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SCORES OF DEAD BODIES CARTED TO UNMARKED GRAVES

FINANCIAL OUTLOOK IN CUBA
(Scripps News Association)
Havana, Jan. 18.—At a public meeting of the principal merchants, bankers and engineers in the island here today the question of the proposed withdrawal of American troops from the island was fully discussed. If the American Government finally take the attitude threatened these present decided to refuse loans of money on crops as they would not take risk after the withdrawal of the troops.

COLUMBIA FROZEN OVER
(Scripps News Association)
Hood River, Jan. 18.—For the first time in twenty years, the Columbia river is frozen over from bank to bank. Snow is falling rapidly and the temperature is moderating.

WORLD'S WINE PRODUCTION
(Scripps News Association)
New York, Jan. 18.—According to an authority the World's Wine production in 1906 is estimated at 3,775,060. Europe furnished more than 95 per cent of the total, and North and South America about 4 per cent. France holds first place among the wine producing countries, the United States ranks twelfth.

BRYAN EATS WITH EDITORS
(Scripps News Association)
Olympia, Wash., Jan. 18.—Col. W J Bryan was the guest at breakfast this morning, of newspaper men. Later he went to the joint session of the legislature and was given a flattering reception. He lectures at Seattle tonight.

RAILROAD COAL BUNKERS CLAMOR FOR MORE COAL

Not only is La Grande in a coal famine from the resident consumers' point, but the O R & N company itself is on the verge of figurative starvation. For twelve hours last night, not a pound of coal, was in the La Grande coal bunkers. The serious famine ended temporarily, this morning at seven-thirty when 110 tons were brot into this city from the East. So, for another day, freight traffic can be maintained out of this city. But momentary relief is in sight, for at Huntington there is coal enough to last the east end of the Umatilla-La Grande run a few days more. However, something may happen that the Huntington supply cannot be brot to La Grande today, and should it not, no freights will leave La Grande tomorrow. At Pendleton last night, were twenty tons of coal, about enough for two engines. The O R & N is guarding the little mine with extreme care. At Umatilla the conditions are even more serious than in La Grande. Not a single freight was sent out from that division point from six o'clock Thursday evening until late this morning.

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Starvation Stares the Natives in the Face

(Scripps News Association)
Havana, Jan 18.—Admiral Evans sends a wireless to the cruiser Columbia here, saying that the huge wave has drowned the entire south half of Kingston to the extent of about two feet. There is no bay left and the shore is sinking. Galveston, Tex, Jan 18.—A Panama cable reports that conditions at Kingston are very bad. The death list is yet uncertain but reaches seven hundred at least, with a possibility of 1000. Burying the dead and the rescue work continues very slowly. The poor are fighting for food, fruit being the only nourishment within their reach. The wealthy have monopolized all the food supplies. Twenty negroes have been shot for looting, and many more killed by citizens who caught them stealing off dead bodies.

The sick and wounded are suffering for medicine. A liberal supply was brot in from the boats but was stolen by negroes and later disposed of by them to those who could pay for it. Every conceivable shelter has been turned into hospitals. American ships are the only men of war in the bay at present. The Cuban consul was killed. London, Jan 18.—A brief dispatch to the governor of Swenham this morning announces that Sir James Ferguson's body was found in the ruins of a cigar store. An undated dispatch from a member of the Jones Party says: "Ghastly processions of carts carrying bodies in patches of twenty or more passed thru the streets to the trenches all day long. Around the carts can be seen scores of

natives who have relatives among the dead and who are desirous of seeing their friends to the trenches, to make as far as possible, a semblance of a funeral. It appears that two officers and twenty six soldiers are all the deaths among the troops. The quake was more serious than any on that continent for two hundred and fifty years. The great shock was followed by fifteen separate and distinct shocks. There was a tidal wave. Palisades have broken thru and the black mud is oozing to the surface. Miss Thomas, a woman telegraph operator, is among the killed.

