

THE NEVADA COUNTY PICAYUNE

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PREGOTT - - ARKANSAS.

Just now home is as hot as you
make it.

Humanity has been too much sub-
dued even to swat the fly.

When aviators stop flying circus
shows they will stop dying.

The summer girl wears a heart on
her sleeve—but it's not her own.

Still, for popularity the summer re-
port prospectus gathers first place.

A coat is as superfluous in winter
as a straw hat would be in winter.

If there is anything that makes a
man hot it is advice on how to keep
cool.

Avocation is fleeting, but vacation
money can give it many points and
still win.

What we need now is a crusade
among mosquitoes for safe and sane
vacations.

Like the cooling of a sandwich, the
occasional flood day is the most ap-
preciated part.

Ice men are nothing if not consis-
tent. The price of ice always goes up
with the mercury.

Philadelphia will start a war on
mosquitoes—and they do disturb
sleep, that's a fact.

The textile fabric men complain
that the narrow skirts are ruining
them. So does father.

Mexico is having earthquakes. It
ought to be used to all sorts of dis-
turbances by this time.

A coat of tan is not always the sign
of a returning vacationist; it may be
the badge of the hayfield.

Everybody is giving hot-weather ad-
vice. The public is on the qui vive to
see the one man who takes it.

The theory that everybody is a bit
off in hot weather is borne out by
many eccentricities of the day.

A prince who had been jilted by an
American heiress tried suicide and
failed. Nothing remains but to go to
work.

Official instructions for keeping cool
are doubtless the best things possible
in the absence of the northeast
breeze.

By the simple expedient of keeping
the thermometer in the icebox you
can rob the heated term of some of
its terrors.

Now they say we should not make
baby laugh in hot weather. It will be
comparatively easy to obey this in-
struction.

We have it from a chiroprapist that
corns cause crime, but even murder is
justified when a stranger steps on
one's pet corn.

Persons who desire a houseboat in
which to spend the summer will be in-
terested in the news that Hayti wants
to sell its navy.

Autumn styles for men decree a
waist line. But in some cases a sur-
veying expert will have to be em-
ployed to find it.

Somebody has figured out that a
pound of soap will make 25,344,000
bubbles. That man ought to make a
good editor for the Congressional Re-
cord.

A scientist pronounces excessive
talking a disease, and this encourages
the hope that a cure for scolding
will yet be discovered.

An advance in the price of writing
paper is reported, but the wastebasket
contributors of the average newspaper
will find the price somehow.

The moving picture men don't
care whether there is a buffalo or a
Goddess of Liberty on the 5-cent coin,
so long as they get the nickel.

The report that the temperature in
Yellowstone park the other morning
was 32 degrees is the considerable boost
for the "see America first" crusade.

Shad has returned to Maine rivers
after being away for 40 years. If we
are not to have any sea serpents this
summer perhaps this shad story will
suffice.

Now a Chicago chef says boiled beef
is a treat for all and the cheaper cuts
surpass the best porterhouse. This
last is carrying enthusiasm beyond
the limit.

A millionaire who paid \$48,000 for
a pair of ancient andirons seems de-
termined to have a hot old time, no
matter what it costs.

Curiosity is that passion with dire
results which we satisfy when we con-
sult the thermometer to find out it is
even hotter than we thought it was.

A French American actor is to marry a
French baroness, and to nobility, at
such a reversal of the usual order,
is asking reverently if this is the be-
gining of the end.

STATE CAPITOL
NEWS AND NOTES

The Time for Treasurers to Re-
port Has Closed—Many
Delinquent.

OFFICERS LIABLE TO PENALTY

If Report Is Not Received by Certain
Time Apportionment of School
Funds Cannot Be Made.

The last day under the law for coun-
ty treasurers and county examiners
to report to the superintendent of
public instruction on school funds and
school work has passed, and only about
half of each have yet turned in their
reports. County treasurers and
county examiners also who do not re-
port before August 10 are liable to a
penalty.

