

MOUNT ETNA IN ERUPTION EVERY FOUR OR FIVE YEARS

Last Previous Serious Outbreak Was In January, 1907. Newspaper Correspondent's Description of 1908 Eruption.

THE latest eruption of Mount Etna is considered the most grave in years. It has been estimated that Etna's periods of activity occur at intervals of four or five years, as a rule, and as the last serious eruption was in January, 1907, the volcano may be said to be maintaining its schedule. Although the disturbance of 1907 was pronounced, it was by no means as destructive as the great eruption of 1892. The most destructive previous outbreaks on record occurred in 1169, 1609, 1663, 1732, 1879, 1880 and 1892.

There was a mild outbreak in May, 1908, and for a time the inhabitants along the slopes and in nearby towns were thrown into excitement, but Etna subsided after covering the countryside with smoke and ashes and was not heard from again until March, 1910, when at the height of the fourth season in Sicily the crater opened. It is not the height so much as the tremendous extent of the mountain that has impressed tourists. Its base spreads out almost twenty-five miles, and from there to the summit it is almost a perfect cone. At certain seasons the sides are covered with snow halfway down. The crater is 10,000 feet above sea level, making Etna the loftiest volcano in Europe and the highest peak in Italy south of the Alps.

Eruption of 1907. On Dec. 28, 1908, at the time of the Messina disaster, loud detonations were heard, and volumes of smoke rolled out of the crater. A panic arose among the people of Catania, the nearest town to the volcano, but Professor Ricco, director of the observatory, said that a great eruption was not expected. His views were confirmed by Frank Perret, assistant director of the royal observatory on Mount Vesuvius, who, after an inspection of Mount Etna on April 30, 1909, reported: "The earthquake at Messina has reduced its activity and for the time being has taken the energy necessary to create an eruption. Reports that Mount Etna was in eruption are untrue, as there has been only a slight emission of vapors from the crater."

It was on Jan. 9, 1907, that Mount Etna awoke after a period of inactivity since the eruption of 1890. Smoke, ashes and flame arose from its summit, which was covered with snow. On Jan. 16, 1907, the volcano, at the same time that the earthquake at Kingston, Jamaica, occurred, became more active. Professor Ricco said that the fire openings inside the crater, discovered in 1893, had increased in size, but that only smoke and the reflection of fire could be seen. Ashes were thrown out, and subterranean detonations were heard. On May 8 of the same year the eruption became more violent. The lava flow increased, and the smoke was so abundant that the whole atmosphere as far as Catania was thick with it. There were severe earth shocks, and Professor Ricco was apprehensive of a great eruption.

GIVES UP PORT ARTHUR. Japan Moves to Chinhai Bay on Korean Coast For a Gibraltar. Purely strategic reasons have induced the Japanese government to decide upon the abandonment of a naval station at Port Arthur, in Manchuria, representing an investment of many millions of dollars. This station was built by the Russians when they were in control of the Liaoting peninsula under a nominal lease from China. Even after it was shown to fall of that degree of impregnability which was the expectation of its founders and fell into the hands of the Japanese as an incident of the Russo-Japanese war the victors did not hesitate to spend another great sum of money upon the defenses.

LOOK OUT FOR BAD \$10 BILL. Secret Service Head Says It's a Dangerous Counterfeit. "This is a dangerous counterfeit and calculated to deceive," says acting chief Moran of the secret service in a circular issued giving warning of a new counterfeit ten dollar national bank note. It is on the Anglo and London-Paris National bank of San Francisco and bears the portrait of William McKinley. It is of the series of 1902-03 and bears a check letter "B."

High Cantilever Bridge. Half of the construction work on the Crooked river bridge of the Oregon Trunk railway has been completed, and workmen are placing the steel parts of the remaining half in position. One-half of the steel arch extends from the north bank of the river out over midstream and 340 feet above the water. The length of the bridge from bank to bank will be 322 feet.

