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## Long Overdue In Hell

Two Americans---Tillman and Gladden

There died last week, within twenty-four hours of each other, two men, both of whom were known, at least by name throughout the country. The first to die was Dr. Washington Gladden, the great Congregational minister, author and philosopher, who died at Columbus, Ohio. The second to die was Benjamin R. Tillman, United States Senator from South Carolina. Each has passed the allotted three score and ten.

At one time, when a group of Colored people in Columbus, Ohio, desired to establish a Colored Congregational Church they sought Dr. Gladden, pastor of the largest and most notable white Congregational church in Ohio, for encouragement. His reply was this terse sentence: "So long as there are vacant pews in my church I will not favor a separate church for Colored."

Dr. Gladden was never one of those super-enthusiastic agitators for equal rights and privileges for the race, but was a staunch believer in the Constitution, and regarded that instrument as one which conferred EQUAL RIGHTS upon all American citizens, without reference to color or race, and he never, during his eighty-two years of living, gave utterance to a single sentence designed to be hurtful to ours. To him the color of a man's skin was simply the design of the same God, who gave to him his white skin, and it neither gave to the man special privileges or denied to him equal privileges.

Senator Tillman never lost an opportunity to assail the race, to discredit it in the eyes of the world; until God, in His "mysterious way his wonders to perform," paralyzed the tongue that had denounced a struggling race which had done naught to Senator Tillman save to till his soil and to make it possible for him to represent his State in the United States Senate by a denial of suffrage, from the far South to far North he bitterly traduced it and for pay. When that vile tongue was touched with paralysis, it was stilled for a while. But when he had partially recovered from his first paralytic stroke, he again resorted to bitter denunciation of a patient, long suffering, loyal people.

Dr. Washington Gladden, perhaps the most famous and most widely known of ministers, always spoke encouragingly of and for our race. Although a cold, calculating analytical student, he never designedly erected a single bar to race advancement; he rather pulled down bars which hedged it in.

Benjamin R. Tillman, perhaps as superficial a man as ever represented a sovereign State in the United States Senate, always spoke of the race in derision and discouragement. Never opened his mouth did he to discuss the race but he denounced it in bitterest terms merely for cheap notoriety merely to satisfy and promote his political ambitions. He piled high the very bars which Dr. Gladden would have leveled down.

When Death paused at the bedside of Dr. Gladden to seal lips which had never uttered a single hurtful word against our race, the smile which covered his visage told how sweet to him had been the satisfaction of living a life of helpfulness to ALL mankind. When life had left that body weighted down with eighty-two years a voice murmured: "Well done, my good and faithful servant." A suffering race wept o'er his parting.

When Death paused at the bedside of Benjamin R. Tillman to forever silence the tongue which had for year, with out rhyme or reason—without cause—has assailed an offending race from the lakes to the gulf; which had espoused legislation designed to turn back the hands on the clock for it, there was NOT A SINGLE moist eye in any of the thirteen million Colored homes in this broad land. Every Colored person, when Senator Tillman's death was announced, believed, more than ever, that GOD DOES ANSWER PRAYERS.

Because of his goodness of heart, his calm, long helpful life, recognizing men for their worth and merit, despite the color of their skin, and believing justice had been designed as a legacy for ALL MEN, the late Dr. Washington Gladden was the antithesis of Benjamin R. Tillman.

Because in his heart there was no place, no sympathy for such as whom God had created with darker skin; because he used his position and prestige to dethrone justice for a race which had earned it by faithful allegiance to Country and State by fighting for it on a hundred battle fields, Benjamin R. Tillman was the antithesis of Dr. Washington Gladden.

For the one for whom we have tears and for the one for whom WE HAVE NO TEARS to shed, we can, at least say—Rest in Peace; God's will be done.—Amsterdam News.

W. E. B. DUBOIS

Editor of the Crisis Has Been Appointed Captain in the Army

Editor W. E. B. DuBois of the Crisis has been appointed captain in the intelligence department of the United States Army. Editor DuBois is to be an assistant to Major Spring-arn.



It is generally believed that he will resign the editorship of the Crisis, which carries a salary of \$4,000 per annum since it is thought that he can not discharge his duties as an editor and as an officer of the United States Army.

The War Department and the Committee on Public Information announced through the office of Emmett J. Scott, Special Assistant to the Secretary of War, the expansion of the list of speakers to present the war aims of the Government to the Colored people of the United States from sixty to one hundred.

Hereafter this group of speakers will be known as "The Committee of One Hundred," and will be found active in the approaching campaign of education, planned to cover every community in the country, where Colored people abide in appreciable numbers. They represent every notable element of the race and will doubtless exert a potent influence in enlightening the Colored people as to their duty toward the Government and pointing out to them in a definite and practical way how they may be of the greatest service to the nation in the winning of the present struggle for liberty and democracy. Among the first 60 selected on this committee were four St. Louisans, Mr. Aaron E. Malone, of Poro College, Prof. Frank L. Williams, principal of Summer High School, C. R. Robinson, editor St. Louis Clarion; J. E. Mitchell, editor St. Louis Argus.

Truly, if the Negro as a mass is ever to take its place among the master races, it must take in and assimilate all the finer things which contribute to human enjoyment and human culture. A knowledge of and an appreciation for music, literature and art are the highest indications of a cultured, a receptive and a superior people. Nothing acculturates men's mind, smoothes racial prejudices, broadens men's sympathies, promotes Christianity and fosters civilization like music, literature and art.

