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SLANDEROUS, INSANE AND VIRILE ATTACK AIMED AT ROOSEVELT

RECALL MAY WHIP CHAMBERLAIN FOES

POLITICAL POWERS GATHERING AT SALEM FOR FRAY

BOTH HOUSES RECONVENE TODAY AND CONSIDER

ROUTINE LEGISLATION DURING SESSIONS.

U'Ren to Be at Salem Loaded With Recall Petitions If Statement One Pledgees Are Violated Tomorrow—In the Event Promises Are Broken, Legislators Will Be Given Chance to Resign—If Not Averted of Elections Will Be Held, Provided Sufficient Signers Are Found—Things Warming Up at the State House.

Salem, Jan. 18.—Should any member of the legislature repudiate his pledge to vote for Chamberlain, the recall will be put in operation without an hour's notice. This announcement was made today by W. S. U'Ren and other men who are on the side of the people. U'Ren, who is expected here today or tomorrow, is declared to have recall petitions ready for circulation Wednesday, the day after the senatorial vote is taken. In the event any legislator breaks his promise, the petitions will be filed after 25 per cent of the electors have signed them. If any member against whom the recall is directed, fails to resign within five days afterward, an election will be held in his district.

2 o'clock this afternoon, the 12 senate bills vetoed by the governor at the last session, were the special order. Four provide for agricultural societies be organized as the First, Third, Seventh and Eastern Oregon districts. Another bill vetoed was that of Senator Beach, for the use of voting machines.

McArthur Forgets Faction Lines. Speaker McArthur, announced his committees in the house when the house reconvened this afternoon. It is evident that McArthur, in making his appointments, paid little attention to statement or anti-statement affiliations. Twenty chairmanships out of 42 standing committees go to anti-statement republicans and the remain-

Senate Convenes Again. When the senate had reconvened at

FIRST-CLASS NEWS SERVICE

The Observer will cover the vote at the state house in Salem tomorrow noon in such a way that the time consumed in transmitting each ballot—if there are more than one—will only be the time lost in conveying the news to the public. Should the joint session fail to cast a majority vote on the first ballot, each vote will be bulletined at the Newlin drug store corner. In the regular issue, The Observer will convey an exhaustive idea of the progress of the fight, or the election, if one becomes a reality.

Willamette Still Rising. Salem, Jan. 18.—The Willamette river is still rising. Shortly before noon today it stood 13 feet high. However, there is little danger of a flood, as the river could raise nine feet more without causing trouble.

FLOOD WATERS NOT ALARMING

CHINOOK WINDS DID NOT REACH HIGH ALTITUDE.

Visitors Up the River Affirm That There is Little Danger of Floods at This Time—Increase in Volume of River Mostly Below the City—New Work on County Road is Not Menaced—O. R. & N. Traffic Fully Relieved Again.

Peculiarly enough, the sudden thaw and Chinook winds of last week have not had a tendency of causing a dangerous rise in the Grande Ronde river.

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C. TAFT CALLED BEFORE JURY

TAFT AND ROBINSON REALLY BEHIND THE INVESTIGATION.

Investigation of Panama Canal Scandal, Which Actuated Charges of Libel Against New York World by Roosevelt, is Now Well Under Way—Brother of the President-Elect Before Grand Jury—Government Ostensibly Doing Work.

Washington, Jan. 18.—Charles Taft, brother of president-elect W. H. Taft, arrived here today in response to summons to appear before the grand jury in the investigation of charges made by the New York World in connection with the purchase of the Panama canal property.

While the government is ostensibly behind the prosecution, it is generally believed here that Taft and Douglas Robinson, the latter Roosevelt's brother-in-law, are the real prosecutors.

If found guilty of libel, the paper is subject, under the District of Columbia law, to a fine not to exceed \$1000, or a jail sentence of five years, or both.

There is a strong possibility that Roosevelt's African hunting trip will be called off temporarily, as a result of the Panama canal investigation by the grand jury. Douglas Robinson, his brother-in-law, conferred with the president today. He said if the indictments were returned in the libel

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DECRIES PRESIDENT IN EVERY PUBLIC OFFICE HE HAS HELD

NEW YORK REPRESENTATIVE CALLS EXECUTIVE WATERSPOUT, TYRANT, PIGMY AND DESCENDANT OF THE DUTCH TRADERS.

President Roosevelt Subject of Scurrilous Attack From Representative Willette of New York, on House Floor—Points Out How Roosevelt Gained the Uppermost Run of Success by Streaks of Luck and Flukes—Mentions Roosevelt's Name But Once Though His Theme Discloses Subject of Slanderous Attack.

