

LED FIRST U. S. GUNS OVER BELGIAN LINE

Major MacKendrick, Former Second Regiment Captain, Unharmed in War

Pennsylvania's famous Iron Division has far into Belgium on its way to Germany to become part of the army of occupation, when Major Robert G. MacKendrick, 107th Field Artillery, wrote to his father, James M. MacKendrick, of Holmes, Delaware County, that he had gone through the war without a scratch. The letter was written November 16.

Major MacKendrick has been with the National Guards, who form the Iron Division, for eight years. He went to the Mexican border as a captain in the 107th Second Regiment. There the regiment was converted to artillery and when the war began was made part of the 107th.

"It is now all over," he said in his letter, "and I haven't been even scratched. Not that I am sorry at all, because I have seen too many horribly mangled men to have any desire for a

like fate. When I think of all the narrow escapes I have had, how shells have missed me by a few feet and blown my friends to chunks, I sometimes wonder where I got the luck. Many times I was under heavy shell and machine gun fire for days at a time. I sat or lay dumbly waiting for the one with my name on it and watched other fellows crumple up or be scattered all over the scenery. Yet I never felt a desire

other than to stay and stick it out and never give an inch.

"Many times I wished it were all over, I must admit, because mud, poor food, cold rain, wet clothes, poison gas, high-explosive shells and dead friends one does not compare with a nice warm seat beside the fireplace at home.

"I led the first American artillery battalion into Belgium from Ypres, where we detained. We have driven the Hun

nearly forty miles back toward his own country since we have been here, and on the morning of November 11 we were all ready to blast them out of their position on the crest of a hill when we got orders not to fire, that an armistice had been arranged. And we sure did some cheering."

Before the war Major MacKendrick was a draftsman for the Pennsylvania Railroad.

Demobilizing S. A. T. C. at Penn State College, Pa., Dec. 13.—(Special Dispatch)—Demobilization of the students' army training corps is now under way at the Penn State College. The vocational section comprising 600 soldiers sent to the college from all parts

of the State for technical instruction was discharged yesterday. Students in the collegiate section are having their final physical examinations preliminary to mustering out of the army and navy. They will be demobilized on December 21.



Philadelphia has been called many names, good, bad and indifferent, by jealous outsiders, but never has she been accused of being inhospitable. She has cordially welcomed the many strangers who have flocked here recently, and the Chestnut Street Shops in particular have invited them to share all the privileges of the residents, and are anxious to help them in any way that lies in their power. During the holiday season they, with the others, have been asked to assist the merchants by shopping as early in the day as convenient, and by ordering goods now which are to be delivered they will obviate all possibility of delay or disappointment.

Delora Spahn

ALl aboard for Toyland! That land for little people, where the gates stand open all day long and the "elevators" train arrives every few minutes. Be sure to get off at the right station, at the fourth floor of B. F. Dewees, 1122 Chestnut street, where children are always welcome and there is a lot to see. Such interesting games of every kind; the "Magnetic Fish Pond," where the fish are terribly hard to catch, though there are drosses of water in the pond; "Pirates and Players" and games that make arithmetic, geography and history much easier than at school! Everything for a grocery store in one box and a truck, too. As for dishes, pots and pans, a real meal could be got with them, and for boys there are soldiers, tents, cannon and drums.

WOULD you pay \$3,000,000 for a phonograph? That's what it cost Thomas A. Edison, and many years of labor, to develop the Official Laboratory Model of the New Edison, the "Phonograph with a Soul." And as he produced it, perfect in every detail, so it is sold by N. Stetson & Co., 1111 Chestnut street. Nothing has been changed in its quality, it re-creates the human voice and musical instruments so marvelously that when demonstrated in direct comparison with the artists detection is impossible. Each model is manufactured at the lowest possible cost, and may be had in two different cabinet designs, the Chipendale and the William and Mary, the latter in walnut, executed by a famous designer to make the case of case that would be in keeping with any style furniture.

