HAS HAD HOME LEAVE. From 3rd to 9th June 1917.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

DISCHARGED.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

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Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name?
   ... ...

2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born?
   ... ...

3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalised British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.)
   ... ...

4. What is your Age?
   ... ...

5. What is your Trade or Calling?
   ... ...

6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where to whom, and for what period?
   ... ...

7. Are you married?
   ... ...

8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated)
   ... ...

9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power?
   ... ...

10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Insanity, or as Incorrigible and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Poloncy, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with Disgrace from the Navy?
    ... ...

11. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy, or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge.
    ... ...

12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service?
    ... ...

13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds?
    ... ...

14. (For married men, widowers with children, and soldiers who are the sole support of widowed mothers).—Do you understand that no separation allowances will be issued in respect of your service beyond an amount which, together with pay would reach eight shillings per day?
    ... ...

15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox and enteric fever?
    ... ...

3. William Henry Paterson do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

And I further agree to allot not less than two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife and children.

Date: 2nd July 1917

William Henry Paterson
Signature of person enlisted.

* The clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.

1 Two-fifths must be allotted to the wife, and if there are children these three-fifths must be allotted.
CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

The foregoing questions were read to the person enlisted in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to by him.

I have examined his naturalization papers and am of opinion that they are correct.
(To be struck out except in the case of persons who are naturalized British Subjects.)

Date 2 July 1917

Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.

3. William Henry Paterson swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from 28 April 1917 until the end of the War, and a further period of four months thereafter unless sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed, or removed therefrom; and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and maintained; and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service, faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

So Help Me, God.

William Henry Paterson
Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at Eurygerra in the State of New South Wales this 20th day of July 1917, before me—

Signature of Attesting Officer.

*A person enlisting who objects to taking an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Act, and the above form must be amended accordingly. All amendments must be initialed by the Attesting Officer.
Description of William Henry Paterson Enlistment.

Age 37 years 3 months.
Height 5 feet 3 inches.
Weight 165 3/4 lbs.
Chest Measurement 33 3/4 35 1/2 inches.
Complexion Dark.
Eyes Brown.
Hair Dark Brown.
Religious Denomination Coff E.

Distinctive Marks.
Scar L side chest.
Vac marks L & R.

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I have examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, viz.:—

Scrofula; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hernia; hemorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle; invertebrate cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment, or evidence of having been marked with the letters D. or B.C.; contracted or deformed chest; abnormal curvature of spine; or any other disease or physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date 6/12.
Place Fort Des Moines.

Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

I certify that this Attestation of the above-named person is correct, and that the required forms have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to

Date
Place

Commanding
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**DISCHARGED** 24/12/17
**MEDICALLY UNFIT** for further service

Character Good

Date 24/12/17

I have examined the above details, and find them correct in every respect.

[Signature]
Detailed Medical History of an Invalid

Station: Kajer Range, Smuggeva
Date: 23-7-17

1. Regiment or Corps: Machine Gun Regt.
2. Regimental No.: 19243 Plc.

3. Name: Patterson, William Henry
   (Surname to be in Block Letters)
4. Age last Birthday: 37 years

5. (a) Enlisted on: 28-3-17
   (b) If returned from service abroad, date of return to Australia: 5-6-17

6. Former Trade or Occupation: Hairdresser

Before making out this Report read the following note carefully:

NOTE.—The answers to the following questions are to be filled in by the Medical Officer by whom the soldier is brought forward. As the object of these questions is, in the event of the man being invalided, to put the authorities of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth in possession of the most reliable information, grounded upon the opinion of those best capable of judging, so as to enable them in deciding upon the man's claim to compensation, clear and decisive answers must in all cases be given. ALL QUESTIONS MUST BE ANSWERED.

7. Disease or Disability: Old Injury to Chest

In answering the following questions the Medical Officer will strictly discriminate between the man's uncorrected statements on his own, and recorded evidence furnished by his documents, military and medical. He will also carefully discriminate cases entirely due to venereal disease.

8. Date of Origin of Disability: About 8 years ago

9. Place of Origin of Disability: Mackay, Q'land

10. Give concisely the essential facts of the history of the disability, noting entries on the Medical History Sheet: About 11 bags of sugar came out of ships' hold on patient's back, causing fracture of clavicle & splitting of sternum, ribbons of bow set in & region had to be dressed.

