

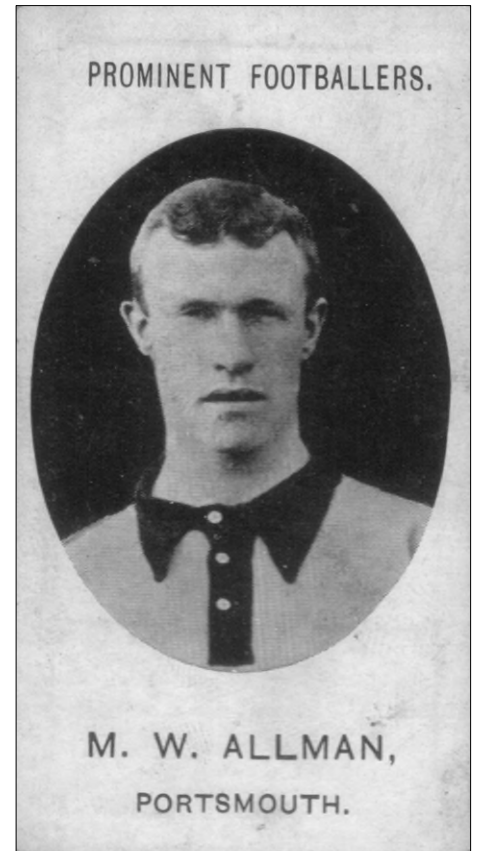
ALLMAN	Messina Wilson (Dick)
---------------	-----------------------

<i>Date of Birth</i>	5.4.1883	<i>Place of Birth</i>	Burslem			
<i>Date of Death</i>	Q4 1943	<i>Place of Death</i>	Croydon			
<i>Height</i>	5ft 8½in	<i>Weight</i>	11st 7lb	<i>Position</i>	Inside Forward	

Club	Joined	Season	F L		F A		S L		W L		S F		L C		TOTALS	
			A	G	A	G	A	G	A	G	A	G	A	G		
Burslem Park Boys																
Southwell																
Burslem High Lane																
Burslem Port Vale	4.1903	1903-04	8	3	1	0									9	3
		1904-05	27	8											27	8
Reading	4.5.1905	1905-06			1	0	25	10							26	10
		1906-07			1	0	36	7							37	7
Portsmouth	3.5.1907	1907-08					1	0							1	0
Plymouth Argyle	5.12.1907	1907-08					19	6	2	1					21	7
Stoke	5.1908															
Liverpool	7.1908	1908-09	1	0											1	0
Grantham	1908															
Wrexham	8.1909				1	0									1	0
Ton Pentre	8.1910															
Leicester Fosse	9.1911															
Grantham	10.1911															
Leicester Fosse	11.1911	1911-12	7	3											7	3
Croydon Common	5.1912	1912-13			4	2	24	8			15	9			43	19
		1913-14			1	0	29	10			12	3			42	13
		1914-15			2	0	26	3							28	3
		1915-16											32	4	32	4
Watford	1916	?											1	0	1	0
Arsenal	1916	1916-17											18	4	18	4
Crystal Palace	6.1919	1919-20											5	2	5	2
Maidstone	6.1920															
		TOTALS	43	14	11	2	160	44	2	1	27	12	56	10	299	83

<i>Internationals</i>	None	<i>F.A. Cup Finals</i>	None
-----------------------	------	------------------------	------

<i>Cigarette/Trade Cards</i>				
<i>Company</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Series</i>	<i>Club</i>
Taddy	1907	N/A	Prominent Footballers	Portsmouth



