WANAMAKER'S

GERMANS ABUSED STATE SOLDIERS

City Hero, Home, Tells of Revolt in Boche Prison Camp

CRUEL AFTER ARMISTICE

Many Yanks From Here Return With Tales of American Valor

How men of Pennsylvania's famous Iron Division engineered a revolt against the German guards at a prison camp. who continued their brutality toward Allied prisoners even after the signing of the armistice, was told today by Wil fred Melia, 3633 North Marvine street.

Melia, a former Philadelphia newspaperman, was a member of Company C, of the 110th Infantry, and saw serv-fce with the Twenty-eighth Division in the big battles which enabled that organization to gain fame as a fighting

unit.

Melia landed in New York yesterday on the transport Lorraine. Many others from this city were aboard the Lorraine or one of the other four transports which also reached that port.

Melia and many others of the 116th Regiment were captured last July at the second battle at the Marne. Hill No. 206, the objective, was taken in great style, he says, but when the Americans reached the summit the Germans surrounded the hill with a dense barrage and later launched a terrific counter-attack that resulted in the capture of many prisoners.

"Many Philadelphians went west in their efforts to penetrate that barrage or resist the Germans," Melia said. "But the Germans certainly paid heavily for

resist the Germans," Melia said. "But the Germans certainly paid heavily for the damage they did to us.

Made to Work for Germans

"For three days we were kept just behind the lines and made to perform jobs around the battlefield. We carried in the wounded, rushed ammunition and

in the wounded rushed ammunition and did everything they wanted us to do except divulge information of military value. The men proved so stubborn in this respect that we were given no food during those three days.

"We were first sent to the camp at Laon, then shifted from place to place until we finally arrived at the prison camp at Mannheim, Every one of the Allied nations was represented in the population of the camp, and all were treated with equal brutality."

After November 11, Melia asserted, the German guards at the prison camp

After November 11, Melia asserted, the German guards at the prison camp were just as arrogant as ever, and on the afternoon of November 16 they willfully fired upon two peaceful Frenchmen, who had been largered. who had been interned for many months, and who had in no way violated any of the regulations. Insemuch as the war had virtually ended, and there was

their efforts to avenge the deaths of the Frenchmen. But meanwhile word of the contemplated outrage reached the Spanish consul in Mannheim, who quickly warned the Huns that such conduct would not be countenanced. They heeded this advice, strangs to say, and did not molest the men further. All of the incarcerated soldlers were released not long afterward.

Also Endured Hardships

There was another Philadelphian among the members of a casual company on the Lorsaine who also endured among the Lorsaine who also endured the hardships imposed upon the Allied prisoners in Germany. He was Private Frederick C. Miliman, of 164 North Third street, formerly of the same company and regiment as Melia. He was captured at the same time and under similar circumstances, but was sent to a different camp.

A different camp.

Howard Nelson, of 2047 Mifflin street, who was wounded with shrapnel in the right hand and gassed at the same time on August 4 in the fighting at the Ourcq. on August a passenger on the Lorraine. He said his unit, Company M. of the lioth, in that drive had for its objective a patch of woods filled with machinegun nests. In less than an hour after they instituted the offensive the place had been cleared of the enemy.

While lying in reserve near Verdun on

September 23 William Lottes, 3401 North Water street, of the Fourth Machin Corps, was gassed when a shell burst

Benjamin Lanx, 2783 Tilton avenue who was with the Fourth Ammunition Train, was wounded when a shell burst near him on the Verdun front October 7.

PAY TAX PROMPTLY,

Government Needs the Money, Plea of Internal Revenue Chiefs

Federal taxpayers were urged today by Internal Revenue Collector Lederer to file their income returns as soon as possible, without waiting until March 15, the final date, and to make their payments in full by that date, even though only one-fourth of the aggre-

gate is due as the first installment. The department reminds taxpayers that it was their duty to file the returns without prompting from revenue offi-

"The big thing now in the income tax is to get the first payment in between now and March 15," said Internal Reve now and March 15," said Internal Revenue Commissioner Roper in a statement. "Frankly speaking the government needs the money to meet its obligations falling due on that date. Either a complete return showing the true tax, or a tentative return of the estimated tax, must accompany each and every payment made between now and March 15. On making the required pay-March 15. On making the required pay-ment between now and March 15 th taxpayer can secure further time up to forty-five days in which to file the complete return.'

