

TILLMAN DEAD; NOTED SENATOR South Carolinian Had Been Unconscious Since Stroke Thursday in Washington WENT TO SENATE IN 1894 Rose From Obscurity to Nationwide Prominence as Democrat in Politics



SENATOR TILLMAN

By the Associated Press Washington, July 3. United States Senator Benjamin R. Tillman, a veteran of twenty-four years' service in Congress and chairman of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee, died at his home here early today as the result of a cerebral hemorrhage suffered last Thursday. The stroke completely paralyzed the left side, and as the right side had been partially paralyzed since a similar attack ten years ago, no hope had been held for Senator Tillman's recovery since he lapsed into unconsciousness Sunday.

To honor the passing of one of the most notable figures in Congress and Southern public life, both bodies of Congress planned to adjourn today and appoint committees to accompany the body to the Tillman home at Trenton, S. C.

As Governor of South Carolina, as a leader in the southern wing of the Democratic party, and as an active participant in the last generation's growth of the American navy, Senator Tillman had been prominently before the public for many years.

Senator Tillman's death promises an upheaval in South Carolina politics, in which he has been a leader for more than a generation. He died in the heat of the senatorial primary campaign, in which his long-time political opponent, former Governor Cole M. Blease, was contesting for nomination to the Senate.

The Senate at 12:15 o'clock this afternoon adjourned until Friday out of respect to the late Senator.

"Wild as a Dinosaur Weed" To use his own words, Benjamin Ryan Tillman "grew up as wild as a dinosaur weed."

His father died in 1849, when he was two years old. "My mother was an architect," he said not long ago. "This made me what I am."

Soon after returning from Bethany College, Ga., he went one day with some companions to swim and remained in the water three hours. Walking home through the burning sun, he was stricken with a severe pain in his left eye. As the eye continued to pain him greatly a physician was called. He was suffering from erysipelas, the doctor said, but in ten days, when the eye burst, it was found he had a fibroid tumor, which had destroyed the sight.

Five years before he was elected Governor of South Carolina he was hardly known outside of his own county. He was then living ten miles from a railroad by a backwoods town of Edgefield. But he became stirred up over his objection to industrial and technical education and other reforms, and one day in 1885 when a State convention of farmers was being held at Bennettsville he jumped upon the platform and made a speech which electrified his rustic audience and sent his name and his fame as a rugged orator to the remotest corners of his State.

He was soon in demand as a speaker, and went into politics being a "despot" and a "scat" and while the dispensary riots were on he rightly commanded the press, and his course as commander-in-chief of the State was anything but smooth. At one time he found himself facing militia in the ranks, and with his wonted power he was quick to rebuke the soldiers who refused to obey his orders.

"The place to fight this dispensary law," he said, "is at the ballot-box and in the courts and not with hot iron. And I, as the Chief Executive of the State, authorized by the General Assembly to enforce the law, to stand here and see those appointed to uphold it killed and dogged and hunted like wild beasts? And when I authorize the militia to go there, am I to be opposed by the sentiment of the towns where the whiskey and bar men live and paralyze the militia?"

Senator Tillman did not get his national reputation for intemperance until he was running against Senator Butler for a seat in the upper house of Congress. Senator Butler was known as a friend of President Cleveland. Mr. Tillman said in a speech, thus earning the sobriquet of "Pitchfork Ben."

"But if I go to the Senate I promise that I will use a pitchfork in the President's fat old ribs."

The newspapers the next day called him "Pitchfork Ben." and the "Pitchfork Senator" he soon became and remained to the day of his death, though he had the reputation of having become a much milder man as age crept on him.

on President Roosevelt after the latter withdrew an invitation to the White House to meet Prince Henry of Prussia. The incidents resulting in Mr. Tillman's course at that time had their climax in Senator Tillman's fight in the Senate chamber with his colleague from South Carolina, Senator McLaughlin, on February 22, 1902. Mr. Tillman had accused Mr. McLaughlin of being unduly influenced to support the treaty of Paris, which ended the Spanish war. Senator McLaughlin branded the allegation as a "willful, deliberate and malignant lie."

Mr. Tillman was leaping over desks to get at him before the words were all out of his mouth. They clinched and had to be dragged apart, and for some time it looked as though both would be expelled from the Senate. President Roosevelt, because of the affair, recalled Mr. Tillman's invitation to the White House to meet the Kaiser's brother.

Many of Senator Tillman's strongest speeches in and out of the Senate were on the race situation in his own State and in the nation. He described his attitude toward the lawless negro in these words: "I deny that all men are created equal. I, as Governor, would head a party to lynch a negro that would attack a white woman."

Climax of His Career Perhaps the climax of Mr. Tillman's career came at the time of the National Democratic Convention in St. Louis in 1904 which nominated Judge Parker for President. All through the afternoon of the nomination Judge Parker was regarded as assured almost "out and dried," so the attendance of delegates at the night session was comparatively very small.