BLUSTERING old Father Winter has made his entrance on the scene and will continue to occupy the stage for months to come. Some will welcome him, but many dread the thought of the freezing nights when the windows must be kept open and beds feel like ice boxes. But these are foolish people, for at H. D. Dougherty Company, 1632 Chestnut street, there are blankets and comforts that will defy the most penetrating cold, and are just the thing to buy for yourself or for a Christmas present. The fleecy white all-wool blankets are of generous size, with pink or blue fancy band or pin-stripe borders, while the cozy wool-filled comforts, covered with the prettiest of figured or plain silks and satens, come in colors to match nearly any bedroom.

WHENEVER there is the slightest doubt what to give a man for a Christmas gift (and when isn't there?) it is always safe to fall back upon the one thing he never goes without, but which is always wearing out—hosiery. At Jacob Reed's Sons, 1424-26 Chestnut street, every kind of half hose is to be had. Fine English and domestic wools, plain colors or heather mixtures, in blue, black and white, ribbed effects, all full fashioned and excellent for sports, outdoor work or wearing with oxford. In silk half hose there are attractive plain colors, with or without clocks; French self-ribbed; high-grade domestic bright silk two-tone combinations (brown and green, black and white, two shades of purple), in graduated stripes and inexpensive overplaid half hose.

SOcial events are crowding in thick and fast, and the nearer Christmas approaches the greater the demand for Full Dress and Tuxedo Suits. No apparel of a man's wardrobe requires better workmanship, and at MacDonald & Campbell's, 1334-36 Chestnut street, they make a specialty of outfitting men in these important garments so that they present the well-groomed appearance essential in correct evening dress. Their models are cut on the newest and best lines, the collars cling as close as a creditor, the revers lie as easily as a woman about her age, the fronts are soft and smooth and the quality of the fabric is irreproachable. Discriminating men have pronounced these suits to be the finest examples in every detail of good tailoring, and an hour's notice will insure perfect fitting.

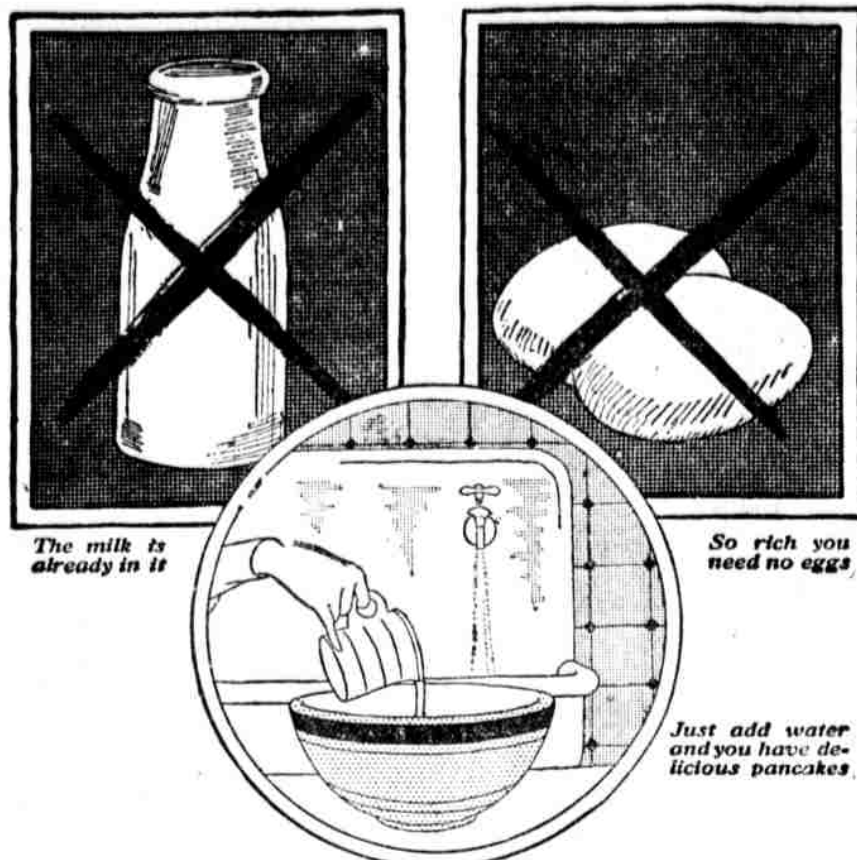
DO YOU want to earn the lasting gratitude of a friend for whom you are seeking a really distinctive Christmas present? If so, drop in at William Curry's, 1112 Chestnut street, and examine their fitted bags and suit cases for men and women. You have no idea what a variety there is in size, shape, leathers and fittings, and as every one travels these restless days, if only to Camden and back, you could not give a more welcome gift. The smallest size Overnight Cases for women are dainty little affairs, holding the most necessary toilet articles, with room for a nightgown and kimono, while the largest are provided with a most complete outfit in shell, Parisian ivory or silver. The bags and cases for men are equally as attractive and many have ebony fittings.

