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Representative Polhard has accepted an invitation to deliver the Decoration day address at Elm Creek, Johnson county, provided congress shall have completed its labors and adjourned by that date, May 30.

John G. Carlton of Essex, Fred L. Walters of Allegheny, M. L. Ahern of Des Moines, John T. Bingham of Murray and John G. Helmberg of Dubuque, Ia., have been appointed railway mail clerks.

The comptroller of the currency today approved the conversion of the Aurora State bank of Aurora, Neb., into the Aurora National bank, with \$75,000 capital.

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Nebraska postmasters appointed: Brady, Lincoln county, Edward H. Springer, vice J. E. Murphy, resigned; Lehigha, Saunders county, Orville E. Strain, vice F. O. Finson, resigned.

HULL REPORTS THE ARMY BILL.
It Provides an Increase of 27 Per Cent in Pay of Enlisted Men.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Chairman E. Hull of the committee on military affairs today reported to the house the army appropriation bill, carrying a provision for a 27 per cent increase in the pay of enlisted men and noncommissioned officers. Referring to the omission of commissioned officers in the proposed increase, Mr. Hull said:

"This does not mean that the committee thinks the pay of officers is adequate. To the contrary, the committee was agreed that it should be increased, though by what percentages was not determined; but the committee fearing a point of order, felt that it would be unwise to include such a provision in the appropriation bill. The senate may do so. Probably an increase for officers would be incorporated in the bill in the form of an amendment on the floor."

HUGHES PROPOSES AMENDMENT.
Representative from New Jersey Suggests Change in Sherman Law.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Representative Hughes of New Jersey today introduced an amendment to the Sherman anti-trust act, which is designed to meet the objections raised by the supreme court of the United States in a recent decision. The amendment is as follows:

"This act shall not be construed to apply to any arrangements or combinations between laborers made with the view of lessening the number of hours of labor of increasing their wages, or to any arrangements, agreements or combinations among persons engaged in horticulture or agriculture, made with the view of enhancing the price of agricultural or horticultural products."

Mr. Hughes proposes to press his amendment before the judiciary committee.

QUIET AT FAIRBANKS, ALASKA.
Labor Crisis in Mining Town Passed and Troops Are Not Needed.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Conditions at Fairbanks, Alaska, where the Western Federation of Miners is alleged to have been deporting nonunion men, were reported to the War department today as "quiet." The report, made by telegraph by the commander of the Department of Columbia, adds: "The saloons have opened."

It is understood here that no troops have been sent to Fairbanks, but that which went to the commander at Fort Gibson instructed him to place himself in touch with the marshal at Fairbanks and should a disturbance result to use troops to preserve order.

The report today is taken to indicate that the crisis in the labor trouble has passed.

BOY ADMITS KILLING FATHER.
Copener Holds Him and His Mother for Murder.

CRESTON, Ia., Feb. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—In his written confession as detailed before the coroner's inquest this afternoon, Bert Henderlter states that he went to the place of his father, Nathan Taylor, after dark, and looking through the window saw that he was alone. Henderlter then went into the room and as Taylor sat smoking, with his side to the door, Henderlter deliberately pulled the revolver from his pocket and shot Taylor.

The latter fell to the floor and the murderer again fired, the second bullet going through Taylor's brain. He then took the dead man's watch and went home, where he hid both gun and watch. He then told his mother, Mrs. Belle Taylor, that Taylor was sick, and, she, going to his rooms, found him dead.

Bert said he talked the matter over with his brother, an invalid, and they wanted to get rid of Taylor because he "was mean to me." He had never said a word to his mother about it and she never said she wished it done.

At 8 o'clock the coroner's jury returned a verdict finding that Taylor came to his death at the hands of Bert Henderlter, and also finding Mrs. Belle Taylor an accomplice in the crime.

"The Making of a Millennium." Read It.

No Verdict in Small Case.

CLINTON, Ill., Feb. 17.—If a verdict in the case of Richard Snell to break the case of his father, Colonel Thomas Snell, has been reached, the jury in the case of Snell is now well known, as is also the fact that a sumptuously furnished room may be had for \$4 a day or one with bath in connection for \$5; or a parlor, bedroom and bath for \$12.

Catarrh, Deafness, Asthma.
A Positive Cure for \$3.

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A Guckenheimer & Bros. Distillers Pittsburgh, Pa.

FLOOD WATERS GOING DOWN.

Big Buildings Collapse and Other Damage is Heavy.

SCORE OF OCCUPANTS ESCAPE.

One Entombed Under Debris Dug Out After Many Hours Work— Warning in Cracking Walls.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 17.—The annual flood in this city and vicinity is slowly disappearing. At 1 o'clock the stage was twenty-four feet and falling four-tenths of an inch an hour.

