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KINGSTON A SMOULDERING HEAP OF DEBRIS

DEATH AND DESTRUCTION FOR MILES AROUND DISASTER

At Least Four hundred Dead

STEEL INCORPORATION INVADES CANADA

(Scripps News Association)
 Detroit, Jan. 16.—The United States Steel Corporation has commenced the building of a city on the Canadian side of the river below Sandwich. A steel plant which will cost \$25,000,000 and employ 6,000 men will be erected. The harbor facilities have been thoroughly investigated and found excellent and the corporation will build great ore docks and coal storage facilities.

PRESIDENT JUSTIFIED SAYS SOLON

(Scripps News Association)
 Washington, Jan. 16.—Representative Foster of Vermont today defended President Roosevelt's Japanese policy. He sought to justify centralization and the right of the general government to make treaties guaranteeing foreigners the same rights in the schools and courts of our land, that property holding citizens enjoy.

MERCURY FALLS BELOW ZERO POINT

The coldest yet. Such is the announcement of Weather Observer W. A. Worstall. La Grande and vicinity was hit by a cold snap early last night which ended as suddenly as it came. About eight o'clock, it came on, and at 10 o'clock the mercury dropped to 2 degrees below zero and half an hour later, it fell another point. Then, suddenly, the thermometer went up and by eleven o'clock, it was four degrees above zero. From four above the mercury fluctuated to five and six above during the morning.

RAILROAD ENGINE IS EXPLODED

(Scripps News Association)
 Morristown, Pa., Jan. 16.—Five trainmen were killed by the explosion of a locomotive boiler, at Bridgeport today, caused by low water. Engineer Blanke miraculously escaped and refuses to discuss the matter at this time.

DEMANDS BONDS OF COMPANIES

(Scripps News Association)
 Sacramento Jan. 16.—Bills, providing that every insurance company doing business in the state of California must make a deposit of two hundred thousand with the insurance commissioners and make verified statement of affairs, under penalty of forfeiture of their franchise was introduced today in the house.

NEW JEWISH COLONY PLAN

(Scripps News Association)
 New York, Jan. 16.—At a meeting of representative Jews here today the projected Jewish Colony near Galveston, Tex., was fully discussed. It was decided to acquire land for settlement for Jews who will be brought from Russia and other countries. It was announced that the scheme had the support of the Rotschids and the leading Jews of England who had promised large donations towards the work.

HEBREWS ELECTION CONFIRMED

(Scripps News Association)
 Denver, Jan. 16.—Simon Guggenheim's election to the senate was confirmed at noon today. He spoke, thanking the legislators and said that he had withdrawn from all business interests and would devote himself to direct interest of the state and nation. He declared that he is free, untrammelled, is under no obligations to any interest, railroad or corporation. He favors Roosevelt's plans and will aid legislation to correct all industrial evils.

LEGISLATURE

(Scripps News Association)
 Salem, Jan. 16.—Both bodies of the legislature adjourned at noon today until Monday.

New York Jan. 16.—The Smelter Trust headquarters announces that Simon Guggenheim has resigned from all official relations with the American Smelting and Refining Company, his resignation being accepted. He will retire from all active business.

BORAH TO SUCCEED DUBOIS
 (Scripps News Association)
 Boise, Jan. 16.—The legislature today elected W. E. Borah to the senate to succeed Senator Dubois. Borah is an able lawyer.

SEATTLE IS SHORT OF FUEL

(Scripps News Association)
 Seattle, Jan. 16.—The weather is slightly warmer this morning. There is no change in the fuel situation. The street car power plants, schools and manufacturing plants are running on short allowance. Many families have closed their

homes and have gone to the hotels to keep warm. Similar conditions prevail throughout the state. The overland trains are three and four days late. Heavy snows are reported from St. Paul to the coast with extreme cold.

(Scripps News Association)

Kingston, Jamaica, January 16.—The city is overwhelmed by the earthquake which happened here at three thirty Monday afternoon. Within a radius of ten miles practically every house is destroyed. Fire broke out immediately after the quake and completed the destruction. Business sections are a smouldering heap. Churches, public offices and hotels are gone. Thousands are injured and the killed will number close to four hundred.

