

Wallace Breaks

Leg in Therapy

Montgomery, Ala.

Governor George C. Wallace, a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, has broken his paralyzed left leg and will be in a cast for several weeks, his office said yesterday.

Dr. Hamilton Hutchinson, the governor's physician, said Wallace suffered a simple fracture of the tibia, probably during his physiotherapy exercises.

Hutchinson said Wallace will have to wear a long leg cast for about three weeks, and will then be able to wear a simpler cast.

Wallace's office said the

injury would keep the governor home for about one week, but said he would work during that time from his office at the governor's mansion.

Wallace has been paralyzed from the waist down since 1972, when he was shot while campaigning for the Democratic presidential nomination in Maryland.

Because of the paralysis, Wallace apparently did not notice the break when it occurred. His office said he had "noticed a swelling of his knee and a slight elevation of temperature" yesterday and that examination disclosed the fracture.

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