

**PROTECTIVE LEAGUE
DISAVOWS KELLER**

Author of Gambling House Letter Never a Member, Writes Mahlon R. Kline

The EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER has received the following letter from Mahlon R. Kline, chief of the Philadelphia district, American Protective League:

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:

Sir—Our attention has been called to the publication in the issue of the EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER of December 10, 1918, of an alleged letter supposed to have been written by one Mr. S. Keller to his Honor, the Mayor, as well as to Mr. Davis, Assistant Director of Public Safety, and Mr. Kline, chief of the Philadelphia district, American Protective League. In the course of that letter it was stated that Mr. Keller was a member of the American Protective League.

We desire to take this opportunity of stating to you most forcibly that, while Mr. Paul S. Keller did make application for membership in our organization some months ago, the name was never granted, and Mr. Keller was not at any time a member of our organization nor connected with us in any capacity whatever.

We would appreciate it if you would make as wide publication of this letter as of the facts just stated, and if you did of the original article connecting Mr. Keller with our organization.

December 11, 1918.

By way of explanation, Paul S. Keller has sent this letter to the EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER.

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:

Sir—In my interview with one of your staff reporters, who told me that he had seen a letter from a member of the American Protective League, I thought such was the case, as I received a letter in October from the A. P. L. saying my application had been approved. It appears, however, I was never qualified, as they gave me no credentials. Although not a member of the protective league, I am a United States Registrar, and on the committee of legal aid of the Twentieth Local Board, and was until September 24, 1918, a member of the emergency fleet, thus being sworn in three times in the past year to protect the Constitution of the United States. It appears I broke one of the unwritten laws of the American Protective League by telling the reporter that I was to put myself right before the public and the American Protective League. I wish you would make this letter.

DRIVE TO MAKE 5000 HAPPY

Christmas Dinner Kettle Campaign Opened by Salvation Army

A campaign to bring Christmas cheer to more than 5000 persons was started today by the Salvation Army.

With kettles in the donations of passers-by the Salvation Army lassies today took their accustomed positions at street corners in the central section of the city. Remembering the good work done by the organization for the boys in France, there is a generous response by the public in the opening hours of the drive.

The contributions will pay for 500 Christmas baskets, which will be distributed on Christmas Day at Memorial Auditorium, Broad street and Fairmount avenue.

Each basket will contain a dinner for six persons. In addition to the dinner, the baskets will contain a tin of condensed milk, a tin of condensed soup, a tin of condensed milk, a tin of condensed soup, a tin of condensed milk, a tin of condensed soup.

THE DAILY NOVELETTE

THE RING AND THE BOND

By A. M. Renner

MARJORIE turned a flushed face from the fireplace and the apples she was roasting.

"Wonderful sandwiches, Janet!"

"The slender girl, just passing a plate of heart-shaped cakes, smiled back at her."

"Thank you, Marge. How do you like the maple syrup in the lemonade?"

"But the sharp-eyed Marjorie had made a discovery."

"Girls!" she shrieked in delight. "Oh, goodly! Janet, you darling!"

A sudden sizzling and a scorching smell brought her back to her senses and the neglected apples on the fire.

"This is rather an informal party," she laughed; "but I can't afford to say so."

"You're right, but I don't seem to have much to say," she said, smiling thoughtfully and stealing a glance at Janet's ringless fingers.

"Your diamond is being set for you?" Janet drawled.

"No," she said. "You all know Roger hasn't any money to speak of and I had my choice between a ring and a very pretty bond, and I chose the bond. Since mother died and I've stayed at home with the kiddies, I don't seem to have much to say."

"Roger is getting a wonderful wife, Janet, and sometimes sacrifice is sweet."

"From the hearth-rug impulsive Marjorie declared, "Janet, you're a peach!"

"At that very instant a sturdy soldier lad was leaning over a counter in a brilliantly lighted jewelry establishment, his dark hair close to the sleek one of the clerk."

"And so you found this brooch among your mother's possessions, sir?" the salesman was saying.

"Very interesting. Beg pardon? Made into a ring? Oh, yes, very easily and at comparatively little expense."

"No, I hardly think you could realize a large sum on it just now. The stones are genuine and perfect, but there is so little demand at present. Perhaps after the war—"

"The young soldier interrupted. "If I can't get enough for it to buy more bonds, I'll have it made into a ring, with a clear conscience, he laughed, flinging to him, curly hair."

