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COSTA RICAN VOLCANO IS IN ERUPTION

Thousands of People Are Fleeing From Scene to Places Of Safety

VILLAGES IN DANGER

Volcano Poas, Long Dormant, is in Eruption and Thousands of Inhabitants Are Fleeing From the Lava Streams—Constant Stream of Refugees Arriving at San Jose, Twenty Miles From the Volcano—Many Have Also Fled to the Mountains and Erected Camps in the High Grounds—Earthquake Shocks Frequent and of Great Severity.

(By Cable to The Times) Port Limon, Costa Rica, Feb. 8.—Thousands of villagers at the foot of volcano Poas, now in the most active eruption in history, belching forth molten lava, ashes and immense rocks, are fleeing for their lives, the streams of lava are flowing through the fertile valleys and destroying towns and plantations on every side. Rocks weighing 200 pounds have been hurled a distance of two miles from the crater of the volcano. Villages within the zone reaching almost to the capital, San Jose, have been deserted by the panic-stricken residents.

In the town of La Lechera, five kilometers from the foot of the volcano, rocks weighing a hundred pounds crushed through residences. There has been loss of life on the plantations nearest to volcano but the extent is not yet known.

The volcano gave plenty of warning and before the eruption began the villagers were in flight. In Cobadilla some of the streets are filled with ashes to the house-tops.

Scientists have set out from San Jose to make observations and visit the volcano as soon as possible, believing the eruption will not continue long.

A constant stream of refugees is arriving at San Jose, the nearest large town, 20 miles to the southeast of the volcano.

Juanillo, lying to the southwest of the mountain, Sarcerro to the northwest and La Laguna, to the northeast, are threatened with destruction, according to advices received here.

Thousands of inhabitants have fled to the high ground in the surrounding country, and many camps have been thrown up in the Sierra De Tilcran mountains where the villages are also crowded with terror-stricken refugees.

The volcano Barba, between San Jose and Poas is reported to have given signs of becoming active, rumbling and trembling. Earthquake shocks are reported over a wide area, some of them of great severity, spreading panic.

The smoke from Poas lies like a mushroom pall over the country for many miles surrounding the crater, and the ashes have been carried far. At night the sight is terrible, flames shooting to a height of hundreds of feet, and even in broad daylight they are visible against the black smoke.

Desangano and Gresca, towns on the flanks of Barba, are covered with those who have fled from the settlement near the spouting mountain, but even these are not considered safe havens in view of the threatened activity of Barba.

Vast plantations have been deserted when labor is most urgently needed to harvest the coffee and sugar crops. In conjunction with the loss of labor on Nicaraguan plantations as the result of the revolution there it is believed that the Central American output will be seriously depleted.

FOLLOWED BY WHITE WOMEN.

Four Women Follow Negro Preacher, Preacher Now in Jail.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Washington, Feb. 8.—Despite the fact that "Bishop" Jonas Samuel Sturdivant, the negro who exerts such a strong influence over them that they have followed him from city to city, is now in prison in Baltimore on a charge of assault, the four white women who were found living here in the same house with the "Bishop," as he styles himself, refuse to be shaken in their belief in him and his teachings. They are stranded and with-

out funds to buy food or leave here. Apparently the most intelligent and the only one in the party who speaks English fluently is Adda Codding. She says she was born in New England, and that her father was a Methodist preacher.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN MARRIED.

Gone to Europe For Honeymoon Trip. Were Old Sweethearts.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Boston, Mass., Feb. 8.—When the Cunarder Ivernia sailed today she took as saloon passengers John L. Sullivan, world-famed pugilist, and his bride of a few hours, who was Miss Katherine Harkins, of Sharon, and a schoolmate sweetheart of the former champion. They were married last night.

The plans for the wedding were given but little publicity.

Recently Sullivan approached a priest and asked for a dispensation permitting his marriage to Miss Harkins. The dispensation was denied as Sullivan's first wife, whom he divorced, is still living.