New York, Jan. 16.—The above cable gram received here this evening and is the first communication the outside world has had with the stricken city since the terrible catastrophe. Other advices say that loss of life was mostly to natives.

THREE HUNDRED DEAD

New York, Jan. 16.—The tourist agency estimates that there were two thousand Americans visiting Kingston at the time of the tremor. Dispatches from this city say that the city of Kingston is practically ruined. The estimate of the dead places the figure at three hundred, this total being given as a conservative one.

Boston, Jan. 16.—The United Fruit Company has been informed that the mercantile section about Kingston including their offices, are completely destroyed by the fire and quake. Several hundred are dead according to this dispatches.

London, Jan. 16.—Dispatches from Kingston are scanty and contradictory. They indicate that the first reports of the disaster were exaggerated but the conditions there are grave. The area of destruction extends for miles around what was formerly a beautiful city but now a mass of ruins. The shocks were felt from fifty to sixty miles distant. Temporary cables from Bull Bay say that not a single house between there and Kingston is safe.

Boston, Jan. 16.—The steamer Dewey sails today with miscellaneous cargo for Kingston.

London, Jan. 19.—Thirty soldiers were killed by the collapse of the military hospital at Kingston, Jamaica, yesterday. When the earthquake came these men were all in the hospital and the tremor caused the collapse. No officials of the hospital were killed but Major Haads and many others are seriously injured. Captains Young and Constantine of the Royal Steam Packet Company were killed.

FIRE DECREASING

The fire which has been raging since the quake is decreasing, but light shocks still continue and many buildings which were shaken loose and all but knocked down by the first heavy shock, are now falling because of the occasional shocks that are occurring today. The Colonial officer in this is preparing to send relief from neighboring British colonies.

Hamburg Jan. 16.—The American liners the Allegheny and Prince Joaquin sail Friday and Saturday, respectively, with supplies for Kingston.

It is officially announced that Sir James Ferguson, the well known Englishman was killed.

COLD IN PENDLETON

The thermometer according to the Pendleton Tribune registered eight degrees below zero night before last.

WHITMAN CLOSED

Whitman college is practically closed on account of the fuel famine in Walla Walla.

GOLD AT NORTH POWDER

The cold snap which has held forth farther northwest has finally worked its way southward, and now eastern Oregon is well in its grip. A special to the Observer from North Powder says that at that place six below zero was experienced last night.

KAMELA HAS RECORD

The coldest place in Eastern Oregon, as far as reported, is at Kamela, the summit of the Blue mountains, where 14 below was registered twice this week.

TWO AT UNION

Two below is the coldest, lowest drop at Union. This was last night.

COVE

Cove, lying in its secluded spot was the warmest of any locality in the Grande Ronde valley, registering last night, zero weather.

REBEKAH'S INSTALLATION

The Crystal Lodge of Rebekahs last evening installed the following officers: Katura Price, N G; Ada Fowler, V G; Tilley Cox, R G Sec; Fin Sec, Susan McIlroy; Treas. Mrs. J. A. Arbuckle; R S to N G, Mrs. Harding; L S to N G, Mrs. Farguhason; R S to V G, Mrs. Brasel; L S to V G Mrs. W. A. Worstall; Chapin, Katherine Gates; Conductor, Mrs. Wines; Warden, Mrs. Blythstone; Inside G, Mrs. Buck; Outside G, Jasper Anderson.

The out going Noble Grand, Mrs. Fraker, and the incoming Noble Grande, both entertained the lodge with brief addresses.



VISIT OUR CANDY PARLORS
SELDER, The Candy Man

"Happy Week"

Only a few days left

to pick the big bargains at The Fair store

SALE CLOSES ON SATURDAY NIGHT

We have added many new things to our list to make it worth your while to buy the last few days.

LEATHER IS NOW UP

We would call attention to our boys' and girls' shoes. As everyone knows the price of leather has advanced, and having bought our line before the advance, will continue to sell at the old price until the line is closed out.

The Fair
 THE PLACE TO SAVE MONEY

NO COAL SHIPMENTS THIS WEEK

The Commercial Club committee, appointed to assist in bringing fuel to this city, has appealed to the O R & N management for more coal and today received a wire from General Superintendent O'Brien, saying that it would be impossible to ship coal to this point at present. The company is all but out of coal itself and for several days there will be no more shipments to this city.

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