Service Investigation

SLAP AT

President Says He Wasn't Try-

ing to Impugn Congressi-

onal Motives

**ARGUES FOR REPEAL OF LAW** 

Language in Annual Communication

Called Objectionable by Represen-

tatives Will Stand Analysis, De-

clares Chief Executive -- Makes a

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4-In a special

message to the house of representa-

tives today President Roosevelt says:

I have received the resolution of the

house of representatives of Dec. 17,

1908, running as follow's: Whereas, There was contained in the mandri olvil appropriation bill which passed congreges at its last session and be-sense a law a provision in reference to the imployment of the secret service in the research of the secret service in the research of the United States to the two houses of congress it was stated in reference to that provision, "It is not too much to may that this amendment has been of benefit only and could be of bene-fit only to the criminal classes," and it was further stated, "The chief argument in favor of the provision was that the too considered desirable a special excep-ion could be made in the law prohibiting the use of the secret service force in in-vestigating members of congress." It

To the House of Representatives;

1908, running as follows: -

Carl Jos PTE

Complete Reply.

IN A SPECIAL MESSAGE

Deals With the Secret of my words is that "the majority of

HOUSE

Portion of Message Quoted.

In the third and fourth clauses of the

reamble it is stated that the meaning

the congressmen are in fear of being investigated by secret service men,"

and that "congress as a whole was ac-tuated by that motive in enacting the provision in question," and that this is an impeachment of the bonor and

Integrity of the congress. These state-

nents are not, I think, in accordance

with the facts. The portion of my message referred to runs as follows:



# Chinese Matters Show no Change in Past Forty-eight Hours. PEKIN, Jan. 4 .- Two days have

passed since the dismissal from office of Yuan Shi Kai as national councillor and it is still impossible to determine the future course of the Chinese government or its inner composition. The palace continues to be in an enig- Congress Votes \$800,ma. Trustworthy circumstantial reports exonerate Chinese members of

**000 For Stricken Italy** the grand council from any complicity in the dismissal of Yuan Shi Kai. It is understood the decree of dismissal was unexpectedly laid, signed, and the seal laid before the astonished TO BE SIGNED TODAY councilmen. At the same time the discussion of it was forbidden.

Await Declaration. BERLIN, Jan. 4 .- According to information of the foreign office from Pekin, the diplomatic representatives at the Chinese capital are not sure that the fall of Yuan Shi Kai means that the government has decided to embark on an anti-foreign policy. The powers expect any day a declara-

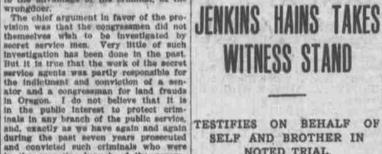
tion from the Chinese government reviewing the previous obligations for the protection of foreigners and if this is given they see no ground in interfering with the internal affairs of the Celestial kingdom.

## WILL BUILD MANSION.

with the facts. The portion of my message referred to runs as follows: Last year an amendment was incor-porated in the measure providing for the secret service which provided that there should be no detail from the secret serv-ice and no transfer thereform. It is not too much to say that this amendment has hem of benefit only and could be of bene-ft only to the erifmand clauses. If delth-erately introduced for the purpose of di-miniming the effectiveness of war against arime it could not have been better de-vised to this end. It forbade the prac-tices that had been followed to a greater by less extent by the executive heads of various departments for twenty years. To these practices we over the securing of the evidence which enabled us to drive great lotteries out of business and secure a quarter of a million of dollars in fines from their promoters. These practices have enabled us to discover some of the most outrageous frauds in connection with the theft of government land and government infiner by great corporations and by individuals. These practices have enabled us to generating he viola-four of the wealthiest and meet formida-bie originals with whom the government has to deal, both those operating he viola-fon of the anti-trust law and others. The amendment in question was of benefit to no one excepting to these criminals, and it seriously haupers the government in the detection of crime and the securing of justics. Aboreover, it no only affects de-partments outside of the treasury, but it WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 .- An apropriation of \$400,000 is made for the purchase or erection of a buildthe detection of crime and the securing of justice. Moreover, is not only affects de-pariments outside of the treasury, but it treads to hamper the secretary of the treasury himself in the effort to utilize the employees of his department as as to best meet the requirements of the public service. It forbids him from preventing frauds upon the customs service, from in-ventigating irregularities in branch minus and asmay offices and has seriously crip-pled him. It prevents the promotion of employees in the secret service, and this further discourages good effort. In its present form the restriction operates only to the advantage of the eminual, of the wrongdoer. passed the Senate today.