11. (a) Give your opinion as to the cause of the Disability: Accident

(b) If you consider it to have been caused by active service, climate, or ordinary military service, explain the specific conditions to which you attribute it. (See notes on page 6.)

   Does not apply

12. What is his present condition? Plate in front of chest right side, which causes irritation when performing physical drill. Patient is not able to use right arm for any prolonged period at severe exercise.

(Weight should be given in all cases when it is likely to afford evidence of the progress of the disability.)
13. Has the disease been aggravated by—
   (a) Intemperance?
      no
   or
   (b) Misconduct?
      no

14. If the disability is a wound or other injury, was it caused—
   (a) In action?
   (b) On field service?
   (c) On duty?
   (d) Off duty?
      yes

15. Was a Court of Inquiry held on the injury?
      no

16. Was any special treatment employed? If so, state what it was
   Treated in Mackay Hospital

17. Was an operation performed? If so, what?
   Region plated & wired

18. If not, was an operation advised and declined?
      no

19. In cases of loss or decay of teeth—
   (a) Is the loss of teeth the result of wounds, injury, or disease, directly* attributable to active service
      Does not apply

20. Do you recommend him for—
   (a) Discharge as permanently unfit?
      yes
   or
   (b) For change to another State?

   [Signature]

   Medical Officer in Charge of the Case.

* Loss of teeth on or immediately after active service, should be attributed thereto, unless there is evidence that it is due to some other cause.
Opinion of the Medical Board.

Norms.—(i.) Clear and decisive answers to **ALL** the questions are to be carefully filled in by the Board, as, in the event of the man being invalided, it is essential that the authorities of the Military Forces should be in possession of the most reliable information to enable them to decide upon the man’s claim to pension or compensation.

(ii.) Expressions such as “may,” “might,” “probably,” &c., should be avoided.

(iii.) In answering question 23 the Board should be careful to discriminate between disease resulting from military conditions and disease to which the soldier would have been equally liable in civil life.

(iv.) A disability is to be regarded as due to climate when it is caused by military service abroad in climates where there is a special liability to contract the disease.

21. State how far the Board concur with the answers to Questions 7–20—i.e., “in toto,” “partially,” or “not at all.”

If either of the latter, give detail

**In toto.**

22. The Board will describe the pathological condition present at time of examination by the Board.

- Crescent shaped scar over Sternum and R Clavicle. Deformity of inner end of R clavicle. Metal plate projecting 1/4 inch above sternum and clavicle causing interference with all movements of hand and R arm.

23. (a) State whether the disability is the result of (i.) active service, (ii.) climate, or (iii.) ordinary military service.

**Not so caused.**

(b) If due to one of these causes, to what specific conditions do the Board attribute it?

**Does not apply.**

24. Is the disability permanent?

Yes.

-especially as regards—

(a) Military service?

Yes.

(b) Previous occupation?

Yes.

(c) Other occupations?

Yes.

25. If not permanent, what is its probable minimum duration?

**Does not apply.**

(To be stated in months)

26. To what extent is his capacity for earning a full livelihood in the general labour market lessened at present?

**Nil for his occupation.**

(In defining the extent of his disablement to earn a livelihood, estimate it at 1, 5, 10, or total incapacity.)

27. If an operation was advised and declined, was the refusal unreasonable?

**Not advised.**

28. Do you recommend him for—

(a) Discharge as permanently unfit?

**YES.**

or

(b) For change to another State?

29. **General Recommendations:**

(a) Is he at present fit for discharge to earn his living?

**Yes.**

(b) Does he require further treatment to restore him to health?

**No.**

(c) If so, what does the Board recommend?

**Nil.**

(d) Any other Recommendations

**No.**

31. If Board considers case one for compensation or pension the patient may be so informed, so he may make formal application. But he is to be informed at the same time that final decision rests with the War Pensions Board.

Signatures:

Station: **Inogga.**

Date: **23/7/19.**

Approved—

Station: **P.M.O. 1st Military District.**

Date: **30 JU. 191.**
(On leaving Corps or Station where Invalided.)

