

WIN ARMY RANK

More Philadelphians in Latest List of Second Lieutenants

CAMDEN GAINS OFFICER
Graduates of Schools at Camps Lee and Taylor Receive Commissions

More Philadelphians have gained the rank of second lieutenant in the army. Their names appear among those on the latest roster of officers issued by the War Department. Some were commissioned at Camp Lee, Pa.; others at Camp Zachary Taylor, Ky.

A Camden man and another from Camp Hill, Pa., are also listed among the recently commissioned officers at Camp Lee. The Philadelphians at Camp Lee are:

George Frederick Ats, 3215 Jasper street; William Louis Bencker, 928 West Erie avenue; William Bishop, 1635 Wyoming avenue; Oliver Byren, 5115 Marion street, Germantown; Joseph Jerome Killian, 6332 Morton street, Germantown; Charles Lafferty, 221 Cumberland street; John Michael Mack, 5415 Walnut street; Philip G. Mack, 3330 North Sydenham street; Bertram Benjamin Mirch, 3624 Baring street; James Cary O'Halloran, 2123 Christian street; Donald Price, 1822 Spruce street; Frederick Schultz, 2822 South Nineteenth street; and Alfred Bailey Thomas, 920 South St. Bernard street.

The Camden man is James Russell Carrow, 224 North Eighth street, and the soldier from Camp Hill, William Amos Good.

Quickly Was Commissioned.
Bishop, who is twenty-six years old, went to Camp Lee six months ago, after giving up his position as inspector for the E. K. Schultz Company, fire insurance agents. He was recommended for a commission soon after reaching camp and entered the officers' training school. He is now detailed with the First Gas Regiment, C. W. S., at Camp Sherman, Ohio. His mother, Mrs. Mary Bishop, is a widow. One sister is doctor and overseas as an army nurse. He has two older brothers.

Mack went to Camp Lee about four months ago. Previous to that time he was employed as a clerk with a manufacturing firm. He received his commission on October 15 and immediately left for Camp Dix, stopping off in this city only long enough to inform his father, Henry L. Mack, of his rank.

O'Halloran was a student at St. Joseph's College when he was notified by his draft board last April that he had been selected for service. He went to Camp Lee and shortly afterward made a noncommissioned officer. Last Wednesday he received his commission and was sent to Camp Upton. O'Halloran is thirty-three years old and the son of Mr. and Mrs. James O'Halloran. At one time he conducted a musical instrument store at Sixth and Market streets.

Schultz, who was also commissioned last Wednesday, was in his senior year at the University of Pennsylvania at the time he was selected for army service and sent to Camp Lee. He is twenty-three years old and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Schultz. Before entering the University he graduated from the Southern High School.

Resigned As Botany Instructor.
Bencker went to Camp Lee last April and soon afterward was made a corporal. The following month he was promoted to sergeant and on July 29 entered the officers' training school. He received his second lieutenant's commission last week. He has been ordered to Camp Dix to take up duty as personal adjutant of the 153d Depot Brigade. Lieutenant Bencker was an instructor in botany at the University of Pennsylvania before entering the service. He is a graduate of the University and this summer was permitted to return there for commencement to receive his master's degree. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bencker.

Byren is thirty-one years old. He has been sent to Camp Dix, N. J. He was born in this city and attended the John Welsh public school at Fourth and Dauphin streets. Later he attended the Palm Business College and upon graduating entered the advertising business in the firm of Byren & Weil. He enlisted in the Ambulance Corps on June 15, 1918, and was sent to Erie to an officers' training camp.

Inside of four weeks he was promoted to corporal and then to sergeant, and when a call for men to test for commissions came he was one of three men picked because of physical and mental ability. At Camp Lee he was forced to contend with college and professional men, but overcame the handicap and won a commission near the head of the class. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin L. Byren.

Lafferty, who is twenty-four years old, enlisted in April, 1918, and in July was entered in the officers' training school at Camp Lee. He was originally in medical service with a base hospital but has been assigned for instruction duty at Camp Upton. Before entering the service Lafferty was a storekeeper for the Lincoln Furniture Company in this city. His father is dead, and he lived with his mother, Mrs. Minnie Lafferty.

A brother, James Lafferty, is now on the ocean bound for France in the tank service. He is a corporal in Company C, 304th Regiment.

