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## THE RHYMING SUMMARIST

Say, that was some drive they made,  
Those lads across the sea,  
They put the Hun folks on the run,  
It was sure some victoree;  
Now if the Italians would only brace  
And the Russians do some fighting,  
It looks to me  
That'd we'll see  
The kaiser soon good nighting.  
We wonder as we lie and think  
When snug and warmly bedded,  
How long it seems from marriage day  
Till one is fifty wedded;  
It must feel like a real long time  
And be full of queer emotions,  
We'd start to range  
To seek a change,  
We have such cranky notions.  
Sadie says she wouldn't live  
With a man for fifty minutes,  
Who wouldn't cut the cigarettes  
And other manly sin its;  
We told Lee Robinson what she said,  
Who seemed quite quick to frisk it,  
And he declared,  
"If I'm snared,  
I think, by gum, I'll risk it."  
How many square rods does he figure on  
When Mix a barber's shaving,  
Sloper gets his tobacco second hand,  
He sits next Billy Craven;  
To put the council in nine lines,  
That's what we are aiming,  
"Bohannon knows  
Where the money goes,"  
Says Whiskers to Lyman Damon.



BY VIRGINIA SOUTHERN

### NEEDLECRAFT.

The Needlecrafters passed a busy session at the home of Mrs. J. H. Burton yesterday afternoon. The members are putting many finishing stitches on numerous attractive articles which they will offer at their annual bazaar which will be held December 11. During a social hour, Mrs. Burton and Miss Burton served simple refreshments.

### CRABS FEAST.

An especially enjoyable event of the week was the elegant dinner party presided over by Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Kirkland. Seated around the handsomely appointed table were the members of the Crab Club who thoroughly enjoyed the Kirkland hospitality. After the dinner hour cards furnished amusement for the party.

### ROBINSONS HOSTS.

The Autowins motored to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Asa B. Robinson in Dallas last Wednesday evening where a delightful time was spent. Tables were

placed for "500" and several enthusiastic games played. Mr. and Mrs. Robinson served their guests to a most exquisite luncheon.

### WHIST CLUB.

The Owls participated in an evening repast at the Beaver last Monday, which was followed by a session of whist at the Word Butler home. Mr. and Mrs. Butler are genial hosts and an evening spent with them is always brim full of enjoyment.

### O. E. S.

Mrs. Lena C. Mendenhall of Portland, Worthy Grand Matron of the Eastern Star, paid Adah Chapter an official visit last Saturday. The Chapter held a meeting Saturday afternoon when the W. G. M. was present. Saturday evening, Mrs. K. C. Eldridge, the Worthy Matron of the local Chapter, entertained informally for Mrs. Mendenhall, her guests including the Chapter officers and a few others. Mrs. Mendenhall remained until Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Eldridge motored to Salem with her.

## MRS. ALEXANDER DEAD

An estimable young woman, faithful wife, loving mother and earnest Christian passed to the realms above on Sunday, November 18, when Eva May Bolter Alexander died at her home in Anaconda, Montana, following a few days' illness of pneumonia.

An unusually large number of people attended the funeral services which were held in Independence on Wednesday afternoon, being conducted by the Eastern Star of which order the deceased was a member. The many floral offerings were beautiful, Dr. H. C. Dunsmore spoke a few brief words of tribute to the departed and tried as best he could to appease the grief of the many loved ones. So many have remarked that it was the saddest funeral they ever attended. Mrs. Alexander was laid to rest in the I. O. O. F. cemetery near Independence.

Eva May Bolter was born on the banks of the Luckiamute river on November 29, 1880 and at the time of her death lacked but eleven days of being 37 years old. Raised to womanhood in this section, she spent all of her useful life here until a few months ago when she went to Anaconda to reside. Several years ago Mrs. Alexander united with the Baptist church and also was a member of the Rebekah order. She was married to Pearl R. Alexander on December 28, 1902, and they have three daughters, Thelma 13, Velma 11 and Helen 10, and one son, Robert S. Besides her husband and children she leaves her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Bolter of Salem, and three sisters, Mrs. Clara Kurrie of Cottage Grove, Mrs. Lucy Prather of Buena Vista and Miss Lorilla Bolter of Salem, and one brother, Donald Bolter of Suver.

Friends can only assure the husband and children in this time of the greatest of griefs that "while time erases all sorrow it leaves the most blessed of all, precious memory."

## DRAFT QUESTIONS

Every man registered for the draft will be sent a Questionnaire in the next two or three weeks that he must fill out and return within seven days to his local exemption board. These Questionnaires are long and the answers to some of them may require considerable study. The government has asked the lawyers to help the boys answer the questions correctly without charge for their services and Swope & Dwyer will gladly render all the assistance they can.

## LETTER FROM CO. L

Camp Mills, Nov. 11.—The company is nearly all sick with the "grip". Ernest Smith is now in the hospital. The company has been raised to 250 men and now has five lieutenants. Kyle French is now a sergeant. Jim Dodson has been laid up for several days with bum feet. Oregon and Washington troops had a football game this week. Score 6 to 0 in favor of Oregon. R. W.

## J. E. BOLTER DIES

John E. Bolter, aged 65, died in a Salem hospital Tuesday. He resided across the river from Independence and is survived by a wife, three daughters and two sons. Dr. H. C. Dunsmore conducted the funeral services yesterday, burial taking place at Hall's Ferry.

## "Y" FUND RAISED

The Independence section very easily raised its share of the Y. M. C. A. fund. The community responded liberally to this call as it has on all other previous occasions.

