## SOLDIERS IN ITALY QUIP-JEST

Slit Trench flumor Revealed in Make-Shift "Homes"—Gossipy "Pencil Paper" Reaches 100th Edition

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WITH THE CANADIAN CORPS IN ITALY, May 2 (1) — Khaki Close-ups:

"Windy City" is a muddy "town" where a troop of a Canadian field regiment makes its home. The name, needless to say, is the gunners' own inspiration.

There is nothing permanent about Windy City for when the troop moves a new site is carved from the mud with picks and shovels. The "major" is L. Bdr. A. E. Pattemore of Brockville, Ont, The streets bear such names as "Dud Avenue" and "Shrapnel Street" while slittench homes are called "Jump Inn" and "Dive Inn."

A daily pencil-written paper called "Gun Flash" is edited and published by Gnrs. J. M. Beckett of Calgary and L. V. Bourque of Winnipeg. It carries such enlightening items as "one litre equals one and three-quarters pints."

Another daily "pencil paper" is the "Daily Dozen," edited by Pte. E. (Doc.) Criddle of Dorchester, Ont., for the men of his company in the Royal Canadian Regiment. Assistant editor is Pte. Nick Kowalchuk of Burlington, Ont.

The Daily Dozen, written on notepaper scrounged in Compobasso last November, reached its 100th edition March 12. It carries news items, cartoons, poems and items about the troops and is designed said C.iddle, "to keep the morale up a bit."

Criddle has lost four brothers in this war, three with the air force in England and one here. His father, Lt.-Col. Albert Criddle, served with the medical corps here and now is in England.

It was open season on fish when soldiers from the West Nova Scotia Regiment found a boat beside the Ad latic. Using hand grenades in lieu of fish hooks, the Maritimers returned with a catch that provided feasts for several messes.

Ptes. J. A. Surrett, Yarmouth,

N.S., and W. H. Himmelman.

L. T. Burgess and C T Quinn, all
of Halifax, were some of the
lucky easterners who enjoyed

Italian macketel for supper.

They said this "lovely tasting"
fish resembles a Canadian smelt.

Members of the West Nova's pioneer platoon are competing in a "best beard" competition for a prize offered by the battalion commanding officer.

Leader to date is Pte. S. R. Graham of Kouchibongouac, N.B., with the platoon commander, Lieut. Leslie Moore, Long Branch, Ont., running third.

Anyone want to compete with OSM. G. M. Stephen of Totonto for a long service record? Stephen has had 33 years consecutive service in the army, the last 30 with the 48th Highlanders and the previous three with the 12th York Rangers.

One night Pte. Joe Gagnier,
Sydney Mines, N.S., went out on
patrol with the Cape Breton
Highlanders. He dropped a knife
of which he was very proud, so
back he went alone to retrieve
it. When Joe returned he had
two knives, both of German
origin.

Say his fellow soldiers: "Pity help those Heinies if Joe ever loses his kit of clothing. They'll freeze to death."

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Twelve of 16 boys who pleaded
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the court not to go to movies
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