq  
25. High St Salisbury.

Dear  
Mrs  
Whitworth Rd.,  
Ranmoor, Sheffield,  
8 Oct. 17.

The Enquiry Dept. for  
Wounded & Missing,  
Carlton House Terrace,  
London W.

RECEIVED  
9 OCT 1917  
CARLTON HOUSE TERRACE

Dear Sir,  
I should feel very much obliged  
if you could help in any way to obtain  
some information regarding  
L/Cpl. R. H. Tyson, 5409.  
14<sup>th</sup> Reinforcements,  
19<sup>th</sup> Battalion,  
5<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade,  
Australian Imperial Force,  
who was wounded & since missing, from

May last -  
I am enquiring for his  
mother's sake, who lives in Australia,  
and the above is the second son she  
has lost in the war -

Any news you could give me  
would be most gratefully received -  
With thanks, I am,  
Yours truly,  
R. H. Marshall

Cpl Tyson. Reginald H  
5409. 19 Bst

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W. 2-May. (H.O.)  
whereabouts

white card  
tell. waiting  
am

P. 1. 26. 6. 17.

Miss Boyd.

11. St Ann's Terr.

St John Wood

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brother of Capt Gordon

Killed the day before Tyson

A. I. P. 52. D.

PERRY, R. J. 8038.

K. September 4th, 1918.

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I knew a man named Perry in my Coy. who was reported killed in September but rejoined about 3 months ago. I saw him just before I left. He comes from Greenland and is a very dark man of about 26, standing about 5'8", and weighing I should say 12 stone.

Reference:- B. Lewis, 5130.D.  
No. 4 Gen. Hosp.

Etapes  
13.9.17.

RCA.

Filing Copy 10-8-17

Draft 5


To Mrs Edith Hartley  
Wincke  
Market Street  
Dalton - W. - J. - J. - J.

re

5409 Pl. R. H. Tyson

19<sup>th</sup> Ballu. A. I. F

Officially Nursing  
4-5-17

per 

## AUSTRALIAN SECTION—TWENTY

15th Battalion A.I.F.—contd.

Co.

\*Holley, B. 3328.  
\*Holmes, H. F. 5684.  
\*Holper, Cpl. J. W. B. 449.  
\*Hooper, W. E. 215A.  
\*Houldsworth, H. 4811.  
\*Howlett, J. 6270.  
\*Hurley, J. P. K. 5696.  
\*Hutchinson, F. 6279.  
\*Ingram, A. 5713.  
\*Ingram, C. T. 5698.  
Innes, D. M. B. 6286.  
\*Jackman, T. H. 1070.  
\*Jappa, G. L. 6283.  
\*Jemmett, P. J. 6515.  
\*Jenkins, R. 1424.  
\*Jolly, A. E. 5575.  
\*Jones, H. W. 4535.  
\*Joseph, A. J. 6287.  
\*Kenna, M. P. 6320.  
\*Kershaw, F. 6043.  
\*Kimberley, L.-Cpl. J. W. 2513.  
\*Kluge, G. V. 6294.  
A. Lake, C. N. 6304.  
\*Lake, W. 1388.  
\*Lambourne, R. 1333.  
\*Lee, F. G. 3609.  
\*Leiper, T. 1514.  
B. \*Leslie, Capt. F. A.  
\*Letts, J. C. 5709.  
\*Lilburne, E. P. 1745.  
\*Linter, A. B. 6300.  
\*Lock, P. H. 6298.  
\*Lonergan, W. A. M. 6302.  
\*Lorenzen, P. 6020.  
\*Lupton, A. P. 5711.  
Lyons, W. J. 4344.  
\*McAlister, L.-Cpl. D. M. 4851.  
McAtee, J. 3806.  
McConnell, T. 3915.  
\*Macfarlane, G. W. 6051.  
\*McGimpsey, D. 6321.  
\*McGinley, W. 3151.  
\*McGregor, H. J. 5472.  
\*McIntosh, A.  
McLo

Final draft to

J. W. Marshall

Whitworth Rd.

Hammor

Sheffield

re 5409 ~~Lesson H. H.~~

19<sup>th</sup> - Matn.

3/10/19

Final draft to

Mrs Lloyd

81 Clarence Gate  
Gardens  
W.W.

re  
5409 Lyson R. H.  
~~19 - Gate.~~

3/10/19



The Australian Red Cross Society

(B.R.C.S.)

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

WOUNDED AND MISSING ENQUIRY BUREAU.

Enquiry No.

7104

Date

June 5 - 1918.

Regimental Details of  
Soldier enquired about.

Inc. 1761 A.

Sgt R. R. Williams

4th Div. Australian Column.

