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Former pugilist John L. Sullivan was 50 years old the other day and celebrated the event by taking a pledge to remain on the water wagon for the next half century.

An unknown poison fiend has been at work in DuBois, for several weeks, scattering poison in several alleys and streets, endangering the lives of children and domestic animals and fowls. Probably it is intended to get rid of some tramp dogs, but in the past two weeks several dogs have been found dead.

Farmers in some sections of Lycoming county are complaining of the depredations by bears in their corn fields. Jacob Kiefer and John Lovett, report that many of their stocks have been torn apart and much of the corn consumed, and in order to prevent further loss they are hurrying the work of husking the corn.

The large general store of Brillinger & Swartz at Enslsburg, York county, was destroyed by an incendiary fire early on Saturday morning. Loss, \$5,000.

There is a big war on in Pittston between meat dealers, representing the trust and anti trust houses, and prices have been greatly reduced, to the joy and gain of consumers.

While gunning for rabbits Roy McCoy of Norristown, was shot in the head by another gunner. About a dozen shot entered his face and head and his condition is serious.

An entire family—William Curtis, wife, a 5-year-old son and a 17-months old daughter, of Modena, Chester county—have been removed to the Coatesville hospital suffering with typhoid fever.

George K. Deevy, a farmer of East Pikeland, Chester county, has been held in \$800 bail to answer at court the charge of violating the law against selling cattle affected with tuberculosis.

Alfred West fell asleep back of a machine in the Allentown silk mill, was caught in the cogs when the machine started and sustained injuries in one leg that will cripple him for life.

Elias Baer, a farmer residing near Auburn, Schuylkill county, was on Saturday placed under arrest for violating the liquor laws, and at the hearing it was brought out that for eighteen years, Baer sold liquor without a license, on Sunday and to minors and the place was a regular Sunday rendezvous for Bacchanalian carousals.

John L. Landis, of Mount Joy, Lancaster county, aged 88 years, took part at the installation of the officers of Mount Joy lodge of Odd Fellows, a few nights ago. He had hoped to institute the lodge sixty-two years ago.

Samuel M. Myers, of the long established clothing home of S. M. Myers & Co., of Lancaster, who was 84 years old last Saturday, and has been a Mason fifty years, has been presented a fine fifty-year jewel by lodge 43, of that city.

As a result of sitting on a pin, which another girl had placed on a seat at the hosiery factory of Rambo & Regan, in Norristown, Esther Horrocks, of Bridgeport, is an inmate of the hospital, suffering from blood poisoning, which it is feared will cost her life.

George Spangenberg, a totally blind retired merchant of Carlisle, and a Civil war veteran, dropped dead from heart disease, while unfolding a flag from a window at his residence, in honor of a Grand Army of the Republic reunion.

While Charles Wartzelzluft, of Mt. Penn, near Reading, was driving his new race horse, Captain B., with a record of 2:17 1/4, the horse began to plunge and rear, when he toppled over backward, smashing the sulky, breaking Wartzelzluft's collar bone and the horse's neck, causing instant death.

Isaac Wock, of Stowe, Montgomery county, who is 94 years old, walked three miles to Douglassville, to see whether a good crop of corn had been raised there.

WILL PLANT TREES ON ARBOR DAY

Important action was taken by council Friday night whereby the schools of the borough are given an opportunity to hold arbor day exercises in connection with the planting of trees in the new park.

Mr. Everhart introduced the matter, suggesting that the trees needed in the park be planted on arbor day. On motion of Mr. Parsel it was ordered that a team and men be employed to bring trees up from the farm of J. H. Cole, delivering them in the park between the present and arbor day.

On motion of Mr. Angle it was ordered that the pupils of the borough schools be invited to participate in the tree planting on arbor day, all work in connection with the planting to be done under the supervision of the street commissioner and committee on public improvement.

On motion of Mr. Russell it was ordered that new steps be placed in front of Eisenhart's meat market, plastering repaired in the room occupied by Frank Schram and doors inserted in the outside wall of city hall as required in connection with the new fire escape.

On motion the street commissioner was instructed to see to it that a gutter at West Mahoning and Chestnut streets is properly repaired so as to prevent water from draining into the fire plug at that spot.

Mr. Russell reported the extension of East Market street above Wall street as in a bad condition. The matter was referred to the street commissioner.

