

FORMER HEAD OF KLAN ASKS COOLIDGE TO STAMP IT OUT

Edward Y. Clark Writes Sensational Letter to President—Says Organization Has Degenerated into "Cheap Political Machine" Which Brazenly Tries to Supersede Authority of American Courts

Washington, Dec. 27.—The Ku Klux Klan as a national issue was brought dramatically into the open today and laid on the doorstep of the White House.

In a letter to President Coolidge, Edward Y. Clark, Imperial Wizard and former head of the Klan in the United States, declared the organization which he was instrumental in founding, has degenerated into a "cheap political machine" which is "brazenly superseding the authority of American courts" and has endeavored to "supersede the authority of the President to stamp out 'hooded terrorism' or else force the Klan to disband."

Clark's letter created a sensation in the capital. Not only did the founder of the Klan confirm in his letter some of the grave charges that have been made against the organization by its enemies, but he also served notice of a war to a finish upon Hiram W. Evans, present Imperial Wizard.

Clark's letter is a national organization is said to hang in the balance.

Behind the letter Clark submitted to the President a mass of voluminous evidence to support his charges that the present administration of the Klan has violated laws that it has "deprived citizens of their constitutional rights," and that it has "encouraged physical violence and intimidation of citizens."

Clark's letter also contained a promise of still further development of a highly sensational character bearing upon the history of the Klan in Oklahoma, Texas and Louisiana was said to have been given to the President as well.

The letter was delivered to President Coolidge this morning by Edgar Fuller, secretary to Clark while the ex-Imperial Wizard himself is said to be en route to Washington to personally before the President, if permitted, documents relating to a score of sensational Klan secrets and cases.

Evans Plans Counter Attack

While Fuller was at the White House Evans and a little band of his lieutenants were holding a meeting in a hotel not far from the White House considering ways and means of countering Clark's bold step. Evans is said to have got wind of the move several days ago and slipped quietly into Washington to be on hand for today's developments.

Clark's Letter to Coolidge

Clark in his letter savagely assailed the existing Klan, its present policies and the acts of its officials. In part, it follows:

"To the President:
"The White House,
"Sir: As the man most largely responsible for the building of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and having recently been confronted with indisputable information and evidence showing the prostitution of the Klan's aims and principles and purposes of the Klan and also facts relating to the steady withdrawal of the better element—take the liberty of addressing this communication to you, the supreme head of our government, to tender you my assistance in my power and to the activities of an element of our citizenship which has crept into the control thereof, and making the Klan as now operated a real menace to law and order to individual rights and liberties and a democratic political government. I have received from widely separated sections of the country direct and authoritative information that the Klan is rapidly developing nationally as a cheap political machine, a regulatory law and order league."

FRENCH MINISTRY OF MARINE BLAMED FOR DIXMUEDE'S LOSS

Paris, Dec. 27.—The fate of the French dirigible, Dixmude, which has been missing nine days, was not yet given up hope that some of the crew and passengers may yet be found alive.

The opinion of the ministry of the Marine officials is not generally shared.

The main charges that the Dixmude left her base at Toulon to cross the Mediterranean to Algeria without notifying the Ministry of Marine in Paris, and that she was carrying a "black box" containing the names of the crew and passengers, were not given up hope that some of the crew and passengers may yet be found alive.

French naval vessels are still combing the Mediterranean for the dirigible.

Congress May Now Probe Financial Life of Lt. Wood

Washington, Dec. 27.—When Secretary of War Weeks ordered Lieutenant Osborne Wood, 26-year-old son of General Leonard Wood, Governor-General of the Philippines to cease his speculations in Wall street, he sent supplementary instructions to General Wood to see that the order was obeyed, it was learned today.

Verification by Secretary Weeks that Lt. Wood had made a fortune of from \$200,000 to \$1,200,000 resulted in the dispatch of the war secretary's orders.

The operations of Lieut. Wood, involving the carrying of millions of dollars of money, were first brought to the attention of the war department last September, Weeks said today.

At that time, it was said, and while these showed that Lieut. Wood's transactions were all "legal" nevertheless Weeks considered it was inadvisable to have the lieutenant continue because of his own and his father's fiscal position in the Philippines and the likelihood of charges being made that might reflect on the Wood administration.

So far as the War Department is concerned Weeks said today, the matter is a closed incident. Lieut. Wood is understood to have made no turns in the market after receipt of the secretary's order to stop.

