

SPOTS AND SPLASHINGS

From the Vinegar Factory.

After careful enquiry, we are in a position to state that Capt. Atkinson has definitely decided to refuse the very advantageous offer recently made him, of the position of Assistant Director of Dancing to the proposed Canadian W. A. A. C.

Lieuts. Chenney and Gudgin gave up any attempt to compete with the Captain, though they put up a very spectacular show.

Fishing seems to have great attractions for one of our senior officers. We wonder why! There are several theories.

The cleaning up party at the Chateau de Vinaigre, has been quite a popular amusement with some officers. The R.S.M. says he doesn't see any necessity for a sanitary fatigue when the officers supply it themselves. We are thinking of getting some of the newly initiated brethren of the Sam Browne Belt, up from the C.E.T.D. for instructional purposes. Courses in roadmaking, ditching, and clearing encumbered ground, are being prepared.

Did the Orderly Room Staff use that unadulterated Formaldehyde on the Orderly Officer's bedroom wilfully and of malice aforethought?

We are all glad to hear that Lieut. McLachlin, who went to hospital four days after reaching here, is now beginning to rally. He has shown the same fighting spirit in facing pneumonia that he had when hammering Heinie. Here's hoping we see him back with us and fit before the Great Campaign is over.

The battle of Vinegar Ridge appears to be at a standstill.

WAKE UP, ENGINEERS!!

TO THE ENGINEERS, W.O.R. AND C.O.R.

The challenges the Machine Gun Corps had in last week's "Knots and Lashings" brought little response. Can it be that these brave talking outfits are buffaloeed?

Again we hurl our challenges in your teeth. Are you a bunch of laggards and henchmen; or are ye full enough of "ye pep" to at least try?

We have thrown down the gauntlet. Let any amongst you, who dare, take it up. This week, if none of our challenges are ac-

cepted, we will challenge you to a bout at Archery, or may hap a game of "ye jackknife" or perhaps a contest with the knitting needles.

Or,—challenge us and see how fast we eat 'em up.

If you care to accept any or all of our defis, you can make arrangements by seeing Corpl. Lake (Ali Baba), No. 2 Section, M.G.C.

AND NOW IT'S CLASS 37!

We had scarcely finished penning our congratulations to Class 36, when the martial tread of another Officer Contingent resounded through the halls of the Officers Mess, and Class 37 inundated the local defences. After we had righted their spurs, fixed up their Sam Browns and buttoned them up generally, they made a decidedly favorable impression on the veterans of 35 and 36. However, we reserve our final decision in the matter, until after their 'premiere' in the Tan Bark Emporium. Meanwhile, we congratulate, and commend to the courtly if efficient kindness of the Laird, the following:—

H. McNab
R. L. McNeil of Barral
T. C. Hoshal
A. B. Darbyson
W. C. Miller
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E. O. Ewing
J. E. Openshaw
A. H. Milne
W. R. Peacock
R. P. Hastey
A. L. Howden
W. T. Webster.

MORE MURMURS FROM THE "MACHINISTS".

GONE—BUT NOT FORGOTTEN KELLY—PEARSALL—LYONS

The men of No. 2 Section who are quarantined for mumps, do not miss their nightly trip to town, because when Duncan and Irviry get into their daily argument, there is "Scotch" enough for all, and hot stuff too.

We wish to enquire of Corpl. Pickett the meaning of "Buck and Baldy".

Dempsey and Wilson challenge the Engineers to a frog race. These men have two trained frogs which they assert can outstrip any frog in the Army in a ten yard race. The frogs' names are "Saint" and "Jean".

Thirty-seven men of the M.G.C.

were on a fatigue party, Tuesday, loading wagons with dirt. They worked all day and only one man had a blister on his hands—which speaks well for our hands—or can it be only one man worked?

AT THE NATIONAL HOTEL

(Officers Quarters)

A maid with a duster once made a great bluster.

A-dusting a bust in the hall.

And when it was dusted, the bust it was busted,
And the bust now is dust, that is all.

(It has ben said that Mr. Baldwin was up in the hall. Of course, we are not infering anything, but—.)

WHAT HAVE WE DONE?

In St. Johns, Quebec, we're stuck,
Alas!

And here we're like to stay,
But as for girls the time to pass,
Just hear what I've to say.

The Village girls,

Who think they're pearls,
Have sworn a blessed vow,

Upon the book,

That they won't look,

When us chaps say "Bow-wow".

So what's the use of going out,
And strolling round at night,
Throwing your glad eyes about,
When bits of fluff don't bite,
To chance to tease,

No waist to squeeze,

No lips to kiss for miles,

The girls all bunk, and so they funk,

From Tommie's wicked wiles.

The toughest ones, they wear a badge,

A sort of Iron Cross,

To show a fellow mus'nt eadge,

A kiss, Ugh! what a loss,

So pack your grip,

We'll take a trip,

And leave this joint, by heck,

New quarters find, and leave behind,

The girls of St. Johns, Quebec.

By Sgt. Darwin, M.G.C.
(Alias "Buck").

LATE COPY.

We regret that, owing to the late hour at which certain copy was received, it has been found impossible to include it in this week's edition. All such copy will, however, be found in our next issue.

We would urge that, if at all possible, all copy be in the hands of Lieut. S. C. Ells, Base Coy., E. T. D., not later than Wednesday noon.

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