

# Jane Addams of Hull House Is Dead

**NOTED VETERAN  
IN SOCIAL WORK  
PASSES; AGED 74**

**Fails to Rally After  
Operation.**

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Miss Jane Addams, founder of Hull House and for nearly half a century a leader in social settlement work, died at 6:35 o'clock last evening in Parkland hospital, where she underwent an abdominal operation last Thursday. She was 74 years old.

After her death the physicians announced for the first time that Miss Addams was the victim of an internal cancer, and could have lived only a short time had she survived the operation. The fact that she was afflicted with cancer had been kept from Miss Addams since 1921, when it was first discovered during an operation for a tumor at Johns Hopkins hospital in Baltimore.

**Extent of Allowed a Surprise.**

At that time, according to Dr. Charles A. Elliott, one of the three physicians who attended her during her last illness, a small cancerous growth was found.

When Saturday's operation was performed to remove an intestinal obstruction, Dr. Elliott explained, the physicians expected to find the cancer, but had not suspected the extent to which it had grown. The operation was performed by Dr. Arthur H. Curtis, with Dr. Elliott and Dr. James A. Britton in attendance.

Miss Addams' unawareness of the nature of the disease that was to cause her death was reflected in her recent activities. On May 1, apparently in good health, she went to Washington to receive the American anniversary celebration of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, which she founded in 1915. Upon her return, according to her nephew and son of Mrs. James T. Linn of the University of Chicago, Miss Addams was "riding the crest of the wave."

"She hadn't the vaguest idea that anything was wrong," said Prof. Linn last night. "She was filled with a zeal for life, one of her typical characteristics."

**Last Visit to Hull House.**

On May 14, a week ago yesterday, Miss Addams paid her last visit to Hull House, where she still retained active control. She did not follow her usual custom of dining there, however, but returned to the home of her friend, Mrs. Joseph T. Brown, in Adler street, with whom she had lived for the last five years.

That night she became ill. When Dr. Britton told her last Friday that an operation was necessary at once, Miss Addams made a characteristic reply: "I'm in a hurry to get to bed, just as soon as I finish this book I'm reading."

Immediately after the operation, Dr. Elliott said, Miss Addams was placed under opiate and suffered no pain. At one time she replied to one of the physicians, when asked how she was feeling:

"I feel very well. An old doctor friend of mine once told me that the hardest thing in the world to kill was an old woman." And then she added sharply: "I guess he's right."

**Nature of Disease a Secret.**

Prof. Linn explained that knowledge of the cancer was kept from Miss Addams after the operation, and that for this reason no notice of it was given to the public.

"If we had told her and she had rallied," he said, "she would have had this worry. And her many friends would have worried during the few remaining months of her life."

The veteran social worker, whose "nest for life" had inspired not only the residents of Hull House and the many poor families of the neighborhood but every one with whom she came in contact, rallied shortly after the operation. But early yesterday she fell into a coma, from which she did not emerge.

**Died in Trance.**

Dr. Elliott, who was with her at the end, said she remained in a heavy, peaceful slumber and passed all day.

With Dr. Elliott at the bedside was Dr. Alice Hamilton, professor of medicine at Harvard university, and close friend of Miss Addams in her social work. As she emerged from the hospital room to tell the waiters in the corridor, outside heavy flimsy curtains, her voice trembled.

The watch at the hospital at that time consisted of Prof. Linn, Miss Josephine B. Davis, former county coroner, and Thomas A. Johnson of Har-

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# JARE ADDAMS, FAMOUS SOCIAL WORKER, IS DEAD

## Founder of Hull House Passes Away at 74.

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ville, some thirty or thirty-five miles from the town of Montgomery, Md. Dr. Smith said Mr. Addams had been in the hospital for about a week before he died.

### Was in Hospital

It was in the course of this illness that Addams was taken to the hospital, but he was not there long. He died at his home in Chicago on the morning of the 11th.

Mr. Addams was born in 1867 in the town of Westfield, Mass. He was educated at Harvard and at the University of Chicago. He was a member of the American Academy of Arts and Letters.

### Was Married

Mr. Addams was married in 1892 to Miss Lavinia Lloyd Dock, who was also a social worker. They had three children.

### Worked for Hull House

Mr. Addams worked for Hull House in Chicago from 1892 to 1917. He was the first director of the house, which was founded by Miss Jane Addams.

Mr. Addams was a member of the American Academy of Arts and Letters, the American Philosophical Association, and the American Historical Association.

Mr. Addams was a member of the National Academy of Sciences and the National Academy of Arts. He was also a member of the American Academy of Social Sciences and the American Academy of Political and Social Science.

Mr. Addams was a member of the American Academy of Religion and the American Academy of Jurisprudence and Social Science. He was also a member of the American Academy of Law and the American Academy of Music.

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# Jane Addams Is Dead at 74—Social Worker Founded Hull House—Gained Prominence Throughout World



**PASSED INDIA, WORKER IS DEAD**—Jane Addams, founder of Hull House, died at 74, after a long illness, at her home in Chicago, Ill., today. She was born in 1860 in a small town in Wisconsin. Her work in Chicago was devoted to helping the poor and the immigrants. She was a pioneer in the field of social work. (Special to the Tribune.) (Special to page 1.)



**HULL HOUSE SETTLEMENT**—View of the world famous Hull House, founded by Jane Addams and Ellen G. Loring, in 1889, in Chicago, Ill. The building is now owned by the Hull House Trust, which was founded by Jane Addams, after her death, in 1918. It is the site of the Hull House Settlement, one of the largest and most successful of the settlement houses. (Special to the Tribune.) (Special to page 1.)



**HOW CHILDREN SPEND TIME**—Children and girls at work in the Hull House Settlement, Chicago, Ill. The children are seen at work in the Hull House Settlement, Chicago, Ill. The children are seen at work in the Hull House Settlement, Chicago, Ill. (Special to the Tribune.) (Special to page 1.)



**"AMERICA'S BROTHERLY WOMAN" BEGAN LIFE IN SMALL TOWN**—Jane Addams, founder of Hull House, was born in a small town in Wisconsin. She was a pioneer in the field of social work. Her work in Chicago was devoted to helping the poor and the immigrants. She was a pioneer in the field of social work. (Special to the Tribune.) (Special to page 1.)