

## Serbian Entertainment

One of the most delightful events in which the officers and nursing sisters have participated was a dinner given recently by Colonel Djonkitch of the Serbian Artillery. The affair was supposedly informal, but considering that the courses lasted approximately three hours and that a band, as well as vocal and violin music, was provided to add to the enjoyment of the guests, one wonders what would have occurred had it been a formal affair. The reception of the guests was imposing. Over 100 officers of different ranks were drawn up in lines in front of the mess tent. On descending from the car the members of the party were introduced to the officers, most of whom could speak French and some few English. The tent was beautifully decorated for the occasion with flags of the Allies suspended from the roof and smaller flags fastened to the draped poles. It was a feast of surprises, not the least of which was to find a neatly written bill of fare, in English, at each place. The articles of food were tastefully set out and deliciously palatable. The Serbian national dance was performed by several hundreds of soldiers. In this the Colonel himself joined to the intense delight of his men. Not to be outdone Major Monro and Capt. Schinbein essayed the rhythmic steps and finally Capt. Lindsay was prevailed upon to take part.

Major Procter made a short speech, in which he assured the Serbians that no where in the world could the Serbians have greater admirers and firmer supporters than the Canadians, and that Serbia could absolutely rely on the assistance of Canada to the last whether the war ended this year or several years hence. The speech was made in English, translated into French by Capt. Lewin and into Serbian by the Colonel. Toasts were drunk to King George and the King of Serbia. In drinking royalties' health it is the custom of the Serbians to drain the glass at a draught and then turn it upside down. The departure of the guests was quite as spectacular as the arrival. The Serbians stood around in a wide semi-circle and cheered their visitors to the echo. The Canadians responded every bit as heartily.

## FROM OVER THE SEA

Capt Boucher has cabled from Malta stating that he reached that port safely and is improving in health. Nursing Sisters Playford and Tripp are in England now, according to word received. Capt. Bonnell has arrived in Nova Scotia and is with his family in a little town not far from Halifax. His home is in Fernie, B. C. Major Procter is proceeding straight through to Canada. Capt. Mc.Kee and Capt. Lionais are in London. Pte. Ritchie is on his way to England. Lucky sod!