Details of Casualty.

Gassed

Information wanted.

Location of incident.

Final Draft 8.10.19.

to. Mrs Edith Hartley  
Wincote

Market St.

Dalton-in-Furness  
Lancs

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H. B. Cave

25 High St.

Salisbury

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5409. Capt R. H. Dyeon  
19<sup>th</sup> Btn.

The Australian Red Cross Society

(B.R.C.S.)

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

WOUNDED AND MISSING ENQUIRY BUREAU.

Enquiry No. 6672

Date April 29-1918

No. 2966,  
Plt. B. Nesbit ✓  
51st Battalion.

Regimental Details of  
Soldier enquired about.

Details of Casualty.

Horton County of London War Steps.  
{ All (Trench Feet-)

Information wanted.

{ Present-Location & Condition

France  
29. 3. 1918

ack  
4. 4. 18

How Secretaries.  
Australian Red X.  
Inquiry Department  
London.

Dear Sir or Madam.

Would you be so kind as to supply me with any information regarding Pte Rex Tyson 19th Batt<sup>n</sup> A.I.F. He left Sydney on 22<sup>nd</sup> / 8 / 16 came to France about this time last year and has been missing since 3<sup>rd</sup> May at Bullecourt. Has any information reached you regarding this man? He is a friend of some relations of mine who have helped me to make inquiries

Thanking you in anticipation.  
Yours sincerely  
R. H. Pettit Lieut  
A Coy 17th Bn A.I.F.

5409 R. H. Lyon 1919

Wincote.

Market Street.

Dalton-in-Furness.

Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> 1919.

Furnished

Miss Maybrow,

Dear Madam,

Many thanks for your  
notification of the closing of the  
enquiry Bureau. Thank you.  
I will leave all to my sister-in-  
law now as in a recent letter  
she tells me she is trying to  
get into communication with  
a disabled Soldier who has  
gone to Scotland; and she

has been told he was with my  
nephew when he went to the  
Crossing Station - soon Rex  
moved forward to the next one.  
and this other Soldier stayed  
behind - I hope with all my  
heart we may hear something  
definite Sunday.

The Red Cross have done  
splendid work and it is  
owing to the kindness of  
everyone connected with it  
that these times of terrible  
suspense have been made  
more bearable - as we know  
that every possible enquiry

was being made - and our  
admiration for all the brave  
men & women who endured  
such hardships and faced  
such danger is unbounded.  
We are very grateful for all  
the information that has  
been sent to us.

Thanking you.

Sincerely,

Yours faithfully,  
Caleb A. Hatley.

RECEIVED  
7 AUG 1917

CARLTON HOUSE  
TELEPHONE

Market Street.

Dalton-in-Furness.

Aug: 5<sup>th</sup> 1917.

To the British Red Cross Society.

We are terribly anxious  
about our nephew who has  
been missing since May 4<sup>th</sup> of  
this year. and knowing how  
much your Society does towards  
relieving the anxiety of sorrowing  
relatives. we shall be very  
thankful if you can assist  
us to trace our nephew.  
Details verleaf.



No. 3400.

Pte. Reginald Hartley Lynn

14th Regt. 19th Batta.

3rd Brigade

2nd Division. A. I. F.

France.

Sir brother Capt. Lynn was  
 killed in action on the 3<sup>rd</sup> May.  
 and we have received con-  
 firmation of his death. but  
 the Administrative in Honey-  
 road can give us no further  
 information of Rex except  
 that he is "Wounded and  
 moving. Unable to trace".  
 We have no means of learning  
 what battles the Australians

were engaged in at that time.

He was well over 6 ft. broad  
and well educated.

He would among other things  
have me in a garden with  
myself and four daughters  
having tea.

This is the  
only thing I can remember  
he had when he left me.  
That would help you.

Thanking you.

Remain

Yours faithfully,

Edith A. Hankley.

Wincob.

Market Street.

Dalton-in-Furness.

Aug. 15<sup>th</sup> 1917.

Dear Madam,

Please accept our grateful thanks for your sympathetic reply to our enquiry about our nephew.  
No. 5409, Pk. R. H. Dyer.

Up to the present we have not heard from him. But will let you know the earliest possible moment if we are

3 fortunate as to have our great  
sincerely believed.

With renewed thanks.

Remain  
Yours faithfully,  
Edith A. Harley.

July 3rd. 1917.

Mrs. Boyd,  
11, St Anne's Terrace  
St. John's Wood,  
N. W.

Dear Madam,

We very much regret to tell you that :-

No. 5409 Pte. R. H. TYSON, 19th. Battn., A.I.F.  
is now reported to be Wounded & Missing since 4.5.17. and  
no further information is at present available.

