

The First Marine

(parody of "Mademoiselle From Armentieres")

Words & Music:
True Origin Unknown, but WWI British

I received a request for this one from A.P. Harding of Fort Bragg, who recalls his Grandfather (a WWI Army Medic) singing it. You can see influences of "Mademoiselle From Armentieres" in the tune & chorus and also bits of "The Dummy Line" in "milked the cow with a monkey wrench" line. Enjoy!

G D7
The first marine jumped over the fence, parlez-vous?
D7 G
The second marine jumped over the fence, parlez-vous?
G D7
The third marine jumped over the fence
G D7
And milked a cow with a monkey wrench
G C A7 D7 G
Hinkey-dinkey, parlez-vous?

The cow, she kicked that third marine, parlez-vous?
The cow, she kicked that third marine, parlez-vous?
The cow, she kicked that third marine,
Now he no longer has a spleen!
Hinkey-dinkey, parlez-vous?