Is Made An Instructor

George A. Robinson, who got his commission at Fort Zachary Taylor, went to Camp Meade on September 22 last year and was sent to the officers' training school in July of this year. He has been assigned to instruction duty at Camp Zachary Taylor. He was an instructor decorator and lived with his wife at 2998 North Fifteenth street.

Winfield Scott Smith went to Camp Meade on November 4, 1917, and to Camp Zachary Taylor in July of this year. He has been assigned also to instruction duty at the latter camp. He was a machinist and lived with his father and mother at 2251 North Hopewell street. He is a graduate of the Northeast Manual Training School. He was ready and tagged to go to France when his captain obtained his admittance to the officers' training school. He was the shortest man there, measuring only 5 feet 3 inches.

Another Philadelphian awarded a commission at Camp Zachary Taylor is Lieutenant Thomas M. Ford, 1748 South Fifty-second street. He was drafted last November and went to Camp Meade, where he was assigned to the 121st



GRIP KILLS UNDERTAKER
Frederick D. Mercer Dies After Brief Illness
Frederick D. Mercer, an undertaker, of 802 North Twelfth street, died Friday at his home from influenza, after an illness of less than a week. Mr. Mercer, who was thirty-three years old, became manager of the undertaking establishment of his mother, Mrs. Rebecca W. Mercer, following the death of his father, William H. Mercer, three years ago. His sister, Mrs. Edna E. Cross, died on October 20 of the same disease. Mr. Mercer was president of the Apollo Building and Loan Association, a member of Stephen Girard Lodge of Masons, Palestine Chapter, Lu Lu Temple; St. John's Commandery, Knights Templar; Apollo Lodge of Odd Fellows, Apollo Assembly, Artisans Order; Patriotic Americans, Knights of Pythias and Red Men.

MRS. VANDERBILT HONORED
Awarded Medal for Patriotic Service in Red Cross Work
Newport, Oct. 28.—In recognition of her tireless efforts in behalf of the men of the army and navy stationed hereabouts Mrs. French Vanderbilt, vice chairman of Newport Chapter of the Red Cross, has been honored with a patriotic service medal conferred upon her by the liberty medal committee of the American Social Science Association and the Council of the National Institute of Social Sciences. In the letter accompanying the medal the committee wrote to Mrs. Vanderbilt: "You have gone valiantly forward to serve and in serving you have become a recognized leader in all that makes for sound, sane patriotism." The medal came as a big surprise to Mrs. Vanderbilt and it will be greatly appreciated by her.



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Good New Merchandise Marching Gaily Into the Down Stairs Store at Wanamaker's

A Sale of 800 New Coats All at Special Prices, Beginning at \$14.25

48 Coats at \$18
These are of heavy-weight burralls in navy and taupe, well lined throughout with an interlining in the waist. The belt has a buckle in the back. In sizes 16 to 46. Cheviot coats in trench effects are also in this group. They are in navy and brown and have a band of seal plush or mole fur-cloth on the collars.



82 Coats at \$19.75
Serviceable, good-looking coats of navy blue cheviot with a panel back and a collar edged with mole fur-cloth and coats of burralla cloth with inlaid plush collars. Burralla velour coats are also in this gathering; they are in brown, navy and green, half lined, and have deep collars of kit coney or brown coney.

Good Things at \$25
Warm, soft coats of heavy navy blue coating are full lined and have deep kit coney collars. Coats of mixed cheviot in green and navy have mouffon collars and cuffs. They are half lined.

Especially for Young Women
are these coats of wool velours cut on high-waisted lines in a number of attractive models. Some are trimmed with buttons, some have deep collars of seal plush, \$23.75. Other coats are of burralla in reindeer and navy and have very attractive collars of skunk opossum. These are also in young women's sizes and are \$32.50.

A Great Variety of Coats at \$35 and \$39.75
Most of the coats are of soft velours in dark, winter shades with pretty linings which harmonize. The collars are deep cape effects or roll softly and are often of raccoon, nutria, skunk opossum or sealene. Other delightful coats with handsome fur collars are here at \$45, \$47.50, \$57.50 and up to \$69.75. (Market)

The Silk Sale "Carries On"
with many good things. Every yard of silk marked considerably below its regular price affords many an opportunity for women to get new frocks for much less than they anticipated spending. (Central)

Nightgown Daintiness!
is shown in these pretty, soft, white nainsook ones—not elaborately trimmed, but simple and fine. \$2.50. The nainsook is soft and silky and there are rows of fine lace or pretty embroidery run with a bit of satin ribbon. Two styles of white crepe; one with the pointed top bound with blue satin, the other trimmed with lace and stitched in blue are among them. All are slipover gowns. (Central)