Deductions on income tax returns may be made for municipal taxes paid last year, according to Ephraim Lederer, Collector of Internal Revenue. This means that \$22,000.000, approxi-

mately the amount given in the Con-troller's report, that was paid in realty taxes last year, will escape taxation under the new income tax bill. Mr. Lederer said that this does not

include water rents, nor does it apply to assessments made by the city against property owners for improvements to properly.

BROTHERS HIGH IN SERVICE





BRIG GENERAL CAPTAIN
GEORGE BLAKELY... CHARLES S. BLAKELY... JOHN R. BLAKELY... Brigadier General George Blakely has just returned to his home in Haddonfield, N. J. Brigadier General Charles Blakely is commandant at Camp Knox and Captain John R. Blakely, U. S. N., is in command

WHERE OUR FIGHTING MEN ARE LOCATED OVER THERE

Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware Troops Quartered in France adder General Charles Blakely, commandant at Camp Knox, and of Captain John R. Y. Blakely, U. S. N., commander

Washington, March 4.—In the following table the make-up and location of state identity covered up, are indicated Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware along with their present organizations, troops on February 20 are given. The divisions to which they belong and designations of the units as they existed the location of the respective divisions before they were put into the "American and their various parts."

In Germany

Early last month General George Blakely conferred at St. Nazaire with General Pershing on sanitary conditions at that embarkation point. The commander-in-chief of the American expeditionary forces had just come from Brest and informed General Blakely that hygienic conditions at Brest are firstbefore they were put into the "American and their various parts

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ZIONISTS' FUND GROWS

IS FEDERAL REQUEST Upward of \$40,000 Raised Here Out of \$150,000 Quota

To date more than \$40,000 of Philadel-phia's quota of \$150,000 for the \$2,000, 000 fund to begin the rebuilding of Palsetine as a Jewish nation has been reject.

President Wilson's statement that he is in favor of creating a Jewish state in Palestine has given an impetus to the movement here. Prof. David Werner Amram, president of the Philadlephia District Zionist Organization of America, is conducting the local campaign.

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AT FRENCH PORTS General Blakely Returns

With Message of Improved Conditions

HOME IN HADDONFIELD

Declares Heroes of Battles Now Are Applying Selves to Study

Sanitary conditions at Brest, Bordeaux and St. Nazaire, where many American troops are quartered, are now excellent. according to Brigadier General George Blakely, who just returned from France to his home in Haddonfield, N. J.

General Blakely is a brother of Brigof the cruiser Seattle.

Returned on Kroonland General Blakely returned from France Kroonland with his command the Thirty-eighth Coast Artillery. He declined to discuss the experiences of himself and his command during the war, but said he wanted to reassure relatives of the men still over there on

sanitary conditions at the three points of embarkation. "Whatever the health conditions might sin have been, said General Blakely to be day, "they are now excellent. I me the General Pershing in conference on the matter early in February in St. Nazaire, where my command was. He was on a tour of inspection. He had just come from Brest, and told me what had been one there to improve hygienic condi-tions. In Brest, and in all other point where American troops are quartered

sanitary conditions are now first rate. Soldiers Applying Selves to Study

"We have, as is well known, a large proportion of very youthful soldiers. In many cases these boys have not had the educational advantages at home which they should have had. The country will be pleased to know that these youths, who fought so galiantly while fighting was to be done, are now applying then selves to study with equal determination. For the last few months the army has been putting into effect a system of general education for our soldiers, cover-ing subjects from reading and writing up to lower college courses.

"The quartermaster's department is keeping the troops well clothed, fed and housed, while their general welfare is authority—the prisoners decided to take the matter in their own hand. As a result there was a general clean-up the following morning, and the fun guards were routed.

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Camden Fire Ruins Blaze Afresh A second fire started early this morning in the ashes of the Park Storage Company's building. Seventh and Pine streets, Camden, and caused a loss of \$2500. The building was damaged yesterday by fire with a loss of \$10,000. Some of the furniture, saved during the first fire, was placed on the sidewalk. The second fire destroyed this.