Washington, Jan. 18.—One of the most vitriolic attacks ever directed against President Roosevelt was made today on the floor of the house by Representative Willette of New York. His theme was the "Passing of Roosevelt." Aside from this he did not use the president's name. He called him a waterspout, a tyrant, a pigmy descendant of the Dutch traders people, a fountain of billingsgate, an imitation king and a bogus hero. He declared the president makes everybody laugh. He declared the president saved the war at San Juan Hill and Cuba by colored troops. He denounced him as assistant secretary of the navy and said Roosevelt's election as governor of New York was a fluke.

Victorious Through Luck. Willette said: "He (Roosevelt) was the signer of an insubordinate round robin which any dignified war department would have punished by a summary court martial. He was candidate for governor of New York and became victorious through a fluke, when the false halo of San Juan Hill victory was above his head. He became president through the assassination of McKinley. As the last crowning piece of luck he was nominee for president when all the aggressive elements of the

opposition desired their own candidate be defeated. He is a mammoth jocularity that has a laugh with every appearance. This gargoye was funny from the hour it left its native quarry."

Only to Be Laughed at. Willette continued: "He sees things having a bad smell, but the fresh breeze sweeping the capitol hill will not permit the odor to remain. He tries our patience; he's always good to laugh at. Thank heaven for things that make us laugh; without them we might become raw and untamed Anglo-Saxons. He never outgrew his cowboy habits of younger days."

"As commissioner of peace in New York city he scared members of the force by his Sherlock Holmes exits and entrances. As assistant secretary of the navy he knifed a high-minded chief in the back, but as warrior in Cuba he saved San Juan Hill by his colored soldiers."

House Upholds President. The attack by Willet was so bitter that the house refused to listen to it. He had proceeded with most of it, when, on point of order, by a vote of 126 to 78, refused to permit him to continue.

MOYER WAS JUSTLY IMPRISONED

Washington, D. C., Jan. 18.—The president of the Western Federation of Miners, in his appeal for damages against former Governor Peabody of Colorado, General Sherman Bell and Captain Bulkley Wells for illegal imprisonment. The judgment of the circuit court was affirmed.

Golden Eagles Celebrate. Charleston, W. Va., Jan. 18.—At a

Twenty-two years of growth and progress were celebrated today by the leading newspapers of West Virginia, Ocean Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle, assisted by knights from many other castles in New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

You Needn't Have Chaps

You can get along without Newlin's Culem Cure Cream, but you will not after you have once tried it. It is a lotion that makes chapped or roughened skin unnecessary. Cures Chaps in one night. Soothes and refreshes from the moment it is applied. Daintily perfumed; no grease or or stickness, as it is almost instantly absorbed. Your money back if the lotion fails to please.

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CLEANING HOUSE

Our January Sale is drawing to a close. We are making Special Heavy reductions on the remaining winter goods. Here are a few of the bargains gathered from each department.

LADIES' SUITS	MEN'S SUITS	EN'S SHOES
Closing out at HALF price. Ladies' Hats, closing out at LESS THAN ONE-HALF price. Ladies' Skirts at a GREAT SAVING.	Do you need a Suit? This is the time. A large assortment at HALF PRICE.	At Junky Prices. \$5.00 Shoes, sale\$3.45 \$3.50 Shoes, sale\$2.68 \$3.00 Shoes, sale\$1.98
LADIES' FELT Line Shoes\$1.39 Childrens— Wool Hoods25c Wool Toques29c Wool Gloves19c Wool Scarfs38c Misses— Outing Skirts38c Misses' Coats HALF PRICE.	LADIES' WAISTS A New Line to Select From. \$1.50 Waists at79c \$2.50 Waists at\$1.19 \$6.50 assorted Wool Waists at\$2.98 \$7.50 assorted Silk Waists at\$4.25	WHAT MEN WANT Home made wool Sox45c Good quality Night Shirts89c Heavy work Shirts89c Warm Mitts22c Winter Caps29c Wool Underwear89c Dress Shirts49c
LADIES' BARGAINS Wool Hose18c Wool Gloves29c Wool Underskirts\$1.15 \$1.00 Wool Scarfs38c	BLANKETS Large ten quarter blankets 79c Oregon Wool Blankets \$5.39	RUBBER GOODS Men's Rubbers50c Boys' Rubbers, Roolege .49c Special prices on— Slickers Boots, Overshoes, and Rubber Coats.
SEE OUR REMNANT DEPARTMENT It will save you money		
THE FAIR STORE		

BLACK HANDERS SHOT BY POLICE

OFFICERS IN AMBUSH WHEN EX-TORTIONETT CALL FOR BOOTY

Washington, Pa., Jan. 18.—In a battle between the state police and the Black Hand early today, two Black Handers were fatally shot, nine captured, and bloodhounds put on the trail of the others. The Black Handers appeared to get \$2000 blackmail money from a wealthy woman, ordered left by the band.

The woman immediately notified the police who laid a trap for the gang. Officers laid in ambush and when the band appeared, they opened fire. On account of the suddenness of the attack the gang was unable to offer resistance.