This information is required in the
superintendent's office so the tabula-
tion of enumeration may be made by
the time the State Board of Educa-
tion meets on the first Monday in
September to apportion the state
school funds. Those counties failing
to report at this time will not receive
their share of the apportionment of
school funds, as these cannot be de-
termined until the reports are made.

The latest reports of county treasur-
ers made are as follows:

Lawrence—Receipts, \$51,803.11; ex-
penditures, \$45,397.65; balance, \$6,
405.46.

Cleburne—Receipts, \$31,713.06; ex-
penditures, \$23,280.91; balance, \$8,
432.15.

Lee—Receipts, \$95,581.51; expendi-
tures, \$4,253.30; balance, \$41,328.21.

Izard—Receipts, \$30,332.38; expendi-
tures, \$24,591.44; balance, \$5,740.94.

Stone—Receipts, \$19,382.49; expendi-
tures, \$12,734.62; balance, \$6,647.87.

Baxter—Receipts, \$25,661.06; expendi-
tures, \$14,096.24; balance, \$11,564.82.

Franklin—Receipts, \$45,977.54; ex-
penditures, \$20,071.87; balance, \$5,
370.69.

Van Buren—Receipts, \$25,678.18; ex-
penditures, \$20,071.87; balance, \$5,
606.31.

Arkansas—Receipts, \$97,664.91; ex-
penditures, \$63,472.34; balance, \$34,
192.57.

Beane—Receipts, \$41,522.50; expendi-
tures, \$30,290.73; balance, \$11,231.77.

Cleveland—Receipts, \$36,928.57; ex-
penditures, \$26,852.92; balance, \$10,
075.65.

Clark—Receipts, \$64,459.30; expendi-
tures, \$47,937.75; balance, \$16,521.55.

Randolph—Receipts, \$72,795.96; ex-
penditures, \$40,298.36; balance, \$32,
497.60.

McCombs Accepts Appointment.

Little Rock.—William F. McCombs,
chairman of the Democratic National
Committee, has written George R.
Brown, secretary of the Arkansas
Good Roads and Drainage Association,
asking Judge Harry E. Cook of Lake
Village, president, for his appointment
to represent the association at the an-
nual convention of the American Good
Roads Congress, to be held at Atlantic
City, September 30 to October 5, next.

Report of United Charities.

Little Rock.—The report of the
work done by the United Charities As-
sociation during July, compiled by
Superintendent Murray A. Auerbach,
shows that a total of 456 persons ap-
plied to the association for aid during
the month. The majority of the appli-
cants were "regulars," only 61 being
entirely new to the books for the first
time.

Plan Poultry Show.

Little Rock.—The fifth annual ex-
hibition of the Little Rock Poultry
Association will be held in Little Rock
November 25-30, inclusive, and will, it
is expected, be one of the largest poul-
try shows ever given in Arkansas.

Members of the association are plan-
ning an elaborate exhibition and urg-
ing all breeders of prize birds to en-
ter them this year.

New Railway Chartered.

Little Rock.—The Board of Railway
Incorporations has granted a charter
to the Ashley, Drew and Northern rail-
way company, which has a capital of
\$600,000. The proposed line will be-
gin at a point one mile and a half
south of Crosssett and extended
through Fountain Hill to Monticello, a
distance of 50 miles. The company
was first organized and the charter
granted about two months ago, but it
was found that the first charter did
not comply with all the requirements
of the Interstate Commerce Commis-
sion, and a new charter was asked for
and granted.

Acting Governor Grants Pardon.

Little Rock.—The first pardon
granted by Acting Governor W. C.
Rogers was to a man of his own
name, who, however, is a negro. Dave
Rogers of Miller county was pardoned
to restore citizenship that he might
testify at an important trial in that
county. Andrew Jackson and George
Boggs were promised pardons by Gov.
Donaghey when they had served a cer-
tain length of time. In fulfillment of
his promise the pardons were issued.

TALK OF ELECTRIC LINE

Reports From St. Louis Say Capital-
ists Are Behind Scheme.

