The Ballad of Billy Aydelotte

Oh, where have you been, Billy Boy, Billy Boy?
Oh, where have you been, Charming Billy?
"I was born in Bloomington
"In the year of 1910.
"I'm a hoosier,
"And never wished another."

Oh, how did you learn, Billy Boy, Billy Boy?
Oh, how did you learn, Charming Billy?
"Shady Hill's where I begun;
"Harvard class of Thirty-one:
"I'm a Yankee,
"And never wished another."

Oh, where did you Ph.uD, Billy Boy, Billy Boy?
Oh, where did you Ph.uD, Charming Billy?
"Diplomatic history's lore,
"At Cambridge was no bore:
"I'm a limey,
"And never wished another."

Oh, where did you teach, Billy Boy, Billy Boy?
Oh, where did you teach, Charming Billy?
"Princeton, Smith, and all of that
"I owen as democrat:
"I'm a hawkeye
"And never wished another."

Oh, who became your wife, Billy Boy, Billy Boy?
Oh, who became your wife, Charming Billy?
"A deans she was right then;
"Scandalized Press-Citizen:
"I'm a hubby,
"And never wished another."

Oh, how did you boss, Billy Boy, Billy Boy?
Oh, how did you boss, Charming Billy?
"Drank from the spring, the Pierian,
"The Aydelotte's Criterion.
"I'm a chairman
"And never wished another."

Oh, who are your daughters, Billy Boy, Billy Boy?
Oh, who are your daughters, Charming Billy?
"Little Neddy and Marie,
"Quite enough paternity:
"I'm a daddy,
"And never wished another."

Oh, how did you write, Billy Boy, Billy Boy?
Oh, how did you write, Charming Billy?
"Quantify the Parliament,
"Mystery stories are my bent:
"I'm a scholar,
"And never wished another."

And what about your friends, Billy Boy, Billy Boy?
And what about your friends, Charming Billy?
"You'll have to speak for that."

"We will, and toss a hat:
"He's a grand friend:
"Whoever wished another?"