Headers on the Mallee plain

Iron on the Newman train

Lincoln Harbour trawler lights

Chippers out at Narrabri

He's cutting cane round Ellerbeck

Cyclone breathing' down their necks

A million miles across this land

With bending backs and willing hands

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Workin' hands will take the wheel Welding sparks on shipping steel A young coal miner dreams of home Two weeks down and two to go Southern Cross and shearing shed Barclay Highway 2am From the Tasman to the Coral Sea And Melbourne to the Kimberley,

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At Charleville the levee cracks
The night is long but they hold it back

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