

# TRADE WITH RUSSIA

## Committee Formed in Sydney

Last week a number of Sydney citizens met by special invitation at Harvard House, 192-4 Castlereagh-st. The business placed before the meeting concerned the necessity for renewing trade relationship with Soviet Russia.

It was resolved to form a committee to further this object, and members included were Messrs. John B. Steel, J. O. Forsyth, John A. Marsden, Edward J. Jackson, Louis Brodsky and Edward Hillyer.

This committee, which has powers to add to its numbers, styles itself "The Australia-Russia Trading Committee," with headquarters at Harvard House. The president of the committee (Mr. John R. Steel), and the secretary (Mr. L. Brodsky) were empowered to notify the Russian authorities at Moscow and London of the formation of the committee and to seek recognition.

Other individuals and bodies to be approached by the secretary were the London-Russia Trading Delegation and the British Charge d'Affaires in Moscow, with a view to enlisting their sympathy and assistance in furthering trade relationships; and it was further resolved that the Australian Chambers of Commerce and Chambers of Manufactures of the several States be communicated with and asked to submit lists of goods they considered might be suitable for export to Russia, and to furnish information regarding exports from Russia.

It may not generally be known that many Australian companies hold valuable Russian concessions.

The Australia-Russia Trading Committee, which seeks to be the official channel through which Australian trade with Russia must pass, may be of great service to some of our manufacturers who have supplies of surplus goods to export.