The body of one man was found floating in the river today and two other are missing. For some time great excitement prevailed, as it was reported many persons had been buried under the debris. Hurred calls for police reserves, ambulances and firemen were sent in and search of the rains began. Anderson's voice could be heard calling for help and frantic efforts were made to release him. It was found the man was wedged between heavy timbers in the basement and over him were tons of brick and plaster, braced in such a manner, however, that he was entombed, but not seriously injured. After several hours' work he was released and sent to a hospital, where it was later stated he would recover.

Cracking Walls Give Warning.
The escape of the other occupants was miraculous. The loud cracking of the walls a few minutes before the house collapsed served as a warning and saved all from being crushed. The passing flood was responsible for the accident.

The foundations of both dwellings, which were old, had been weakened by the high water, causing them to collapse. Other buildings in the vicinity are in a like condition and building inspectors are making a thorough examination of the places today.

"At 10 o'clock this morning the rivers had fallen to about 24 1/2 feet. They continued to recede slowly and by early this afternoon the water will be below the danger mark of 22 feet."

Suffering among the flood victims is intense today, owing to cold weather, and all charitable organizations are engaged in alleviating the misery. Reports are being received showing the damage to be widespread and heavy.

Small Flood at Rochester.
ROCHESTER, N. Y., Feb. 17.—High water continues in the Genesee river here but while the river is at its greatest height in years, freedom from floating logs will stop danger of a flood. At Genesee, however, a large tree jammed against the Genesee river bridge, near the railroad station, has caused a backup of water and a flood has followed. A flood along Canasaga creek has made trouble at Danville, N. Y. Many roads near Cuylerville, Greigville and York are under water. Traffic on Mount Morris road is stopped, and trains on the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad, Mount Morris branch, have found it impossible to run on time.

Railroads Stop Running.
WHEELING, W. Va., Feb. 17.—All trolley lines and railroads, except the Pennsylvania and two lines of the Baltimore & Ohio, are out of commission. The property loss this morning by reason of a flood is almost appalling, which has given the Board of Trade and city authorities are furnishing food supplies for hundreds of the destitute in the flooded district.

The river is expected to begin receding this afternoon. Conditions are made much worse this morning by reason of the sudden drop in the temperature, resulting in the freezing over of all the flooded streets.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 17.—Floods continue in southern Indiana today. The water has turned clear and cold, which will check the rapid rise in streams, but at Potosi, White and Patoka rivers are higher than since 1875 and thousands of acres of wheat land are submerged. Schools have closed and trains have ceased running. Hundreds of men are repairing washouts. At Terra Haute the Washash is 17 1/2 feet and is rising. The Ohio at Evansville will pass the danger line about tonight. It is rising two inches an hour.

Ice Jam in New Hampshire.
FRANKLIN, N. H., Feb. 17.—An ice jam in the Pemigewasset river near here, threatening the United States senate. The Boston and Maine railroad today. For a distance of three-quarters of a mile the tracks were covered five feet deep in ice. It is expected that the work of clearing the tracks will require from twenty-four to forty-eight hours.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 17.—The flood stage for the Ohio river at this point, fifty feet, will probably be reached tomorrow. Prospects for a higher stage depends on weather conditions at up-river points, but at least fifty feet is expected which would seriously cripple all train service to the Grand Central depot.

Already along the Ohio thousands of acres are inundated, many people have been driven to higher ground and much damage has been done.

FUND AS A PUBLIC TRIBUTE.
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eral times as the officers lowered him from the car to the platform. He rolled his eyes and gave every evidence of a desire to see who was around him.

Jones was brought back to the penitentiary just ten days after having been released after serving a ten-year sentence. He was discharged February 17, 1907, sent up from Douglas county for robbery. About a year ago Jones tied up the cell-house keeper and was sawing the bars to his cell when discovered. Others were implicated with him in his efforts to escape. The saw had been stolen from the engine room. He had several flights while in prison and on one or two occasions got out up pretty badly.

All Negroes Not to Blame.
OMAHA, Feb. 17.—To the Editor of the Bee: During the slavery days all negroes were wronged; 'tis said, but true today. In the twentieth century they are wronged. Why? Because for what one negro does the rest are held responsible. All are blamed for what one does. Is that right, or is it a shame on the American people that it is so? JUNIUS.

RAILROADS MEET SITUATION.
Disposition to Comply with New Laws Proposed by the Commission.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—Gratification is expressed by the Interstate Commerce commission over two conditions that have arisen within a day or two. In concrete terms, the commission is gratified that the railroad companies are doing all that lies in their power to meet situations that have developed under the new laws applying to interstate traffic.

Information has reached the commission that the Baltimore & Ohio proposes to put into effect tomorrow the provision of the so-called "nine-hour law," which by its terms does not make operative until March 4 next. The law limits the hours of service of all classes of train operatives, particularly locomotive engineers and firemen, train dispatchers, railway telegraph operators and signmen and conductors. The commission has set February 27 as a date on which it will hear formal applications for an extension of the time of the operation of the nine-hour provision. If the time be extended as to the railroads which are able to do so, the commission good cause for the extension.

