

he knew Mac's modesty and he would do his best, but he could not do much more than endorse the remarks of Lt.-Col. Vaux and Major Gagnon. Everyone would be the better for the training they had received at Lt.-Col. Hamilton's hands. Deeds ever spoke for themselves, as exemplified by the lasting monument to which Major Gagnon had drawn attention. The Canadian Forces owed a great debt to his judgement and foresight that could never be repaid. His organisation in France was a credit not only to the Canadian Forces in the country, but to all the Canadian Contingents. His work will ever be remembered in the history of Rouen. He would finally end by wishing him every good wish in his new sphere of life. Lt.-Col. Hamilton in reply, spoke briefly. He thanked all the Officers present for their expression of good-will, and appreciation of the work he had done. Their generous support, he told them, was in no small measure the basis of the success and the high reputation attained by the Canadian Section.

After a most enjoyable evening, coupled with song and stories, the gathering broke up at 11.00 p. m.



SOME OF THE FRAGMENTS OF CONVERSATION OVERHEARD



Here's to the Martins, doubtless inventors of Martini Cocktails.

Yes! The A. G. ruled...

It would appear that it is the case...

Put it under the table Major, There's only one more bottle left.

When I was in the C. F. A...

No, that Salmon did not come from Vancouver.

Let me see the label on the bottle.

I know rather a good story about a night shirt.



STALEMATE



The meat ration was worse than usual, in fact nothing approaching it in toughness had ever yet been experienced. While the boys were going through the process of sharpening their teeth on the leathery substance, they were discussing the latest issue of boots, which owing to the absorbent character of the material used in their manufacture, were proved to be almost useless for wear.

A lad from the Emerald Isle then chimed in with a brilliant suggestion — « I tell you fwhat we'll do bhoys, we'll cook the boosts, and wear the mate ».