Since the war began, South Polk county has purchased more than its share of two Liberty Loans, exceeded its quota in the two Liberty Loans, exceeded its quota in the Red Cross drive by over one thousand dollars, contributed to the war emergency fund, has several Red Cross auxiliaries working energetically, a branch of the Honor Guard girls and a Civic League which is the first to respond to any call of patriotism.

As far as Independence and South Polk county is concerned, it is always right on the job and ready to not only do its bit, but part of the other fellow's as well.

## RED CROSS ADVANCES

At a meeting of the executive board of the local Red Cross Auxiliary today, it was voted to take advantage of a recent ruling of the National Red Cross and change the Independence Auxiliary to a Branch. By becoming a Branch, the local body becomes more self governing and has all the authority of a Chapter.

## WINS COMMISSION

It is announced this morning that Ivan H. Loughary of Monmouth, now at the Presidio training camp, has been among those selected to receive a commission as second lieutenant in the signal corps.

## A RECORD

The 1916 tax roll turned over to the sheriff for collection was \$400,638.51. Of this amount \$391,420.52 has been collected, leaving \$9,217.99, the smallest delinquency in the history of the county.

## TAX LEVY MADE

The city council at its regular meeting Wednesday night approved the budget as published in the Monitor recently and made the 1918 levy accordingly.

## "POLLY OF THE CIRCUS"

An elaborate screen presentation of Margaret Mayo's great drama of circus life, is the first of the beautiful productions to be released by the new Goldwyn Pictures Corporation. Mae Marsh is the star of this immense photo-spectacle which will be shown both afternoon and evening on Thanksgiving Day at the Isis Theatre which has contracted for all the great pictures of the new Goldwyn series.

The story of "Polly" is that of a motherless girl of the circus, and of the part she plays in the drama of life in a small American village. It is a romance of the sawdust ring and has been termed "the classic of the Big Tops." Polly is hurt while doing her "act" and is taken to the home of the local minister to be cared for. Here a pretty romance buds, but before it blooms it is interrupted by the gossip of the village and Polly goes back to the circus. When another Spring brings the blossoms to the hillside orchards and the big white tops of the circus tents again to the vacant lot behind the church, the little girl that laughs at locks and obstacles finds a way to bring these two loving hearts together again—even though it takes a panic and a circus fire to do it.

### Leaves It to Audiences.

One of the small Paris theaters has set about proving that dramatic critics are not infallible. Every evening before the rise of the curtain on an adversely criticized but no less successful play, the theatre manager appears, bearing a bundle of newspapers, from which he reads the choicest condemnatory excerpts. Having thus stated the newspaper view of his play, he leaves the rest to the judgment of the audience.

## MR. AND MRS. ABRAM NELSON

### CELEBRATE GOLDEN WEDDING DAY

Abram Nelson and Elizabeth Henkle were sweethearts back in Iowa in 1866 and one is led to suspect that maid and man "made it up" in some favorite trysting place to meet in Oregon, or did the man follow because the maid had gone? Either way, they both crossed the plains in '66 by different routes and were married in Corvallis November 20, 1867, fifty years ago Tuesday. Mr. Nelson is now 78 and Mrs. Nelson 72, but while they received the congratulations of more than three score friends at the home of their daughter, Mrs. O. D. Butler, on their golden wedding day, they unconsciously slipped 50 years off their ages and were as young and happy as when in the long ago they clasped hands and were united in the holy bonds of matrimony. It is not the privilege of many to have a golden wedding but none are more worthy to enjoy such an event than Mr. and Mrs. Nelson. They have so lived as to attain an honorable position among their neighbors and friends. Their lives have been marked by the noble virtue, the best and sweetest thing in all the world, simple every day kindness—

"And as they for half a century have been led

By God's good hand along life's upward slope  
Reaching at length this golden crest of hope."

They have always found—

"There is a glory in doing right  
And a splendor in being true,  
That is greater than anything else  
Life can possibly bring to you."

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson have lived in the Independence section since their marriage. For sixteen years they resided on the farm now occupied by Allen Chase, but their real home was on the outskirts of Independence where for 33 years they lived in peace and happiness. Last year they moved to town.

Their family is not large. They have one daughter, Mrs. Della Butler, one son, Ross N., and one grandchild, Dr. Maurice J. son of Dr. and Mrs. O. D. Butler.

Mrs. O. D. Butler welcomed the callers into the reception rooms which were radiant with gorgeous chrysanthemums. To a request was made that no gifts be presented, the "bride and groom" were showered with magnificent floral offerings. Tall vases and jardiniere of golden-hued "mums" beautified the entire home. During the afternoon, Mrs. S. B. Walker and Mrs. P. M. Kirkland presided over the coffee and tea urns and Mrs. Word Butler served the golden wedding and bride's cake. A pleasant feature of the occasion was the group of songs—

"Silver Threads Among the Gold" and "When You and I Were Young, Maggie"—rendered by Mrs. Maurice J. Butler. As a finale to the memorable day the happy couple were photographed sitting in comfort before the cheerfully glowing fire place.



MAE MARSH  
Goldwyn Pictures

World's Famous

## Polly of the Circus

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THANKSGIVING DAY, NOV. 29

Afternoon at 2:30

Evening at 7:30

Mae Marsh, who won world-wide popularity in "The Birth of a Nation" and "Intolerance" comes again to greet her huge throng of admirers in one of the most beautiful and elaborate productions ever made for the screen. "Polly of the Circus" literally abounds in sentiment and thrills for people of all ages. There is a remarkably exciting horse race, the reproduction of an entire circus performance, including all of the animal and riding acts; the arrival of the circus in a village at daybreak and its departure in the night; the burning of the main tent and the stampede of the audience. And there is a love story of greater charm and beauty than you have ever before seen on the screen.