Some had gone to the fair; others had left for home, when Judge Parker's famous "kidd" telegram came. The convention was instantly in an uproar, and it was long declared by members of the South Carolina that but for his mastery of the situation his power of oratory and delay that night the convention would have broken up in utter confusion without a nomination.

Mr. Tillman, after his defense against the charges by Mr. Roosevelt, then President, rarely participated actively in affairs of the Senate.

Man Rode Under Troop Train Charleston, S. C., July 3.—Jacob Glace, of this city, a Lehigh Valley Railroad brakeman, discovered a supposed German spy on a troop train bound from the West to an Atlantic port. The man carried a suitcase, and when detected he fled from under a car he yelled at Glace: "If they don't die, you will."

Injured Policeman Promoted Wilmington, Del., July 3.—Police Sergeant David Wardle, who was seriously injured while crossing a street several days ago and who has since been in a hospital, has been appointed captain by Police Commissioner J. C. Conlin. Wardle will succeed Thomas A. Kane, who resigned to engage in farming.

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COLONIAL 6th & Maplewood Ave. 2:15 and 8:15 P. M. J. Warren Kerrigan in "A MAN"

EUREKA 40th & MARKET STS. BERT LYTELL in "THE TRAIL OF YESTERDAY"

MILLION YANKEES SENT TO FRANCE President Announces Fact to Add to Fourth of July Celebrations 276,732 WENT IN JUNE Expected That 2,500,000 Americans Will Go Over in Six Months

More than a million American soldiers have been sent abroad in defiance of the Kaiser's U-boats. The official number is 1,019,115. The monthly record of shipments is as follows: 1917—May, 1718; June, 12,261; July, 12,988; August, 18,223; September, 32,323; October, 38,359; November, 38,229; December, 25,016; January, 1918, 48,840; February, 48,774; March, 48,927; April, 82,811; May, 117,212; June, 276,372; Marines, 14,644.

Aggregating 1,019,115. The total number of troops returned from abroad, lost at sea and casualties is \$165, and of those, by reason of the superbly efficient protection which the navy has afforded in the transport system, only 241 have been lost at sea. The supplies and equipment in France for all troops sent are, by latest report, adequate.

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Y. M. C. A. EQUIPPING MEN FOR AFTER WAR Conducts Educational Work on Broad Scale Behind the Fighting Lines

By JOHN R. MOTT General Secretary, International Y. M. C. A. (Written for the United Press) Atlanta, Ga., July 3. America's great universities directly behind the fighting front in Europe, in order that our millions of boys may come back from the war equipped to direct this nation's affairs tomorrow.

We feel it peculiarly fitting that this vital part of the Y. M. C. A. work overseas be given publicity just now, as we approach the campaign for our new overseas war work fund of \$12,000,000, because it touches rock bottom on one of the many acute problems this country will have to face when peace is here.

When you remember that these millions of boys over there will come back to be our Councilmen, our Senators, Congressmen, diplomats and business and professional leaders in after years, you glimpse the reason for this great educational undertaking.

The work is already under way. It is a present, as well as a future, accomplishment to offer. He has had to be to teach every boy with a gun exactly what he is fighting for. No man can do things well if he does not clearly understand the reasons for doing them. Putting the way, these clearly before these boys through these universities behind the front strengthens and improves the moral of America's armies as nothing else could. The second, and equally important, object is to train these boys, even as they fight, for post-war affairs.

To do this we have concentrated the best minds available in American universities. The schools already established and being established in Y. M. C. A. buildings along the way to the front, are under the direction of such men as Under Phelps Stokes, of Yale; Professor Brinkley, of Columbia; Prof. Reginald Daly, of Harvard; and Professor Coleman, of the University of Chicago. They are personally in charge.

At present the educational work includes hundreds of French classes and teachers from English-speaking countries, French professors loaned by the French educational authorities. President Schurz, of Cornell, Brinkley, Daly, and dozens of other great American educators personally are stamping the overseas string of universities, lecturing to the men and preparing the ground for the greater educational work to follow.

We know that the breadth, depth and wisdom of this one of the many Y. M. C. A. undertakings is fully appreciated by the people of this country.

By the Associated Press Washington, July 3. Further increase of the navy's destroyer program is contemplated. Discussing today the launching of four new destroyers tomorrow as part of the celebration of the Fourth of July, Secretary Daniels said the stocks in every navy yard are being worked to capacity and if means can be found additional ways will be constructed.

By the Associated Press Lancaster, Pa., July 3.—Charles W. "Pip" Stover, 18th of the local Y. M. C. A. building along the way to the front, reached Lancaster this morning "worn out" from his job.

He suffered a nervous breakdown because of the heavy being, and fearing a general collapse, asked to be sent home. He will return to the front.

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