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## LEGISLATIVE NEWS

Will be reported to the Times-Republican by two trained newspaper men experienced in Iowa politics. No paper will have a better report.

VOLUME THIRTY-FIVE.

## HEAVIER SHOCKS ARE FORECASTED

### Scientist on Scene Predicts Disastrous Quakes in Italy Within Four Days

### ITALIAN REPORTS DISPUTED

#### Foreign Officers Who Have Explored Ruins Say Estimates of Loss of Life Are Too Low — City of Messina Being Excavated — Twenty Looters Shot Down—King Returns.

Messina, Jan. 4.—At Nivza, between Messina and Catania, a freight train today ran into and telescoped a relief train crowded with injured persons, five of whom were killed.

Frank Perret, of Brooklyn, assistant to Professor Matteucci, director of the royal observatory on Mount Vesuvius, says other earth shocks are inevitable, as there is a flaw in the earth's crust where the slip occurred. He predicts heavier shocks for today, and declares that something, possibly very serious, may happen Jan. 7 and 8, when the relative position of the sun and moon will produce the greatest strain.

Saturday-morning fire broke out again in the municipal building and the city records were consumed. Saturday night there was a fresh shock of earthquake and a panic ensued ashore and on board ship. Many tottering walls fell, but no fatalities were recorded.

### DISPUTE ITALIAN REPORTS.

#### Foreign Officers Place Death List at Messina and Reggio at 120,000.

Naples, Jan. 4.—The foreign officers who have explored the ruins on both sides of the straits give higher estimates of the loss of life than the Italian reports. They believe 90,000 persons have either been killed or trapped in the ruins of Messina, and 30,000 at Reggio, where the tidal wave rose to double the height that it did at Messina.

### MESSINA BEING EVACUATED.

#### Survivors Leave by Thousands — Twenty Looters Shot.

Rome, Jan. 4.—Advices from Messina say that twenty looters were shot yesterday; that the city will be evacuated today. Six thousand persons already have left there and 8,000 leave today.

### KING RETURNS TO ROME.

#### With Queen He is Worn by Rescue Work and Sorrow.

(By cable to the Chicago Tribune.)  
Rome, Jan. 4.—King Victor Emmanuel and the queen arrived in Rome Sunday from the earthquake district. They think the worst of the disaster over. They received a great demonstration by the people of Rome on their arrival, which they had attempted to keep secret.

The terrific downpour of rain, which has continued almost without interval, since the destruction of the countryside, has ceased, and the arrival of more troops has permitted a hastening of the work of rescue and relief and the restriction of order.

Stating that the number of persons needing medical attention is decreasing daily, the king said he would arrive in Rome last night. He reached here later with safety.

In his message the king says he visited the Calabrian coast south of Reggio. Pellario he found practically destroyed, but Melito was only slightly damaged.

#### New Shock Ruins Pellario.

From other sources, however, come news of a less optimistic nature. Reports still reach here of the continuation of earth shocks, some of which are of sufficient force to do further great damage. According to these reports new shocks Saturday afternoon at Pellario destroyed the entire population into the sea, including both the dead and living victims of the first quake.

This report is given but with small credence here. The king's message written yesterday, says nothing of it. Another report still unconfirmed says six Russian sailors were killed by thieves whom they had surprised while looting the ruins of a palace at Messina. Another Russian sailor shot a thief, upon whom were found valuables to the amount of \$27,000.

It is said sixteen criminals have been shot in Messina in the last twenty-four hours.

#### Ghouls Fought at Reggio.

While this report can not be confirmed officially, it is given credence because of the conflicts between soldiers and ghouls known to have taken place. The minister of justice, who is now in Messina, has sent the following dispatch to Premier Giolitti:

"The service continues against the pillagers, who Saturday night came in conflict at Reggio with the police forces resulting in the death of one Bersagliere and one customs guard."

One man was shot at Reggio while in the act of tearing rings off the finger of a dying woman, and stories of incendiarism also are current in which human ghouls are stated to have set fire to ruins in which the victims they contained were still alive.

Military zones have been established throughout Calabria.

#### Welcome for Royal Pair.

The king and queen arrived in Rome

from the quake-stricken district Sunday. Having learned the people proposed a big demonstration of welcome, they landed at Gaeta, and came to Rome in an automobile instead of a train. Entering the capital, they were almost unrecognized.

In the evening, however, a huge, enthusiastic crowd assembled in front of the quinal cheering the heroic couple, who, they declared, were the real parents of the people.