On motion of Mr. Everhart it was ordered that S. R. Kreeger be notified to repair his pavement on West Mahoning street within five days; otherwise the borough will proceed to repair the same at the owner's expense.

The following members were present: Schatz, Finnigan, Jones, Everhart, Moyer, Russell, Cleaver, Dentsch, Parsel, Marshall and Angle.

The following bills were approved for payment:

BOROUGH DEPARTMENT.	
Regular employes	127.50
Robert J. Pegg	13.35
James Gibson	16.50
Jere Woodring & Co.	1.35
Friendship Fire Co.	23.00
Cleaning Boilers	21.98
Washington Fire Co.	1.80
People's Coal Yard	4.85
M. C. Lilley & Co.	4.85
Sara McQueen	7.00
H. B. Patton	10.40
Labor and hauling	71.26
Silver Springs Quarry Co.	35.97
Friendship Fire Co.	36.00
WATER DEPARTMENT.	
Regular employes	173.90
Danville F'dy and Machine Co.	22.94
P. & R. Coal and Iron Co.	145.73
Washington Fire Co.	2.27
Friendship Fire Co.	26.80
P. H. Foust	132.45

SCARLET FEVER CLOSES SCHOOLS

There seems to be a good deal of sickness about at present, both scarlet and typhoid fever being on the list.

It is said that the next report of the local registrar will show an increase of typhoid fever over last month.

Outside the district in which the borough is included there is an outbreak of scarlet fever. In the interim since October 5th no less than twelve cases have developed. Two schools—Blue's and Hendrickson's—in Valley township are closed on account of the disease. Scarlet fever is also prevalent on the south side, especially in River-side borough.

In the borough of Danville last month ten cases of scarlet fever were reported. It is feared that the number of cases reported during the present month will be no less—probably larger.

Meanwhile every precaution should be taken to keep up a healthful state and to avoid infection. A physician yesterday recommended that all those who use river water should boil the same before employing it for drinking or kitchen purposes.

RESIGNED AS CHIEF OPERATOR

Miss Desda Campbell, who has been in the employ of the United Telephone Co. for the past eight years, yesterday tendered her resignation as chief operator of the Danville exchange, to take effect Saturday.

Miss Campbell has held this position for several years and has gained many friends among the subscribers as a result of the courteous treatment they invariably received at her hands.

Samuel Burkey of Lebanon, 12 years old, was accidentally shot and killed while out hunting with two youthful companions.

INVITATION IS ACCEPTED

The school board held a special meeting Monday to take action on a communication received from the borough council inviting the school board and the pupils of the schools to participate in the tree planting in the public park on arbor day.

The following communication was read:

Mr. J. Newton Parsel,

Pres't. of School Board.
Dear Sir: I beg to advise you that I have been instructed by the committee on public improvement of the borough council to invite the board of school directors of the borough of Danville and also all of the pupils attending the schools in the borough to participate in the exercises to be held on arbor day (next Friday) at the new park on Bloom street, commencing at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time quite a number of trees will be planted.

The committee also makes the request that your solicitor, Ralph Kiser, Esq., make an address appropriate to the occasion at that time.

Please advise us promptly as to whether or not Mr. Kiser will agree to do this.

Hoping that you will accept this invitation, I remain,

Yours respectfully,

HARRY B. PATTON,

Secretary.

On motion the invitation was accepted and the communication ordered to be spread on the minutes.

On motion of Mr. Sechler it was ordered that the arrangement of a program for arbor day be left in the hands of the borough superintendent and the president of the school board.

On motion of Mr. Burns it was ordered that the schools on arbor day be dismissed at 11:30 o'clock a. m.

The following members of the board were present: Parsel, Orth, Barber, Swartz, Burns, Fish, Lloyd, Redding, Sechler, Cole and Heiss.

DISPENSARY IN NEW QUARTERS

The store room on Bloom street formerly occupied by J. B. Gearhart was used by Dr. G. A. Stock as a tuberculosis dispensary for the first Tuesday. It will henceforth be open regularly every Tuesday and Friday each week.

The store room has been divided by a partition and has been tastefully painted and papered, equipped with cupboards and other conveniences. It is snugly furnished and containing as it does two apartments it makes a model dispensary. The room has been remodeled and furnished wholly at the State's expense. In the new and commodious quarters the efficacy of the dispensary will no doubt be much increased.

