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DEATH OF REPRESENTATIVE BLAND.

PROCEEDINGS IN THE HOUSE.

DECEMBER 18, 1899.

The **SPEAKER**. The gentleman from Missouri.

Mr. **DE ARMOND**. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the delegation of which I am a member, I announce to the House the death of the Hon. **RICHARD P. BLAND**, long a Representative in Congress from the State of Missouri and elected a member of this House. His death occurred at his home, near Lebanon, Mo., on the 15th of last June. At a later date we shall ask that a time be set apart for paying suitable tribute to his high character and memory. At present I ask the adoption of the resolution which I send to the Clerk's desk.

The **SPEAKER**. The Clerk will read the resolution.

The Clerk read as follows:

Resolved, That the House has heard with profound sorrow of the death of the Hon. **RICHARD P. BLAND**, long a Representative in Congress from the State of Missouri and a member-elect of this body.

Resolved further, That these resolutions be communicated to the Senate, and that, as a special mark of our high regard for the deceased and out of reverence for his memory, the House do now adjourn.

The resolution was unanimously agreed to; and accordingly the House (at 1 o'clock and 4 minutes) adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

FEBRUARY 17, 1900.

Mr. DE ARMOND. I ask unanimous consent that Saturday, April 7, beginning at 1 o'clock, be set apart for the delivering of eulogies on the life and character of our late colleague, Mr. BLAND.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Missouri asks unanimous consent that Saturday, April 7, commencing at 1 o'clock, be set apart for exercises in commemoration of the life, character, and death of the late Mr. BLAND, of Missouri. Is there objection? There was no objection.

MEMORIAL ADDRESSES.

APRIL 7, 1900.

The SPEAKER. In pursuance of the order heretofore made, the House will now proceed to the consideration of the resolutions upon the life and character of the Hon. RICHARD P. BLAND, of Missouri, late a member of this House.

Mr. DE ARMOND. Mr. Speaker, I offer the following resolutions, which I send to the Clerk's desk.

The Clerk read as follows:

Resolved, That the business of the House be now suspended in order that suitable tribute may be paid to the high character and eminent public services of the Hon. RICHARD PARKS BLAND, late a most distinguished member of the House of Representatives of the United States from the State of Missouri.

Resolved, That as a mark of respect for the memory of the deceased the House, at the conclusion of these memorial exercises, shall stand adjourned.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House transmit a copy of these resolutions to the family of the deceased statesman, and inform the Senate of the action of this body.

The resolutions were unanimously agreed to.

ADDRESS OF MR. DE ARMOND, OF MISSOURI.

MR. SPEAKER: RICHARD PARES BLAND was born in Kentucky, August 19, 1835, and died in Missouri, June 15, 1899. Between these lids, birth and death, are the leaves of a noble life.

BLAND reached manhood by the rough way which so many poor boys have trod. He passed a few years in the far West, among the pioneers who went to the wild mountains in search of the precious metals. In Missouri he married Virginia E. Mitchell, the devoted wife who bore him four sons and five daughters. The widow and six children survive to mourn the death of the best of husbands, the best of fathers. BLAND was a lawyer with a fair practice when he was elected to Congress. Believing that as the representative of the people he should quit his private business and devote himself wholly to the public service, he gave up the profession in which his progress had been satisfactory. Loving the country, he made his home upon a farm, and when wearied with the duties and cares of public life, there, communing with nature, he sought and found rest and recreation.

He served twelve terms, or twenty-four years, as a member of the House of Representatives of the United States, and death canceled his certificate of election for a thirteenth term. Once only was he beaten, and even then he barely missed election, although defeat overtook his party at almost every point. He was one of many vicarious atonements for the sins of others. Nominations came to him; no one else was thought of while he lived.

BLAND is most widely known through his prominent con-