The enthusiasm was extraordinary for Rome, where royalist demonstrations are unusual. Many foreigners were present and joined in the applause.

#### Both Tired and Careworn.

Eventually the king and queen came out on the balcony and bowed acknowledgment silently. Both looked fatigued and careworn. The king raised his hand and motioned the cheerers to desist, evidently meaning he regarded their acclamations as being practical use of the training she got a couple of years ago, when she and many other Roman women went through a course of nursing and first aid to the injured.

Even when returning on the man of war from Messina to Gaeta the queen's labor was not over. There were injured aboard whom she tended with her own hands.

The queen not only displayed coolness in the face of danger, but put to practical use the training she got a couple of years ago, when she and many other Roman women went through a course of nursing and first aid to the injured.

### SEA ROSE UNDER SHIPS.

#### Captain of Welsh Vessels Vividly Describes Scenes in Messina Harbor.

Naples, Jan. 4.—The first calm and connected stories of the earthquake disaster were brought here by officers and passengers of the Welsh steamer Afonwen, whose unemotional British temperament enabled them to relate in detail their experiences.

"During the night before the catastrophe," said the captain of the Afonwen, "we lay at anchor in the harbor of Messina under steam ready to leave early the following day. It may have been about 5 o'clock in the morning when I heard a low growling sound like distant thunder. Day had not yet dawned, but I was on deck and the crew were stirring. The peculiar sound made me glance anxiously at the sky and then at the sleeping town of Messina, neither of which afforded any explanation.

"Suddenly the Afonwen gave a terrific leap, that is the only word I can use. The ship seemed to rise up from the surface of the water as the lifted bodily by some mighty power underneath. The anchor chains snapped and we started to drift shoreward very fast.

"Walls of Water Everywhere."  
"From the land came sounds of tremendous crashing and falling of buildings. The low, muttering thunder which I first heard now became a roar of destruction. All the lights along the coast went out in an instant. The darkness was intense.

"Instinctively I knew this was an earthquake and that tidal waves were dashing us about the straits. The first thing to do was to save the ship, for other craft were being thrown about on all sides and there was imminent danger of collisions. Another boat swept down upon us before I could get the crew to their stations and the Afonwen under control, but luckily the bump was slight and not much damage was done.

"Now the sea became tremendously agitated with waves and walls of water rising on every side. The ship listed to her beam ends. The deck heeled over to an angle of twenty-five degrees, so that we scarcely could keep our feet. For thirty-five minutes the sea touched and go. Once a great wall of water struck us with such violence that I thought all was over, but by a miracle we came thru it.

"Not a Building in Sight."  
"It was like a building in sight. All the things were happening all around us. As soon as the worst of the tidal wave had passed I tried to see what had befallen the town of Messina, as the first faint streaks of daylight appeared, but nothing was visible of mole or buildings. I could see at first only the tops of hills and a few eddying clouds of dust which speedily enveloped everything and settled down over the place like a fog!

"Messina Lay in Ruins."  
"With increasing daylight we could see how Messina had been destroyed. Before our eyes, houses and palaces still were toppling and falling to earth with noises like so many exploding powder magazines. Close beside a Danish steamer had gone down and the surface of the water was littered with all manner of wreckage from it and other wrecked craft.

"When we looked at the land again it seemed to have taken on some fantastic coloring, something between a yellow tint and an ash gray. The city itself was black with smoke, split by ominous red streaks of bursting flame.

"Gradually the sea calmed down and the roar of the wind and waves decreased. Then shrieks and groans reached our ears and we could see hundreds of terror-stricken persons floating down to the water's edge, waving their arms and screaming frantically for help. Many of them plunged into the sea and swam out toward our ship. We took on board as many as could be accommodated."

#### STRIKE IS OFF.

New York Cabmen and Chauffeurs Ready to Go Back.

New York, Jan. 4.—After weakening gradually during the past week, the strike of cabmen and chauffeurs was officially declared off, late last night.

## CONGRESS HASTENS RELIEF FOR ITALY

### President Sends Special Message Asking for Use of Food and Ships of the Navy

### \$800,000 CASH IS VOTED

#### Congress Takes Immediate Action and Resolutions in Line With President's Recommendations Are Presented — Largest Sum Ever Appropriated by Government for Foreign Relief.