St. Louis.—Capitalists here have be-
come interested in the construction of
an electric railway to connect Little
Rock and Memphis, Tenn. Sufficient
capital has been raised to insure the
project, and a company will be organ-
ized, probably within a few days, to
begin the enterprise.

W. H. Langford, Pine Bluff, Ark., a
director in the Pine Bluff-Arkansas
River Railway, who also is interested
in public utility properties in Arkan-
sas, was in St. Louis in conference
with local financiers regarding the
proposed railway. He departed for
Boston to close the financial arrange-
ments. Surveys for the proposed in-
terurban already have been completed.

The new line will follow mainly the
route of the Little Rock-Memphis line
of the Rock Island by way of Lonoke,
Des Arc and Forrest City, Ark., enter-
ing Memphis over the new Burlington
bridge, the federal charter for which
provides for its use by electric lines.
The electric road will traverse a thick-
ly settled agricultural section, includ-
ing the Arkansas rice district.

The new company will be organized
with an initial capital of at least \$10,
000,000. Owing to the overflow lands
of eastern Arkansas, the construction
of the line in this section will be ex-
pensive. It is estimated that the road
will cost about \$28,000 a mile for a
distance of 40 miles out of Memphis.
The interurban will be 130 miles
long.

ERADICATION PROGRESSES

South Loses Many Ticks Yearly
From Long Tick.

Little Rock.—According to A. E.
White, government representative of
the tick eradication station for Arkan-
sas and Louisiana, acting in con-
junction with state and county au-
thorities, approximately 1,500 head of
cattle were treated and freed from this
pest in Arkansas during July. This
is regarded as an excellent showing,
considering the present stage of de-
velopment of this work in Arkansas.

The government estimates that the an-
nual loss to the South from this pest is
\$40,000,000, of which \$2,000,000 is in
Arkansas.

The most successful way of ridding
cattle of this evil, especially in this
section of the country, is by driving
them through a vat filled with water,
which contains a solution of arsenic,
deadly poison to the ticks. The cost
of the vats averages around \$50. The
following counties in Arkansas have
been released from quarantine: Ben-
ton, Carroll, Madison, Washington,
Randolph, Clay, Greene, Lawrence,
Craighead, Mississippi and Powlett.

Roosevelt to Come.

Little Rock.—Col. Theodore Roose-
velt, will arrive in Arkansas during
the first part of September to make
four speeches in the state. The time
and places will not be announced until
later, but it is the intention of the
Progressive party to make a flying
dash over the country, speaking from
the rear end of a special train. Gov.
Hiram Johnson, candidate for vice
president of the Progressive party,
probably will accompany the colonel
on the trip through Arkansas and the
South.

Building Good Road.

Little Rock.—The east end of the
nine miles of the public highway,
which is to connect with the road to
be constructed to Pine Bluff, is about
completed. Several representatives
of property owners in Jefferson coun-
ty, interested in the Pine Bluff end
of the pipe, conferred with County
Judge Asher in regard to the work to
be done on the road.

TO BUILD CENTRAL STATION

Little Rock Is Improving Fire Fight-
ing Facilities.

Little Rock.—The original plans and
specifications for the new central fire
station for Little Rock to be built on
the front of the present site of the city
Auditorium have been approved by
the Board of Public Affairs, and the
architects will prepare the blue prints
for the contracts as soon as possible.
Bids will be asked for immediately
and the contract will be awarded and
work on the structure commenced be-
fore the end of August. The esti-
mated cost of the station is \$40,000,
and the contract will call for com-
pletion by January 1, 1913.

According to the plans, the structure
will be three stories high, one of the
stories being the basement, and will
contain in architecture and material
with the city hall, adjoining which
the station will be built. The dimen-
sions of the ground space for the building
are 95 feet frontage and 65 feet deep.

Little Rock.—The Arkansas Tax
Commission has commenced the work
of assessing the public service corpo-
rations of the state, which is expected
to be completed within a short time.