Whether Congress will take any steps in an investigation of Wood's transactions, approved or disapproved, here today. There is nothing in the House the fear resolution for a thorough investigation of the Wood administration of the islands, and one clause of this resolution covers Lieut. Wood's financial transactions without specifically referring to them.

In view of the wide publicity that young Wood's dealings have received, some Republicans today were inclined to the belief that it would be better to have a full investigation by a congressional committee and to that end are inclined to support the Frear resolution.

KING CHRISTIAN APPROVES NUPITALS

Copenhagen, Dec. 27.—Official announcement was made today that King Christian has approved the nuptial engagement of Prince Erik, Frederick Christian, Alexander, to Miss Lola Booth, of Ottawa, Canada. Miss Booth is granddaughter of J. H. Booth, a multimillionaire lumberman.

Mexican Federal Morale Is Running Low Reports State

Vera Cruz, Mex., Dec. 27.—Travelers arriving here from Santa Lucia reported that a violent battle was fought between Revolutionaries and Federals, reported that four railway cars of Federal coal were taken to the south of the town and burned.

Federals Sack Banks

A telegram from Esperanza said that several persons arriving there from Mexico City claimed that the Federals, receiving money, sacked several banks among them the Banque de France and the Banco de Industriales Comerciales.

Luis Gallardo chief of Revolutionary communications in the south, reported to Huasteca headquarters that General Romulo G. Guerrero, that General Romulo G. Guerrero, the airplane was captured and the important railway junction of Puerto de Ixtla after a three hour fight.

The Revolutionaries then moved to Coahuila where they were informed by strong detachments of the Federal army.

One of General Figueroa's columns is advancing upon Toluca.

Start 5 Probes of Chicago Asylum Fire Where 17 Burned to Death

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 27.—Five city, state and federal agencies today launched a joint inquiry into the disaster at the State Hospital, which last night took a toll of at least seventeen lives and injured thirty or more dangerously.

Among the known dead today were: Elmer Carraker, an attendant; Mrs. Carraker, his wife; Elmer Carraker, eleven, their twelve-year-old son; Michael Leitwitz, 13, a patient; John Bennett, 24, a patient; and Michael Leitwitz, 13, a patient.

Twelve unidentified bodies recovered from the ruins were those of patients unable to escape when killed and a friend wounded at the investigation for the state. He will be assisted by the state fire marshal's office, the Chicago Fire Department, County Judge Woodcock and the State Veterans Bureau.

A committee of five will report on a survey of the conditions that caused the last night's fire. It will also advise the state on the work of identification and other post-mortem work.

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ASSASSIN FAILS IN ATTEMPT ON LIFE OF JAPANESE RULER

Tokyo, Dec. 27.—The Japanese Cabinet following a prolonged session resigned late today as a result of an attempt to assassinate Hirohito, Prince Regent of Japan.

In recent years he has been interested in the trapping of foxes and the sale of their fur. His interest alone this time has brought him into touch with the fur market and he intends to start a black fox ranch in northern California as soon as he can make the proper arrangements.

His first move, Mr. Wittkofski says will be to locate William Borwick, farmer, a resident of this place who is supposed to be connected with California Borwick and who Wittkofski were chums in the old days in Manchester.

Wittkofski is a very jealous of his old pal once again.

The Prince Regent was unharmed by the assassin's bullet which shattered the glass of the linear in Borwick's Ada; Miss Mabel Trotter, Mrs. Pauline Grant, Josephine, Mrs. Jessie Westbroton, Marjorie, Miss Gladys Parkard, Mrs. Mrs. Maud Hill, Parkard, Charles Lewis, settled.

WITTKOFSKI PLANS BLACK FOX RANCH IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

Frederick Wittkofski, who has been in the city for a number of years, is planning to start a black fox ranch in northern California as soon as he can make the proper arrangements.

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LOCAL COURT FINES AUTOMOBILE SPEEDERS

Paul Correnti of Birch street, was fined \$25 for speeding on Center street about 10 o'clock. He was charged with having exceeded the limit by 10 miles an hour.

Edward P. Gallant was charged with reckless driving last night on Center street about 10 o'clock. He was charged with having exceeded the limit by 10 miles an hour.

HOSE 3'S OLD HEADQUARTERS IS SOLD TO MANCHESTER HEBREW ASSOCIATION

A large gathering of interested parties was held in the evening at the North End bank. It was to be a meeting of the North End Hebrew Association to discuss the purchase of the old headquarters of the North End Hebrew Association.