Washington, Jan. 4.—President Roosevelt in a message to congress today asked for a direct appropriation of \$500,000 for the relief of the stricken people in the earthquake zone of Italy. This is the most generous fund ever contributed by the American people for the succor of sufferers in other lands, and is to supplement the dispatch of the supply ships Celtic and Culgoa for Messina with their big cargoes of necessities, originally intended for the American fleet, to be devoted to the immediate use of the Italian victims.

The text of the president's message follows:

"To the Senate and House of Representatives: The appalling calamity which has befallen the people of Italy is followed by distress and suffering throughout the wide region among the many thousands who have escaped with life, but whose shelter and food and means of living have been destroyed. The ordinary machinery for supplying the wants of civilized communities is paralyzed, and an exceptional emergency exists which demands that the obligations of humanity shall regard no limit of national boundaries.

"The immense debt of civilization to Italy; the warm, steadfast friendship between that country and our own; the affection for our native land and for the great numbers of good American citizens who are immigrants from Italy; the abundance with which God has blessed us in our safety; all these should prompt us to immediate and effective relief.

"Confident of your approval, I have ordered the government supply ship Celtic and Culgoa to the disaster, where, upon receiving the authority which I now ask from you, they will be able to dispense food, clothing and other supplies with which they are laden, to the value of about \$300,000. The Celtic has already sailed, the Culgoa is at Port Said. Eight vessels of the returning battleship fleet are already under orders for Italian waters, and that government has been asked for their services can be made useful.

"I recommend that congress approve application of the supplies above indicated, and further appropriate the sum of \$500,000 to be applied to the work of relief at the discretion of the executive and with the consent of the Italian government. I suggest that the law follow the form that passed after the Mount Pelee disaster in 1902.

#### "HONORABLE ROOSEVELT."

Congress Acts at Once.  
Resolutions were introduced today in the senate providing for appropriation of \$500,000 and in the house for \$800,000, for Italian relief. The resolutions provide that the money shall be used for provisions, clothing, medicines and other necessary articles, and the president is authorized to employ any vessels of the United States navy or to charter and employ other suitable steamships or vessels to carry out the purposes of this government.

Increased to \$800,000.  
The house passed the resolution without reference to committee, amid great applause, and adopted a resolution expressing the profound sorrow of the house for the calamity and requesting the president to communicate the same to the people of Italy.

In the senate the resolution was referred to the committee on appropriations, where the amount was increased to \$800,000, and the resolution was immediately reported to the senate as agreed to, with only one vote in the negative, which was cast by Bailey. It was at the suggestion of the president that the amount has been increased by \$300,000.

#### SPERRY HURRIES AID.

Ships of Battle Fleet Speed Thru Suez Toward Italy.

Suez, Jan. 4.—Two days ahead of its schedule, and speeding its advance guard to relieve stricken Messina, the United States Atlantic battleship fleet arrived here Sunday from Colombo. Sperry is hurrying relief on to Messina, and to this end two of his sixteen ships are already passing thru the canal. The rest of the fleet remains under the original orders governing the cruise, subject to such changes, if any, as the next few days may bring from Washington. At present, Dr. Israel, a German specialist, for kidney complaint, is understood that Castro came thru the operation fairly well, and is doing as well as could be expected.

#### COLD WAVE COMING

Special Forecast Issued by Weather Bureau Announces That Most Severe Cold of the Season May Be Expected Tonight and Tuesday.

Washington, Jan. 4.—The most marked cold wave of the season, with high winds, will reach the upper lake region and Mississippi Valley tonight or Tuesday, according to a special forecast issued today by the weather bureau.

#### CASTRO UNDER THE KNIFE.

Former Venezuelan President Comes Thru Operation Fairly Well.

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doctors and the latter a large supply of provisions and stores. Both will go to Messina at full speed.

All arrangements were made by wireless for the ships of the fleet to be refueled at Port Said, where 25,000 tons are stored. The authorities have made arrangements for the battleships to have right of way for a clear run thru the canal.

The run completed is next to the longest of the world's gridding cruise. The distance from Colombo is 3,440 knots. From Colombo the fleet sailed on Dec. 20. The loss of a seaman from the battleship Illinois, who fell overboard and was drowned, was the only accident to mar the voyage from Colombo. The Illinois remained on the scene to search for the sailor and is a little behind the fleet.

The steady array of battleships was an impressive sight. The weather was splendid and the bay was crowded with craft, the occupants of which gave an enthusiastic welcome. Despite their long trip the warships looked as smart and trim as the turned out for a naval review.