Sullivan is going to Dublin to begin a three-months' engagement in vaudeville which will take him through Ireland, England and Scotland.

PROFESSIONAL WITNESSES.

Judge Gulon Says Man Who Buys Whiskey is Guilty of the Two.

(Special to The Times.)

Wilson, N. C., Feb. 8.—The first case that was called before Judge Gulon yesterday for retailing was against a negro by the name of Sam Jones. The judge paid his respects to "professional witnesses," saying that the guilty of the two—the seller and the man who induces him to sell—the man who buys is by far the worst citizen, but the law is such that he cannot reach him. Old Sam, like most negroes, was desecrating de white gemmens, and neber expected nuffin but a dram, was fined fifteen dollars and the costs. But when Judge Gulon learned that the old fellow had just lost his house and its contents by fire, the fine was remitted. But he warned whiskey "toters" that he was going to break up the habit.

KING OSCAR HAS APPENDICITIS.

Was Operated Upon Last Midnight—Getting Along Very Well.

(By Cable to The Times) Stockholm, Feb. 8.—The physicians of King Oscar Gustave, who was operated on for appendicitis at midnight, today declared that he was resting easily. Grave fears for the monarch's life are entertained, however, and the royal family are at his bedside. It was reported today that there were no indications of complications, which form the greatest danger. That the attack was taken in time is believed to be the most favorable factor in the case. When the king was rushed from the opera to the operating table, it was asserted that a delay of a few hours would have been fatal.

NEGRO PREACHER SHOT.

Assaulted Upon Him While He Was Kneeling in Church.

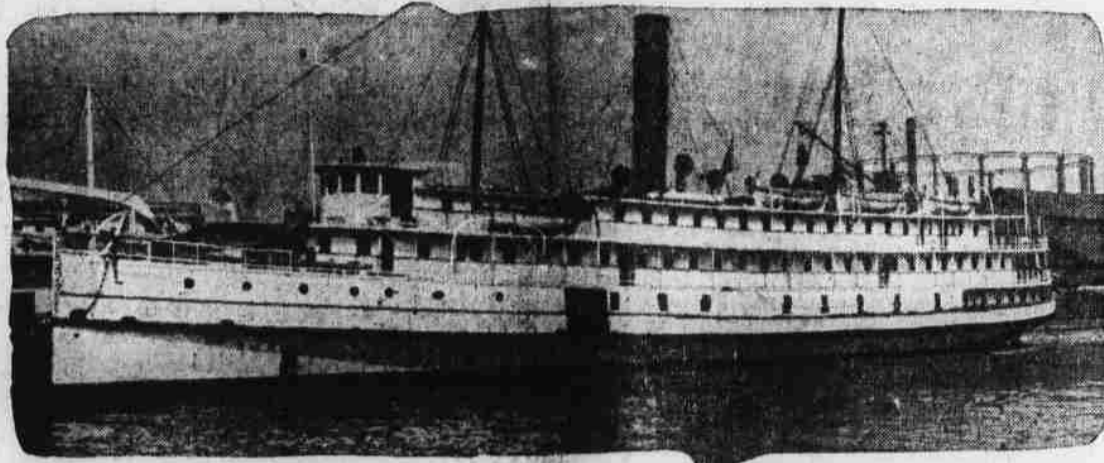
(By Leased Wire to The Times) Charlotte, N. C., Feb. 8.—William McDonald, a colored Baptist preacher, was fired upon three times while kneeling before his congregation at a colored church at Waxhaw, thirty miles south of this city, Sunday night. Two bullets took effect and the preacher was seriously wounded, though it is believed he will recover. The unknown assailant fired through the rear of the church and escaped in the darkness.

