

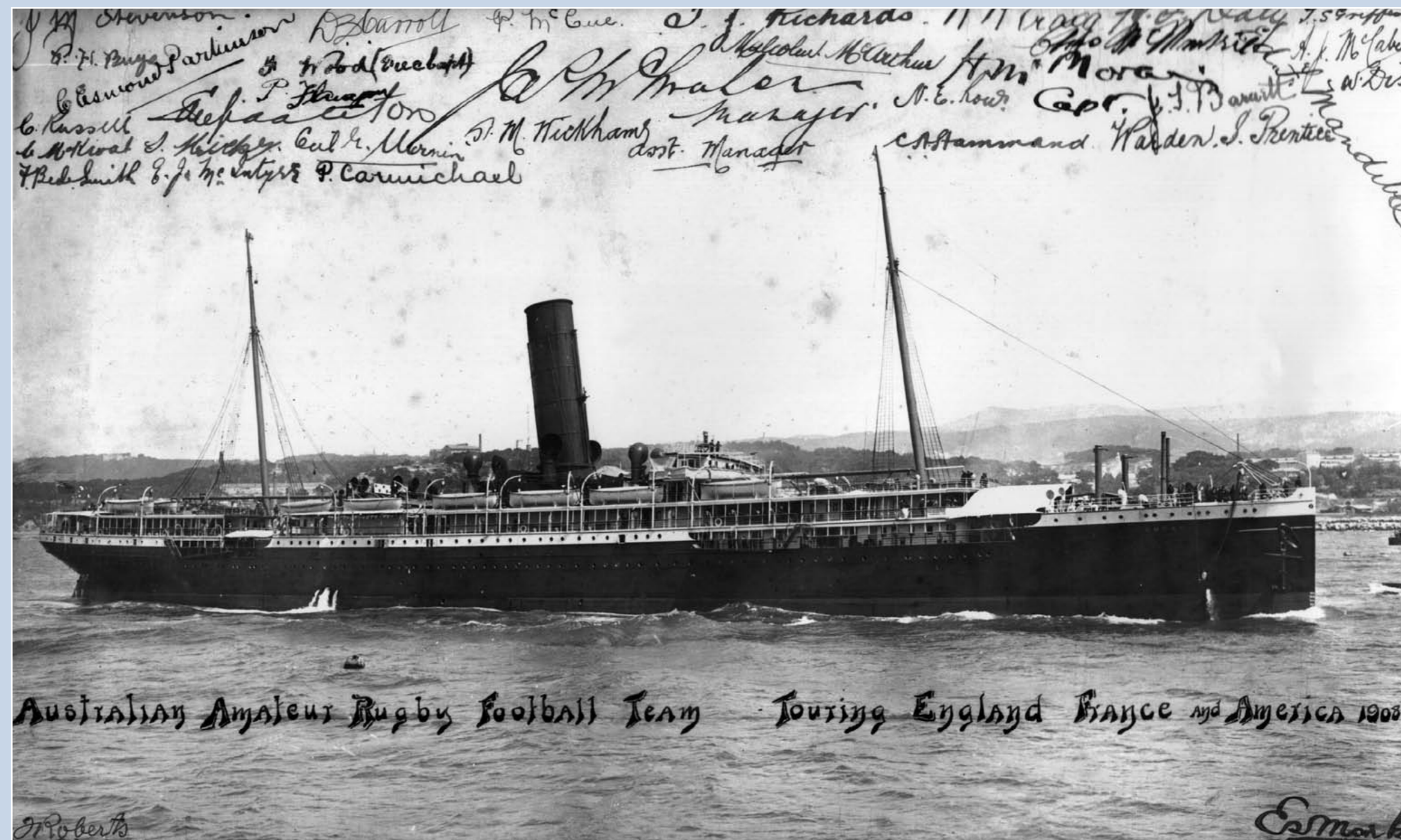


The 1908 Wallabies

THE 1908 WALLABIES WERE THE FIRST NATIONAL AUSTRALIAN UNION SIDE TO TOUR BEYOND NEW ZEALAND. They enjoyed great success on the pitch, winning 32 games out of 38 played and gold in the Olympic rugby competition.

The Wallabies left Sydney in August 1908 and returned in February 1909. In between they travelled right around the world, playing matches in England, Wales, California and Canada.

On their return to Australia many players switched to the professional rugby league game, establishing the strength of that code in Australia.



- Top right: The Wallabies team against Wales, 12 December, 1908
- Above left: Dr Herbert Moran, Wallabies' captain
- Above right: SS Omrah, on which the Wallabies travelled to England
- Above: The Wallabies on board SS Omrah



The First Wallabies

Tourists and Olympians



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