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## Song of Farewell

(Specially written for the occasion of the Closing Ceremony of the Olympic Games, Melbourne, 1956, by William Tainsh.)

*Homeward, homeward, soon you will be going now ;  
Momok wonargo ora go-yai,<sup>1</sup>  
Joy of our meeting, pain of our parting,  
Shine in our eyes as we bid you good-bye.*

### REFRAIN

*Good-bye, Olympians; good-bye, Olympians,  
(On comes the evening, west goes the day.)  
Roll up your swags and pack them full of  
[memories,  
Fair be the wind as you speed on your way.*

*Blessings attend you, Fortune befriend you,  
All good go with you over the sea.  
May the song of our fathers — "Will ye no' come back  
[again ?"  
Sing in your hearts thro' the years yet to be.*

### REFRAIN

*Come to Australia, back to Australia,  
(Mist on the hills and the sun breaking through)  
With the sliprails down and the billy boiling  
[merrily,  
Wide open arms will be waiting for you.*

<sup>1</sup> Aboriginal words meaning "Farewell, brother. By and by come back."

At the close of the song, the band will lead into the chorus of *Will Ye No' Come Back Again ?* The words are :

*"Will ye no' come back again  
Will ye no' come back again,  
Belter loved ye canna' be :  
Will ye no come back again ?"*