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To My Dear Son Tudor.

You can't imagine how proud I am to hear that your heroic conduct has been officially recognised by the awarding of the M.M. We realise that where so many brave deeds are done, it must be something exceptional that has been done by you to earn it, & it will gratify you to know that I am not in the least surprised. I said long ago, I am certain that, if ever Tudor gets a chance to distinguish himself on the field, that he will rise to the occasion & do so. And in a congratulatory letter from Ael. V. Bryn they say just the same. We are not a bit surprised. We fully expected Tudor to get it. I wrote the Defence Dept about it, and received a reply, that they would enquire into the matter. Congrats are coming in thick & fast. Miss Edie Harries & Members of the Comforts Club, & all hands at the St Davids day rehearsal last Monday night send heartiest greetings. You are the sixth one on St Davids honor roll to win distinction & that fact will later on be shown on the Board, & on ours, as well. Both Advertiser & Chronicle gave publicity to the welcome news yesterday & believe me, Son. Everyone is delighted. The Church & S.S. Officers have asked me to express their extreme gratification at the news, & sincerely pray that, having so nobly done your duty, you may be spared for many

many years, to wear it with distinction
As soon as the Dept Dpt announce it, I
will send your photo for publication
in the Herald & the Rechabite, for without
doubt, your many friends will be glad
of the chance of getting one. We are very
pleased to learn that you are again with
your Old Unit. God grant that before long
the war may be over, & that thousands
of brave men may return to those who
are waiting to welcome them to Home.
Sweet Home, that song will have
a new meaning for you boys, after
weary months & years of roughing it.
As Soldiers are called upon to do, when
duty calls, or danger, be never wanting
there. Thousands of young Australians
have sung those words with great gusto
But, they have never volunteered yet. I was
at the Wm Town picture theatre last night,
and a biglump of a woman, dressed as
a Red Cross Nurse Sang a Song, I'm
only a Red Cross Sister & so on, describing
the work done for the brave boys at the
front. The words of the Chorus were shown
on the screen, & the Audience Sang till they
nearly lifted the roof. But hundreds of
them Voted No, when asked to go & help.
Our Church & S. S. Officers are so proud
of your achievement, that they passed a
resolution to write you a Congratulatory letter
No doubt you will get a good many.

Or you would have a letter
full, Dear Tudor. I am try-
ing to finish this before Harry
goes to work. for the Mail
Closes at noon. in the City.

I will write again soon
Uncle Bob & I met last night
for a minute or two in Melbne
as I was on my way to practise.
He sends the very heartiest
greetings to you. on your success.

Now Son

God be with you

Till we meet again

Yours affecly
John Allen