HASTENS ANTI-PASS PROVISION

(Scripps News Association)
Boise, Idaho, Jan. 18.—There was a sensational scene in the house today, when Representative McCracken arose from his seat and flourishing an Oregon Short Line pass, said "This was given me last night that I would be influenced to aid railroad legislation against the anti-pass bill which is to take effect a year hence." McCracken then made a motion that the bill be amended so as to make it go into effect at once. The motion was carried by an almost unanimous vote.

CRACKSMAN INJURES COP AND ESCAPES

(Scripps News Association)
Portland, Jan. 18.—In a battle, during a snow storm, with a highwayman who had been caught cracking a safe in a postoffice at Sellwood, early this morning, Policeman A O Sorenson was shot twice in the leg, by a bandit. The fight ended in the escape of the cracksmen, and all trace lost of him due to the covering of his tracks by the falling snow.

ARE VERY INDIGNANT

(Scripps News Association)
Indianapolis, Jan. 18.—The miners' convention which is in session here today adopted a resolution criticizing the governors of Colorado and Idaho for what it terms unwarranted prosecution of Moyer, Pettibone and Haywood, who are held in Idaho for the assassination of Ex-Governor Steunenberg. It declares "It is not the intention of the courts of Idaho to give the accused a fair and impartial trial. The extradition was contrary to law and is covered by fraud and is a disgrace to the prudence of American people.

THOUSANDS SENTENCED

Smolensk, Russ. Jan. 18.—Krollau, chief of rural administrations, was assassinated by a school boy this morning. The chief was coming away from a concert hall, and the bullet caused immediate death. The assassin's death was simultaneous, for attending officers quickly dispatched him.

LARGE SENTENCE LIST
Statistics published today show that during the past year 1252 deaths were sentenced for political offenses, and thousands sent to the mines at Siberia. A thousand editors have been prosecuted.

TRAINMEN CONGREGATE ABOUT CHICAGO OFFICIALS

A party of railroad men, consisting of Ea Cross, Conductor H C Grady, of this city, T B Killing of Portland, and J J Butler of Teko, is on its way to Chicago to confer with officials regarding wages of Western trainmen. The Portland and Teko representatives were on number six when it arrived today noon, and the La Grande delegation joined the party here. The answer of the superintendent and general manager of the Oregon division of the O R & N to the demands of conductors and brakemen on that division, which must be given within a month's time, will no doubt be materially governed by the outcome of the conference between Chicago

officials and representative bodies from all divisions west of the Illinois Central, which will take place in Chicago next week. About a week ago committees went to Portland to confer with O R & N officials but a postponement of answer was agreed to. In the intervening time, the conference in Chicago will discuss all the details of the trainmen's demands, which are entirely rational and reasonable. This movement for a change of paying basis is a strong one and the section represented covers practically half of the United States.

UNDER WATER

(Scripps News Association)
Cincinnati, Jan. 18.—It was estimated this morning that ten thousand are homeless on account of the floods that have devastated large areas of the country. Rains are still falling and the Ohio river is a tearing, terrible stream. Springfield Ill., Jan. 18.—The town of Shawnee this morning appealed to the governor for relief from the floods that are menacing human lives and destroying property in this section. Hundreds of tents have been sent in compliance to the request, and will be distributed among the people who are homeless. The levees gave way at Shawnee this morning.

CANADA CRYING FOR LABOR

(Scripps News Association)
Montreal, Jan. 18.—Construction of all new railroad work on the prairies has been suspended owing to the great scarcity of labor. General Manager Morse of the Grand Trunk Pacific today states that plans for the resumption of work throughout the whole length of the proposed lines at the earliest possible date are being perfected, even if labor had to be brought from the antipodes. The problem has become a very serious one in certain parts of the country and it is felt that nothing but the importation of foreign labor, of Japanese or other nationalities, will meet the need and enable important plans for the betterment of the entire Dominion to be carried out.

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