

Blanche E. Clark

(- 23 Nov 1918)

Clark. Suddenly, on Saturday, November 23, 1918, Blanche E. Clark, beloved daughter of Emily J. and the late George N. Clark. Funeral Tuesday, November 26, at 2 o'clock p.m., from the residence of her sister, Mrs. Emily J. Walker, 242 8th street northeast. Relatives and friends respectfully invited to attend.

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War Risk Bureau Clerk Dies By Gas Accident

Miss Blanch Clark, a clerk in the bureau of war risk insurance, was accidentally asphyxiated by illuminating gas in her room at 815 12th street last night or this morning. A rubber tube connecting a wall bracket with a small gas stove became separated from the stove connection and dropped to the floor. The blaze followed the end of the tube and burned a hole through the floor, the gas that killed Miss Clark escaping from a loose connection in the bracket.

When the proprietress of the house detected the odor of gas she found it necessary to have the door to Miss Clark's room forced open, and the dead body of the war worker was found stretched on the floor in the small hall room she had occupied the past two years.

Coroner Nevitt gave a certificate of accidental death, and a sister of the deceased, residing in northeast Washington, was notified.