## **THE EVACUEE by Arthur E. King**

Can I come home now?

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Can I come home now mum?

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I went to the school house

A change of clothes in a sack.

We then walked to the station

But we didn't come back.

We got on to a train

It headed due south.

We got off the train

At a little town called Louth.

The war, it won't last long

You'll soon be back home.

But it seems like for ever

I must be brave and not moan.

You can't come back home yet

The planes they still fly,

The bombs they still fall,

and the danger's still nigh.

You'll have to be patient.

One day you'll come home.

When the war it is over

And we're all free to roam.

They say, I am safer here Than where I've left behind And the people looking after me Are warm, good and kind. But home is where the heart is, and home is with you. Is it time for me to come back now And be back home with you? I used to play with my brother, We had such good fun, But he went to llkley and I'm here all alone. Last night we had an air-raid. I was frightened and alone. When will it all end mum? When can I come home? Yes you can come home, Yes you can come home. You can come home now son. You can come home now.