

To Driver J. Scholes.

On this momentous occasion which marks your departure for active service in the defence of your Country, the citizens of Yallourn wish to express to you their commendation of your action in voluntarily enlisting in His Majesty's Forces at a time of grave national peril. ✦ ✦ ✦ ✦ ✦

We know that, wherever your lot may be cast, you will acquit yourself with a distinction that will add lustre to the name of our town--and in that knowledge we are at once proud and grateful. ✦ ✦ ✦

In wishing you Godspeed we are conscious, as you are also, that this war which has been forced upon us is no ordinary conflict. It is a fight for the defence and preservation of liberty and of everything we hold dear in our democratic life---a crusade against aggression in all its forms. That fact will be an inspiration to you in your high adventure on behalf of the Empire and the land we love and live in,---Australia. ✦

That you will be blessed with the best of health, now and always---that a full measure of rich experience will be your portion---and that you will have a safe and happy return, is the heartfelt wish and prayer of one and all. ✦ ✦ ✦ ✦ ✦

Signed on behalf of the Citizens of Yallourn, by

C. H. Beinland