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PRESENTATION
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AFTERGLOW
by Bruce Montgomery, 1964

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA GLEE CLUB
Come all ye loyal classmates now,
In hall and campus through,
Lift up your hearts and voices
For the royal Red and Blue.
Fair Harvard has her crimson,
Old Yale her colors too,
But for dear Pennsylvania-i-a,
We wear the Red and Blue.
Harrah! Harrah! Pennsylvania-i-a,

DISMISSAL
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AFTERGLOW
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SHADOWS GROW LONG ON THE CAMPUS,
TWILIGHT HAS COME AGAIN.
WARM CENDERER RAYS SRECK THE GOLDEN BASE;
AS PEACE SETTLES DOWN ON PENN.

AND SOFT AND LOW,
IN THE PALE AFTERGLOW,
THE VOICES OF STUDENTS RING;
WITH THE SONGS AND CHEERS
OF THEIR FAIR COLLEGE YEARS,
THE SONG THEY LOVE TO SING:

“POST JUCUNDAM JVVENTUERUM.
VIVAT ACADEMIA.”

SING THE PRAISE OF COLLEGE DAYS.
SING OF PENNSYLVANIA!

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RED AND BLUE
University of Pennsylvania Glee Club

TEXT: Harry S. Stearns; MUSIC: William J. Goedel

CAME ALL YE LOYAL CLASSMATES NOW,
IN HALL AND CAMPUS THROUGH,
LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS AND VOICES
FOR THE ROYAL RED AND BLUE.
FAIR HARVARD HAS HER CRIMSON,
OLD NORTHERN HER COLORS TOO,
BUT FOR DEAR PENNSYLVANIA-
I-S-A,
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Twilight has come again.
Warm copper rays streak the golden base
As peace settles down on Penn.

And soft and low,
In the pale afterglow,
The voices of students ring
With the songs and cheers
Of their fair college years,
The songs they love to sing:

“Post juvandum juventutem
Vivat academia.”

Sing the praise of college days,
Sing of Pennsylvania!

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Text by Harry L. Heteroch
Music by William J. Snell

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