MINES MAKE RICH OUTPUT. RENO, Nev., Jan. 4 .- A special not delay congressional action. from Tonopah says the mines of Tonopah drilled during 1908 a total of 241,296 tons of ore with a value con-

servatively estimated at \$6,338,980.



SELF AND BROTHER IN NOTED TRIAL.

privilege, believing such would recog- mittee on credentials, consisting of nize an injury received. He intimat- Councilmen Henderson, Hansen and ed his comments would be straight Robinson, and while they were makto the point. **President Recommended Half Million But Congress Votes** AMERICAN GUNBOAT ARRIVES was taken. \$300,000 Better

reply.

ber of Congress."

CANTON, Jan. 4. - The American gunboat Helena arrived here today in consequence of the anti-foreign move-CHARITY WITH LAVISH HAND ment and the excitement among the natives as a result of a Portuguese seaman on the British steamer Fatshan having kicked a coolie to death.

STRAIGHT TO THE POINT.

dent's Message in the House.

ch Will be the Comments of Presi-

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4-Members

of the House mentioned in the Presi-

dent's message on the secret service

have declined to make any public

the mention of his name, but would Hansen, Karinen, Kaboth.

earnest.

Italian Minister States That Fleet The viceroy practically suppressed Will Not Get to Messina in Time the movement against the foreigners to be of Much Benefit and Sailing by threatening to behead certain leaders.

### MORE CONDEMNATION.

DENVER, Jan. 4.-The Denver WASHINGTON, Jan. 4. - With practically no opposition, the Senate Building Trades Council yesterday ing in Paris for a residence for the today passed the house bill appro- unanimously adopted a resolution American ambassador there by a bill priating \$800,000 to aid the Italian condemning the decision of Justice earthquake sufferers. Senator Bailey, Wright in the supreme court of the of Texas, declared such appropria- District of Columbia inflicting jail tions unconstitutional but he would sentences on President Gompers, John Mitchell, Vice-President and Secretary Morrison of the American Federation of Labor. Short Session of Congress.

> WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 .- After a session of little over an hour the the memory of Representative Davy, FIRE of Louisiana, who died during the re-**BIG SHINGLE MILL** cess. Several messages from the President on many subjects were read. Most important was the request for aid of the Italian earthquake sufferers, and one responding to a resolution asking

for information as to what the Presi- ONE MAN BURNED TO DEATH AND OTHERS HAVE A NARROW ESCAPE.

At 12:10 o'clock, a few minutes af-"I have no comment to make at ter the time prescribed for the meet-

Astorian.

COVERS THE MORNING FIELDON THE COLUMBIA

this time," said Fitzgerald. "Whatever ing, Mayor Wise called the old coun-New omment I desire to make will be cil in session yesterday afternoon from my place on the floor as a mem- The roll call showed that all of the old members were present, as fol-Walter I. Smith, of Iowa, said he lows: Belland, Stangeland, Leinen-

Administration is

PRICE FIVE CENTS

ing examination of the credentials of Authority of the City is Turned the incoming council, a short receas Over to Mayor

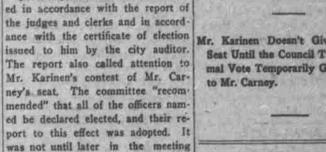
> OF CONTEST UP OUESTION

> > Mr. Karinen Doesn't Give Up His Seat Until the Council Takes a Bormal Vote Temporarily Giving Place to Mr. Carney.