Taddy 1907

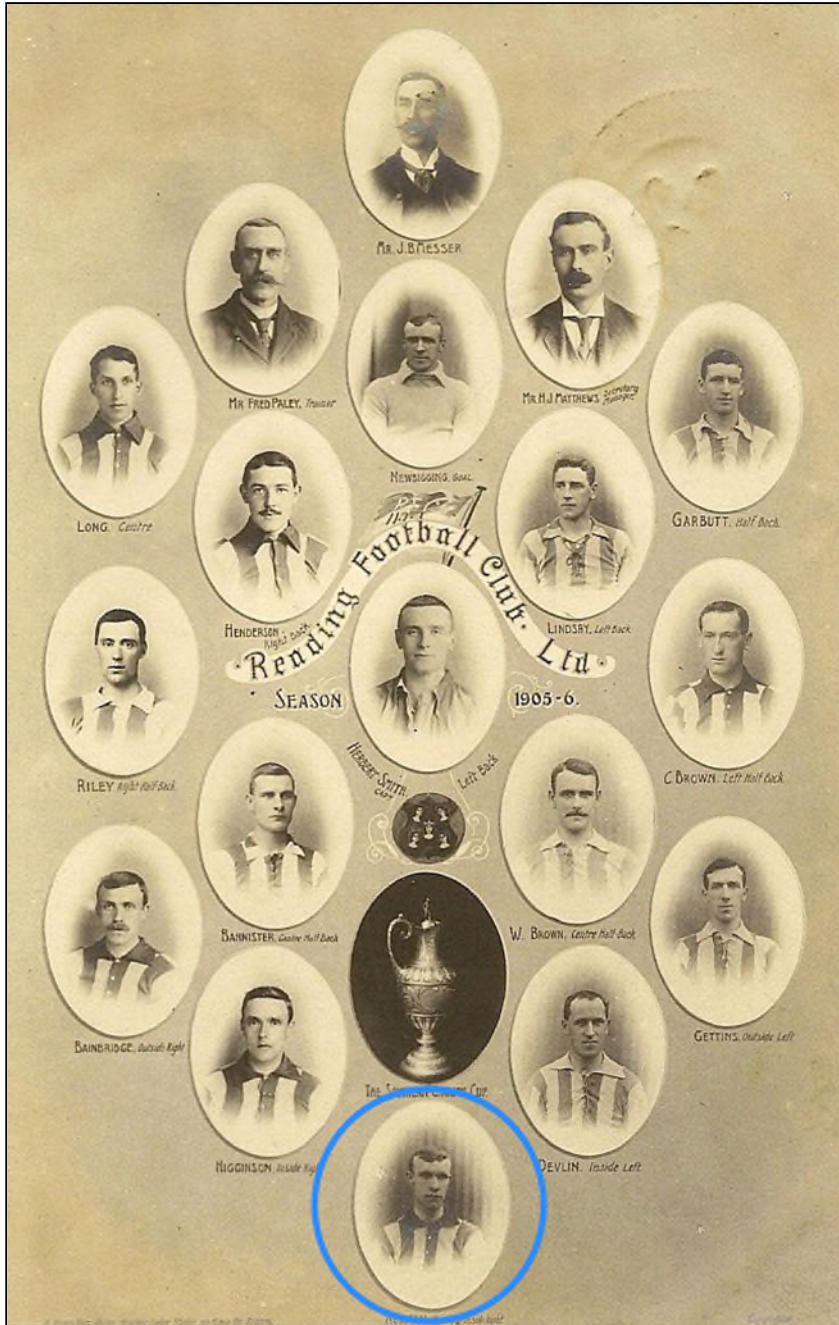
ALLMAN	Messina Wilson (Dick)
---------------	-----------------------

<i>Jottings</i>

The 1891 Census records him as a scholar living at 54 Dale Street, Burslem with his father John, a 45 year old joiner, his mother Sarah (42), a brother Arthur (15) and a sister Hannah (6)
The 1901 Census records him as a 17 year old potter's printer living at 17 Sant Street, Burslem with his parents and sister; with his mother recorded as a dressmaker and his sister as a printer's transferer
The 1911 Census records him as a professional footballer living at 5 Oak Street, Rhondda with his wife Beatrice (24) and son Gilbert (4) - he was with Ton Pentre at the time
Made his debut for Burslem Port Vale in the F.A. Cup against Nantwich on 28.11.1903
Was Burslem Port Vale's leading scorer in 1904-05
Also appeared for Burslem Port Vale in the Birmingham Cup and the Staffordshire Cup
Scored six goals for Reading in what was possibly the club's first match against foreign opposition, a 13-5 win over Parisien Athletique on 20.9.1905
His season at Plymouth saw him win a runners-up medal in the Southern League
Scored the winning goal for Wrexham in a 2-1 win over Chester in the 1910 Welsh Cup final
His appearances (goals) for Wrexham included Birmingham & District League 33(15) and the Welsh Cup 5(4)
Appeared for Croydon Common in 9 minor cup matches, scoring 1 goal
One of six Leicester Fosse players to leave the field early during the notorious weatherbeaten match at Grimsby in January 1912
Never appeared on a winning side in his 7 appearances for Leicester Fosse
Played in Croydon Common's last ever match, scoring the club's final goal
Gained Southern League Division 2 and Southern Football Alliance championship honours with Croydon Common
Enlisted in 1915 and served in France with the Royal Garrison Artillery (No. 193552), winning the Victory and British War medals
On demobilisation from the Army, he joined Crystal Palace as a reserve centre-half and also fulfilled this role at Maidstone
His record of 5 games and 2 goals for Crystal Palace in the grid above is a minimum, as he may have made more appearances
By playing for Crystal Palace at The Nest, he joined Jack Little and Cyril Smith in playing home matches for two separate clubs at the same ground
Appears to have died intestate