The total assessment of the public
service corporations this year, it is
estimated, will amount approximately
to \$85,000,000, as compared with \$81,
000,000 of the previous year. The
assessments of the previous year, for
the year 1908, the year before the com-
mission assumed its duties, was \$51,
000,000.

BANKERS AIDING
THE PROSECUTION

Institutions of New York Tells
Attorney Whitman Amounts
of Deposits of Suspects.

BECKER DEPOSITS \$58,485

Accused Police Officer Had Deposited
Money in Many Banks—After
Those "Higher Up."

New York.—Powerful banking inter-
ests, acting through the New York
Clearing House Committee, came to
the aid of District Attorney Whitman
in his efforts to lay bare the alleged
corrupt alliance between the police
and the gambling fraternity, founded
on graft or blackmail.

A virtual command was given by
the committee to all banks in the
clearing house to furnish the district
attorney with a record of deposits
they may have received from any high
police officials whom the district at-
torney suspects of having been col-
lectors of blackmail from disorderly
elements of the city.

As a result, records showing that
within the last eight months Police
Lieutenant Charles Becker, charged
with the murder of Herman Rosenthal
and accused of gambling graft, has
made bank deposits of \$58,485 in his
own name or that of his wife, were
placed in the hands of the police pro-
secutor. These deposits, the records
show, were first made in November,
1911, shortly after Becker became
head of the "strong arm" squad of
gambling raiders, and continued dur-
ing the time that Jack Rose says he
was collecting graft for Becker until
after his arrest.

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PROMINENT EDITOR DEAD

Col. Joseph S. Dunham, Aged 89, Has
Conducted Paper Many Years.

Van Buren.—Col. Joseph Star Dun-
ham, founder and publisher of the
Van Buren Press and one of the pio-
neer newspaper men of Arkansas, died
suddenly at his home in Van Buren,
aged 89 years. Col. Dunham, despite
his advanced age, continued actively
to direct the affairs of the Press and
was at his desk only a few hours be-
fore he died. Col. Dunham was born
in Middleton, Connecticut, January 5,
1823. He moved to Van Buren and
established the Press in 1859. From
that time until his death he was the
sole proprietor and publisher of the
paper.

During President Johnson's admin-
istration, Col. Dunham was internal
revenue collector for this district and
he filled an appointive position in
Washington for a number of years. He
never sought political preferment at
home, however. He devoted his en-
tire energies to his newspaper and
made it one of the most influential
papers in western Arkansas.

China Wants American Advisor.

Washington.—Unofficially, it is
known here overtures have been going
on for some time between President
Yuan Shi Kai and W. W. Rockhill, the
American minister to China, looking
to the appointment of Rockhill as ad-
visor to the new Chinese republic. Ne-
gotiations have not progressed far
enough to warrant Mr. Rockhill's re-
signation, but it is known he is giving
the offer serious consideration.

Appropriation Bill Passes Senate.

Washington.—The annual postoffice
appropriation bill has passed the sen-
ate at the end of two days' sharp fight-
ing over provisions relating to parcel
post, good roads improvement and the
affiliation of postal employees with
labor organizations. As it goes back
to the house it contains some restric-
tions upon the right of postal employees
to join outside organizations and an
indirect new system of parcels post
based on the "zone plan," with vary-
ing rates for varying distances.

TRAINS WILL RUN AGAIN

"Arkansas on Wheels" Will Start Dur-
ing October—Will Be Better.

Little Rock.—The "Arkansas on
Wheels" exposition train this year
will be limited, according to Manager
W. B. Folsom, who was in the city,
but will be more thoroughly equipped
than ever before. The third annual
tour will be made during the latter
part of October, and will circle
through eastern Kansas, Kentucky
and western Tennessee. Mr. Folsom
has already made arrangements with
the leading towns and cities and will
close all arrangements by September
10.