A want ad campaign will cure you of your pessimism concerning a man's chances, nowadays, to find profitable and suitable employment—where the road to promotion is not closed.

It's Case of Ham and Scrambled Eggs. Newton, N. J., Sept. 25.—A passing train today frightened a horse pulling a load of eggs and driven by Roy Ham. The horse halted, the wagon tipped over and Ham and eggs were both precipitated into the street. When Ham scrambled from the eggs he resembled an animated omelet.

Sanitary Drinking Fountains. Neligh, Neb., Sept. 25.—Special to The News: A special meeting of the school board of Neligh was held Saturday evening at the city hall, and after considerable argument it was finally settled to immediately install six sanitary bubbling drinking fountains—two in the second ward school and four in the high school building. The complete cost of these fountains will be about \$200. The members of the board were heartily in favor of this new improvement, but on account of the finances of the district being at a low ebb, concluded to wait a few months. Dr. D. W. Beattie, who has been for some time past acuiting the fountain system, guaranteed the board that he would personally pay the cost of installing the six fountains providing that money would be available on or about Jan. 15. To this the board agreed and the order immediately placed for the new drinking devices for the city schools.

Norfolk Takes Championship. Norfolk 4; Creighton 3. A thousand baseball fans shivered in a cool northwesterly breeze Sunday afternoon on the Norfolk driving park diamond and saw Norfolk take the championship of northeast Nebraska from the Creighton team in the only ten inning and most sensational game of the season. The score was 2 and 2 in the second inning; Norfolk scored once in the fourth and Creighton tied it in the fifth. From then until the last of the tenth no scores were made.

Give Free Double Cross. Pierce, Neb., Sept. 25.—Special to The News: Pierce has been the mecca toward which the democratic politicians of the Third congressional district have been giving their attention the past three days. Thursday Prof. H. N. Preston of Fremont, and the private secretary of the late Congressman Latta, arrived on the morning train to put in some looks for Dan Stephens of Fremont. A candidate by the name of Rose from Fullerton, followed Preston closely in an auto and was soon closeted with the leading lights. A trip was then taken to Plainville where it was learned that the friends of Fred H. Free were working like beavers for that gentleman for the congressional delegation and that a delegation from this county would be asked for at the county convention held Saturday in Pierce.

Novel Sight. "The sight was as novel to natives as to visitors and perhaps more full of meaning. All day long they kept strolling away from their work and running to the house-tops or other vantage points to watch the changing aspects on the mountain, but they could not tell by day whether the volcano was in eruption. "Wait until night," they said. "Then if lava is flowing out it will show red through the darkness."

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Plows Way Through Herd. Plowing its way through a herd of cattle on the tracks a mile west of Bassett, Northwestern passenger train No. 2 snuffed out five bovine lives and left a trail of blood behind it. The cattle had evidently gotten on the right of way through a defective pasture fence.

Humphrey Beats Madison. Madison, Neb., Sept. 25.—Special to The News: Fat Zavadil with his bunch of warriors from Humphrey defeated the Madison baseball team on the home diamond yesterday afternoon by a score of 8 to 4, it being the seventh time this season that Humphrey has put the scalps of Madison under its belt.

New Club Home is Completed. The formal opening of the new Commercial club rooms in the Carlson building on Second street and Norfolk avenue will take place Wednesday evening, when the Commercial club will give a smoker. Light refreshments are to be served. At this opening Secretary Hawkins, who returned Saturday from Chicago, where he attended the annual meeting of the Central Association of Commercial club secretaries, will address the Commercial club members on "What the Norfolk Commercial Club Has Accomplished."

Lining Up For Battle. The political pot in the Third congressional district of Nebraska began to sing Monday morning, with a campaign about to start for election to the place left vacant by the death of J. P. Latta. With the democratic congressional convention to be called at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon in Norfolk and with republican committees men to meet here Monday evening to determine what method of nomination should be followed, considerable additional political activity in this district has been injected into the fall election.