#### Give Sperry a Welcome.

When the ships had come to anchor the Egyptian and canal authorities went aboard the flagship Connecticut and welcomed Rear Admiral Sperry, who regretted that he was compelled to curtail his stay in Egypt.

It had been expected that a representative officer would visit Cairo and be presented to the khedive on the anniversary of his accession to the throne on Jan. 8. A contingent of 500 officers and men left by special train for Cairo Tuesday.

The schedule to be observed by the ships in entering the canal contemplated arrival at Port Said by 10 o'clock tonight of the Connecticut, Vermont, Kansas and Minnesota, entering the canal at 6 p. m.

The second group, consisting of the Louisiana, Kentucky, Ohio, Missouri, and Virginia will enter Tuesday, and the third line, composed of the Wisconsin, Kearsarge, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Georgia and Nebraska, will start Wednesday.

#### Quick Coaling at Port Said.

At Port Said the crews will coal the battleships with all possible speed so as to be in position to go quickly to Messina. It is finally determined to send them all there.

The news of the disaster in southern Italy was received with profound sorrow by officers and men. In reply to a message from the navy department 600 pounds of fresh meat, 30,000 pounds of other meat, 100,000 pounds of vegetables, canned, 80,000 pounds of milk, 50,000 pounds, and numerous other items.

The Culgoa will distribute these provisions. Besides the six surgeons and a number of medical men on board the Culgoa and Yankton they are taking with them also supplies of coats and blankets. The two vessels are due to arrive at Messina Jan. 8 and 9.

#### ELKS DONATE \$5,000 TO ITALY.

Grand Exalted Ruler Vires Contribution to Red Cross.

Colorado Springs, Col., Jan. 4.—R. L. Holland, of this city, grand exalted ruler B. P. O. E., has wired \$5,000 in behalf of the Elks to the National Red Cross association at Washington for the relief of the earthquake sufferers.

#### BATTLESHIP FLEET TOO LATE

Italy Thinks United States War Vessels Can Not Assist.

Washington, Jan. 4.—The prime minister believes the American fleet of battleships will arrive too late to be of assistance at the scene of the disaster, according to a cablegram received by the secretary of state from Ambassador Grison today. The suggestion will be followed up by a conference to determine what disposition is to be made of the fleet.

Grison says the prime minister suggests that the supply ship Celtic should go direct to Naples, the Culgoa to Messina, and the rest of the fleet to Port Said.

Grison is sending a small supply of food and supplies to Messina today.

#### Culgoa Leaves for Messina.

Port Said, Jan. 4.—The American supply ship Culgoa, loaded with provisions, sailed from here this afternoon for Messina, where she is expected to arrive Friday.

#### First Section Passing.

Suez, Jan. 4.—The battleships Connecticut, Kansas, Minnesota and Vermont, composing the first section of the fleet under Rear Admiral Sperry's command, started on the passage thru the Suez canal at 8 this morning. They are due in Port Said late tonight. The weather is magnificent.

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## PAROLE PROBABLE FOR RAINSBURGERS

### General Opinion is that Noted Hardin County Men Will Be Released from Prison

### STORMS CASE IS SENSATIONAL

#### Accusation Made Against Police of Burlington of Railroadng Him to Prison—National Electors to Meet in Des Moines Next Week—Scramble for Messenger's Job.

Special to Times-Republican.  
Des Moines, Jan. 4.—The state board of parole convened today and besides hearing pleas from two other life convicts will take definite action with reference to a pardon for Frank and Nathan Rainsbarger, convicted of murder in Hardin county twenty-five years ago. Their pardon has been strenuously resisted by some and ardently urged by others. It is strongly intimated the two men will be given their liberty.

The two Rainsbarger boys, it is stated, have promised the board of parole that if liberated they will never go back to Hardin county or among their old associates. Both are now gray haired men. During their long incarcerations they have learned trades. Frank it is said is an expert mechanical draftsman, such as can demand a good compensation anywhere. Nathan, it is stated, is a competent mechanic. The two men, it is claimed, can get good work at once if released. They hold the remarkable record of never having one mark placed against them during the whole twenty-five years' imprisonment; the three men have been different guards over them. Their prison record is perfect regarding discipline.

In the case of A. D. Storms to be argued before the board, a sensational showing will be made. He was convicted in Burlington of murder. His lawyers now claim he was railroaded by detectives and was forced to confess to the murder after he had been two days and two nights in a police sweatbox and his mind was not in a condition to make a statement.

