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 SERVICE  
 HYMN**

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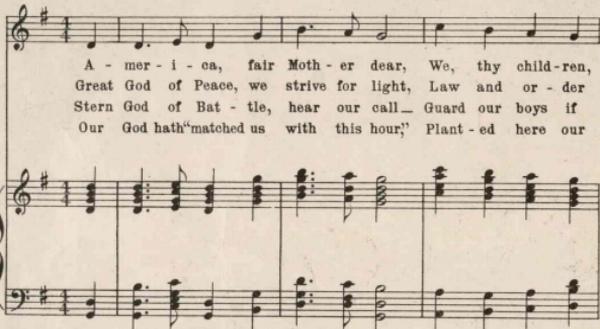
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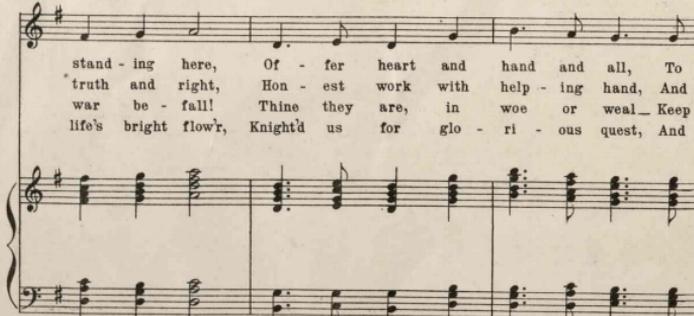
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VOICE



A - mer - i - ca, fair Moth - er dear, We, thy child - ren,  
Great God of Peace, we strive for light, Law and or - der  
Stern God of Bat - tle, hear our call - Guard our boys if  
Our God hath "matched us with this hour," Plant - ed here our

PIANO



stand - ing here, Of - fer heart and hand and all, To  
truth and right, Hon - est work with help - ing hand, And  
war be - fall! Thine they are, in woe or weal - Keep  
life's bright flowr, Knight'd us for glo - ri - ous quest, And

do thy bid-ding, great or small: To wield a - far thy flam-ing  
 hap - py homes in this dear land. Be ours the cour-age, pas-sion,  
 thou them strong and true as steel. Bright ser - vice flag we of - fer  
 giv'n us share in His be - hest. Then, Oh brave World, for thee, for

sword, To vind - i - cate thy sol - emn word, To  
 will, Her high en - deav - or to ful - fill, And  
 thee, Its star - ry field we prof - fer thee. Oh,  
 thee, What - ev - er we can do or be! Be -

do the day's work faith - ful - ly. 'Tis all for thee, 'tis all for thee!  
 we the torch, as she the star, To send the light where sha-dows are!  
 grant it place in vic - try fair. Grant ev - 'ry star an an - gel's care!  
 neath His might - y flag un-furled, Here stand we strong, to serve His world.

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of the Richmond Hill High School of New York City

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The original hymn, sung during the World War (1917-1918), consisted of the first, third and fourth of the following stanzas:

(1)

America, fair mother dear,  
Richmond Hill is standing here,  
Off'ring heart and hand and all,  
To do thy bidding, great or small:  
To wield afar thy flaming sword,  
To vindicate thy solemn word,  
To fashion garments skilfully—  
'Tis all for thee, 'tis all for thee!

(3)

Stern God of Battle, Mighty Will,  
Guard the boys from Richmond Hill!  
Thine they are, in woe or weal—  
Keep thou them strong and true as  
steel!  
Bright service flag we offer thee,  
As bright as youth can proffer thee;  
Oh, grant it place in vict'ry fair—  
Grant ev'ry star an angel's care!

(2)

Great God of Peace, we pledge our youth  
Unto order, right and truth,  
Honest work and helping hand,  
And happy homes in this dear land.  
Be ours the courage, passion, will,  
Her high endeavor to fulfill,  
And we the torch, as she the star,  
To send the light where shadows are!

(4)

Our God hath "matched us with this  
hour",  
Planted here our youth's bright flow'r,  
Knight'd us for glorious quest,  
And giv'n us share in His behest.  
Then, Oh brave World, for thee, for thee,  
Whatever we can do or be!  
Thee, thee we pledge, our hearts we fill—  
Here stand we strong, thy Richmond Hill.

NOTE—Miss Wolcott and Miss Greene were members of the Richmond Hill High School faculty at the time of the composition of the Service Hymn, and the first singing by the students of the school in 1918.

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