"Very happy to do it, sir. It will make a beautiful thing. Now—let's see the size of the lady's finger, if I might inquire?"

The following afternoon the girls were gathered at the Red Cross club. Marjorie nudged Barbara. Barbara whispered to Charlotte, and immediately the attention of every girl was fixed, not on their work of rolling sandwiches, but on the slim fingers of Janet, who was writing diligently at the desk near the window.

"Let's see it! Oh, what a beauty! I think that beats Lucille's all hollow," were the exclamations of the surprised girls as they literally pounced on her.

"When at last the girl could make herself heard, she told them the story of the ring. Suddenly the eagle-eyed Marjorie darted forward.

"Janet, see it! A Liberty ring—red, white and blue!"

The quaint old brooch had held a glowing ruby, a sapphire blue as the night sky, and encircling these, tiny, sparkling diamonds.

"Mrs. Jack gave the hand that wore the ring a little squeeze."

"Red for sacrifice, blue for loyalty and white for truth," she quoted. "And, between you, the greatest bond of all!"

Tomorrow's Complete Novelle—Peter's Triumph.

**GIRL'S PICTURE IDENTIFIES
BODY OF CITY SOLDIER BOY**

Found in No Man's Land, It Is Believed to Have Been That of Private Henry E. Erb, of Philadelphia

The picture of a pretty Philadelphia girl has led to the probable identification of an American soldier whose body was found in "No Man's Land."

The girl is Miss Rose Barrett, 2413 North Fourth street. The soldier who had treasured her picture is believed to have been Henry E. Erb, of 2413 North Macon street, this city. Neither Miss Barrett nor the young man's mother had any earlier intimation he had given his life for his country.

Miss Barrett and the young soldier were close friends, but not engaged. Before Private Erb left to join his company he was given a farewell party by some of his friends, including Miss Barrett. It was at this party that he asked her for her photograph to take with him to the war.

She gladly complied with his request, inscribing the picture "to Harry from Rose, with love and address. The picture has been returned to her by an American soldier who found it on a comrade's body.

A letter written to Miss Barrett by the finder of the picture told how the young man who treasured it met his death.

Evidently the soldier died in one of the many charges back and forth across "No Man's Land." In the rush of action he was left where he fell, and the body remained there, unburied, several days.

Finally, when our troops crossed this stretch of shell-torn ground, they found the body. It had none of the ordi-

FIGHTS DRESSED IN TOWEL

Chestnut Hill Soldier's Bath Interrupted by German Attack

Interrupted in the midst of his bath by a German attack, Charles A. Heaney, formerly of Chestnut Hill, wrapped a towel around him and rushed to his machine gun which he manned for a half hour before the German wave was broken.

Even German prisoners, marching past on the way from the fight to the front, were made to sing Heaney's ludicrous attire.

Heaney, who is a member of the 11th Field Artillery, hadn't had a bath for four months, and when it was discovered there were bathing facilities at a chateau nearby, he and six others attempted to clean up "between guns."

Their dirty uniforms were taken away for fumigation. Then the Germans came. The incident was the joke of the regiment a trial for "conduct" broke up in a general laugh.

Heaney enlisted in the regular army in 1915 and served on the Mexican border. He was in one of the first contingents to reach France.

GIFTS TO HEROES ON WAY

Philadelphia Sends 30,000 Packages Overseas

Thirty thousand packages of mail, weighing in the aggregate 30,000 pounds, have been sent to Philadelphians in the army overseas by their friends and relatives here.

According to figures given by the postoffice authorities, 1000 packages weighing three pounds each, were sent through the mails each day for thirty days preceding November 30. This mail, filling several freight cars, was sent to New York where it was loaded on steamships sailing for France.

Large quantities of mail have been arriving here from the soldiers overseas, the postoffice authorities say, and every effort is being made to distribute it as fast as it arrives. No matter how much arrives on one day, it is all distributed by the time of the last delivery on the following day.



Young Woman

Sooner or later you will probably enter the business world, but why go as a **RAVING** beginner? Our institutions are business training camps. The month's intensive course is equivalent to years of experience.

When you go into business go **PREPARED**. Write or call **Philadelphia School of Filing**, 810 CHESTNUT STREET, NEW YORK.