The case of Orman McPherson will also be heard. He was convicted of murdering an officer. His friends claim he fired without intention of killing when he was in fear of being lynched. He has been in since 1897.

Mrs. Frank Miller, of Blackhawk, is expected to appear and plead for the liberty of her husband, convicted of murder. She claims she was innocent.

Others whose cases will be heard are: W. W. Eckman, of Des Moines, in for rape; Sherman Doolittle, of Des Moines, horse stealing; Ed Gordon, of Polk county, robbery; James Young, of Des Moines, rape; Fred Albright, of Des Moines, uttering forged instrument.

#### NEGRO CASE THROWN OUT.

United States Supreme Court Also Knocks Out 80-Cent Gas.

Washington, Jan. 4.—The supreme court today dismissed the case of Oscar Reid, one of the negro soldiers summarily discharged by the president on account of the Brownsville riot, holding that the amount involved is not sufficient to justify bringing the case to the supreme court.

The court also decided against the 80-cent gas law for New York, reversing the decision of the lower court in the various cases of the Consolidated Gas company of New York City.

The court today, in reversing the decision of the lower court in the various cases against the Consolidated Gas company of New York City, declared the laws of New York fixing the price of gas in New York City at 80 cents per thousand, to be constitutional.

#### MRS. ERB AGAIN ON STAND.

All Unnecessary Scandal Excluded From Proceedings by Judge.

Media, Pa., Jan. 4.—Judge Johnson, in the trial of Mrs. M. Florence Erb and Mrs. Catherine Beisel, for the murder of Capt. J. Clayton Erb, appears to be determined to keep out of the proceedings, any unnecessary scandal not directly bearing on the case. Mrs. Erb denied being unduly familiar with certain men, whose names were not mentioned, and said that she had fired a revolver out of a window to scare Captain Erb from coming back to the house after he had drawn her out of bed, one morning. She declared that she had no hand in killing her husband, in any particular, never encouraged her sister to kill him, and could throw no light on the killing.

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE HEARD.

House Refers Secret Service Reply to Special Committee.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Unusual attention was paid in the house of representatives today to the reading of the message from the president replying to the resolution of that body calling upon him for an explanation of the intimation in his annual message that members of congress were afraid to be investigated by the secret service. The galleries were packed to the doors. At the conclusion of its reading it was referred to the special committee that originally considered the matter.

#### PACKERS PROBE RESUMED.

Efforts to Safeguard Work of Grand Jury Redoubled.

Chicago, Jan. 4.—With the precautions to safeguard its secrets re-established, the federal grand jury today resumed its investigation of the relations between the big meat packing establishments of Chicago and the railroads.

#### Indiana Bank Closed.

Washington, Jan. 4.—The first National bank of Rugby, Ind., closed its doors today by order of its own directors, and the controller of the currency has appointed George W. Swords receiver. The bank was in trouble some months ago.

## HOUNDS LOST THE SCENT.

#### Fugitive Ft. Madison Prisoner Moran Still at Large.

Keokuk, Jan. 4.—Thomas Moran, escaped Ft. Madison convict, is at large. Every effort is being made to apprehend the fugitive and believed that he will be eventually captured. But Daley's hounds, who were put on the trail of the convict, lost scent after a run of a block in the street. Moran having only five men to serve, his escape at the time seemed unfortunate for himself, but it has since been reported that he is wanted for crime in Minnesota. If that is the case he has probably acted wisely in making his escape.

#### OHIO ASSEMBLY CONVENES.

Several Important Matters to Come Up at Special Session.

Columbus, O., Jan. 4.—The seventy-eighth general assembly of Ohio convened today in extraordinary session, for the purpose of electing a United States senator to succeed Foraker, and to consider appropriations to run the state government, and the proposition for the furnishing of employment for convicts, under the law abolishing contract labor.

#### OIL SCORES A POINT

United States Supreme Court Denies Government Petition for Writ in Standard Suit Tried Before Judge Landis.

Washington, Jan. 4.—The supreme court of the United States today denied the petition of the government for a writ of certiorari in the \$29,000,000 fine in the case against the Standard Oil company.

The effect of the decision will leave standing the decision of the court of appeals, which was adverse to the government and favorable to the Standard company.

#### Doesn't End Case.

Chicago, Jan. 4.—District Attorney Sims was informed of the adverse ruling in the supreme court in private telegram. He declined to discuss the matter, stating that the announcement of any future action in the case must come from Washington.

