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SILVER TALK IN THE SENATE

Vote on Teller Resolution Booked for Tomorrow

May Be Deferred Until Friday Afternoon.

Resolution Will be Adopted and All Amendments Fought.

President Expected to Make Some Financial Disclosures

In His Speech Tonight—House Discussing Indian Appropriation Bill—Urgent Deficiency Bill Agreement.

Washington, Jan. 26.—The senate's session today was prolonged until seven o'clock. The silver question was discussed for more than six and a half hours. According to the agreement enacted last week a vote is to be taken tomorrow at four o'clock on the pending Teller resolution, declaring United States bonds payable in silver or gold, at the option of the holder. It is probable that this agreement will be set aside and the final vote postponed until after the day's session Friday.

The desire to debate the question is universal on the democratic side. The statement of Senator Berry, of Arkansas, in yesterday's debate, that if silver should fall in value to twenty-five cents on a dollar, he would still think it the duty of the government to pay its obligations in this currency, may serve to keep some silver republicans in line, at least in supporting some amendments to be presented on the republican side. The combination of democrats, populists and silver republicans is determined to vote down all these amendments, but there will be a close vote on some of them.

The resolution proper will be adopted, but the republican senators are hopeful of being able to cast a full vote in support of a declaration indorsing the financial plank of the St. Louis platform.

The debate today was very interesting, the feature being a fierce attack upon the silverites by Senator Hoar. Senator Teller was the chief object of his satire. During the debate the fact was developed, in private conversation among the senators, that the president will make some important financial disclosure in his speech in New York tomorrow night. It is understood that he will make renewed declarations of his interest in international bimetalism. Secretary Gage's like statements in his Philadelphia speech last night are taken as the expression of a desire by the secretary to show the public that he and the president are in accord on the financial question.

IN THE HOUSE.

Washington, Jan. 26.—The house plunged into a discussion of the Indian appropriation bill today. Unlike the debate of the previous day, it adhered strictly to the text and ten pages of the bill were disposed of.

Reference to the threatened deficiency in the free delivery branch of the postal service, necessitating a curtailment of the carrier service in larger cities, led to a breezy discussion of that subject.

The conference report on the urgent deficiency bill was presented and agreed to. The senate amendments were in the main accepted by the house conference. The house at 5:45 o'clock adjourned.

TOM WATSON POPS UP.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 26.—There seems to be little doubt among the politicians of the candor of the Hon. Tom Watson for gov-



THOMAS E. WATSON.

ernor of Georgia by the populists. In all probability he will make the race with the

intention of strengthening himself as a populist candidate for president in 1900. Nearly all of the county delegations to the state populist convention, to be held here on the 16th of March, have already been elected, and with no exception they are in sympathy with Watson's gubernatorial aspirations.

THE NAVAL ACTIVITY.

Cruiser Brooklyn Ordered to Sail on Saturday.

New York, Jan. 26.—Owing to hurry orders from Washington, the cruiser Brooklyn will sail on Saturday to join the North Atlantic squadron, and not in two weeks as recently arranged. Work on the cruiser will now be continued night and day so that she may be ready to put to sea as ordered.

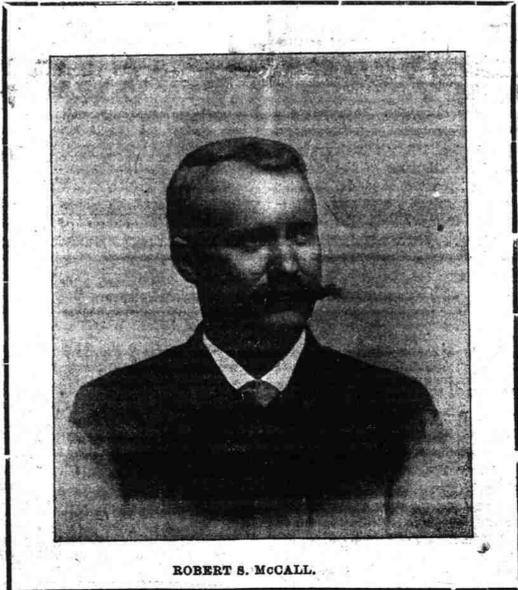
FOR H. G. EWART'S PLACE

MANY CANDIDATES FOR CRIMINAL COURT JUDGESHIP.

Contest Likely to be a Warm One and Must be Decided Soon—Men Most Prominently Mentioned.