that the question of the Carney- and more comprehensive than stated Karinen contest was taken up in by Mr. Prael; and that if carried, as written, it might be construed as a

Following this Mayor Wise read final adjudication of the whole matan address, which is given elsewhere ter, and would sent Mr. Carney finally.

in this paper. Mr. Karinen arose at this point and Then, at the suggestion of Mayor Wise, the outgoing councilmen- es- said he would like to say a word. He corted their successors to their seats; said he didn't want the office unless Hansen escorting Prael, Rohinson es- he was really entitled thereto, and corting Fox, Logan escorting Curtis, that he believed he had proofs of errors and mistakes which would Henderson escorting Wilson. Dr. Henderson and Dr. Logan then give him the office in the event a escorted Mayor Smith to the chair, recount was had. He only asked where he was greeted by Mr. Wise fair play, he said. But meantime Mr. and given the gavel and city charter, Karinen, though his opponent was and in a few well chosen words declared elected by the clerks and Mr. Wise handed over the office, judges and had his title of election, Mr. Smith said it was a pleasure to still kept his seat. Mr. Karinen parttake the office, and complimented Mr. ly explained this by stating that just Wise upon his clean administration, before the meeting he had asked Mayor Smith then read his address Mayor Smith if he should retain his which was closely listened to, and it seat. He did not state Mayor Smith's seemed to manifest an alert and in- reply, though leaving it to be under-



Upon the return of the committee Smith their report was read by the city auditor, and all of the new councilmen were declared elected, a special report being made on the election of F. J. Carney, who was declared elect-

Now in Charge would make a speech in reference to weber, Robinson, Henderson, Logan, **CHANGE MADE AT NOON** not raise to the question of personal The mayor first appointed a com-

Whoreas, Your committee appointed to Whereas, Your committee appointee to consider these statements of the presi-dest and to report to the house cannot find in the hearings before committees nor in the records of the house or sen-ate any justification of this impeach-ment of the honor and integrity of the comment and

ment of the honor and integrity of the congress; and, Whereas, Your committee would prefer in order to make an intelligent and com-prehensive report, just to the president as well as to the congress, to have all the information which the president may have to communicate; now, therefore. Be it resolved, Thint the president be requested to transmit to the house any evidence upon which he based his state-ments that the "thief argument in favor of the provision was that the congress-men did not themselves wish to be in-vestigated by secret service men" and vestigated by secret service men" and also to transmit to the house any evi-dence connecting any member of the house of representatives of the Sixiloth gengress with corrupt action in his offi-cial capacity and to inform the house whether he has instituted proceedings for the punishment of any such individual by the courts or has reported any such alleged delinquencies to the house of rep-PROPERTY LINES

"I Cannot Understand Resolution."

I am wholly at a loss to understand the concluding portion of the resolution. I have made no charges of corruption against congress nor against any member of the present house. If I had proof of such corruption affecting any member of the house in any matter as to which the federal government has jurisdiction, action would at once be brought, as was done in the cases of Senators Mitchell and Burton and Representatives Williamson, Herrmann and Driggs at different times I have been president. This not regard it as within the province or the duties of the president to report to the house "alleged delinquencies" of members or the supposed "corrupt action" of a member "in his official ca-The membership of the pacity." house is by the constitution placed within the power of the house alone. In the prosecution of criminals and the enforcement of the laws the president must resort to the courts of the United tween those public servants who serve shoot. States.

the use of the secret service force in in-vestigating members of congress." it would be far better to do this than to do what actually was done and strive to prevent or at least to hamper effective branch of the government; and. Whereas, The plain meaning of the obove words is that the majority of the congress as a whole was actualed by that motive in ensoting the provision in gues-tion; and. Whereas, Your committee appointed to in the legislative branch. But if this is not considered desirable a special excep-tion could be made in the law prohibit-ing the use of the secret service force in SHOWS do what actually was done and strive to prevent or at least to hamper effective action against criminals by the executive branch of the government.

wrongdoer. The chief argument in favor of the pro-

Asks Careful Reading of Message.

