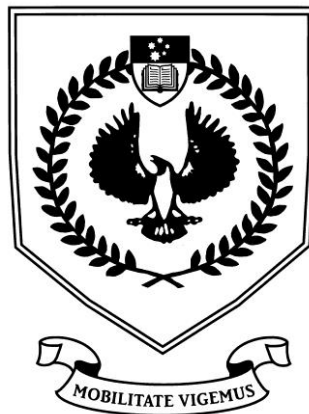




Pte. Howard Stanley Tregenza



Played with Adelaide University



Cricket Club: B Grade (1914/15)

Student: Arts

Background

Coinciding with the Centenary of Anzacs our incentive behind this series of biographical publications is the Adelaide University Football and Cricket Club's desire to honour our players who served in the Great War (1914 - 1918). These brave men put on hold their academic, professional and sporting careers for King and Country in the name of peace and freedom. The AUFC/AUCC Anzac Memorial Committee is endeavouring to identify every one of our players who served and prepare life stories on all. This is to ensure their sacrifices and further contributions to society will be recognised by future generations.

On Anzac Day 2015, the Centenary of the Gallipoli landing, a memorial plaque was unveiled on the Adelaide University Oval Pavilion and this was followed by the erection of a picket fence between the pavilion and the scoreboard with each picket bearing a plaque with the name of an AUFC/AUCC player who served.

The following documentation relates to the life of Howard Stanley Tregenza. It is compilation of information and photographs collected from a variety of historical sources.

The AIF Project

<https://www.aif.adfa.edu.au/showPerson?pid=303991>




Howard Stanley TREGENZA

Regimental number	4781
Place of birth	Croydon South Australia
Religion	Church of England
Occupation	School teacher
Address	Kintore Avenue, North Terrace, Adelaide, South Australia
Marital status	Single
Age at embarkation	24
Next of kin	Father, Edward James Tregenza, Kintore Avenue, North Terrace, Adelaide, South Australia
Enlistment date	11 May 1915
Rank on enlistment	Private
Unit name	Australian General Hospital 3, Reinforcement 1
AWM Embarkation Roll number	26/67/2
Embarkation details	Unit embarked from Melbourne, Victoria, on board HMAT A62 <i>Wandilla</i> on 15 June 1915
Rank from Nominal Roll	Private
Unit from Nominal Roll	4th Field Ambulance
Fate	Returned to Australia 9 March 1919

Service Record

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 4787 Name TREGENZA Howard Stanley
 Unit "E" COMPANY, BASE INFANTRY.
 Joined on 11-5-15

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

What is your Name?	1. <u>Howard Stanley Tregenza</u>
In or near what Parish or Town were you born?	2. In the Parish of <u>Croydon</u> in or near the Town of <u>Croydon</u> in the County of <u>South Australia</u>
Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.)	3. <u>N.B.</u>
What is your age?	4. <u>24 1/2 Years</u>
What is your trade or calling?	5. <u>School Teacher</u>
Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period?	6. <u>No.</u>
Are you married?	7. <u>No.</u>
Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated)	8. <u>(Father) Mr Edward James Tregenza, Kingsgate Adelaide, South Australia.</u>
Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power?	9. <u>No.</u>
Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incurable and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with Disgrace from the Navy?	10. <u>No.</u>
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	11. <u>No.</u>
Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service?	12. <u>Yes.</u>
Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds?	13. <u>No.</u>
For married men, widowers with children, and soldiers who are the sole support of widowed mother—Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued to you after embarkation during your term of service?	14. <u>Yes.</u>
Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox and enteric fever?	15. <u>Yes.</u>

I, Howard Stanley Tregenza, do solemnly declare that the above answers made 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 support of my wife and children.

Date 5-5-15 Signature of person enlisted. HS Tregenza

* This clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.
 † Two-fifths must be allotted to the wife, and if there are children three-fifths must be allotted.

Biography

Early Life

Howard Stanley Tregenza was born at Woodville, Adelaide, SA on the 12th of February 1891, the son of Edward James Tregenza and Laura Mary Lloyd (SA Birth Registration 474/210). Edward James Tregenza was the superintendent and accountant controlling the Destitute Asylum (the Magill Home, Magill) from 1884 until his retirement in 1923. Laura Mary Lloyd was the third daughter of the Rev. Thomas Lloyd. Howard's brother Bernard Walter Tregenza was born in 1896.

