

ALLENTOWN

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Well we're living here in Allentown
And they're closing all the factories down
Out in Bethlehem they're killing time
 Filling out forms
 Standing in line
Well our fathers fought the Second World War
 Spent their weekends on the Jersey Shore
 Met our mothers in the USO
 Asked them to dance
 Danced with them slow
And we're living here in Allentown
But the restlessness was handed down
 And it's getting very hard to stay
Well we're waiting here in Allentown
 For the Pennsylvania we never found
 For the promises our teachers gave
 If we worked hard
 If we behaved
So the graduations hang on the wall
But they never really helped us at all
No they never taught us what was real
 Iron and coke
 And chromium steel
And we're waiting here in Allentown
But they've taken all the coal from the ground
 And the union people crawled away
 Every child had a pretty good shot
 To get at least as far as their old man got
But something happened on the way to that place
 They an American flag in our face
 Well I'm living here in Allentown
 And it's hard to keep a good man down
 But I won't be getting up today
 And we're living here in Allentown