The building is located at the corner of North Main and Elm streets. It was built in 1880 and has been used as a bank, a store, and a meeting place.

The purchase price was \$200. The lease of the building will run for five years.

RED MEN TO HAVE BIG TIME IN TOWN TONIGHT

At least forty members are expected to go through the various degrees of the Red Men tonight at their lodge rooms in Thayer Hall. The degree team from Rockville will work the adoption degree.

Harford will send their degree team to work the adoption degree. Many members of the degree team will work the chief's degree upon the local candidates.

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ETHEL M. FISH NAMED DIRECTOR AT HYANNIS

The Massachusetts Association of Educational Methods, which was organized three years ago at the Hyannis Normal School, has lately honored the Manchester Green School by electing Miss Ethel M. Fish, principal, as a member of the board of directors.

Word was received in this effect a few days ago. This association comprises members of the upper grade primary classes. Its purpose is to investigate educational methods and report upon those which seem in actual practice most worth while.

TROOP 7 BOY SCOUTS TO HAVE WEENIE ROAST

Troop 7, Boy Scouts of America, will hold a "weenie" roast on the "campus" in the rear of "The White House" at the North End this evening. Troop 7 has accepted the invitation extended to them from Scoutmaster Ronald Hagan and will be there in a body.

CANDY DEALER BANKRUPT

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 27.—Charles Cohen, a Bridgeport candy dealer, today filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy in United States district court here showing a deficiency of \$2,213 and assets of \$1,000.

\$50.00 MISSING WORD CONTEST \$50.00 Who Can Find The Missing Word Interesting and Fascinating

Annual Pre-Inventory Sale Ending Monday at 6 P. M. This sale offers some of the best values for the entire year—including Bedrooms, Suites from \$59 up, Dining Room Suites from \$85 up, Living Room Suites from \$189 up—and allows you 60 days instead of 30 days to take advantage of the cash prices.

WATKINS BROTHERS INCORPORATED STORE OPEN TODAY UNTIL 6 O'CLOCK 81 Main Street Orford Building

A Milestone or Just A Year?

When this month ends you will have seen the last of 1934. Will you be passing another milestone on the road to success and independence or just closing another year of life?



The Savings Bank of Manchester

JANUARY CLEARANCE SALE NOW ON HIGH GRADE COATS AT THE FOLLOWING REDUCTIONS: 830 COATS \$19.95, 840 COATS \$27.95, 850 COATS \$34.95

\$50.00 IN CASH PRIZES

Conditions of Contest: In one of the advertisements on this page a word will be indicated. To be a winner you must find this word, mention from which advertisement it is omitted and between what words it should be inserted.

ONLY 3 DAYS LEFT of the 13th month Friday - Saturday - Monday A Chance to Buy Toys At Half Price

Table listing toys at half price: Dolls, Iron Toys, Mechanical Toys, Games, One Table of BOOKS, Toy Furniture.



HALLE'S DEPARTMENT STORE 50 MAIN STREET, SO. MANCHESTER, CT. Big Reduction on Coats with Fur Collars or Without Them.

Ladies' Silk and Wool Sport Hose 95c in the wanted shades and checks. Also in Wool and Cashmere at \$1.45.

Are You Ready for SKATING? We carry a complete line of Union Hardware Ice Skates and Skate Outfits.

PHELPS 861 Main Street Orford Building. Throat and Bronchial Balsam, First Aid Cold Tablets, Goodrich Hot Water Bottles.

The Seasonal Clearance of Ready to Wear Brings the Best Values of the Season. DRESSES—Poiret, Silk and Jersey, \$5.00 to \$18.00 each.

Reardon's 901 MAIN STREET

SAY "HAPPY NEW YEAR" WITH FLOWERS. There are those for whom you wish the best of everything during 1924.

PARK HILL FLOWER SHOP "Leading Florists." 1007 Main Street Old Bar's Building

W cordially invite you to join our 1924 Christmas Savings Club. An amount in our Christmas Club will enable you to celebrate the Greatest of all Holidays in a Generous and Appropriate manner.

MURPHY'S MAIN STREET 26 PAIRS MEN'S SHOES at \$2.00 A PAIR. In the Following Sizes Only. Sizes 7 7 1/2 8 8 1/2 9 9 1/2 10 11

WOMEN'S SPECIAL 60 Pair Women's Pumps and Oxfords Values from \$4.50 to \$7.00. Only \$2.98 A PAIR. C. E. HOUSE & SON, INC.

