

gathered in German New Guinea. The Germans had had three strategic points on the Pacific. The Japanese took one and the Australians two. The clearing of the Pacific was largely due to the Australians.

Mr. C. E. Tisdall, M. L. A., proposed "Vancouver, the Gateway of the West," and Abi. Nason and Hoskin replied, dealing with the progress Vancouver had made in the few short years of her existence.

Mr. James Coote of the 101st, entertained pleasantly with two patriotic songs and the welkin was made to ring with the yell of the 101st and the screech of the Australian cadets. The screech leader of the latter, Mr. Chester Bond, knows all about how to bring out the noise.

### Fine Programme by Australians

With such youthful stars as Stanley Saunders, Australia's champion boy lyre tuner; Olive Borkwood, comedian; Gordon Williams, the 16-year-old baritone wonder; Little Bobbie Frew, the unique imitator of Harry Lauder; Aubrey Melrose, soprano; the symphonic team of sixteen lads, and the boys' all-brass band of the Commonwealth, the Australian cadets' initial programme in the Imperial Theatre should draw a packed house on Wednesday evening.

Every number has been specially chosen and woven into a musical playlet entitled "Called to the Front." No detail is missing. Every phrase breathes the words "Australia and Patriotism." Besides being an array of musical talent it is of particular interest to all Imperialists. Appropriate selections, fantasies and martial airs, including "Canada Forever," the new march composed by Professor Harold Betteridge, musical director for the Australians, and dedicated to the 72nd Overseas Battalion, will give the cadets' band an opportunity of proving to all true lovers—and critics—of brass band features, that the Impressions it made at the two exhibitions in California were merited.

Tickets are obtainable at the Hotel Vancouver until tomorrow (Wednesday) afternoon. The gallery seats at 25 cents will be on sale at the theatre at 7 o'clock tomorrow evening. Half the proceeds will be donated by the cadets to the "Man in the Trench" fund, which is being fostered by the Imperial Order, Daughters of the Empire, under whose auspices the concert will be held.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 1915.

### CADETS AT WIGWAM INN

#### Australians Visit North Arm Resort as Conservative Club Guests.

The Australian Cadets were the guests of the Vancouver Conservative Association at the Wigwam Inn today, leaving the city by launch at 10 o'clock this morning. At the Inn, a luncheon was tendered them and they were welcomed by Mr. F. W. Welsh, president of the association, and Hon. W. R. Ross, provincial minister of lands.

## MUST KEEP TRADE WITHIN THE EMPIRE

### Lieut. Simons of Australian Cadet Tourists Appeals for United Commerce

#### Country Worth Living in Is Worth Defending, Believe Citizens of Commonwealth

Speaking on the possibilities of trade between Canada and Australia, Lieut. J. J. Simons, leader of the Australian cadet company, which arrived in the city yesterday, made an appeal before the Rotary Club at luncheon in the Hotel Vancouver today for a self-contained empire. He described the Australian compulsory service system and declared that Canada must adopt a similar system if it was to hold a place in the Imperial conferences of the future.

The dining room in the west wing was filled with Rotarians and guests and the speech of the visiting lieutenant stirred them to applause with its patriotic appeals. Mr. A. R. McFarlane, president, introduced the speaker.

"Wealth, not poetry, wins the battles of today," began Lieut. Simons. "We have practically everything within our own borders but we do not keep our trade within our empire. We are sending millions of dollars out of the empire to buy goods from nations which are neutral today but which may be holding their wealth back at us in a few months."

One instance of that was the dried fruit which Canada bought from Turkey a few years ago. The Empire was getting that back in the shape of shrapnel now. The trade could all go to Australia, Canada was not the only sufferer in this respect, for Australia had bought many things from Germany up to a year ago which might have been bought from Canada. Metal prices were ruled by Hamburg and the men who opposed the system got as much encouragement, said the lieutenant, as Nonh got.

"We don't know each other well enough," he declared. "You don't come to our country often enough. Yet Australians feel a little closer to you in Vancouver than to Ottawa or Halifax. The Pacific Ocean, I believe, will be the greatest ocean of tomorrow."

But the Empire was like a warehouse without fire protection. It must be defended. He said he had to admit now that he was on British soil that the Empire went to war with only one leg. The military one was not strong enough, and the lesson learned was that a country worth living in was worth defending.

The Australian military system, he went on, would give the Commonwealth 600,000 trained men in the next four years, which was quite a showing from a country of 5,000,000. What would happen, he asked, five years hence, when

Canada and Australia were represented at the Imperial conferences in the shadow of Westminster Abbey? Canada would be asked what it had, and the answer would be that for 10,000,000 people there was the militia and the regulars, and the Redoubt and the Noble. Australia's answer to such a question would be 600,000 trained men, three super-dreadnoughts and twenty-five other war vessels. Which country, asked Lieut. Simons, would be entitled to the most representation?

For all their military system, the Australians were firm believers in peace, but they hung up their peace banner with a rattle over it. Many persons had raised the cry when the system was introduced. "I didn't raise my boy to be a soldier." That, however, said the lieutenant, did not "cut much ice," to borrow a phrase he had picked up in this country.

In conclusion he thanked the club and Vancouver generally on behalf of the "youngest and greatest democracy under heaven" for the welcome given them.

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## YOUNG AUSTRALIANS GIVE FIRST CONCERT

### Visiting Cadets' Band Acclaimed as Popular Musicians at First Concert Given in Hotel Vancouver

#### Today's Programme.

10 a.m.—Leave for trip to Wigwam Inn in special motor launch with guests of the Vancouver Conservative Association. At the luncheon at the Inn special speeches of welcome will be delivered by Mr. Welsh, president, and the Hon. W. R. Ross, Minister of Lands.

8.15 p.m.—Grand patriotic concert to be given under the auspices of the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire in the Imperial Theatre, half proceeds of which will be donated by the cadets to the "Man in the Trench" fund.

Many Interested listeners thronged the corridors and the oval room of the Hotel Vancouver last evening to hear the concert given by the band of the Australian Cadets. Numerous encores attested to the popularity of the young Australians as musicians. Following is the programme rendered by the Cadets: March, "The Armada," composed by