The recent announcement that the
"Arkansas on Wheels" would make its
third annual tour has caused great in-
terest throughout the state," said Mr.
Folsom, "and this week I have con-
cluded arrangements with many of
the leading towns and cities for rep-
resentation on the train. One of the
exhibit cars will be devoted exclusively
to showing the products of the
towns and cities of eastern Arkansas
in the St. Francis and Mississippi ba-
sin territory with the view of over-
coming the bad impression that has
gone out over the country from ac-
counts of the recent overflow. It has
been advertised that Arkansas was
practically ruined by the high waters.
The products on display in this par-
ticular car will show that only a small
area of Arkansas was affected by the
high water, and that even the small
section of land that did overflow was
made more productive thereby.

Follows Demonstration Methods.

Perryville.—J. M. Neely, county farm
demonstrator for Perry county,
brought a stalk of corn to the govern-
ment demonstration office, which had
two very large ears. It was grown by
O. F. Wood near Perryville. The corn
is known as Wood's mammoth white
corn. Mr. Wood says he has three
acres of this corn which he thinks
will easily make 75 bushels to the
acre. The corn was grown under gov-
ernment demonstration methods. Mr.
Wood says he has 25 acres of a yellow
variety of corn that will yield 50
bushels to the acre. He used no fer-
tilizer on any of his corn.

Schools Show Improvement.

Pocahontas.—County Examiner Eu-
gene Thompson has completed his re-
port of the schools of Randolph coun-
ty for 1912. His report shows a total
of 7,261 school children in the county,
of whom 7,116 are white and 145 are
black. There are 3,733 school boys
and 3,528 school girls. The enroll-
ment for this year shows an increase
of 201 pupils, 243 whites and a loss
of 42 blacks. The value of school
property has increased from \$61,600
to \$81,800 during the past year. The
average salary of teachers has been
increased \$5.50.

Republicans Open Campaign.

Little Rock.—The Republicans of
this state have formally opened their
campaign. A meeting was held in this
city and several speakers were heard.
Mr. A. L. Roland, son of a Confed-
erate veteran, is the candidate for gov-
ernor. He addressed the meeting at-
tacking some of the referendum laws
about to be voted upon.

Doing Good Road Work.

Thornton.—Work was begun on that
section of the much talked of Fordyce-
Camden automobile road, between
Fordyce and Thornton, about six miles
in length. A corps of experienced
men with dynamite has blown out the
larger stumps and are being followed
by a crew of road workers, consisting
of 25 teams and 35 men, with plows,
scrapers and road machines. They
will continue work until this section
of the road is completed.

Ozark.—Recent rains have revived

garden truck and grass. An unusu-
ally good corn crop is assured. Where
it has been properly cultivated it was
never better. Late corn is in ex-
cellent condition. Cotton is doing
nicely, and has progressed more in
the last ten days than for weeks pre-
viously. The yield promises to be
good, provided there is not excessive
rainfall from now on.

Arrested on Murder Charge.

Jonestown.—As the result of the
death of Rudolph Zaeen at Weiner,
this county, Richard Huffstetter of
that place is under arrest charged
with murder in the second degree.
According to the story told by eye-
witnesses, the two men were working
on a dredge boat near Weiner and
Zaeen was cursing and swearing in
the hearing of some women. It is said
that Huffstetter remonstrated with
him for this, Zaeen ran at him with a
knife, and that Huffstetter, in self-
defense, struck him over the head
with an axe handle.

Gillett.—The heavy rain which fell

here from heart failure, with which he
has been afflicted some time. He ate
breakfast and was sitting on the front
porch of his hotel talking with some
friends. He started to laugh when his
chin dropped down and he never
breathed again.

Snyder.—As the result of being

struck on the temple by a wasp on
July 26, Mrs. G. L. Mathews died at
her home in Snyder.

REBELS KILL AND
BURN TRAVELERS

Train Is Attacked and Guard of
Soldiers Killed—Train Is
Set on Fire.

OVER FIFTY ESTIMATED SLAIN

Only Those Able to Crawl From Cars
Escape Burning—Women's Fingers
Chopped Off.