Transfer or Embarkation.

- Date
- Station
- Port
- Conveyance
- Name of Vessel
- Medical Officer

Brief remarks on Case during transit, and state on transfer for final disposal.

Re-transferred

- Date
- Hospital or Station
- Medical Officer

(At Station or Hospital where finally disposed of.)

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Summary of causes of invalidating, or remarks as to remand to Regiment or Station.

Date of final Medical Board, or decision: 23/7/17

Principal Medical Officer.
APPLICATION TO ENLIST IN THE AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

To the Recruiting Officer

at _______________________

I, William Henry Paterson, hereby offer myself for Enlistment in the Australian Imperial Force for Active Service Abroad, and undertake to enlist in the manner prescribed, if I am accepted by the Military Authorities, within one month from date hereof.

POSTAL ADDRESS
Mr M. J. Paterson
99 Rathmines Rd
Fairfield South
Melbourne V.E.

Signature: W. J. Paterson
Occupation: Surveyor
Date: 5th May 1917

(For Identification purposes the above space should be filled in personally by the Applicant.)

CONSENT OF PARENTS OR GUARDIANS. (For Persons under 21 years of age.)
I hereby certify that I approve of the above application, and consent to the enlistment of my son/ward for Active Service Abroad.

Father's Signature

Mother's Signature

or

Guardian's Signature

PERSONAL PARTICULARS.
Age—37 yrs. 3 mos. | Height—5 ft. 5 ins. | Chest Measurement (fully expanded)—33 1/2 - 35 1/2 inches.
Married: No | Single

PRELIMINARY MEDICAL EXAMINATION.
Decision of Medical Authority: FIT for Active Service.

Place: Windsor
Date: 6th July 1917

Signature of Medical Authority:

I concur

Place
Date

Signature of M.O. at Central Recruiting Depot.

CERTIFICATE OF RECRUITING OFFICER.
I certify that I have this day provisionally ACCEPTED/REJECTED this applicant for enlistment in the Australian Imperial Force.

Place
Date

(Signature) Recruiting Officer.
INSTRUCTIONS.

(1) Application forms received by Recruiting Officers will not be handed back again to applicants, but will be passed direct to the Medical Practitioner, who will similarly return them to the Recruiting Officer, who will then forward them by post to the Officer in Charge of the Central Recruiting Depot to which recruits are instructed by them to report.

(2) If an Applicant who has been rejected desires a copy of this certificate, it must be completed in duplicate at the time of Medical Examination, and the word “original” or “duplicate,” as the case may be, will appear on top of the respective forms. Both copies will be forwarded to the Officer in Charge of the Central Recruiting Depot, where the duplicate will be impressed with the official stamp and then returned to the Applicant.

(3) Copies will NOT be made of any certificates of acceptance. The word “Duplicate” will be struck out of such certificates, and they will be sent to the Officer in Charge of the Central Recruiting Depot by post.

(4) Names of accepted applicants who do not report at Central Recruiting Depot within the prescribed time will be forwarded to the local Recruiting Officer for information.

(5) When alternatives are shown on the front of the form such as -- Unit Age, etc. strike out the words which are not applicable.

(6) Only those persons who fulfil the requirements in all other respects will be examined regarding medical fitness. These requirements may be ascertained by reference to daily newspapers and official posters.

(7) The Central Recruiting Depot to which accepted applicants from various places will be sent for final medical examination will be determined by District Commandants. Recruiting Officers at outlying places will require to issue clear instructions to such applicants informing them where and when to report, and will forward the application forms in time to ensure that they will be in the hands of the Officer in Charge of the Central Recruiting Depot when the recruit reports for enlistment.

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[Signature]

[Stamp]
### CONDUCT SHEET

**Regimental Number and Name:**
No. PATERSON William Henry

**Enlisted:** 28th April 1917
**Joined:** 5th May 1917

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The Officer in Charge,
Base Records,
CANBERRA, F.C.T.

Dear Sir,

re William Henry Paterson

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We are applying to the Court on behalf of the relatives of the above for presumption of his death since nothing has been heard from him since 1922.