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1016 CHESTNUT ST., PHILADELPHIA

The Taste That "Won Over" Husband

PERHAPS he was spoiled by Mother's baking—he had a right to be, for there was "nothing like Mother's"—until Well, there's a different, tantalizing taste in Teco pancakes which even mother's good old-fashioned pancakes could not equal. For—

The Buttermilk Does it

(It's in the Flour)

Do you want this book Free?

Mrs. Ida C. Bailey Allen's Recipe Book describes 40 nutritious and appetizing dishes that can be made with the help of Teco. Also suggests some novel menus. Gladly sent on request.

Desk sets for Dad or for Big Sister's boudoir desk of course are entirely different, but we have a 11 kinds, including brushed brass, various kinds of wood, silk, etc. \$3 to \$28. (Central.)

Boys' Sturdy Corduroy Knickerbockers

Special at \$2.25

Nothing gives quite so much service or wear for boys of 7 to 18 years.

They are of good, heavy corduroy with all the seams strongly re-enforced and enough pockets and belt loops. (Gallery, Market)



L. G. WHITE, Representative, Drexel Bldg., Philadelphia, Pa.

WANAMAKER'S DOWN STAIRS STORE WANAMAKER'S

The Down Stairs Store at Wanamaker's Is Filled With the Golden Light of Christmas



Little Close-Fitting Hats in a Merry Gathering at \$4.85

Most of them are small and fit close to the head, as a Winter hat should, though all have little brims of some description. Quite often these brims turn sharply up and are faced with Georgette crepe and adorned with steel beads. Again the brim may turn down and is edged with fur.

The colorings are particularly good with many pretty blues and becoming browns.

(Market)

Who Gives to Friends

so much from Fate secures. That is the only wealth forever yours.—Martial.

An Abundance of Extra-Size Blouses

—all fresh and pretty and in a variety of styles. Many such pretty blouses are going to be given for Christmas, for practical gifts are the thing. White voile blouses trimmed with pretty laces and embroideries are \$2.75 to \$3.50. Crepe de chine in pretty models is in flesh and white at \$5.75 and \$6.50. Georgette crepes are attractively made and are in flesh and white at \$7.75 and \$8.75. A beautiful navy blue Georgette blouse, prettily beaded, is \$13.75. In sizes 46 to 54. (Market)

Women's Coats in Their Most Charming Guise

The fur collars seem fluffier, the colors deeper and the materials softer and warmer when real Winter weather comes. Slip the coats on, feel the softness of the linings and the depth of the pockets—then you'll know what comfort is. Nutria, skunk, opossum and sealene are among the best liked furs for trimming. So many collars and cuffs are made of them. A pretty velour coat, that is warmly lined from neck to hem, has a deep cape collar of nutria or skunk opossum that can be fastened warm and snug under the chin. \$29.75. Another velour collared with sealene is lined with figured silk in gay hues. \$39.75. Still more fur is observed on a coat of suede velour that is made with a gathered back. It is in reindeer, brown and navy, with a collar, cuffs and pockets of sealene. \$52.50. Quite Without Fur are some pretty coats of silver-tone or velour in brown, plum and navy. Their linings are of gay-striped silk and they carry an air of smart simplicity. \$37.50 and \$39.75. (Market)

Special Women's Silk Hose, 85c

Full-fashioned silk hose in black and a good range of colors. They are "seconds" and are marked quite low. (Central)

Soft Nainsook Embroidered in Pink and Blue

makes a dainty envelope chemise at \$1.25. The nainsook is in pink or white with wreaths of flowers prettily embroidered and there is pink hemstitching around the top and bottom. (Central)

Thousands of Pairs of Christmas Slippers for Cozy, Comfy Gifts

There are few more practical gifts than comfy slippers, and here you have so many, many different kinds for your choosing. Pretty Juliets and cloth slippers for women are 85c to \$2. Slippers for the children are \$1 to \$1.50. Slippers for men are \$1.50 and \$2.50.

Moccasins

for everybody—for men, women and children are 25c to \$1.50.

Rubber Boots and Storm Shoes

for men, women & children are moderate in price. (Chestnut)

Here Is a Wonderfully Fine Showing of Women's Jersey Dresses at \$19.75 and \$22.50

The colors seem more varied than the usual selection of jersey frocks and there are so many delightful styles.

Sand Navy
Reindeer Brown
Taupe Copenhagen
Red Pekin

Some of the dresses show bandings of jersey of a contrasting shade and there is a wide use of heavy embroidery done in silk or braid. Another odd trimming in h-h favor is cording, which takes the form of intricate scrolls on revers, pockets and cuffs.