LAST CONTEST IN ENGLISH ELECTIONS

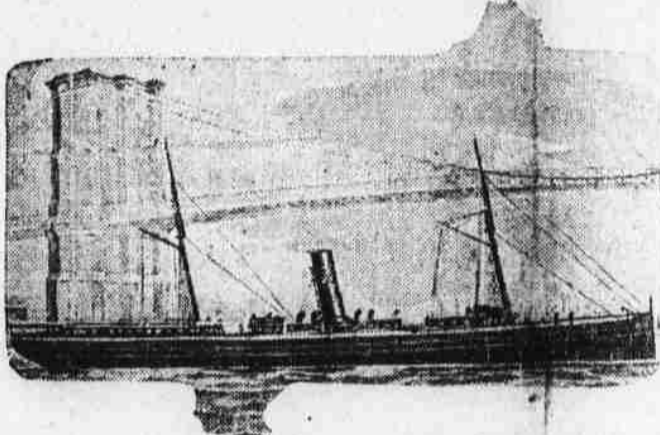
(By Cable to The Times) London, Feb. 8.—The last contest in the general election was held today when the Orkney and Shetland Island district polled. It was no more than an aftermath, however, and the result will not probably be known till next week. The result of the elections at the Glasgow and Aberdeen universities was declared today. Sir Henry Craig, unionist, being elected.

With the return of Premier Asquith from the continent, where he went to rest after the election's result was definitely known, there came a resumption of political gossiping. He has been, according to his friends, busy planning the reconstruction of the cabinet. Lord Wolverhampton, it is expected on good authority, will retire, Mr. Emmott taking his place. Mr. Emmott who will then sit with Winston Churchill, defeated the latter when he first stood for parliament.

It is generally believed that the reform of the house of lords is assured.



The steamship Kentucky recently wrecked off Charleston, S. C., from which through the use of wireless telegraphic apparatus she carried forty-seven persons were successfully rescued. When her operator flashed the signal for help two United States war vessels, two tugs and another steamer headed for her at the top of their speed. A short time after the rescue was made, the Kentucky went to the bottom.



The steamer Alamo, which recently rescued the crew of the steamship Kentucky about two hundred miles off Charleston, S. C. The Alamo is equipped with wireless apparatus and when the distress call was received during a heavy storm she steamed at full speed toward the stricken vessel. She arrived just in time, for a sort while after the rescue was made the Kentucky vanished from sight.

or stops a batted ball by throwing a glove or mask at it the runner gets three bases.

The umpire judging balls and strikes is the chief, his colleague guarding the first and second bases only.

Every player gets an assist who assists in putting out a runner, even if he makes the put-out himself. Thus he may get credit for a put-out and an assist at once.

The chief umpire may fine bench kickers and eject them for a second offense.

Thirteen Horses Burned.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Wilmington, Del., Feb. 8.—Thirteen valuable horses, owned by Simms & Co., bridge contractors, perished today when Frederick Ewing's farm stables, near the Baltimore & Ohio bridge, across Brandywine Creek was burned.

THE SHEPARD CASE

Trial of Notorious Negro Will Begin Tomorrow

Durham Lawyers Will Go Over Tomorrow—Shepard Beginning to Get Nervous and Realizes He is Up Against It—Spends a Goofy Portion of Time in Prayer—Accident Shuts Down Erwin Mills.

(Special to The Times.)

Durham, N. C., Feb. 8.—After the ordering of 200 special veniremen yesterday to try the Solomon Shepard case, the Durham lawyers who were to take a part in the trial returned yesterday afternoon and will return tomorrow to get ready for the battle which begins tomorrow morning.

Messrs. B. S. Skinner and Benjamin Lovenstein will represent the imbecile negro and Messrs. Bryant and Brodgen will prosecute him, assisting Solicitor Gattis. The case is expected to take up the great part of Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, one of the tactics of the defense, it is understood, is to be in no hurry.

Shepard was sent over yesterday. He has gone to praying and appears to feel that he is up against it. He was always greatly dissatisfied that his lawyer, Mr. Lovenstein, should have allowed the case to get away from the Durham county juries, who have always had a sneaking belief that Shepard is not the man who killed Engineer Holt.