His history is as follows:— Prior to the War he was for many years a Resident of Queensland mostly at Mackay and Many Peaks, from which State he enlisted at the outbreak and was sent to German New Guinea. He returned in 1916 and immediately applied to be sent to France but on account of his physical disability his application was refused and he was sent to England in the same year munition making. He was returned to Queensland in 1917 and thereafter corresponded fairly regularly with his parents, who resided at Croydon Victoria, until 1922 no further word then being heard of or from him. All efforts have been made to trace him but of no avail.

Would you please advise us if you, from your records, have any later trace of the missing man and if you have any suggestion as to where other application as to his possible whereabouts.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

Doyle & Kerr
Dear Sirs,

Re William Henry Paterson

I have to acknowledge receipt of your communication of 19th August, 1938, relative to the above, and in reply to advise that no record is held at this office of the whereabouts of Private William Henry Paterson, ex A.I.F. Depot, subsequent to his return to Australia in 1919 after having served in England as a War Worker.

The only alternative source of enquiry that can be suggested in this instance is the Queensland Branch of the Repatriation Commission, 130-132, Mary Street, Brisbane.

Yours faithfully,

(J. H. Eason) /\nA/Officer l/c Base Records.

Messrs. Doyle and Kerr,
Solicitors,
413, Collins Street,
Melbourne, C.1, Vic.
COMMONWEALTH IMPERIAL FORCES.

CERTIFICATE OF INOCULATION AND VACCINATION.

Name of Soldier: PATERSON W. H.

Unit on Joining: 

Unit to which Allotted: 

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Signature of M.O. | Signature of M.O. | Signature of M.O.
COMMONWEALTH IMPERIAL FORCES.

CERTIFICATE OF INOCULATION AND VACCINATION.

Name of Soldier: Paterson

Unit on Joining: ________________

Unit to which Allotted: ________________

Date: 1924

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Signature of M.O. ________________

Signature of M.O. ________________

Signature of M.O. ________________
WILL.

9/9243

No. ____________________

Rank Private

Names (Surname) PATERSON

(Christian) William Henry

Unit Machine Gun Re-inforcements

My Will is *attached hereto. lodged within

In the event of my death I give the whole
of my property and effects to Mary Jane PATERSON.

99 Katherine St, Fairfield Park, Melbourne.

Victoria, Australia

* Rule out portion inapplicable.

30-6-17. W H Paterson, Signature of Soldier.

Verified ____________________________

C.O. ____________________________

The Will Form provided in the soldier's pay-book may, if desired, be utilised.
QUEENSLAND

UNIT

CIVIL CALLING Hairdresser

CIVIL POSTAL ADDRESS C/- Mr. M. J. Paterson, 47 Ruthmine St, Fairfield Park, Melbourne, Vic.

NAME & ADDRESS OF LAST EMPLOYER Mr. W. Sherwood, The Gorge, Finch, Haddon, Mackay

NATURE OF FORMER EMPLOYMENT Farming

NAME & ADDRESS OF NEAREST RELATIVE OR FRIEND Mother

AGE 37 3 months

PHYSICAL DEFECTS (if any) No

PROMISE OR EXPECTATION IN RELATION TO AFTER EMPLOYMENT No

STATE IN WHICH ENLISTED Queensland

IF INTENDING TO SETTLE ON THE LAND WHAT PREVIOUS RURAL EXPERIENCE, & WHAT FINANCIAL RESOURCES YOU CAN COMMAND No

(Action taken by Bureau entered on other side)
RETURNED SOLDIERS' EMPLOYMENT BUREAU.

The Federal Parliamentary War Committee have been empowered to endeavour to arrange employment for returned soldiers and their settlement on the land. Though neither employment nor settlement on the land can be guaranteed, completion and filling in of these cards will enable the necessary information in regard to the scheme to be obtained.
TO: HEADQUARTERS, 1ST MILITARY DISTRICT.


The above-named man was discharged on 24/7/117.

Papers forwarded herewith.

Late 26/7/17. 30/8/17. CAMP ADJUTANT.
The Officer-in-Charge,  
Base Records,  
CANBERRA. F.C.T.

Dear Sir,  
re William Henry Paterson  

We wrote you on the  
19th August herein and shall be obliged if you would let us have a reply thereto.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

No trace of persons in New Guinea