The fight is on for H. G. Ewart's place as judge of the criminal circuit court, and the names of the aspirants are legion. Most prominently spoken of are Judge E. D. Carter, R. S. McCall, J. M. Moody and George H. Smathers. The governor has been requested to make no appointment until all the counties of the district have had a hearing. It will be necessary however for the governor to make the appointment within the next few days, as Judge Ewart's successor will very soon have to hold court in the district, the regular term for Buncombe convening the 26th of February.

R. S. McCall, who is now solicitor of the district, was interviewed yesterday and reiterated his statement that he was not a candidate for the place, but would accept it if appointed. Mr. McCall is, how-



ROBERT S. McCALL.

ever prominently spoken of for the judgeship. He is a native of McDowell county. He began the study of law at the state university and graduated in 1880. After obtaining license to practice, he located in Marion and followed his profession there until November, 1890, when he removed to Asheville, where he has since resided. Mr. McCall was appointed solicitor of this criminal district by Governor Russell under an act of the legislature of 1895, and elected by the people at the general election in 1896. He has given general satisfaction as a solicitor, and should be appointed judge, would no doubt fill that office with credit to himself and party.

Judge E. D. Carter is an open candidate for the judgeship, and his friends, both democrats and republicans, were active in his behalf yesterday. Petitions were circulated and signed by many citizens, among whom was a large percentage of the Asheville bar and the police force of the city. As a lawyer of ability, Mr. Carter is well known throughout the district. He began his education at Wofford college, South Carolina, where he stayed two years, and completed his studies at the university of this state in 1876. He then began the study of law under Col. Geo. N. Folk at Lenoir and was admitted to the bar in 1883. In June, 1889, he was elected solicitor of the criminal court of Buncombe county by the board of magistrates, serving six consecutive years. He is now police justice of the city, under appointment by the governor. As solicitor, Mr. Carter made an enviable reputation as a prosecuting officer.

James M. Moody of Haywood, who, it is said, is a candidate, is well known through out the district. He has represented it as senator and was for four years solicitor of this judicial district, which office he filled with credit to himself and satisfaction to the public.

George H. Smathers of Waynesville, another candidate, it is said, is one of the best known men in Western North Carolina. He has represented his county in the legislature, and is now one of the receivers of the Western Carolina bank. He is recognized as a good lawyer and as worthy as any man in the party of such an important place.

It is thought that P. A. Cummings is also

COUNTY BONDS DECLARED VOID

Decision by Judge Norwood at Waynesville.

There Was no Legal Authority for the Bond Issue.

As the County Had no Pecuniary Interest in the Road

At the Time the County Subscription Was Voted.

Question of the Regularity of the Passage of the Legislative Act Did not Enter into the Case—The Case Appealed.

The case involving the validity of the funding bonds issued by Buncombe county in 1896 in lieu of the bonds issued in 1875 to pay the county's subscription to the capital stock of the Spartanburg and Asheville railroad company was argued before Judge Norwood at Waynesville yesterday upon the motion of the plaintiffs, the board of county commissioners and T. C. Brown to continue the restraining order issued on December 29, 1897, until the final hearing.

The motion was argued by Judge A. C. Avery of Morganton and Mark W. Brown and Fred Moore for the plaintiffs and Judge E. D. Carter for W. R. Payne, county treasurer, the defendant. Judge Norwood held that the bonds in

from Washington. The party were met at the Baltimore and Ohio depot by Secretary Sherman and Assistant Secretary Adee. Mr. and Mrs. Dole and Secretary Sherman were driven to the Arlington Hotel in President McKinley's carriage, the other members of the party following.

The rooms in the Arlington known as the state apartments had been reserved for the Hawaiian president and his wife.

There was no military display attending the reception of the distinguished visitor, Mr. Dole having made a special request that all display be avoided. A large crowd, however, gathered at the station. A platoon of mounted police galloped after the carriages as the party were driven to the hotel, but there was no other escort. Within an hour after Mr. Dole reached the hotel, President McKinley made a call of ceremony.

CHAMPIONS ON THE ICE

GREAT SKATING CARNIVAL ON STATEN ISLAND

Some of the Cracks Who Will Take Part in the Contests That Begin Today—List of the Events.

New York, Jan. 26.—A great skating carnival at which some of the greatest skating champions of the United States and Canada will be present will be held tomorrow, Friday and Saturday at Silver Lake, Staten Island. During the carnival a contest for the national amateur skating championship of the United States and



MIDGET HIGGINS.