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JEWELRY The Kind You Like to Give Remembered and Appreciated. DAY and EVENING SCHOOL OPENS JANUARY 3.

MISS NAVEN Weldon Block Main Street. Fradin's Main, Near Corner of Bissell Street Johnson Block.

C. A. THRASHER Park Theater Building. METTER'S SHIRT SHOP Hotel Sheridan Building Main Street.

EDWARD HESS General Contractor. GLEAD Mr. and Mrs. William F. Little and Mrs. Mary K. Little.

SPECIALS For Saturday We will place on Sale Saturday at Special Price reductions: Silk and Silk Stripe Shirts, Men's Bath Robes.

MISS NAVEN Weldon Block Main Street.

Fradin's Main, Near Corner of Bissell Street Johnson Block. Tremendous After Xmas Clearances.

Hutchinson's Main Street Tinker Block. SATURDAY'S SPECIAL. Latest Mode From Paris Is the Capulet Winter Wrap.



CHILD OUTLAWS ARE INCREASING IN LOS ANGELES. Los Angeles, Dec. 27.—(Associated Press.)—Infractions of the law are on the increase in Los Angeles.

Chirpings for Milady by Cricket. jangled their feet, they have pulled their pants down and played with them for hours.

Mr. and Mrs. William F. Little and Mrs. Mary K. Little were in the city Monday night in honor of their daughter, Miss Mary K. Little.

OLD RELICS BARE INDIAN GENEROUSITY. Nevada Photographs indicate "Aster's" Were Related to "Fishes" and "Tuffen".

WAPPING The girl and the parents are explaining the child and then to build up a complete picture of the child's life.

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Crusaders' Last Evening

The Crusaders took their last evening at the old Standard building, when they played the Red Sox in a game which was a real home town affair. The game was a real home town affair, with the Crusaders leading by the score of 10 to 3 at the end of the game. The Crusaders' last evening was a real home town affair, with the Crusaders leading by the score of 10 to 3 at the end of the game. The Crusaders' last evening was a real home town affair, with the Crusaders leading by the score of 10 to 3 at the end of the game.

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Pigeon Nabbed by Hawk

Big of prey swooped down in New York Street at 10 o'clock today, nabbing a pigeon. The pigeon was seen flying over the street, and a hawk swooped down to catch it. The hawk was seen to be a Red-tailed Hawk. The pigeon was seen to be a Rock Dove. The hawk was seen to be a Red-tailed Hawk. The pigeon was seen to be a Rock Dove. The hawk was seen to be a Red-tailed Hawk. The pigeon was seen to be a Rock Dove.

Rare Bird of the Arctic

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China's Daughters-in-Law

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Red Men's War Hero

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Condemned to Death

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Richard Doesn't Know

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Shugru to Fight P. Moran

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McNally of Odd Fellows Bows in New 3-String Fraternity Record

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Knotty Problems of Basketball

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Happeney Challenges Rudinsky's Bowlers

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Classified Ads

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Radio Broadcasting News

Radio broadcasting news includes information about radio stations and programs. Radio broadcasting news includes information about radio stations and programs. Radio broadcasting news includes information about radio stations and programs. Radio broadcasting news includes information about radio stations and programs.

French Youths Display Remarkable Ignorance of World War and History

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EXPECT CHANGE IN DATES OF NATIONAL GUARD FIELD DUTY

Local National Guardsmen are interested in reports from Hartford which state that the tentative dates for the annual two weeks' field duty of the 10th Infantry will be from Saturday July 19th up to an including Saturday, July 27, and that the entire tour of duty will be spent at Hattiesburg during the summer months.

OBITUARY

MRS. JOANA COREY, Mrs. Josie A. Corey, nee Taylor, widow of the late William D. Corey, passed away early this (Thursday) morning at her home, 14 Charter Oak street, following a lingering illness.

ANOTHER MISSING WORD FOR TODAY

The Missing Word in last week's Missing Word Contest was found to be in the advertisement of the Magnolia Drug Company. The answer was set in by the advertiser said: "Faby's best gift really Alvin and Lovel and Covel, high grade, shoddy. The word 'word' was omitted. Were you successful in supplying the missing word? Many of the contestants were, but several others fell on the way.

FALL DEBTS RECEIPT OF ANY MONEY GIFTS

Washington, Dec. 27.—Secretary of the Interior Fall, in a letter to the senate committee, investigating the holding of naval oil reserves to private interests denied categorically today that he ever had received money from any individual or interest to whom he released reserve oil lands.