The Erwin Cotton Mills will be shut down today and yet tomorrow, caused by a smash-up yesterday that knocked the walls of the beaming room in. The cars that did the work were being switched on the sidetrack and broke loose. They ran away into the walls and broke a hole large enough for two big windows in the side. There came near being hurt several employees and the damage is such that it will be necessary to suspend operation until there are some repairs. The loss in dollars isn't very great.

The laymen of the city are hard at work upon their pledges to be raised within the next ten days. The Presbyterians and Methodists of the First church in each denomination have undertaken to raise \$5,000 each and appear to be good for that amount. They have therefore more than half of the entire obligation resting upon them. The outcome of the every member canvass will be watched with interest in the city.

Mr. P. B. Cheek has returned from the county, seven miles from Durham, where he went Friday of last week to be with his mother, Mrs. Nash, in the celebration of her 86th birthday.

She is in perfect health at that very advanced age and appears to be good, in the event of no misfortune, for the few years between her present age and 100. The occasion of her birthday served to draw a number of her relatives to her home, which is between Durham and Chapel Hill.

Hon. E. Carl Duncan, of Raleigh,

spent yesterday in the city and returned on the afternoon train.

Mr. Duncan's visit caused some local excitement among the postoffice candidates, and one cannot hurl a stone in the city without hitting one. It was supposed that Mr. Duncan had come here to get something on the inside about the postoffice fight and therefore would take it to Washington for some sort of consumption. It turned out differently, however. Mr. Duncan was here simply and solely to see his young son who is a student at Trinity College. He did not run into the nest of politicians.

POLICE MAKE RAIDS.

Genuine Beer Found in Near Beer Saloons by Wilson Police.

(Special to The Times.)

Wilson, N. C., Feb. 8.—Last Saturday the Wilson police made a systematic raid on near beer dealers and found in some of the places the genuine "Schlitz." What will be done with the "Knights of the Waite aprons" is a matter that is being freely discussed on street corners. At any rate, the Wilson blue coats have done their duty and it is up to the powers that be to do what is right in the matter. It seems that the police got their dander up the past week, for outside of the near beer rank they ran in eleven black blind tigers with the assistance of a "professional" who, of course, will get all the cussing that is coming to him, and the credit (?) too, if there is any.

Late last Saturday afternoon the police were "nosing around" the express office and found a whole barrel of booze (in pint bottles) marked to Turner Vick, a negro who lives in the Wilkns section. Just before dark Vick called for his goods and took them away. The question is: "Will this wholesale shipment be considered as one package or five hundred packages?"

DECEASED THE WOMEN.

Promised to Marry Them Then Got Their Money and Skipped.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Boston, Mass., Feb. 8.—Charges of defrauding three women whose promises to marry him are alleged to have secured, are made by the police against W. H. L. Fowler, fifty-four years old, who was arrested as he was about to board a steamer for Portland. The police say that there are scores of other women in various parts of the country who have been deceived of their money by Fowler.

The specific complaint upon which the arrest was made was lodged with the police of Hull by Mrs. Mary C. Loneman, a widow of Quincy, Ills. She says she is about \$1,600 out on check which she gave Fowler.

Abbie H. Swanton, of Everett, has informed the police of that city that Fowler levied a tax of \$750 on her credulity.

Another complainant is Eugenie Meredith, of Wilmington, Ills., who has told the police that Fowler cashed her checks to the value of \$2,500. The police say that Fowler found the susceptibilities of Illinois women a rich field of financial operations and that they are certain that dozens of tamen lodge complaints against him.

WRECK ON SOUTHERN.

Engineer Killed and Two Others Badly Hurt.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 8.—Engineer Dubridge was killed, two trainmen were injured and the passengers in seven crowded coaches were shaken up and endangered today when a Southern Railway local train ran through an open switch at Waddy and crashed into a freight. The injured were Baggenmaster Thomas and Fireman O'Malley.