A careful reading of this message will show that I said nothing to warrant the statement that "the majority of the congressmen were in fear of being investigated by the secret service men" or "that congress as a whole was actuated by that motive." I did not make any such statement in this message. Moreover, I have never made witness stand in his own defense a whole nor, with a few inevitable exways not only deprecated, but vigor- jugal troubles of Captain Peter C. to several Italian ports will be anously resented, the practice of indis- Hains, Jr., that counsel asserts caused nulled under the circumstances. criminate attack upon congress and the mental unbalancing of the army congressmen, wise and unwise, fit and officer and led to the killing of Annia. unfit, good and had allke. No one real- When the court adjourned Hains' diines more than I the importance of rect examination had not been con- Senate today January 14 was desigco-operation between the executive cluded and he will likely be an wit- nated for the consideration of the lack of water pressure and when a right to vote, and it was then obthority and dignity of the congress of the story in snappy crisp sentences, propriations of \$2,300,000. the United States in higher respect than I do. I have not the slightest No signs of nervousness was manifest sympathy with the practice of judging and at times he dramatically illustratmen for good or for ill not on their ed his brother's expressions and apseveral merits, but in a mass, as members of one particular body or one caste. To put together all men holding or who have held a particular office, his brother was armed and did not whether it be the office of president or judge or senator or member of the know Annis was at the yacht club. house of representatives, and to class He told the jury that all the shots had San Jose which salled today for Cendividual differences, as good or had execution and enforcement of the laws It is equally indefenable whether the brother from John Tonning, the boat- view of the reports of another revoluwithout respect to persons. But 1 do good are confounded with the bad in man and from club members, whom, tion that threatens Salvador. a heated and unwarranted champion- he said, he thought would harm the ship of all or in a heated and unwarcaptain. Hains denied he pointed his ranted assault upon all. I would nelrevolver at Mrs. Annis. Defendant ther attack nor defend all executive officers in a mass, whether presidents, governors, cubinet officers or officials Captain Hains fired, and when Chas, ial to the Record from Lewiston, of lower rank, nor would I attack or Roberts, a club member, picked up Mont., says that in a battle between defend all legislative officers in a mass. the revolver and pointed the muzzle Deputy Sheriff Al Morgan and John The safety of free government rests of the weapon at him, he drew his Pflager in Snowy Mountain district,

the message returned to the Presi-NO NERVOUSNESS dent. The motion was later with-

drawn. The President's signature was not affixed to the bill appropriating money for the relief of the earth-

Program May be Changed.

Says he Went to Look After Real quake sufferers as it did not reach Estate and Had no Idea Brother him today, but will sign it tomorrow. Was Armed and Did Not Know Its passage brought forth great applause. Annis Was at Yacht Club.

### Too Late to Assist. WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.-The

dent meant in his annual message in

the matter of the secret service. Eight

hundred thousand dollars was unani-

mously voted for the earthquake vic-

prime minister of Italy believes that FLUSHING, Jan. 4 .- Taking the the American battleship fleet will arthan four hours today related with to be of much assistance, conferences

# Will Consider Claims Bill.

# ANOTHER DISTURBANCE.

Republican of Salvador constitutes a large part of the cargo of the steamer rushed to the float to protect his ment considered very significant in

### GETS HIS MAN.

stated he had no idea how many shots HELENA, Mont., Jan. 4 .- A speceveryday clitzen to discriminate he- own revolver and told Roberts not to the latter was killed. Morgan pursuing Pflager for seven days.

tims. The secret service matter, after Griggs of Georgia had moved to have LOSS ALMOST HALF MILLION

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any such statement about congress as of Thornton Jenkins Hains for more rive at the scene of disaster too late mill in the world, burned tonight. The with fearful rapidity before a fierce several years. wind. Automatic sprinklers checked While the vote was being taken

> property was owned by Michael had his certificate of election. Then be re-built.

will not meet Al Kaufman before the seat him; later, if Mr. Karinen suc- candidates for the council.

the purse before a Seattle Club.