Friends of Dan V. Stephens of Fremont are claiming that he will be nominated by the democrats in Norfolk Tuesday. Mr. Stephens has made a more aggressive campaign than any other candidate, although there are several dark horses in the field who

might be sprung at the psychological moment to make trouble for the Fremont man. Hale a Formidable Possibility. Ex-state Senator F. J. Hale of Norfolk, recognized as a democratic leader, is being persistently mentioned for the nomination and it is highly possible that his name may be brought very emphatically before the convention. The Madison county democratic convention was scheduled for 2 o'clock Monday afternoon at Battle Creek.

Tindall to Central City. Omaha, Sept. 25.—In announcing the appointments of Methodist pastors for the next year Bishop Nuelson today gave sanction to the consolidation of the Walnut Hill and Seward Street churches of Omaha. The only change in Omaha pastorates was that occasioned by the consolidation. E. E. Hosman, formerly pastor of Walnut Hill church, becomes district superintendent of the Norfolk district, and William Boyers of the Seward Street church becomes pastor of the Walnut Hill church. D. K. Tindall, formerly Norfolk district superintendent, becomes pastor of the Central City church. Following are the appointments for the Norfolk and Neigh districts:

- Norfolk District. E. E. Hosman, superintendent, post office, Norfolk, Neb. Allen—O. W. Rummell. Bancroft—To be supplied. Beemer—E. E. Shafer. Belden—To be supplied. Bloomfield—C. H. Moore. Carroll—R. F. Shacklock. Central City—To be supplied. Coleridge—C. E. Connell. Crofton—J. H. Smith. Dakota City—W. R. Warren. Decatur—William Garnoll. Dixon—T. S. Watson. Hartington and Crofton—A. W. Ahrends. Homer and Hubbard—To be supplied. Laurel—H. G. Langley. Lyons—A. S. Buehl. Madison—I. F. M. Drullner. Maskef—To be supplied. Norfolk—J. W. Kirkpatrick. Norfolk Circuit—To be supplied. Pender and Thurston—L. R. Keckler. Pilger—H. H. St. Louis. Ponca and Waterbury—J. Broe. Randolph—E. J. T. Connelly. Rosalie and Blackbird—To be supplied. South Sioux City—To be supplied. Stanton—J. F. Poucher. Wakefield—J. J. Burke. Walthill—To be supplied. Wausa and Magnet—To be supplied. Wayne—William Gort. Winslow—Amos Pelzer. Wisner—L. V. Slocumb. Wynot and Spring Valley—W. O. Renick.

Neigh District. F. T. George, Superintendent, post office, Neligh. Albion—H. H. Millard. Battle Creek—C. L. Dix. Boone—J. H. Thomas. Bristow—To be supplied. Brunswick—To be supplied. Chambers—To be supplied. Clearwater—W. H. Guest. Creighton—R. J. McKenzie. Elgin—W. A. Rominger. Ewing—To be supplied. Iman—A. F. Neiman. Loretto—J. M. Wingett. Lynch—J. A. Johnson. Meadow Grove—J. W. Hsieley. Mineola—To be supplied. Monowi—J. R. Budd. Neligh—E. E. Bowen. Newman Grove—C. O. Trumm. Okadale—G. W. Snyder. O'Neill—B. P. Angle. Osmond and McLean—J. H. Hard. Paddock—To be supplied. Page—B. H. Murten. Pierce—Joseph Stoford. Plainville—J. B. Dibble. Plainville circuit—J. H. Allen. Royal—To be supplied. Spencer—H. C. Caspey. Tilden—W. C. Kelley. Winnetoon—To be supplied.

Special Appointments. J. W. Jennings—Manager Kansas City depository, Methodist Book concern. J. I. McLaughlin, corresponding secretary of Nebraska Methodist hospital. T. C. Webster and H. L. Powers, conference evangelists. John Crews, superintendent of Crowell memorial home. J. A. Spkyer, professor in Penn college, Oskaloosa. E. E. Wilson, missionary in Porto Rico. F. M. Leidy, missionary in Wyoming. J. M. Leidy, superintendent of Omaha district anti-slavery league. P. J. Lawson, missionary in Black Hills mission. F. M. Sisson is appointed for Fremont.