## The Aftermath

What Did You Receive? The Star Gives Its Opinion Of The Meeting

Seven days have made the meeting of the great National Association of Colored Women, for which Denver and Colorado has been anxiously awaiting during the past two years a matter of history. And now that the convention has passed and our club women have returned to their normal equilibrium, they are asking; what definite information and benefits did western club activities receive?

In the great galaxy of women who came from the four quarters of our country were the social and intellectual leaders of our race, many of them were experts and specialists in their various vocations.

It was both pleasing and inspiring to note the natural culture and refinement of some and to hear the eloquent and logical reasoning of those who read papers and delivered addresses. It was most gratifying to note that the west held her own with the great throng. The women of the General Committee are to be especially commended for their manner of handling the convention.

In every large organization there is always an inside working that the public never sees or knows. Methods and usages that only those who are members can know. It is this phase or side of the association that was a disappointment to the western club women.

It was the dream of the west that this great meeting would be the means of establishing a common interest between the east and west; that it would mean the joining of hands to fight for a common interest. For some unexplained reason, probably due to the idle gossip, some of the leaders of the association seemed to feel that they were entering a section where little was known and that though Denver and Colorado was in the National they really formed no part of it. A sort of oil and water concoction. One of the great aims of the convention, expressed by many delegates in the mass meeting of Sunday afternoon, was the reelection of their president. This was the only thing that could be done for no one in the country is prepared to carry on to completion the most excellent plans and ideas of Mrs. Talbert who started the movement of reclaiming and restoring the Douglass home. Her accomplishments as shown in her annual address have been wonderful. Honor to whom honor is due.

It was the desire of the western women that the various papers and subjects would be open for discussion. That the discussions would be made. That when conditions and problems of various sections were presented; solutions, remedies and methods would be given. It is probable this was due to the length and largeness of the program, which could easily have covered fifteen days.

It is claimed by many of the western women that the business of the convention did not come up to the standard. That in their executive and business all parliamentary rules and usages were thrown to winds and disorder in many instances reigned. Lack of tact and judgment shown when a portion of the executive board attempted to dictate to the local committee how they should spend their funds, over which which the National Convention had no jurisdiction. That the funds were given by club women, business men and citizens of Colorado to save the club women of Colorado embarrassment and not to be given as alms to some of the visiting friends was the contention of the local club women. That virtue belonged to the churches which gave liberally to some of the visitors for their schools and for personal use.

The absence of the leader of one of the leading schools was noted on the evening that was given over to the N. A. A. C. P. the organization led by Dr. DuBois.

Through out the meeting and especially on Friday afternoon Colorado seemed to be in disfavor. In one instance she was scored for having protested against omitting many of her representatives on the program. Some of her representatives had come at their own expense from other portions of the state to appear on the program.

One great lesson was learned by Colorado and the west thru this meeting—The need of united effort and sympathy for each other in the West. It was also learned that it remains for each section to face and solve its own particular problems. Through this great meeting the club women of Colorado found themselves and have realized that they are handling right well the problems that come to them in their struggle "to the stars through difficulties." The newspapers of our city have been more than courteous and generous to the visiting ladies. Beginning with Sunday previous to the Convention, the daily newspapers boosted the gathering. Our business men black and white dug deeply to save Denver's fair name and keep away all deficit from local committee.

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## GRAND LODGE K. OF P. THIRTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION.

The thirteenth annual session of the Grand Lodge K. of P. of Colorado and Jurisdiction, will be held at Castle Hall Pythias lodge No. 11, July 24th, until work is finished.

We hope to have this one of the most harmonious, as well as looking to a more economic and business administration for the coming term.

The past year has been very



successful in new membership and the order has increased all over the state. In fact in the last two years we have lost twenty four or twenty five members; their has only been an incentive for us to work for greater membership.

On the night of the twenty fourth grand reception will be held at Shorter A. M. E. church to which the public is respectfully invited to attend the Mayor of Denver has promised to be in attendance. On Friday the twenty sixth grand military drill will be given at Fern Hall under auspices of Aetna Co., No. 1, with Morrison's orchestra in attendance. All the essentials that goes for pleasure with this well known organization Aetna Co., No. 1, will be found at Fern Hall, admission 35 cents. It is hoped that all members will attend this Grand Lodge as well as the reception on the twenty fourth.

G. C. Sample.  
Chairman Joint Committee.

## GILES B. JACKSON RECEIVES APPOINTMENT.

RICHMOND, Va.—It is reported that our well-known attorney, Giles B. Jackson, with the assistance of the "white folks," has landed a berth in Washington. He is chief of the Employment Bureau in the Department of labor.

In proportion that the colored people become unrestful and dissatisfied with conditions which tend to humiliate them and to put limitation upon their liberties.

## Visited Colorado Springs

Those diligent delegates who visited Colorado Springs were Mesdames Stewart of Kentucky; Minnie Scott, of Ohio; Burnside and Fouse, of Kentucky; Stuart, of Indiana; Charlotte Dett, of Niagara Falls; Rush, of Des Moines, Iowa; Lewis and White, of Iowa; and Barrier, of Detroit, Michigan, accompanied by Miss Pelham of Detroit. Sight-seeing and burrowing were the novelties. Madame Hawkins-Brown also visited Colorado Springs.

Miss Nettie Works-Moxley, of Los Angeles, California, is stopping at 2737 California St.

Mrs. Lovelace of Kansas City, Kans., is the pleasing guest of Mrs. Zerkie Jefferson of California St.