However, the Baltimore & Ohio does not propose to await the result of the hearing. As explained to the commission, the purpose of the officials of that system is to put the new law into effect immediately in order that both the officials and the operators may become familiar with the new conditions before they are made imperative by the act itself.

Another source of gratification to the commission is the very general compliance of the railroads with that provision of the Hepburn act which makes it obligatory upon carriers to submit to the commission monthly reports covering every phase of the operation of interstate roads. The commission now has complete reports for five months ended November 30 or 30 per cent of the railroad mileage of the country.

Women Urged to Organize.
Mr. Loveland asserted that if the women of the community will take up the agitation the juvenile farm will be provided. He urged the necessity for the unfortunate women to substitute for the usual parental love and supervision the usually denied. He condemned the cheap theaters as "schools of crime," not less dangerous than the corrupting influences of the lower part of the city. He asked the club to make a member of the Mount Vernon association that has restored and maintained Mount Vernon, will speak of the work of that organization. A colonial tea will follow.

Rate Case Before Prouty.
Interstate Commerce Commissioner Listens to Testimony Bearing on Iowa Charges.

CHICAGO, Feb. 17.—Interstate Commerce Commissioner Prouty today resumed the hearing of the case of the Great Belt Producers' association against Missouri, Iowa and Illinois railroads, in which the association seeks a reduction of the interstate shipping rates on live stock in Iowa. The hearing was commenced some time ago in Des Moines.

Charles A. Hows of Albert Lea, Minn., testified that the present rates in Iowa have an undue advantage to shippers in Kansas and Missouri, because they are able to make Missouri-Chicago shipments through Illinois without touching Iowa territory. By this means, he declared, the Kansas and Missouri shippers get a low rate, because the rate in Missouri is lower than the state schedules and in Illinois the two correspond.

He was asked by Commissioner Prouty if the average Missouri rate is lower than the average rate in Iowa and replied that they were.

HARGIS' ESTATE FOOTS BILL.
Cost of Defense of Son Will Be Paid Property.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Feb. 17.—In the defense of Beech Hargis for the murder of his father, Judge James Hargis, the expense will be paid out of the \$50,000 which is the boy's share of his father's estate.

BANKS AGAINST ALDRICH BILL.
New York State Association Again Declares for an Asset Currency.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—The council of administration of the New York State Bankers' association put itself on record today as "unequivocally disapproving" the provisions of the Aldrich financial bill, now pending in the United States senate. The council met at the Union League club, the chairman of individual groups of banks and bankers representing every county of the state being present. The resolution adopted, follows:

"That the bankers of the state of New York unequivocally disapprove the provisions of the Aldrich bill; that they do not approve of a so-called emergency currency; that they demand that any currency, based on bank assets, as proposed in the Aldrich bill, be delivered to the commission of the American bankers association.

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How to Compute Surface Feet and How to Charge for Them—Penny-packer to Take Stand.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 17.—The trial of the conspiracy against Contractor John H. Sanderson, former Auditor General Snyder, former State Treasurer Mathews and former Superintendent of Grounds and Buildings Shumaker was resumed here today. Following the precedent of his associates in their opening speeches for the defense counsel for Shumaker laid all responsibility for alleged irregularities in connection with the furnishing of the materials upon Joseph M. Huston, the architect. Following the argument of counsel the defense began calling experts who had measured the furniture supplied by Sanderson to refute the testimony of the commonwealth that the measurements were falsified. Former Governor Pennypacker, who is called as soon as Sanderson's expert witnesses on measurements have been heard.

John Kauffman of Philadelphia, a designer of furniture, who was in the employ of Sanderson when the latter was given the contract for capital furnishings, testified to the measurements of the sixty-five sofas mentioned in the indictment for the purpose of showing that Sanderson did not charge for as many "feet" as he might have under his contract.

Securing "Surface Feet."
According to Kauffman's testimony a sofa for which Sanderson charged the state \$200, actually measured sixty-four and one-quarter "surface feet" and could have been billed at \$182.50.

A table measuring two feet six inches long and two feet six inches wide for which Sanderson charged the state \$100, actually measured sixty-four and one-quarter "surface feet" and should have cost the state \$423.20. Sanderson furnished the state clothes trees at \$7.00 each, containing one and one-half feet. The relevant items mentioned in the indictment measured 12,390 square feet. At various "per feet prices," charged Sanderson could have collected \$150,631.50, according to the witness. Sanderson charged the state only \$49,477.80.

Mr. Kauffman said the famous bootblack stand in the senate lavatory, for which the state paid Sanderson \$1,000, measured sixty-four and one-half square feet. Sanderson sold this stand to the state at the rate of \$15.00 "per foot." According to Kauffman's measurement the contractor could have collected \$1,166.60 instead of \$1,000. The state charged \$1,000 for a stand a subcontractor only \$125 for the stand.

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