RACE WAR IMMINENT BETWEEN WORKMEN

Chattanooga, Tenn., Feb. 8.—Three men have been killed in a pitched battle between the armed whites and negroes at Hales Bar, near here, where the United States is building a monster dam, according to reports received today. The police rushed to the scene when it was learned that 300 armed negroes surrounded 150 white laborers. They have turned their principal attention for the time being to guarding the store of dynamite at the dam and locks. There is enough of the explosive there to blow everyone of the 450 men to atoms, and an attempt by one side or the other to seize it was feared.

The police reserves, taken out in a special automobile when a white worker, who eluded the negro sentries, brought the news, are under the command of Captain Burke. The camp was virtually under arms since Saturday when William H. Flaherty, one of the contractors, appointed three negro bosses, putting white men under their orders. The white laborers struck. Then the negroes took the offensive.

CORPORATION BILL AGAIN UP IN SENATE

Senator Newlands of Nevada Discusses the Measure At Length Today

THE DEFICIENCY BILL

Senator Newlands Contended That Federal Incorporation Bill Should Go to Committee on Interstate Commerce Rather Than to the Committee on Judiciary—Conference Report on the Urgent Deficiency Bill Laid Before the Senate. Still Disagreement Over \$125,000 Appropriation to Immigration Commission.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Washington, Feb. 8.—During the consideration of routine business in the senate today Senator Newlands, of Nevada, discussed at length the administration federal incorporation bill. The question before the senate was the reference of the bill, Mr. Newlands contending that it should go to the committee on interstate commerce, rather than the committee on judiciary. He disclaimed any intention of embarrassing the administration in getting proper consideration of the bill.

He took up the various methods of regulating trading corporations engaged in interstate commerce, and said it could be done either by national government and subject their operations to national direction and control, or by national license given to state corporations, prescribing the conditions upon which they would be permitted to engage in interstate commerce unless they obeyed the conditions imposed. He declared that for many years he had favored national incorporation of transportation companies for the reason that interstate transportation constituted three-fourths of the total business of the common carriers. He said it was an economic necessity to have great trunk lines from ocean to ocean, and from the lakes to the gulf.

The conference report on the urgent deficiency bill was laid before the senate. It fixes the salaries of the judges of the customs court at \$7,000 per annum. This is the house provision. The tariff law fixed the salaries at \$10,000 annually.

There is still a disagreement on the provision appropriating \$125,000 additional for the immigration commission and this and several other minor amendments were sent back to conference.

The vice-president laid before the senate a communication from Secretary Ballinger in which Mr. Ballinger thanked the senate for calling his attention to the rule which prohibits the heads of departments from submitting measures to be acted upon by the senate.

Senator McCumber, of North Dakota, from the committee on finance, reported favorably, with amendments the Elkins' resolution to inquire into the high cost of living.

FIGHTING ANOTHER BATTLE.

Government Troops Winning Over Rebels in Nicaragua.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Bluefields, Via Colon, by wireless, Feb. 8.—Another battle between General Chamorro and the government army is reported in advices received here today.

The insurgents have been outflanked and the success of the revolt threatened, according to reports from the front. Boaco, captured by the insurgents, has been re-taken by the Madriz troops, and another report declares that Chamorro, routed, has taken to the swamps with the government troops in close pursuit.

Chicago Live Stock Market.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Union Stock Yards, Ills., Feb. 8.—Hogs—receipts 29,999; market 5c higher; mixed and butchers 8.35 a 8.80; good heavy 8.80 a 8.90; rough heavy 8.40 a 8.55; light 8.25 a 8.50; pigs 7.00 a 8.15; bulk 8.50 a 8.50. Cattle—receipts 11,900; steady to 10c lower; heaves 4.40 a 7.85; cows and heifers 2.25 a 6.15; stockers and feeders 3.40 a 5.50; Texans 5.90 a 6.40. Sheep—receipts 18,600; market strong. Sheep 3.90 a 6.65; lambs 3.85 a 9.05.

Dr. Caley Upchurch, of Apex, was in the city today.