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SENATE AND HOUSE.

OVERLOADING OF BUILDINGS DISCUSSED.

SPEECHES ON THE SILVER ISSUE.

Mr. Bryan of Nebraska Attacks the President's Message in Vigorous Terms - His Recommendations Denounced - Addresses for and Against Bimetallism - Capital News.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—The morning hour in the senate, after the introduction of bills, was largely occupied by a discussion as to the overloading of government buildings in Washington with public books and documents.

At the close of the morning hour notice was given by Mr. Voorhees that he would not ask action to-day on the bill to allow national banks to increase their circulation to the par value of the bonds deposited by them.

Mr. Berry, Democrat, Arkansas, then addressed the senate in advocacy of the double standard of gold and silver.

Discussion in the House. WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—After adopting a resolution calling on the secretary of the treasury for information respecting silver purchases, the house to-day resumed the debate on the Wilson bill.

Mr. Coombs of New York, followed. While speaking for the repeal of the purchasing clause of the Sherman act, he referred to notes and thereby broke the natural flow of his eloquence.

Mr. Bryan, Democrat, of Nebraska, attacked the president's message in vigorous terms. The recommendations of the president meant the burial of silver with no promise of resurrection.

After Postmaster Nofsinger. WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—Postmaster General Bissell to-day took up the long neglected report of the three inspectors, two of them being Republicans, who examined the Kansas City postoffice.

Missouri Appointments. WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—Missourians in Washington look upon Senator Vest's attack on the administration's financial policy as being equivalent to the death blow to Joe Finck's aspirations for the office of collector of revenue in Devol's place.

Wants to Succeed Blount. WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—Frederick A. Job, a young lawyer of Chicago is here seeking to become minister to Hawaii, to succeed Mr. Blount. He comes with

strong letters to high administration officers. It is understood that he will have the support of Senator Palmer. There is considerable doubt expressed, however, by those familiar with the delicate and important questions now pending between this country and Hawaii as to the likelihood of Mr. Cleveland selecting a young and inexperienced man.

Silver Offers All Too High. WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—The amount of silver offered for sale to the treasury to-day aggregated 300,000 ounces, at prices ranging from seventy-three cents to seventy-four cents per ounce, all of which was declined and \$726c tendered.

Lost to Kansans. WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—Yesterday half of the places in the government inspection department at the Kansas City packing houses, formerly held by Kansans, were filed by Secretary Morton at Congressman Tarney's request by Kansas Cityans.

To Refund the Pacific Debt. WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—Mr. Frye to-day introduced in the senate the bill from the last congress providing for the refunding of the Pacific railroad debt.

Morning Blaze at Geneva. GENEVA, Neb., Aug. 17.—Yesterday morning about 5 o'clock the alarm of fire was sounded from engine house No. 1, calling the boys to one of the largest fires that has occurred here in many years. The building in which the fire occurred was a large two-story frame double store room.

Evidently Fool Play. THEFORD, Neb., Aug. 17.—G. I. Gibson, a hunter, came to town to-day and reported to the sheriff that Tuesday while out in the hills hunting he came across a cart, harness, camping outfit and a gun, but could not find any trace of men or horses.

Killed in a Thresher. ORD, Neb., Aug. 17.—Charles Peters, a young man living about ten miles above here, met with a frightful accident Tuesday which caused his death. He was working with a threshing machine and was standing at the separator of the machine feeding.

Suffered Serious Injuries. PONCA, Neb., Aug. 17.—A seventeen-year-old son of John Enders, living three miles south of here, was badly injured a few days ago while driving across his father's field.

Fewnee County Teachers. PAWNEE CITY, Neb., Aug. 17.—County Superintendent Brown called the institute to order, with eighty teachers enrolled. The instructors are superintendent C. J. Pearson, Deafless; Superintendent W. K. Fowler, jr., Scribner; and Professor H. M. Brayton of this city.

MR. VEST ON SILVER.

THE MISSOURI SENATOR ITS HOT CHAMPION.

His Friendship for Cleveland.

He Parts With the Administration on Its Financial Stand, and Declares That the Unconditional Repeal of the Sherman Law is Impossible - Bimetallism in the French Republic.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—Before beginning his speech yesterday in the senate on the silver issue Mr. Vest had read the declarations in the Republican and Democratic platforms on the subject of silver in order to show that both parties were practically agreed on that question.

He had been known as the firm and unshrinking friend of the president of the United States and had in all his campaign speeches in Missouri declared Mr. Cleveland to be a bimetallist like himself, and that they only differed in reference to the ratio. He had the right to make that statement, because Mr. Cleveland had accepted the nomination on a platform which pledged the Democratic party to bimetallism.

In replying to questions by Mr. Gray of Delaware Mr. Vest asserted that any discussion on the subject would be imperfect and unsatisfactory which did not admit, on both sides, what was known to every intelligent man, that if the volume of money was increased the prices of commodities were increased.

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Mr. Palmer, Democrat, of Illinois—Would the repeal of the Sherman act bring the country to a gold standard? Mr. Vest—I think it would. If the Sherman act be repealed not another silver dollar will be coined in this country.

Mr. Palmer—How does the Sherman act aid free coinage? Mr. Vest—I don't think that it does aid free coinage.

Mr. Palmer—Then why not repeal it? Mr. Vest—I am willing to have it repealed but I do not want its repeal made a stalking horse for monometallism.

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NEWS NOTES. A company of men is searching for supposed buried treasure near Warrensburg, Mo.

The tailors of Springfield, Mo., ordered the wages reduced ten per cent. The journeymen struck.

The arrest of a tramp at Logansport, Ind., disclosed the existence of a thorough organization of thieves.

The Forsyth milling company's large mill and elevator at Bowen's Mills, Mo., have been burned to the ground.

Professor C. A. Boyle of Ottawa university has been elected professor of music at the Kansas State normal school.

One of the Conrad boys was shot and killed from a ambush while moving his household goods across the Ohio into Kentucky.

Lon Walter was appointed postmaster at Corning, Holt county, Mo., and W. H. Falls at Mission, Lincoln county, Oklahoma.

The New Orleans bureau of freight and transportation has taken up the project of Governor Lewelling for a Gulf route to Europe.

The lines in the Western Passenger association will try a week of straight one-fare-round-trip rates to the world's fair in the near future.

Governor Tillman of South Carolina has applied to have the sobriquet of that state, "Palmetto," registered as a trade mark for dispensary liquors.

Criminal proceedings will be begun against President Darragh and Cashier Sattley of the suspended Kansas City Safe Deposit and Savings bank.

The Missouri synod of the Cumberland Presbyterian church is in session at Pertie Springs. The Rev. H. D. Kennedy of Hunceton is moderator.

Clarence M. Dow, son of a Denver millionaire, has surrendered at Fort Sam Houston, where he is now held on charge of desertion from the army.

The Union National bank of Racine, Wis., has closed its doors. The capital stock is \$150,000 and the total resources \$695,000. The individual deposits are \$243,000.

The copper mines at Copperopolis, Cal., have closed down, throwing 200 men out of employment. The mines are owned by Frederick Ames of the Union Pacific road.

The Fort Scott Bond Investment company threatens to sue Secretary of State Osborn for damaging its good name by issuing addresses denouncing bond investment companies.

A Russian sailing boat was wrecked by a storm in the Baltic off Rapsal and many boats went down. Seventeen men are known to have been drowned and many others are missing.

Church Dedicated. BOON, Neb., Aug. 17.—The new M. E. church at Denton will be dedicated next Sunday, August 20. Rev. E. Smith of Philadelphia will preach the dedicatory sermon.