Flannellet Dressing Sacsques
Many women like them to slip on when the house is chilly. These are in sizes 38 to 46 and are in black-and-white and colored figures prettily trimmed. \$1.50. (Central)

Pearl-White Gloves
for women are made of washable caeskin with full plique sewn seams. The backs are embroidered in black and the gloves fasten with one clasp. Special at \$1.65 a pair. (Central)

Napkins
Fully bleached cotton damask napkins, 18 inches square, will make good breakfast napkins. 16c and 20c each. (Central)

Middies for Practical Wear
Middy blouses of white jean in sizes 10 years to 20 have collars of white, cadet or navy blue. \$1.50, \$2 and \$2.25.

Neat Gingham Frocks
in a large variety of stripes, checks and plain colors for girls of 8 years to 14 are \$1.50, \$2, \$3 and \$3.75. Plaid, gingham and chambray dresses for junior girls of 13 years to 16 have novel pockets. Some two-piece models have plaid skirts and plain gingham jackets. \$4.50, \$5, \$6.75 to \$8.75.

'Tween Seasons Rain Is About Due
Tan rubberized raincoats for girls of 12 years to 16 have plaid hoods. \$2.25. Raincoats with hats to match are made of tweed, poplin, plaid silk and Canton. For girls of 12 to 16, \$4, \$5.75 to \$8.50. (Central)

Women's Suits Are Not Expensive in the Down Stairs Store

Quite attractive ones of good diagonal cheviot or burralla—both of which will give much good service—can be had for \$35. They are made in several models cut along conservative lines that you won't tire of. Then at \$29.75 there are some pretty braid-trimmed suits of poplin in brown, navy, green or black. Tweed suits, too, are to be had at this price. They are cut on rather youthful lines with four patch pockets and a belt, and are lined with peau de cygne. In soft shades of burgundy, brown, plum and navy there are good suits of soft velour or broadcloth. \$39.75.

Velveteen Suits, Some Trimmed With Fur
and some without for women who want to wear their own furs. They are exclusive models and some are copied from French models. \$37.50, \$39.75, \$47.50, \$59.75 and up to \$75. (Market)

Two Groups of Frocks for Women Are Wearing Special Prices

Savings Average from \$4 to \$8 on Each Dress

At \$10
Fifty satin frocks are in several different models. One has an overskirt and waist; another has embroidery done in braid; the third has a pleated Georgette collar and a sash belt.

At \$14.50
Sixty-five frocks of satin in black, brown, plum, navy and taupe have overskirts, satin or Georgette crepe vestees or ball buttons for trimming. **Other Smart Satin Frocks** are trimmed with embroidery or braid and many have white Georgette vestees and collars. **Lovely Velveteen Frocks** are made with the collarless bodices, and the new loose sleeves and braid trimming the skirt. \$27.50. (Market)

A Silk Skirt and a Serge One Are Each \$5.75

The serge is one that women will want for serviceable wear. It is navy blue or black, with patch pockets and a belt trimmed with buttons. The silk skirt is of navy blue or black faille, oddly and prettily made. There is deep shirring all around, held down in front and back by a large tab, button trimmed. (Market)

Hallowe'en Table Sets, Special at 75c

Each set consists of a large table cover all gay with pumpkin heads and suitable decorations, 12 napkins, 12 cardboard plates and 12 doilies. They are ever so attractive and will make a whole room gay. **Other Helps for a Jolly Time**
Table cloths of heavy paper are 50c each. Napkins—3 kinds—are 18 for 10c or 100 for 40c. Crepe paper all decorated in orange, yellow, black, etc., is 20c a fold. Many styles of paper caps at 10c each or \$1 a dozen. And many other things at little prices. (Central)

Dark Tan Shoes for Women at \$5.75

They are of very soft, dark tan kidskin, cut to lace high. The lines are particularly good, the tips are perforated, the soles welted and the heels of medium height. Some have ivory kidskin tops that are ever so pretty. **Black Shoes, \$5.40**
These, too, have long, slender lines and are of calfskin cut. The heels are of a comfortable height and the welted soles heavy enough to give real wear. Excellent shoes for business women. (Central)

Seamless Axminster Rugs Under Market Prices

These fine rugs combine beauty and durability and will be in many sizes. From a 4.6x5.6 foot one at \$15 to a 9x12 foot \$37.75 to \$55. (Central)