A TOAST TO THE FLAG
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Here's to the RED of it,
There's many a thread of it
In all the spread of it
From foot to head.
Our heroes bled for it,
Faced steel and lead for it,
Slept with the dead of it,
The courage of red.

Here's to the WHITE of it,
Foes know the might of it,
We thrill to the sight of it
Through day and night.
Citizens keep sight of it
People will fight for it,
We cling so tight to it,
The purity of white.

Here's to the BLUE of it,
We lost more than a few for it,
Our nation grew with it
Courage got us through.
How we love the view of it,
We feel so very true to it,
We'll not forget the hue of it,
The justice of blue.