WALTON SUPPORTERS PLAN TO FORCE KLAN ISSUE IN 1924 GENERAL ELECTIONS

Oklahoma City, Dec. 27.—Klan and anti-Klan forces in Oklahoma are organizing for a vigorous political campaign in the 1924 general elections. State the impugnation and ouster of Governor J. C. Walton, who signed the "Invisible Empire" legislation as well as reaching his climax when he declared the entire State under martial law, afterwards was named Governor have taken up his fight to force the Klan into the open. Representative James Taylor, of McAlester, and J. W. Calhoun, of Wilburton, a Farmer-labor member of the Legislature, said in an interview.

"JAY WALKER" CALLED CHIEF TRAFFIC PERIL

National Motor Association Head Blames Pedestrian for Most Accidents—Wants to Educate Them. Washington, Dec. 27.—The great traffic problem confronting motorists in this country, according to Fred H. Caley, executive secretary of the National Motor Association, calling upon the country to inaugurate educational campaigns to teach pedestrians how and when to cross dangerous streets.

KEYS NEEDED

Locks needing repair? Keys being over now in the time it can be fixed along with your photograph, map, or any other work ready for the New Year.

AT C. H. TRYONS Sanitary Market

SPECIAL FOR TWO DAYS FRIDAY AND SATURDAY. Just before inventory we wish to move some of our extra stock. We are going to make special prices for two days—Friday and Saturday.

GROCERIES

Occident Flour, 1/2 bush, each \$1.15. Pillsbury Flour, 1/2 bush, each \$1.00. White Leaf Flour, 1/2 bush, each \$1.00. Strictly Fresh Eggs from Mr. Purney's farm, each \$1.00. Confectionery Sugar, 1/2 bush, \$1.00. Macaroni & Spaghetti, 1/2 bush, \$1.00. Richelieu Pure Jam, 1 lb. also \$1.00.

MEATS

Pork to Roast, 2 1/2 lbs. \$1.00. Leg of Lamb, 1 lb. \$1.00. Corned Shoulder, 1 lb. \$1.00. Home Made Sausage Meat, 1 lb. \$1.00. Rib Roast Beef, 1 lb. \$1.00. Beef Stew, 1 lb. \$1.00. Deerfoot Sausage, 1 lb. \$1.00.

FRUITS

Apples, 1 bush, \$1.00. Tangerines, 1 bush, \$1.00. Bananas, 1 bush, \$1.00. Oranges, 1 bush, \$1.00. Large Grapefruit, 1 bush, \$1.00. Dried Apples, 1 bush, \$1.00. Raisins, 1 bush, \$1.00.

VEGETABLES

Spinach, 1 bush, \$1.00. Iceberg Lettuce, 1 bush, \$1.00. Tomatoes, 1 bush, \$1.00. Celery, 1 bush, \$1.00. Parsnips, 1 bush, \$1.00. Carrots, 1 bush, \$1.00. Cabbage, 1 bush, \$1.00. OYSTERS, every day.

NEWSY NOTES

The Christmas entertainment by St. Mary's Sunday school will be held tomorrow evening at the parish house at 7:30 o'clock. Contractor Thomas Wright is ready to plaster the interior of the new flat in building for Robert J. Smith on Madison street, Pleasant View from Robert J. Smith.

AUTOMOBILE SALES

The SBE City Motor Sales Company report the following deliveries: A Buick Six touring was delivered to George Greenway of High street. A sport touring car was delivered to Joseph Ashford of Chestnut street.

NEW METHODIST CHURCH WORK IS MOVING ALONG

A great deal of attention has been given to the new North Methodist church to be erected on the corner of Main street and Hartford road. Work is being pushed in order to complete as much as possible of the foundation. The excavations proper were finished some time ago but there is still a lot of brick decorations to be made up to the concrete foundation. It is estimated that the weather men has built hastily upon them and their work has not been solidly laid.

TO DISCUSS MILITARY AND NAVY CLUB

There will be a meeting of the board of governors this evening at the Army & Navy Club. To make definite arrangements as to whether to build auxiliary to the club is to be formed. Plans for such an auxiliary have been in the works for some time. There is a similar organization in town at the present time. Miss Marie E. Tryon is in the lead of this particular auxiliary. It is not expected, however, with the Army & Navy Club. Miss Tryon was "over there" in a session of the Y. M. C. A. She is only told the boys that her organization is ready to "stand up" any time. That is the why and wherefore of the meeting to-night.