Mexico City.—Thirty-six soldiers
and more than 20 passengers were
slaughtered by Zapatistas in a can-
yon, one kilometer north Tlaxiama, 110
miles southeast of Mexico City. Mes-
senger details, which indicate the savag-
ery displayed, were not less and prob-
ably was greater, than that which
characterized the massacre of troops
and passengers on a train between
Cuernavaca and Mexico City on July
20. So far as can be learned only a
part of the train crew escaped.

The first story of the assault was
sent back to Mexico City by Conductor
Marin and Collector Dominguez, who,
although wounded, had managed to
make their way to Yauhtepac, 12 miles
away. They were forced to steal
through the Zapatistas lines and did
not arrive at the telegraph station
until some time.

After firing had ceased the rebels
swarmed down the hillside and set
fire to the three cars attached to a
train. A few of the wounded had
crawled out on the right of way, thus
escaping the fate of those unable to
leave the cars. They were burned.

According to reports received, the
leader of the rebels made absolutely
no effort to restrain the men from acts
of brutality greater than any that has
marred the campaign in the South.
The wounded, pleading for their lives,
were struck down without pity by the
bloodthirsty rebels, and even looting
was held in abeyance until the slaugh-
ter was complete.

Not satisfied with robbing their vic-
tims in ordinary manner, the fingers
of men and women were chopped off
with machetes in order that the rings
they wore might be more quickly ob-
tained. Ornaments were torn from
the ears of women and their bodies
otherwise were mutilated.

Sultan of Morocco Resigns.

Paris.—It is officially announced
that the sultan of Morocco has com-
pleted all the formalities demanded by
France and that his abdication is an
accomplished fact. Mulai Youssef, his
brother, is to be proclaimed immedi-
ately. The abdication of Mulai was
voluntary. It was arranged between
him and the French resident governor,
who urged upon the sultan the an-
nouncement that it was for avert a possi-
ble fanatic outbreak that he had de-
cided to take the step.

Union Men Win Strike.

Sedalia, Mo.—The 66 Missouri Pacific
boilermakers who were discharged
recently because of their refusal to
work with four nonunion helpers
were reinstated with full pay for the
time they had lost. The objectionable
helpers were removed, by order of
Superintendent Turnbull of St. Louis.

Girl Has Many Accidents.

New Orleans.—Last week Maud
Nash, an 11-year-old girl, fell from a
splinter into her foot, fell upon a pin
that entered her back, and then, to
cap the climax of her series of acci-
dents, was bitten by her pet terrier.
She is now in the Charity hospital
suffering from lockjaw. The physici-
ans say that splinter has caused the
trouble. Her recovery is considered
doubtful.

Montreal.—The Allan line steamer

Corsicana, which sailed from Montreal
with 200 passengers bound for Liver-
pool, struck an iceberg east of Belle
Isle, near Newfoundland, but appar-
ently was not seriously damaged. There
were reports that the steamers were
proceeding to the assistance of the
Corsicana, but this was declared at
the Allan line offices to be incorrect.

Rebels Press Towards Line.

El Paso, Tex.—Generals Rabago and
Tellez, with an army of 5,000 rebels,
are pressing toward Juarez on the
Mexican Northwestern railroad, ac-
cording to advices received by the
federal officers here. It is announced
that the federals have reached Nueva
Casas Grandes, 100 miles southwest
of Juarez, where General Orozco will
strongly 700 rebels is stationed.
Strong detachment have been sent
into the abandoned Mermon colonies
to prevent further disorders.

Catlin Is Unseated by House.

Washington.—Representative The-
ron E. Catlin of Missouri, Republican,
was unseated as a member of the
house of representatives and his Dem-
ocratic opponent, who contested the
election, Patrick F. Gill, was seated,
amid wild enthusiasm from the Demo-
cratic side. The vote to unseat Cat-
lin, who was charged with violation of
the Missouri law governing campaign
expenses, was 121 to 71. Gill was
seated by a vote of 106 to 79, with 23
voting present.