Rodgers Drops Again. Jamestown, N. Y., Sept. 25.—Aviator Rodgers, trying to fly from coast to coast, came to grief at Redhouse, twenty miles east of here, when his biplane dashed into two barbed wire fences, and was wrecked. Rodgers was not injured.

A PAINT FACTORY. Ed Hans and Leo Broeker Form Partnership to Make Paint. Norfolk is to have a paint factory. Ed Hans, a local scenery artist, has formed a partnership with his assistant, Leo Broeker, and expects within a few months to be grinding out house paint by the barrel.

The factory building is already under way on Branch avenue, between Second and Third streets, on the property where recently Mr. Hans built a residence. About fifty shades of house paint are to be manufactured by Messrs. Hans and Broeker, who believe Norfolk territory will furnish a good market. The paint is to be made from minerals purchased in Iowa and some of which Hans says can be obtained

between them and by correspondence they make effective many efforts which sometimes seem futile when one secretary works alone. A regular information bureau is maintained by this organization and should some concern care to locate in Nebraska the secretary of the city in which the firm is located immediately notifies secretaries in Nebraska towns who are members of the association.

around Norfolk. Mixed with oil, these minerals ground out will make house paint which can be sold at a low price. Judge Welch. Pierce Call, June 22: In this issue we are pleased to publish the announcement of the candidacy of Judge A. A. Welch for a renomination to the position of judge of this Ninth judicial district. Judge Welch has served this district faithfully and conscientiously and he will have no opposition in the primaries. His superior ability and fairness on the bench is admitted by those of opposite political belief. Some democrat may perhaps be induced to come out in opposition to Judge Welch, but the people all over the district have confidence in his uprightness, believe in his integrity and feel that his record should be endorsed. In these days of independence in politics Judge Welch will receive the support of thousands of democrats and populists. A year or two ago the democrats of this county and over the state preached non-partisanship in the judiciary. The rank and file of the democratic party believed their leaders sincere in their advocacy of that doctrine and their year are going to put that teaching into practice by voting for Judge Welch.

Must Play Golf Matches. Chairman Christoph of the golf committee of the Country club announces that all matches in the preliminary rounds of both the Mayer cup and the director's cup tournaments must be played off before next Monday morning. This will bring both tournaments to the semi-final stage. In the second round of the Mayer tournament the following matches are to be played: Burton vs. Mayer or Reynolds. Braden vs. Cabaniss. N. A. Huse vs. South, sr. Christoph vs. Burnham. In the director's cup these matches are to be played: South, sr. or Brush vs. Burton or Cabaniss. D. Mathewson vs. Hall. Burnham vs. J. S. Mathewson. Utter vs. Hight. These must be played by Monday or lose by default. This will bring both cups to semi-finals. Finals will be played off on some special day which will be set later.

Stevens is on the Ground. Dan V. Stephens, prospective democratic nominee for congress to succeed J. P. Latta in the Third district of Nebraska, arrived in Norfolk from Fremont Monday noon, accompanied by E. O. Garrett, and established headquarters at the Oxnard hotel, preparatory to Tuesday afternoon's convention at the Auditorium. He has grown stout during the past year or so. Friends of Mr. Stephens claim that he has 113 delegates out of the 172 pledged to support him, and that probably he will go into the convention 150 strong, even if other candidates remain in the field. It requires 87 delegates to nominate. Here is the line-up as Stephens' friends saw it: Instructed for Stephens—Dodge, Dixon, Hurt, Stanton; for him, but not instructed—Merrick, Colfax, Cuming, Knox and Antelope; holding conventions Monday afternoon—Madison, Platte, Dakota, Boone and Thurston. Nance county is instructed for Rose and Cedar for O'Gara. It was announced that Madison county would permit Mr. Hale to select the delegation from this county. It was expected nearly all the delegates would be here by Monday night.