It is pointed out, however, that the court's ruling by no means necessarily ends the case. The original case may again be tried before Justice Landis, or the government may proceed on some entirely new case, with practically the same evidence, under a basis for which already exists in previous indictments.

#### CHOSEN FOR HIGH HONORS.

Announcement of Three Important Presidential Nominations Made.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Presidential nominations are: Envoys extraordinary and ministers plenipotentiary to Huntington, Wilson, of Illinois, to the Argentine republic; Spencer P. Eddy, of Illinois, to Roumania, Serbia, and diplomatic agent in Bulgaria; Consul general Arnold Shanklin, of Missouri, at Mexico, Mexico.

#### ADDITIONAL MARKETS

Chicago Grain Close.

Chicago, Jan. 4.—The wheat market became strong on covering by shorts. May closing 1/4 higher at 1.08 1/2. The corn market rallied with wheat, and May closed 1/4 at 41 1/2.

Wheat—No. 2 red, 1.05 1/2 @ 1.06; No. 3 red, 1.03 @ 1.05; No. 2 hard, 1.04 @ 1.05; No. 3 hard, 1.00 @ 1.04; May opened 1.07 1/2 @ 1.07 1/2; closing, 1.08 1/2 @ 1.08 1/2; lowest, 1.07 1/2; closing, 1.08 1/2; July, 99 1/2.

Corn—No. 3, 57 1/2 @ 58; No. 3 white 60; No. 2 yellow, 58 1/2 @ 59; May opened at 60 1/2 @ 61 1/2; highest, 61 1/2; lowest, 60 1/2; closing, 61 1/2; July, 61 1/2.

Oats—No. 3, 49; No. 3 white, 49 1/2; May opened at 51 1/2 @ 51 1/2; highest, 51 1/2; lowest, 51 1/2; closing, 51 1/2; July, 51 1/2 @ 51 1/2.

Chicago Produce.

Pork—January 16.47 1/2.  
Ribs—January, 8.45 @ 8.47 1/2.  
Lard—January, 9.55.  
Barley—Cash, 60 @ 67.  
Rye—75 1/2.  
Timothy—March 3.95.  
Clover—9.30.

Kansas City Grain.

Kansas City, Jan. 4.  
Wheat—May, \$1.01 1/2; No. 2 hard, \$1.01 @ 1.05.  
Corn—May, 57 1/2; No. 2 mixed, 55 1/2; Oats—No. 2 white, 48 @ 50.

St. Louis Grain.

St. Louis, Jan. 4.  
Wheat—May, \$1.08 1/2.  
Corn—60 1/2.  
Oats—50 1/2 @ 50 3/4.

New York Grain.

New York, Jan. 4.  
Wheat—May, \$1.12.  
Corn—68 1/2.

The Money Market.

New York, Jan. 4.  
Money steady, 3 @ 3 1/2; prime overnight, 3 1/2 @ 4; calling, 4 1/2 @ 5.45 @ 5.05 @ 4.85 @ 4.65; sixty days; \$4.80, demand.

## T.-R. BULLETIN.

### NOTICEABLE NEWS OF TODAY

#### The Weather.

sun rises Jan. 5 at 7:24; sets at 4:48.  
Iowa—Snow flurries tonight; fair Tuesday; cold wave tonight and Tuesday.  
Illinois—Showers and cooler tonight; rain or snow.  
Missouri—Showers tonight or Tuesday with low temperature.  
South Dakota—Fair tonight and Tuesday; cold wave.

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IN OWN DEFENSE.

#### Thornton Jenkins Hains Gives Testimony in Snappy Manner.

Flushing, N. Y., Jan. 4.—Thornton Jenkins Hains took the witness stand today in his own defense, and in a snappy manner, related, under cross-examination, the story of his life, and Captain Hains' marital misdoings that led to the slaying of Annie. Sometimes the defendant made his answer before the district attorney could enter objections to the line of interrogation. When recess was taken, he had told of the sudden appearance of Captain Hains in his home on a Sunday in May, and of the excitement that the captain was laboring under, because of what his wife had told him concerning Annie. The early part of the morning session was occupied with the conclusion of the cross-examination of General Peter C. Hains.

#### Baseball Player Shoots Rival and Girl, Then Ends Own Life.

Chandler, Ind., Jan. 4.—Edward Strickland, a professional baseball pitcher, who was with the Zanesville team last season and had signed with Evansville of the Central league for next Saturday night shot and killed his sweetheart, Ida Williamson, of Evansville, dangerously wounded his rival, Al Timmons, and