Reading 1905-06



Reading 1905-06



Reading 1906-07



Portsmouth 1907-08

ALLMAN

Messina Wilson (Dick)



Reading 1905-06

ALLMAN

Messina Wilson (Dick)



Liverpool 1908-09

ALLMAN

Messina Wilson (Dick)



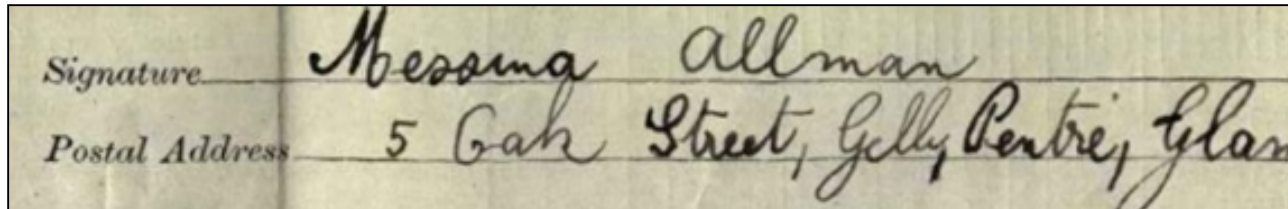
Wrexham 1909-10 (with the Welsh Cup)

ALLMAN

Messina Wilson (Dick)



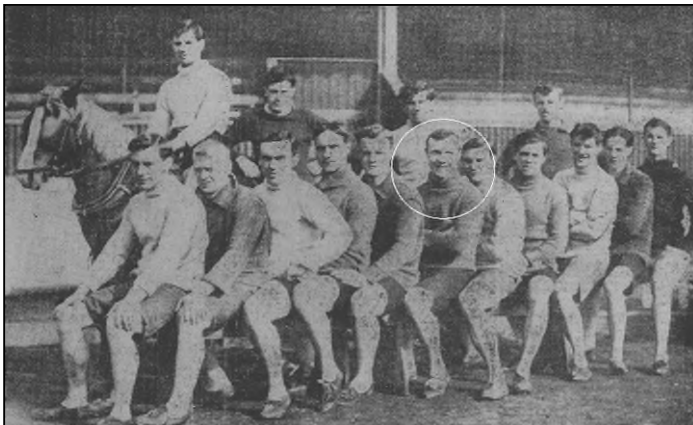
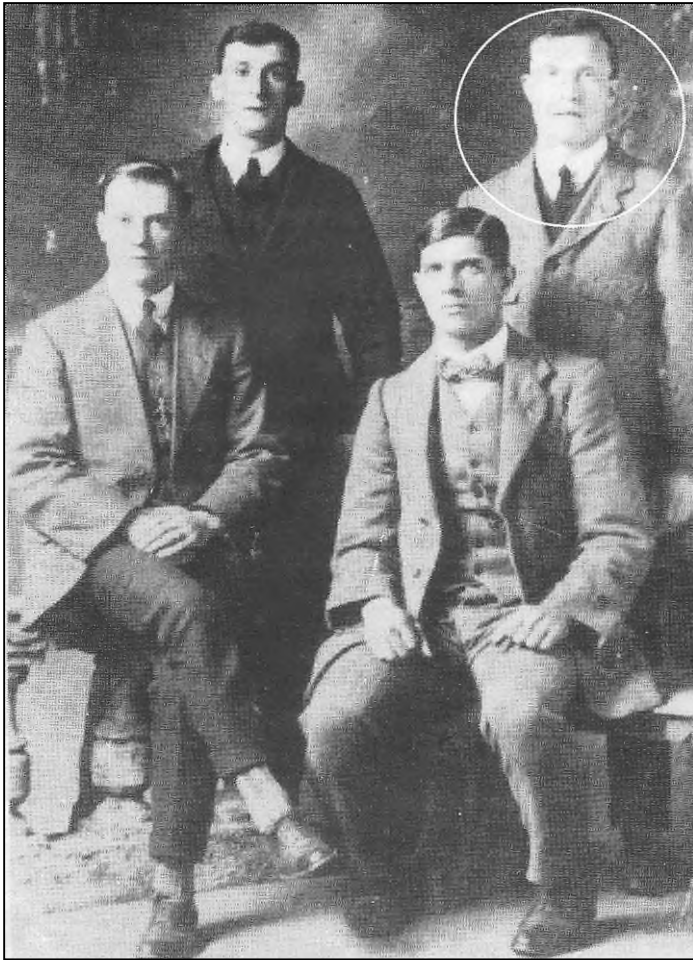
Portsmouth 1907-08



His signature on the 1911 Census form

ALLMAN

Messina Wilson (Dick)



Various photographs taken at Croydon Common