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that the rawest beginner would find every encouragement to compete. Certain sacrifices would have to be made by the more skilled athletes, but we think the majority of them at least are unselfish enough to do their best in such a good cause. A start has been made. Now let us all get together. Quit thinking about when we are going away and let's have some fun.

TOURS TO THE FRONT No. 1

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We congratulate the above members of the Unit on the swift, expeditious way in which they cleaned up the recent push on the Front and returned to the old camp after only three days' absence. For about six months their names had been selected as reinforcements to Casualty Clearing Stations, but time had slipped past and we had almost forgotten the incident. When, therefore the call came on the 30th. of October for them to "proceed" to No. 27 Casualty Clearing Station there was considerable excitement, and most of us envied them their chance of "seeing something." They rumbled off on ambulance vans on an afternoon when the rain made things very unpleasant, and the

next day there were rumours that one of the number had won the D.S.O. and another had collected some shrapnel in his cranium; which proves that No. 5 is nothing if not right up to stop-press heat with good stories. It was quite like the good old times on the evening papers when we "slugged" lightning coloured pars. before the source had finished telling the tale.

They left on the 30th. They were back on the 2nd. Nobody had got the D.S.O. and there were no shrapnel pieces to be dug out of frontal bones. But nevertheless they had done the work they were sent up to do, and they had done it expeditiously. The Front was cleaned up, and the contingent from No. 5 was back almost before we had time to realise they had left. There seems little doubt that they had a strenuous enough time at No. 27 Casualty while they were there.

IT IS RUMORED

That we are going away.

That Staff Allix says and therefore it must be so.

That a certain Major has written from England corroborating Allix's statement.

That the "relieving" unit is now in the harbor.

That the ship on which we will depart is also there.

That the Q. M. Stores has orders to save all empty boxes for "packing-up" purposes.

That some of the men, who believe in preparedness, have already packed their kits.