MADEMOISELLE FROM ARMENTIERES

The tune for the popular WW1 song goes back to the 1830’s: various fellows have claimed they’ve written it. The first recording is 1915.

1,2,3,4  1,2,3,4    C7/// F///

F                        C7
Mademoiselle from Armentieres, parlez-vous;

F
Mademoiselle from Armentieres, parlez-vous;

C7
Mademoiselle from Armentieres,

F                                 C7           F                  C7       F
She hasn’t been kissed in 40 years; Hinky-Dinky parlez-vous.

F                        C7
She might have been old for all we knew, parlez-vous;

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She might have been old for all we knew, parlez-vous;

C7
She might have been old for all we knew,

F                          C7            F                  C7       F
When Napoleon flopped at Waterloo. Hinky-Dinky, parlez-vous.

F                        C7
You might forget the gas and smell, parlez-vous;

F
You might forget the gas and smell, parlez-vous;

C7
You might forget the gas and smell,

F                        C7            F                  C7       F
But you’ll never forget the Mademoiselle. Hinky-Dinky, parlez-vous.

F                        C7
She got the palms & the Croix-de-Guerre, parlez-vous;
She got the palms & the Croix-de-Guerre, parlez-vous;  
She got the palms & the Croix-de-Guerre,  
For washing soldiers’ underwear. Hinky-Dinky, parlez-vous.

The general got the Croix-de-Guerre, parlez-vous;  
The general got the Croix-de-Guerre,  
The general got the Croix-de-Guerre,  
The son of a gun was never there. Hinky-Dinky, parlez-vous.

The officers get all the steak, parlez-vous;  
The officers get all the steak,  
The officers get all the steak,  
And all we get is a belly ache. Hinky-Dinky, parlez-vous.

They say they mechanized the war, parlez-vous;  
They say they mechanized the war,  
They say they mechanized the war,  
So what the heck are we marching for? Hinky-Dinky, parlez-vous.

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