Teach Children The Care of Teeth

Ninety per cent of the backward school children have defective teeth. Mothers should teach their children to brush their teeth daily using a soft tooth brush and a good dentifrice. Children like the foamy action and clean taste of SOZODONT. It works its cleansing qualities into every tiny crevice and keeps the gums in a sweet,



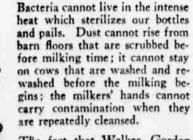
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SANITATION GOOD WANAMAKER'S DOWN STAIRS STORE Down Stairs at Wanamaker's

A Sure Sign of Spring -Moire Silk Handbags

They come just as sure as the birds and flowers, these gleaming silken bags. Pretty ones with metal frames, silk linings, mirrors and a compartment for money are in black, navy, taupe and brown at \$5.

Silk Change Purses, 15c

Pretty little Japanese purses are covered with all sorts of pretty silks and have a strap across the back. They are nice to drop in your pocket or inside a large bag.

Children's silk purses with metal frames and chains are also 15c.

(Central)

Tooth Brushes

and Hand Scrubs,

18c and 25c

parent - and the bristles are

(Central)

bleached or unbleached.

The tooth brushes have bone or

FrocksUnder\$25 Are a Specialty in the Down Stairs Store

It is safe to say there are several hundred dresses in the moderate price range that starts at \$9.75 and goes to \$25, and there are scores of styles. So fast do they come to us and so fast do they go to new owners that stocks are kept fresh and new and interesting.

A newcomer is of serge with five rows of black military braid around the skirt, just above the hem. This frock is in navy blue and is \$12.75. A half dozen different styles in taffeta frocks are to be had at \$15. These are in navy, taupe, black and brown, and they are tucked or em-

broidered with silk or beads. If you prefer soft satin, it is to be had in a frock with a cuff skirt that is navy and black. \$22.50.

Extra-size frocks in taffeta or crepe de chine embroidered in silk or tiny beads are in Copenhagen, black and navy at \$22.50, \$23.50 and \$25.

Special! Sturdy Muslins

A good quality 36-inch heavy bleached muslin, 20c a yard. Heavy unbleached muslin, 36 inches wide, is 19c

Women's Sweaters-Many

at Half Price Good-looking sweaters in bright and dark colors that will be worn

during the Spring and Summer. The wool could not be bought for the prices marked on some of them.

At \$2.90. A lot of Shetland knit sweaters in coat style with collars and cuffs either plain or of contrasting brushed wool. There is a long sash. In salmon, rose, Nile green, pink, Copenhagen blue, turquoise and purple. celluloid handles - some trans-The hand scrubs are in various turquoise and purple. At \$5. Ribbed coat sweaters in gray, brown, green, heather, black, navy, maroon and rose, with roll collars, pockets and belts.

Pink Crepe de Chine **Envelope Chemises** —Special at \$2

There are about five styles of these pretty things at this little

Some are rather plain, with hemstitching and tucks, others are trimmed with pretty laces. All have ribbon shoulder straps.

Just about two hundred of them.

(Central)

Pretty Party Frocks A Good Adora Corset for Girls of 10 to 12 A manufacturer sent us his

Cape and Coat—the Dolman

the back, comes through slits at the side and ties in front. Plaid silk

Chemises and Nightgowns of

Victory Red and Horizon Blue

straight type, and the nightgowns are of pleated Georgette crepe

and have pretty hemstitched yokes trimmed with wee silken

balls. The nightgown has flowing angel sleeves.

Chemises are \$10.75; nightgowns \$16.50.

They're the gayest bit of color that has come to the Undermuslin Store in a long time. Both chemises, which are the

samples of fluffy frocks that little maids would love for parties, but the majority of them can be worn for best during the warm months.

At \$10

About (wenty-five lovely things of pink silk and tulle with little puffy sleeves, low necks, wee rosebuds and the like. Almost like her older sister's party frock.

At \$5

Sheer organdie, soft voile and lawn frocks; some rather plain. others very lacy and trimmed with ribbons. There are about a hundred of these to choose from. (Central)

Special at \$2

It is made of fine white coutil, neatly trimmed, with good hose supporters. It is rather heavily boned, with a medium bust for average figures.

(Central)

White Voile, Special

A 44-inch width, highly mercerized, at 40c a

A 40-inch width, merceri at 29c a yard.

Colored Figured Voiles In pretty figures, checks, dots, plaids and flow-

is here in many variations

for Spring. It has found favor already, and you will

see it in many pretty ma-

Some of the latest ar-

rivals are in silvertone,

velour, wool poplin, gabar-

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you will see them usually

in navy or Pekin blue,

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ers, 26 inches wide. These are 28c a yard.