Schooling

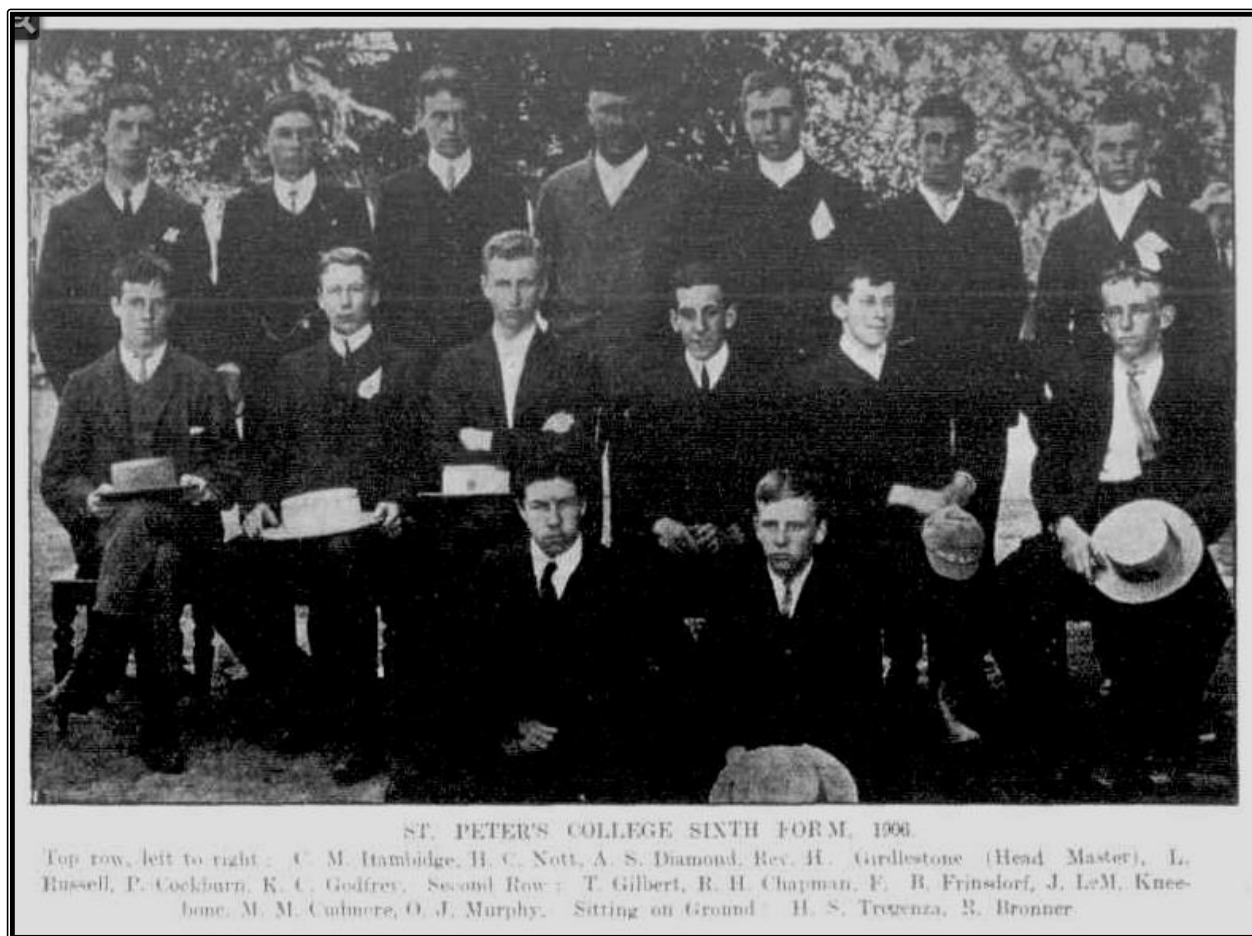
Howard attended the Pulteney Street School where he passed his Primary Examinations in October 1903.

In 1904, Howard moved to St Peter's College. He passed his Junior Examinations in that year and his Senior Examinations in December 1905.