A pleasant feature about these dresses is the silk used to line the bodices—women appreciate such touches.

A complete range of sizes at either price. (Market)

Silk-Covered Quilts on Which \$6.50 Can Be Saved

And what nicer gift for the woman who has her home at heart!

These beautiful comfortables have a wool-mixed filling. The center of the top is of Dresden satin, bordered with plain pink, blue or old rose satin. The back of the quilt is made entirely of plain silk.

\$18.50 is just \$6.50 less than the usual price of these quilts. (Chestnut)

More of the Good Corduroy Skirts at \$5.65

The last lot of these was gone before the day was over, and these are just as good. The corduroy is of the soft, silky quality that hangs so well and the colorings are deep and rich—navy, brown, green and plum. The skirts are gathered under a deep girdle and one style has pockets. Ever so pretty for young women—a splendid gift for the girl at school. (Market)

Black Skirts for Maids

Many women give such skirts as these to their maids at Christmas. These are fresh and new and all ready to put into a Christmas box. Of black cotton ramie. \$3. (Market)

Give Miss 6-Years-to-16 a Net Party Dress

If it is one like this, it will send her spirits soaring to the seventh heaven of delight. This one is all tucks and has an underskirt. The neck is square and charmingly fashioned. Pretty satin ribbon is used. \$8.50.

Trim Little Frocks

of white pique for girls of 8 years to 14 have pockets and are adorned with pearl-like buttons. \$3.75.

Two Coats, Snug and Warm

Both are for girls of 8 years to 14. One of blue or brown wide-wale corduroy is fully lined. The collar buttons high on the side. \$9.75. Coats of blue or brown chevrot are warmly lined and interlined. The collars are edged with nutria. \$13.75. (Central)

Children's Umbrellas

that were built for hard usage are covered with American taffeta (cotton) and have straight mission or short handles with a wrist cord of silk. \$1.50.

Women's Umbrellas

that are ever so nice for gifts have handles trimmed with colored bakelite, with silver or made plain and topped with silk cords or bakelite rings. The covers are of sturdy union taffeta, which is a mixture of silk and lisle. \$4. (Market)

Black Velvetene Special at \$1.10 Yd.

Good quality black velvetene for frocks and suits, 22 inches wide, is infrequently offered at this price. The quantity is limited. (Central)

These Specials in Women's Winter Underwear Are Much to the Point

Combination Suits, \$1.75

Fleeced white cotton ankle-length union suits with high necks and long sleeves are in regular and extra sizes. Merino union suits in a fine rib are in two styles—low neck, short sleeves, knee-length and with Dutch neck, elbow sleeves, ankle-length. Extra sizes only in these.

Separate Garments, \$1.25

Vests with high necks and long sleeves and drawers in ankle-length are in regular and extra sizes in ribbed white cotton, softly fleeced inside. \$1.25. Broken lines in merino vests and drawers are in extra sizes and are special at \$1.25. (Central)

Open Season for Cocoa Door Mats

Plain ones are \$1.25 to \$4.50. With gay borders of bright wool they are \$3.50 to \$8. (Chestnut)

Snowy White Handkerchiefs

Many women want plain white handkerchiefs so that they can embroider initials on them for Christmas gifts. Here are some of sheer white linen with hem-stitched hems at 18c, 25c and 35c. (Central)

To Warm the Hands That Clap for Santa Claus

Gloves are one of the practical gifts that children really enjoy getting for Christmas. Gray suede gloves for children are oversewn and have warm fleecy linings. They come in a variety of styles and are practical gifts at \$1.65 a pair. Gray buckskin gloves for children of 6 years to 14 are oversewn. They have spear point stitching on the backs. \$1.75 a pair. Lined With Silk, If You Please! So you find on examining the inside of these gray suede gloves. The silk keeps the hands warm and will also please the children. The gloves have Paris-point stitching on the backs. \$1.85 a pair. Fine Capeskin Gloves with warm knit wool linings are in gray or khaki color. They are oversewn and cut broad enough for chubby little fingers. For warmth and practical wear these are excellent. \$2.25 a pair. (Central)

What a Bewildering Variety of Neckwear at 50c and \$1!

There are so many styles of jabots, imitation filet collars and sets, organdy and satin collars and sets, and Georgette collars! Some are hand-embroidered. Others are softly pleated, chiffon collars and net collars trimmed with lace. (Central)

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