HUNK O' TIN

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(With Apologies to Messrs. Kipling and Ford.)

You may talk o' shifting gear

When you're riding far from here,
An' you're sent to pick up wounded an' then beat it;
But when it comes to pluggin'

You can keep right on a-chuggin'

'Cause FEET works an' your 'ands is free to steed it
Where the roads AIN'T 'alf the time
A servin' o' their purpose—Yes; its grim!

Of all the ambulance crew
The surest one I knew Of all the ambulance crew
The surest one I knew
Was our crashin' slammin' bashed-in HUNK O'TIN.
It was Din! Din! Din!
You 5 & 10 cent mouse trap 'UNK O'TIN,
Hi!! slippery—get a move on!
Spare wheel, get it!—slum the juice on!
You mud-bespattered milk can—HUNK O'TIN.

When we got 'er, she looked fine
'Till one night—'bout 'arf past nine—
A "Whizz Bank" made 'er look like junk 'an hell;
The hood was blown to blazes
An' the chuffer's string of phrases
Made the atmosphere around just stink an' smell!
When we tried to make her start
Damn it! It most broke 'er heart,
To 'ear 'er cough an' sneeze an' choke an' spit;
She tried so hard to go
And she really seemed to know
It was up to her to do her part 'an GIT! It was up to her to do her part 'an GIT!

It was DIN! DIN!

Just crash, bang, biff an' sputter from within!

We beat 'er with the tool kit

But she wouldn't budge an inch—that 'UNK O'TIN.

She would grunt an' then skip one,

'Till we thought she sure was done,
An' there didn't seem no way to make 'er start;
When another "WHIZZ BANG," bust,
An' we thought we'd bit the dust,
But—By Judas!—It just cured that benzine cart!
All 'er innards 'it the sky—
But on comin' down they kind o' fell together
An' so 'elp me Bob!—its true,
When my pals an' me come to,
That damned old Flivver's guts was good as ever!

It was DIN! DIN!
That somehow mended road louse seemed to grin;
So we jumped into our seats
And we know them ingine beats
Weren't no "Swan Song" from that blarsted 'UNK O'TIN.

She carried us away
All safely—then, next day
We looked 'er over—an' I swan to man!
The devil'c own invention
Wasn't ardly worth the mention
'Side o' what was left o' that tin can!
The gears was in the gas tank
An' the front end in the rear rank,
Like a barroom that's been "Strafed" by Carrie Nation;
There was nothing worth to pawn
An' the ingine—CLEAN WAS GONE!
She'd run 'o me like that just on her reputation!
Yes, its DIN! DIN! DIN!
You land-locked, water-skooter plain as sin!

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Though I've damned an' cussed an' prayed yer
By the 'Enry Word as made yer
I takes my 'at off to yer!—'UNK O'TIN.

GAVE FINE SERMON.

Both the religious hours at the "Y" Sunday were very successful; a fine sermon being delivered at the 10 a. m. session by Rev. P. D. Brown, the Lutheran camp pastor, and the evening services, at 8:30 p. m., were carried out by Captain McRae of the aviation section.

This was the captain's first visit to the hospital and he was greatly pleased by the large attendance and

the interest shown by the boys in the Y. M. C. A. work. His audience was well pleased with his address and it is hoped that he will repeat his call before a great while.

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