We have added his name to our enquiry lists and  
will send you any information that we receive as we fully  
appreciate his Mother's anxiety.

Yours faithfully

V.D.

Secretary.

L.A.W

R.W. Marshall, Esq.,  
Whitworth Road  
Ranmoor, Sheffield.

Oct. 12th, 1917.

Dear Sir,

We have received your letter of 8.10.17 in which you ask us for information about -

No. 5409 I/Cpl. R.H. TYSON - 19th Battn. A.I.F. - on behalf of his mother in Australia.

You already know that he has been officially reported Wounded & Missing since 4.5.17, and we are very sorry that although we have made every possible inquiry we have yet been unable to find any further particulars about him.

We are continuing to leave no stone unturned in our efforts to obtain news of him, and whatever we find out we will send on to you.

With sympathy in your anxiety.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

T. J. W.

P.C. saying news to  
will be sent to  
Stones etc. 22.10.17

Case

Call her

Oct 16 1917

RECEIVED  
1917  
CARLTON HILLS TERRACE

Dear Sirs  
Re no 5409  
2/Cpl R.H. Tyson  
14 reinforcements  
19 & 15 after  
2/2 Aug. Inf. Force.  
R.E.F.

Wounded and missing since  
(date not known since  
May 1917)

Will you please  
do all in your  
power to trace this  
to please man? His mother  
write to the address is  
from mother Mrs. A.S. Tyson  
and let her know where to  
find an address for Edmund St  
Chatswood  
Yours sincerely  
(Mrs.) Mrs. Perry. Mr. Sydney N.S.W.

12.11.17

Actd.  
20/11/17

20/11/17

2.A.C.C.S.  
B.S.7.  
France

The Red Cross Commissioners  
Boulogne.  
Paris.

Would you be kind enough to forward an enquiry  
to your London Depot of which I have lost the address for  
any details of 5409 Pte Rex<sup>#</sup> Dyson.  
D. Company  
19<sup>th</sup> Battalion A.I.F.

It was reported to his mother by cable in July that he had  
been wounded during May & was missing.

I shall deem it a favour if you will forward this  
enquiry for me so that I may inform his relatives.

Yours faithfully

Brown Craig  
Capt A.A.M.C.

Australian Branch.  
British Red Cross Society.  
Recd 17 NOV 1917  
Ans'



November 21st, 1917.

Capt. F. Brown Craig,  
A.A.M.C., 2 A.C.C.S.,  
B.E.F., France.

Tyson

Dear Sir,

In answer to your enquiry about

~~5409 Pte. Rex TYSON,  
D. Coy, 19th Btn,  
A.I.F.~~

he was officially reported missing and wounded 25.5.17, but though we are doing every thing possible we have heard no further news. We have communicated these details to his Mother and several friends, <sup>so</sup> do you wish us to add your name to the enquirers?

All information will be sent direct to our Sydney Bureau.

Yours faithfully,

JB

SECRETARY.

2 A.C.C.S.

25. 11. 17.

The Secretary

Wounded & missing Enquiry Bureau.

( Australian Red Cross Socy.

Dear Sir.

Many thanks for your letter with reference  
to

5409 Reg. Tyson

D. Coy / 19<sup>th</sup> Bat<sup>n</sup>. AIF

It was on behalf of his mother I made  
the enquiry & if you are communicating  
direct with her I know that she will get  
whatever information becomes available.

Do not trouble them to add my name to  
your list of enquirers about him.

Yours faithfully

Thomas Craig  
Capt AAMC.

A.

Salisbury

Oct 13.12.17

11<sup>th</sup> Dec.

The Commissioned  
Aust. Red Cross Socy.

Dear Sir,

Enquiry Dept.

I shall be glad if you can  
forward any information to me  
regarding

5409 Pl. Regiment Hawley Troop  
II Coy 19<sup>th</sup> Batt.

Reported wounded & missing

Yours faithfully  
H. G. Cave

14th. December. 1917.

H. C. Cave Esq.,  
25 High Street,  
Salisbury. Wilts.

Dear Sir,

In answer to your enquiry about 5409 I/Capt R. H. Tyson  
19th. Batt., we regret we have no further details to hand except  
that he was wounded and missing 4.5.17. We are doing all possible  
to trace him and should we get any news will send it on to you at  
once.

Yours faithfully

Secretary.

*P. M. for M. P.*

Wincote.

Market Street.

Dalton-in-Furness.

Jan: 25<sup>th</sup> 1918.

Mr. Deakin, Esq.