New Silk Camisoles That Graceful Combination of A pretty one of pink Japanese satin has elastic at the top and

bottom and blue ribbon shoulder straps. It is \$1. In pink or white crepe de chine there is a camisole with hemstitched ruffles at the top.

Pink Crepe de Chine

Bloomers are made in two ways. One with hemstitched ruffles, the other with lacy ones. \$3,50, (Central)

Silk Neckties 65c They are large open-end

four-in-hand shapes in dozens of mannish patterns and color-Prices range \$23.75 to ings-many of them the new Spring things. All have lined neckbands, which is a good New Coats show the infeature. (Gallery, Market) At \$22.50 a wool poplin Sheets at Low Prices

Good, full-bleached seamless sheets of snow-white muslin are back, an over-collar of stitched rajah and rows of marked at less than usual. 54x90 inches, \$1.28 63x90 inches, \$1.38 At \$25 is the coat 72x90 inches, \$1.45 sketched, which is also of 81x90 inches, \$1.48 wool poplin in Pekin or 81x90 inches, \$1.68

81x99 inches, \$1.88 navy blue and tan. It is 45x36 Inch Pillow Cases lined to the waist with figured silk. of Good Muslin Are At \$28.75 a soft silvertone in Pekin and henna is in an unusua 30c Each model. The back swings free, and a narrow belt, which is inside at

green, light or navy blue, taupe or red plaids, this

Especially for Young

Girls

part-wool serge, and there is a generous fullness in the knife pleats that hang smoothly over the hips. In skirt is to be had in 32 to 38 inch lengths at \$5.50. An all-around good school skirt that can be worn with middies or with waists.

is this youthful pleated

skirt in gay plaids that you

see in the sketch. It is of

Spick-and-Span **New Middies**

An all-white middie of jean, of the regulation gym type for wear-ing with bloomers, has a black tie and is \$1.50.

If you like a touch of color, there are middles with collars, belts, cuffs and pocket-tops of rose, blue or green. \$1.75. The collars, by the way, are rounded in back and pointed in front-features that are new.

These middies are in sizes 34

(Waist Store, Market)

Spring Is the Time for Chamois Lisle Gloves

Now that days are getting warmer women find these smoothfitting gloves the right weight for wearing with Spring suits. No need to tell how easily and successfully they can be washed. New ones in two-clasp style are in white, brown and mode at 65c

Milanese Silk Gloves,

65c a Pair They are two-clasp style in white or black, with double finger

(Central)

Shoe Bulletins

Still plenty of women's gray kidskin shoes with cloth tops to match. They are special at \$3.50 a pair. New Oxford ties of brown kidskin are Springy. Their heels are high and covered, and their price is \$5.25.

That ankles may be warm, yet smart, new spats. White the pretty grays and fawns are \$2 and \$2.25

Men can get fitted in good laced shoes of dull black or dark tan leather on English lasts at \$2.90-which is special. School shoes of dull black leather button, and are in sizes 6 to 2 for children. Special at \$2.50.

(Chestnut)

More Fresh Organdie Neckwear Half Price at 25c

lines it to the waist.

Sets and collars of crisp organdie are in white, white trimmed with colors (rose, blue, tan and the like), and in solid colors.

You may have them in many

The new vestees are varied and

styles-some round collars, others in roll shapes. Vestee News

interesting and will do wonders for the new Spring suits. Special at \$1 and \$1.50

About ten styles are made of snowy pique, of heavy crash or of novelty materials. Most of them are collarless, while some have high or roll collars. In white, white with tan, rose or Copenhagen blue or solid colors. (Central)

These House Dresses Have a Future

They are house dresses now, but we can see very plainly that they are going to bloom out as summer frocks when the sun gets high. The one that is sketched is of fine, evenly woven gingham in a broken plaid in gay colors. The collar, vestee and pocket facings are of white pique, and the sleeves, which fit closely at the wrists, have white pipings. \$5.

Another gingham frock in stripes has a sailor collar and cuffs of eyelet embroidery. It is striped with pink, blue, lavender or black. \$4.50.

(Central)



Wool-and-Fiber Rugs At Less Than Regular

Service is the outstanding quality of these rugs, and you can't find a better floor covering for a space where there is much pass-

54 6x9 feet rugs, \$6.75 35 6x9 feet rugs, \$8.75 5 7.6x9 feet rugs, \$9.75 54 8.3x10.6 ft. rugs, \$9.75 10 9x12 feet rugs, \$11.50 (Chestnut)