Republicans Will Convene. Third Nebraska district republicans will nominate a congressman to succeed Mr. Latta, at Fremont next Monday afternoon at 3:30. This was the decision of the county chairmen who met here last night to determine the method of nominating. Eleven counties were represented and State Chairman John L. Kennedy of Omaha was here. The conference was unanimous in voting to hold a delegate convention to nominate. It was recommended that county mass conventions be held next Saturday to pick delegates to the Fremont convention. Each county will be entitled to the same number of delegates that it had at the recent state platform convention. There was quite a skirmish over the place of holding the convention, the conference voting 6 to 5 for Fremont as against Norfolk. They considered Fremont a strategic point. State Chairman Kennedy Speaks. Mr. Kennedy came up from Omaha to get acquainted. He was asked to address the conference and did so briefly. He declared there was no reason why republicans should not elect a congressman from this district this year. The fact that Latta had twice been elected had never convinced him that this district was out of the republican column. He considered Mr. Latta's strong personality as the telling factor. He paid a tribute of esteem to the late congressman.

But by picking the best man in the district and getting behind him with united support, a republican can be elected, he said. Mr. Kennedy applied to Nebraska republicans to support the state ticket and elect it. Though an off year, victory is essential this year if the state is to be republican next year in the presidential campaign. He urges all republicans to unite, regardless of faction. Whether one be for La Follette or Taft, Norris or Brown, he asked loyal support to the state ticket this year. There is no reason why any republican should

fail to support the state ticket this year. "All Republicans, Anyway." "And no matter to which element you may belong," Mr. Kennedy said, "we are all republicans and no element of the republican party represents in any way the things that are represented by any element of the democratic party. There is no reason why we cannot fight out our differences within our own party and then get together and unite for solid party victory when the issues are determined. Differences of opinion show political life. I wouldn't give a cent for a party that had no differences of opinion. But we are all for republicanism, first and last and the prosperity of this nation depends upon republicanism today as much as it did in Lincoln's time."

They'll Read It In The News. In discussing the mass convention for next Saturday in various counties, Mr. Campbell of Neligh said he couldn't notify all his precincts by that time. "Why, The Norfolk News will publish the call," one delegate suggested. "Oh, well, if The News will print it," Mr. Campbell said, "that will notify them, because every farmer in Antelope county, I guess, takes The Norfolk News."

The county chairmen here for the conference were: Bert, W. H. Van Cleave; Cuming, William Stuefer; Thurston, O. D. Aldrich; Wayne, Bert Brown; Cedar, J. A. Ganson; Antelope, William Campbell; Boone, J. H. Olmstead; Dixon, A. V. Todd; Stanton, G. A. Eberly; Platte, John R. Luschee; Knox, W. L. Kirk. G. A. Eberly of Stanton was chairman and A. V. Todd of Ponca secretary.

Elliott Only Candidate Here. The only congressional candidate at the conference was Col. J. C. Elliott of West Point. The conference was held in the office of Mapes & Hazen.

Notice to Creditors. The state of Nebraska, Madison county, ss. In the matter of the estate of Hazel Best, deceased. Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims and demands against Hazel Best, late of said Madison county, deceased, that the time fixed for filing claims against said estate is six months from the 2nd day of October, 1911. All such persons are required to present their claims with the vouchers to the county judge of said county at his office in the city of Madison, in said Madison county, on or before the 3rd day of April, 1912, and that all claims so filed will be heard before said judge on the 3rd day of April, 1912, at 1 o'clock p. m. Violet Sharp is the executrix of the estate.

It is further ordered that notice to all persons interested in said estate be given by publishing a copy of this order in the Norfolk Weekly News-Journal, a weekly newspaper printed, published and circulating in said county, for four consecutive weeks prior to said day of hearing. Witness my hand and seal this 22nd day of September, A. D. 1911. William Bates, County Judge.

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