Howard was in Sixth Form at St Peter's College when his mother, Laura Mary passed away, at Kintore Avenue, Adelaide, aged 39 years.

Howard gained passes in two subjects (Applied Mathematics and Inorganic Chemistry) in the Higher Public Examinations in December 1906.

St Peter's College, Sixth Form, 1906



H.S. Tregenza – Sitting on Ground – At Left

Howard passed five subjects Higher Public examination subjects (Latin, Pure Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, Physics and Inorganic Chemistry) in December 1907. He was second in the Honours List for under age students in Physics and gained a credit in Inorganic Chemistry.

Adelaide University

Howard commenced studying for a Diploma in Commerce at Adelaide University in 1908, gaining a pass in Banking and Exchange in December 1908. Howard's WWI enlistment states that he was a School Teacher, but no further evidence of his teaching career has been located. Howard then commenced a Bachelor of Arts in 1913, passing Compulsory Mathematics in November 1913. Howard was studying at the University in 1914.

University Sport

Rowing

Howard rowed for the Arts School in the Junior Fours at the Adelaide University Boat Races in July 1914.

Cricket

Howard played cricket for the Adelaide University B Grade Team in the 1914/15 season.

World War I

Howard enlisted on the 11th of May 1915 (Service Number 4781). He was 24 years and 3 months of age, 5' 8¾", 148 lbs, with a dark complexion, grey eyes and brown hair. His father was listed as his next-of-kin. At the time of his enlistment Howard was a School Teacher. His unit embarked from Melbourne, Victoria, on board *HMAT A62 Wandilla* on the 15th of June 1915.

Howard was briefly at Gallipoli before being taken on strength at Lemnos, a Greek island in the north Aegean on the 4th of September 1915. He was then admitted to the 2nd Stationary Hospital in Mudros on Lemnos with Scarlet Fever on the 16th of November 1915, but resumed duties at the Base Depot, Mudros on the 26th of December 1915.

On the 27th of January 1916, Howard travelled from Lemnos to Alexandrina and served at Abbassia, Ismalia and Mustafa in Egypt before leaving via Alexandrina on 14th of September 1916 bound for the UK.

From the 28th of September 1916 to the 16th of April 1917, Howard was at the Australian Army Medical Corp Training Depots at Parkhouse and Dartford in the UK. He then proceeded overseas to France on the 7th of June 1917 and was taken on the strength of the 4th Field Ambulance. On the 12th of October 1917, Howard was wounded in action (gassed). On the 26th of October he was transferred to the War Hospital in London with Trench Fever.

Howard was then at the 1st Australian Auxiliary Hospital at Harefield in December 1917 and during January and February 1918.

On the 5th of March 1918, Howard returned to the AAMC Training Depot at Parkhouse before returning to France on the 27th of March 1918.

On the 27th of April 1918, Howard was sick and was in a Line of Communication Hospital, he was discharged to the Base Depot on the 6th of May 1918.

He was then at Rouelles and Le Havre in France until the 19th of December 1918 when Howard re-joined the 4th Field Ambulance.

Howard returned to England on the 13th of January 1919 and then was repatriated to Australia with the AAMC Staff onboard the *HMAT Kashmir*, arriving in Australia on the 18th of April 1919. Howard was discharged on the 12th of July 1919.

**Outdoor group portrait of Central Office Staff of No 1 Australian Auxiliary Hospital,
Harefield, United Kingdom.**



H.S. Tregenza - Back Row Second from Right

Identified in the back row from left to right: Private (Pte) F J Leach, probably 13412 Pte Frederick James Leach from North Adelaide, South Australia; Miss J Booth; Sergeant (Sgt) R C Rees, probably 5388 Sgt Raymond Clyde Rees from Hobart, Tasmania; Pte N O Goodliffe, possibly 7485 Pte Norman Oswald Goodliffe from Prahran, Victoria; Cpl A Lowry, probably 12635 Cpl Arthur Augustus Charles Lowry from Adelaide; Miss D Kennett; Pte S Tregenza, probably 4781 Pte Howard Stanley Tregenza from Adelaide; and Miss A Booth.