AS THE days grow shorter and the winter closes in about us we might think Mother Nature had forgot us did we not see the marvelous fruits she continues to lay at our feet. At Henry H. Hallows & Son, Broad below Chestnut street, they have gathered them for us, these joyous fruits of shining gold, gorgeous red and russet shades and put them into exquisite baskets, baskets that are as exotic as the fruits themselves and which when filled are without a peer. Nowhere in the country can you find Christmas baskets of fruits be procured which approach these artistic Hallowell creations; their very novelty makes them doubly appreciated both at home and outside of Philadelphia. Better select your basket before the final rush. It will be laid aside, filled and sent whenever desired.

WHAT is so rare as—not a day in June—but a good cigar? Walk down the streets, pass through a hotel exchange, go into any office and what pursues you? The odor of a veritable "weed." Perhaps these have all been gifts from poor deluded women, who fancied they were buying the best. You know they are woefully cheated when purchasing tobacco, principally because they go to the wrong shop. When you get that box of cigars for his Christmas present be sure to choose it from the stock of the E. Bradford Clarke Company, 1520 Chestnut street. They keep the finest brands of imported and domestic cigars, cigarettes and smoking tobacco, among them the "Horse Binney" and "El Grifo" cigars, made of the choicest Havana leaf obtainable, and the "Bradford," a less expensive domestic cigar.

BE IT a pin or a piano, what woman can resist a bargain? Not just an advertised bargain, but one that is truly worth while. That is the kind I have seen—pianos, not pins—at G. J. Hepple & Son's, 1117-19 Chestnut street. They have Uprights and Grands of the very best makes, which were rented during the summer at different resorts and, while of excellent quality, far better, indeed, in every way than the cheap gradings. They cannot be sold for their original price, though they have been put in perfect condition. Besides these "summer-resort" pianos there are also shop-worn Hepple pianos, selling for a low figure, which have been used at concerts or for demonstration purposes. Any of these are good presents, are guaranteed and carry a year's exchange privilege.

WHENEVER I wander into Bailey, Banks & Biddle Company, and that is often I am struck anew by the beauty of the shop as a shop and by the beauty of their comprehensive collection. Hosts of attractive objects of art replete with gift suggestions are temptingly displayed, and I pass hours among them. Yesterday Crystal Desk Sets, the very newest in desk furnishings, caught and held my eye. Instead of being leather or metal, all the pieces, inkwell, calendar, stationery rack, pen tray, stamp box, blotter, even the corners of the pad, are of the finest and most delicately hand-engraved crystal, made in Paris. Also, the Adam and Chinese Chipendale being the favorites. With candlesticks and book ends to match can you imagine anything more chaste and elegant?



How the perfect pancake formula was worked out

Years ago the Aunt Jemima people realized that when a woman mixes pancakes herself she could never be sure how they would turn out. Some days they might be good—but other days, when she thought she had done everything just the same—the cakes would turn out flat, tough and soggy.

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Have Aunt Jemima Pancakes tomorrow—and some other day have the Buckwheat Cakes (Aunt Jemima Buckwheat Flour comes in the yellow package). Try waffles and muffins made with the Pancake Flour, too, they're delicious. Read on any Aunt Jemima box top how to get the famous Rag Dolls. Aunt Jemima Mills Company, St. Joseph, Missouri.

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