Ethel F. Graham

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Veteran Overcome By Gas In Kitchen

Wife Finds Employe of Telephone Company Semiconscious

Ralph Morton Graham 38 years old, employed in the directory department of the Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co., was found in a semiconscious condition in the gas-filled kitchen of his apartment at 1915 Sixteenth street northwest shortly after 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The man was discovered by his wife, Mrs. Ethel Graham when she returned home from work.

After first-ad treatment by the Fire Rescue Squad, Mr. Graham was removed to Emergency Hospital and then transferred to Gallinger Hospital. His condition is not believed to be serious.

Mrs. Graham told police that her husband was on the floor of the kitchen when she came in. The gas jets on the kitchen stove were not turned on, she said, but the room was filled with gas, and the door and windows of the kitchen had been stuffed with towels and cloths. She said her husband, a World War veteran, had been despondent for the last two or three weeks.

NOTE: They must have divorced because Ralph Morton Graham remarried in 1938 (see WP, 26 Dec 1938).