Seated in the front row from left to right: Miss G Hughes; Staff Sergeant (SSgt) G E Iredale, probably 9132A SSgt George Elwood Iredale from Castlemaine, Victoria; Miss N Boughey; Corporal (Cpl) H H Green, probably 13779 Cpl Horace Herbert Green from Manly, NSW; Miss A Young; and Miss C Podger.

Career and Family Life

After returning to Australia, Howard returned to Adelaide University and passed Compulsory Physiography in November 1919. Howard does not appear to have completed his BA and no records have been located by the profiler for the period from 1920 to November 1928.

In November 1928, Howard was appointed a Meteorological Assistant, Grade 1, Third Division, in the Meteorological Branch, Central Staff (probably in Melbourne).

Howard was living at 441 Royal Parade, Parkville, Melbourne in 1931 and in December 1931, he was selected by the Public Service Board for a free place at University to study toward a Degree of Bachelor of Science.

Howard was living at 273 Royal Parade, Parkville, Melbourne in 1934.

On the 7th of September 1935, Howard's father, Edward James Tregenza, passed away at Port Gawler, aged 75 years.

In the Electoral Rolls of 1936, Howard's address was c/o Mrs Capewell, Bell Vue Road, in the Subdistrict of Kangaroo Ground, 26 km north-east of central Melbourne and in 1937 he was living at 26 Jolimont Terrace, East Melbourne.

In March 1938, Howard arrived in Tasmania by air from Melbourne. In October 1938, he was promoted to the position of Weather Officer (£306 - £510), Third Division, Field Staff (Aviation), Western Junction, Tasmania.

Howard did not serve in WWII. This may have been because the Meteorological Service was considered to be an 'essential service'. The Meteorological Service was absorbed under the RAAF during WWII and many of its members moved with the service to the RAAF, but no WWII record has been located for Howard.

In 1943, Howard's address was 31 Elizabeth Street, Launceston, Tasmania and his occupation was civil servant. On the 9th of August 1943, Howard married Enid Ormonde Fordyce, the elder daughter of Mrs. William Fordyce and the late Mr. William Fordyce, at St John's Launceston, Tasmania.



Mr. and Mrs. Howard Tregenza leaving St. John's Church after their wedding on Monday morning. The bride was formerly Miss Enid Fordyce, and is the daughter of Mrs. Fordyce, Bendigo. The bridegroom is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Tregenza, Adelaide.

Morning Ceremony

At 9.30 a.m. on Monday the wedding took place of Enid Ormond Fordyce, daughter of Mrs. Fordyce, Bendigo, and the late Mr. Fordyce, and Howard Stanley Tregenza, Adelaide, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Tregenza.

The ceremony took place at St. John's Church, and was performed by Canon W. Greenwood. Mr. A. R. Gee was organist.

The bride wore a smart blue Harris tweed suit with rose beige wool jumper and matching hat. At one shoulder she pinned a spray of orchids.

The matron of honour, Mrs. R. H. Stewart, wore a musquash coat over her black model frock. Her little hat was black, and she wore a shoulder spray of orchids.

Rev. Norman Lade was best man.

The reception was held at the home of the matron of honour, 4 Canning-street.

Mr. and Mrs. Tregenza are spending their honeymoon in Hobart and will make their home in Melbourne.

Howard and Enid were to make their home in Melbourne. They had a daughter, Ruth Ann Cleveland Tregenza, who tragically died at a young age in 1945 at Elsternwick, Melbourne, Vic.

Howard and Enid had returned to Tasmania by 1949, as the Victorian Government Gazettes (1949 and 1951) states that Howard was posted to the Western Junction Aerodrome (now Launceston Airport), Tasmania and the couple were both living at 'The Laurels', High Street, Evandale (near Launceston).

By 1954 the couple were back in Melbourne and lived at Wattle Road McCrae (near Rosebud on the Mornington Peninsula) and at 10 Harold Street, Blackburn in eastern Melbourne.

Death

Howard Stanley Tregenza passed away on the 28th of July 1958 at Box Hill, Melbourne, Victoria, aged 67.

After Howard's death, Enid continued to live at 10 Harold Street, Blackburn until at least 1980. Enid passed away on the 8th of January 1982 at Box Hill, Victoria, aged 74. Howard and Enid are buried at Cheltenham New Cemetery, 45 Wangara Rd, Cheltenham, Bayside City, Victoria.



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