Canada will be held under the management of William H. Robertson. Among the skating champions who will participate in the races are Le Roy See, who recently defeated the Canadian crack skater, H. P. McDonald, at the Clermont rink of Brooklyn, in a half mile race. Ernest Higgins, of St. Johns, N. B., the boy wonder and midget, a prodigy on the ice, and Arthur G. Snezey, who is an expert in the execution of the Hudson river stroke.

Le Roy See, who defeated McDonald, the champion of Canada, is quite young to be such a fast skater. He undoubtedly has a great future before him as a skater if he keeps on increasing his speed.

The first skating championship in America was held in the winter of 1879, and was



LEROY SEE

won by George D. Phillips, now noted as a fancy skater. There were other champions at that time in the United States and one of the most popular was Joseph Donahue, who in his youth traveled through Norway, Germany, Holland and England, defeating the greatest champions of these countries in many hard-fought contests.

The special events of the coming carnival are as follows: 100 yards (scratch); 400 yards (championship), 880 yards (pursuit race), one mile (novice), 100 yards (scratch, final heat); one mile (championship), five miles (championship), two miles (handicap), ten miles (championship), boys' race, one mile (open to boys under sixteen years of age), and three miles (handicap). Silver prizes are to be given to those who come out first and second in the race.

CHAPEL HILL OFFICERS.

Chapel Hill, Jan. 26.—Edmund Vogler Patterson, chief marshal, elected last Saturday, has chosen as his assistants the following, all of whom are from his college class: Messrs. R. G. Kittrell, of Vance; Thomas Hume, Jr., of Orange; J. D. Grimes, of Pitt; John E. Carr, of Durham; J. K. Dotter, of Edgecombe, and F. M. Osborne, of Mecklenburg.

WHY BLANCO LEFT HAVANA

To Seek a Conference With Gen. Gomez.

The Cuban Commander Warns His Government.

Havana Populace Still Greatly Interested in the Maine.

A German War Ship Saluted by Morro Castle.

Engagements Between Spanish Troops and Insurgents—Araguren Sacks and Burns a Town.

Havana, Jan. 26.—The news is confirmed that Gen. Blanco left Havana in order to confer with Gen. Gomez. The Cubans received the news today that Gomez, having heard of Blanco's coming to see him, crossed the trocha in spite of its guards, and went to Camaguey to consult with the Cuban government. Gomez intends to warn the government that the Spaniards are now evidently bent upon offering bribes to Cuban leaders.

The step Gomez has taken is the last thing Blanco wanted him to do, and amounts in advance to a complete failure of the captain general's undertaking.

While Capt. Sigbee was making his official call to Consul General Lee yesterday, the guard of the order publico which the consulate has constantly around it, was reinforced with six men, but they were unnecessary as a very few saw the captain come. When he left he took a carriage with one of the employees of the consulate.

The wharves were crowded all day with admirers and non-admirers of the Maine who had a chance to make comparisons unfavorable to the Spanish navy as the Alfonso XII was close to the American war ship.

All news and details that come from the country prove the great efforts the Spaniards are making to turn every occurrence or engagement into a decisive victory. The reported Spanish victory of Gen. Castellanos at Puerto Principe proves to have been a defeat as even the Spaniards might infer if they read the account in "La Lucha" yesterday which differs from the official report.

At this moment the guns at the fort La Cabana are saluting the German warship Charlotte that has entered the bay.

Col. Araguren entered Tapasca last night, sacked the stores and burned the place. The Spanish commander, Molina, has had severe engagements with insurgents at Caimanera.

SPANISH WARSHIPS COMING.

Madrid, Jan. 26.—The cabinet has decided to send the battleship Vizcaya to pay a friendly visit to American ports.

MEETING OF UNIVERSITY TRUSTEES.

Raleigh, Jan. 26.—The trustees of the university of North Carolina will hold their annual meeting at the executive office tomorrow.

NORTH CAROLINA GEMS.

The rare beauties of nature, so well represented in Western North Carolina, are becoming better known every day as people who are better educated in the formation and utility of minerals have from time to time shown their appreciation of these Gems by using them in all kinds of adornment.

We have decided to close out some of these gems and offer them at prices that should make them all sell in a very few days.

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- One lot of 40 gems at 50 cents each.
- One lot of 169 gems at 75 cents each.
- One lot of 40 gems at \$1.00 each.
- One lot of 32 gems at \$1.25 each.—Sold.
- One lot of 5 gems at \$1.50 each.
- One lot of 3 gems at \$2.00 each.—Sold.
- One lot of 5 gems at \$2.50 each.—Sold.
- One lot of 3 gems at \$4.00 each.
- One gem for \$6.00.

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