AMERICANS DIVORCED

Paris, Dec. 27.—The Seine Tribunal today granted divorce to Mrs. Beverly W. Rankin, a New York woman, and George Hayes Field of Buffalo, N. Y.

FUNERAL OF ARTHUR WARTLEY

The funeral of Arthur J. Wartley, whose death was reported yesterday's News will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from his late home on West street. Rev. J. S. Nell will be in charge of the services at the home and at the graveside. A firing squad from Company C, 10th Infantry, C. N. G. in charge of Captain John Penland will also attend the funeral. Mr. Wartley was a sergeant in the Medical Corps at one of the Southern Camps during the World War and it was there that he contracted the illness from which his death resulted.

PIRATE A. C. TO HOLD ELECTION THIS EVENING

A large turnout is expected at the annual meeting of the Pirate A. C. tonight at 8:30 at the Seaside Recreation Center when the annual election of officers for '24 will be held. Plans for the coming year will be gone into, etc. There will be plenty of spirited discussion among the members that will be presented, as it is understood that the Pirates want to organize a basketball outfit. All signs point to a large gathering of the warriors of the regatta of the skull and crossbones.

FRANCO-BELGIAN ARMY READY TO LEAVE RUHR

Frankfurt, Germany, Dec. 27.—The Franco-Belgian army is ready to leave the Ruhr according to foreign office officials following Jan. 11. London, Dec. 27.—Great Britain, according to foreign office officials, regards Germany's proposals regarding the future status of civil administrative machinery in the Ruhr and Rhineland as secondary to the work of the inter-Allied Commission that will investigate Germany's capacity for reparations payments.

THANKS TO MISS TRYON

The Army & Navy Club, which through the columns of The Daily News to thank Miss Marie E. Tryon for her Christmas card of greeting. It is not so much of the card that they are thinking about, but the fact that she remembered her buddies. Her thoughtfulness was expressed in a neat printed card with old English type and inscribed as follows:

MUCH INSANITY DUE TO "CORN" "LARKERS" CRAIGIE

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 26.—"Corn larkers drive people insane!" I will fight them, I am a Christian who passes upon hundreds of liquor cases in the courts of Birmingham each month. I have been in Birmingham from one end to the other and has arrested religious chaps against their will in some cases, caused the closest of friends to part.

HUNTER SCHOOL GRAD DISQUALIFIED IN N. Y.

Peter J. Jul, son of P. C. Jul, Sr., of Belmont street died at the Hartford Hospital yesterday following a sudden illness. The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from his father's home on Belmont street and burial will be at the East Cemetery. Rev. Joseph Cooper, pastor of the South Methodist Church will officiate. The Masonic burial service will be conducted at the grave site by members of the Grand Star Lodge A. F. A. M. of Worcester Point. Mr. Jul was a member of the local unit.

SILK MILL NEWS

Moving Pictures at Cheby Hall The moving picture program for Friday evening, entertainment should be of particular interest to both young and old. The picture entitled "The Story of Coal" shows the process of mining and shipping to the millions of homes throughout the country.

DECISION IN WATERBURY COVERED WILL CASE

Waterbury, Conn., Dec. 27.—After a year of litigation over the estate of \$150,000 left by the late Edward O'Gorman, the estate was today decided to belong to William O'Gorman, of St. Louis, Mo., who declares himself a brother of Edward. Nine lawyers, including Jeremiah O'Leary of New York and Mayor Percy E. Fitzgerald of New Haven, appeared to represent various claimants. Mayor Fitzgerald supported for the St. Louis man. Judge Dennis J. Skane in Probate Court today decided that William O'Gorman was really a brother of the dead man. Lawyers for the other claimants announced they would appeal. Edward O'Gorman is supposed to be poor, appeared modestly friendly as the time of death. When announcement came of his \$150,000 estate, several heard of relatives appeared.

GEORGE BRIDGEMAN'S SIBLING

Bridgewater, Conn., Dec. 27.—The motorcycle policeman and numerous other police officers formed a special guard for the transfer of \$100,000 in gold and silver from the City National Bank to the Crane Valve Company's office in South Avenue. The money represented a Christmas bonus which was paid today. As a result of the transfer, the money was sent to the Crane Valve Company's office in South Avenue.

FRANKS AND FRIENDS NEW FRIENDS MANY OF FRIENDS

When you need friends and need them bad, You'll find the A. B. F. Friend the best. MAURICE EDNA TRYON South Shoreham, Conn.