## MONTANA HAS BLIZZARD.

seated.

written motion was slightly stronger

blizzard is raging here.

telligent comprehension of the mu- stood by implication that he was to nicipality's affairs and needs. Out- stay where he was with the consent side of one or two little flings at of the new mayor, pending some dehis opponents, the address is appar- cision by the council.

ently an able and very interesting By this time there had been much one, and will well repay a close study discussion, and the real issue was more or less clouded, and Attorney

Mayor Smith spoke of the possi- G. C. Fulton, who was present apbility of renewing the seawall bill parently in the interests of Mr. Carwith its "objectionable features" re- ney, arose and said in effect:

moved, and made various other rec-"The proposition is as plain as 2x2 ommendations of interest. He also equals 4. Mr. Carney was duly de-BELLINGHAM, Wash., Jan. 4 -- called attention to the presumed clared elected by the judges and The plant of the Puget Sound Mills & doubt as to the legality of the Port clerks of the election, and he was Timber Company, the biggest shingle of Astoria bill, owing to a technical- duly given his certificate of election. ity in its publication.

A resolution was then introduced seat and are compelled to seat him. loss is \$415,000; insurance, \$150,000. by Councilman Belland making the Then if a recount arises, and it is speech. On the contrary, I have al- shooting of Annis an end of the conpersons had narrow escapes. The firs meeting nights thus being fixed at But meantime he is the rightfully started from a hot box and spread the same times as during the past elected councilman and is entitled to his seat."

> This proposition seemed so plain WASHINGTON, Jan. 4. - In the the fire for a time, but the fire depart- on this resolution, which carried, the that there didn't seem the slightest ment was hampered in its fight by question arose as to Mr. Karinen's doubt of its correctness.

Councilman Belland arose and and congress, and no one holds the au-hess stand all day tomorrow. He told omnibus claims bill which carries ap-good supply was secured it was too served that he was still seated in his said he was of the same opinion as late to check the flames. The firemen official chair. Naturally this seemed Attorney Fulton, and he also wanted worked frantically and saved much very strange, inasmuch as Mr. Car- to know if Mr. Karinen had taken valuable adjoining property. The mill ney had been declared elected, and the proper steps to call for a recount. The city attorney, Mr. Aber-Earles of Seattle and Thomas Earles the whole matter was precipitated, crombie, replied to this by stating estate on August 15 he had no idea hundred cases of ammunition for the upon his opponent, as required by hour.

Councilman Prael arose and stated the state law. The city attorney that since Mr. Carney had been de- stated that the procedure laid down them all, without regard to their in- been fired by Captain Hains before he tral American ports. The consign- ROLLER WANTS MORE MONEY clared elected by the judges, and had by the statute would have to be folbeen given his certificate of election, lowed inasmuch as the charter did not LOS ANGELES, Jan. 4 .- Dr. F. B. that he could discern absolutely no provide for a procedure in the case Roller, Seattle's physician-wrestler, reason why the council should not of contested elections as between

> Jeffries Athletic Club. He says he can cessfully contested his right to a seat, Councilman Stangeland also stated secure a more acceptable division of then Mr. Karinen could be seated. He that Mr. Carney should be seated at therefore moved that Mr. Carney be least pending a contest, as the council could not go against the decision

> This was seconded, but the city of the election judges and clerks. auditor asked that the motion be put At this point Mr. Prael's resolution BUTTE, Jan. 4 .- The coldest wave in writing, and when this was done was offered, it being the subject preseason enveloping this state. The it was discovered that perhaps the sumably under discussion all the

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