Dear Sir

Please accept our  
heartfelt thanks for your  
communication of this  
morning, expressing sympathy  
and giving us further news  
of our nephew <sup>5:09</sup> Lieut. R. H. Spence.  
I notice he is reported  
killed in action on June 3<sup>rd</sup>  
whereas he was reported

on missing on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Is

it possible the one killed  
in June is another Lyon.

We shall be most grateful for  
any further information you  
may be able to send us  
when you receive it.

Again thanking you.

Remain

Yours Sincerely -

Edith A. Hartley

Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> 1918.  
G. M. T. H. S.  
L. L. H. S.  
Admission Ticket  
87-2-18

Maicote.  
Market St.  
Walter in Sur.

Dear Madam,

We are more than  
thankful to you for sending  
us further news of our nephew -  
5409. Sgt. R. H. Lyson - <sup>1914</sup> <sup>18th</sup> <sup>A.I.F.</sup> I am  
very much afraid he lost his  
life on his way to the rear -  
The uncertainty has been  
awful and we do appreciate

The work of the Red Cross - As  
a small token of our gratitude  
I enclose 10/- for the funds -  
Thanking you for all your  
kindness - I remain  
Yours faithfully.  
Edith A. Hartley.



Whitworth R.<sup>d</sup>  
Ranmoor, Sheffield,  
1. Feby. 18.

The Secretary,  
Australian Red Cross Society,  
London.

Dear Sir  
I thank you for your favour  
of the 24<sup>th</sup> Feb. - It is very kind  
of you to bear the matter of  
L/Cpl. Tyson 5409, 19<sup>th</sup> Batt.  
A.I.F. in mind so long -

I regret there appears to be  
no hope that he has been spared  
from death.

Yours truly,  
R. H. Marshall

H.C.Cave, Esq,  
25, High Street,  
Salisbury, Wilts.

R.W.Marshall, Esq,  
Whitworth Rd,  
Sheffield.

February 23rd, 1918.

Dear Sir,

We are sending you an unofficial report which we have just received concerning - No 5409 L/Cpl. R.H. TYSON, 19th Btn, A.I.F. We are afraid it is rather vague and gives very little definite information.

5365 L/Cpl.A.Murphy, 19th Btn, states that he and L/Cpl. Tyson were signallers and were together at Bullecourt on May 3rd, but got separated, Murphy then made enquiries and was told by a stretcher bearer that he had helped Tyson to a dressing station, and that he had arrived there safely, and proceeded to walk on to the next Dressing Station. As he is not reported as having reached any Clearing Station, we can only conclude that some further casualty occurred on his way to the rear for he would have to cross shell swept ground.

We are still making enquiries and as soon as further details are received we shall advise you.

Regretting that this report is so indefinite.

Yours faithfully,

J. M. C.  
for secretary.

Mrs. Boyd,  
11, St Anns Terrace,  
St John's Wood, N.W.

February 23rd, 1918.

Mrs. E.A. Hartley,  
Wincote, Market Street,  
Dalton-in-Furness,  
Lancs.

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Regretting that this report is so distressing.

Yours faithfully,

J. S. C.  
SECRETARY.

Mrs. E.A.Hartley,  
Wincote, Market Street,  
Dalton-in-Furness, Lancs.

February 28th, 1918.

Dear Madam,

Pray accept our best thanks for your kind donation of  
£ 10/- to our funds, for which we enclose receipt. We regret  
much that we have not been able to obtain any definite  
news as to your nephew 5409 L/Cpl. R.H. TYSON, 19th Btn. but  
we are still continuing enquiries, and will at once advise  
you of any report that may come in.

With sincere sympathy in your sorrow and anxiety.

Yours faithfully,

*F. J. Geary*  
for SECRETARY.

8th April, 1916.

Lieut. R. W. Pettit,  
A. Coy. 17th Infantry Bttn.,  
AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE,  
B. E. F.

Dear Sir,

In answer to your enquiry for :-

5409 L/Cpl. R. H. TYSON, 19th Battalion, A.I.F.

who is officially reported as killed in action 3-5-17, after having been reported wounded and missing, we have received the following unofficial report given by 5365 L/Cpl. A. Murphy in the same regiment - he states that he and L/Cpl. Tyson were signalling and were together at Bullecourt on May 3rd, but got separated Murphy then made enquiries and was told by a S/B that he had helped L/Cpl. Tyson to a D/s and that he had arrived there safely and proceeded to walk on the the next D/s. As he is not reported to have reached any Clearing Station we can only conclude that some further casualty occurred on his way to the rear for he would have to cross shell swept ground.

We shall still asking enquiries and should we hear any further details will advise you at once.

With best wishes.

Yours faithfully,

SECRETARY.

L. B.