There are at present 16 patients receiving free treatment at the dispensary. Two patients were admitted during the month just closed.

These two latter at once began to improve, one gaining 2 1/2 pounds in 11 days.

Eight patients in regular attendance combined gained 17 1/2 pounds during the month. Two patients combined lost 3 1/2 pounds.

In all 56 dozen of eggs and 165 quarts of milk were furnished free to patients during the month.

Miss Geddes, the trained nurse, made twenty-eight visits during the month.

ATTENDANCE BIG AT FAIR

Reports presented to the executive committee of the Columbia County Agricultural Society at their meeting Saturday showed that there were 30,000 paid admissions, 3,200 less than last year, the banner year in the history of the fair, a record that is considered a remarkable one, considering the financial condition of the country. Based on the number of tickets sold, and estimating the conservative figure of two persons to one admission, there were at least 60,000 people on the fair grounds during the fair. All the other receipts were practically the same as the previous year.

LOST HIS SIGHT BEFORE DYING

It has been learned that Jacob Gearhart, an account of whose death appeared in yesterday's News, suffered untold agonies before his demise in the Eastern Penitentiary. Troubled with Brights Disease the sickness caused him great pain for some time before his removal to the hospital. After his entrance to the latter institution he grew gradually worse and a few weeks before his death it is said to have been stricken totally blind.

The political prophet has never been frightened into silence by failure.

WELLIVER GOES TO REFORMATORY

Court convened at 10 o'clock Monday morning, with his Honor Judge Evans and Associates Ilce and Welliver on the bench.

The constables presented their returns as follows: W. E. Young, W. L. Jones, B. B. Brown and Benjamin Cook, Danville; Andrew Billmeyer, Liberty township; Walter Vought, Mayberry township; Bruce Bloch, Cooper township; Charles Hullobach, Derry township; McClellan Diehl, Washingtonville; C. L. Genger, Lime-stone township; Amos Albeck, Anthony township; M. A. Gearhart, West Henlock township; Pierce Albeck, Valley township.

NUISANCES REPORTED.

W. E. Young of the first ward of Danville reported complaint that West Mahoning street at the block of dwellings erected by J. W. Phillips is too narrow. In reply the court explained that if the street is too narrow, there is a remedy to apply but that the court of quarter sessions is hardly the proper place in which to bring up the matter.

B. B. Brown produced a letter from Mrs. William Blizzard, in which she complained that Blizzard's run is a nuisance and appealed to the court for relief.

Judge Evans replied that he had no doubt that Blizzard's run is offensive, as the same objection might be urged against the north branch of the Susquehanna owing to low water. He, however, referred the matter to the district attorney directing him to take it up with the borough council.

Benjamin Cook reported Chambers street in a bad condition, explaining that this is the same street that was reported at a former term of court.

Judge Evans stated that it was not right that this street should be reported repeatedly and he felt that the time has come when something should be done. At this point District Attorney Gearhart explained that there was difficulty in locating Chambers street, at the point where repairs are needed and determining whether it is in the borough or outside its limits.

The court explained that under the circumstances the proper thing to do would be to bring in an indictment, in which case there was no doubt but that twelve men could be relied upon to fix the responsibility. The district attorney will act accordingly.

Andrew Billmeyer reported the road leading from A. Billmeyer's to Grier Akers as in need of repairs; otherwise the road will be in bad condition next spring. The court commended the constable for doing his duty in the premises, but stated since the road is in good condition at present, he scarcely approved of taking action now, as no doubt the supervisors would make repairs between the present and spring.

Amos Albeck reported that certain persons have erected barbed wire fences on the road leading from Washingtonville to Muncy; also that telephone poles are erected too near the middle of the road, where they become obstacles in the way of traction engines and automobiles.

Jacob Aten was appointed foreman of the grand jury. Walter Vought was appointed typist to wait upon the grand jury.

In the case of Commonwealth vs. George Beckley, the charge being desertion, a nol. pros. was allowed on the payment of costs.

A DESERTION CASE.

The case of Commonwealth vs. William Kelly was heard before court. The charge was desertion. The first witness called was Mrs. Kelly, who related a long story of marital woes, which she alleged, made her life unendurable. She was without support, she said, and to maintain herself and five year old child she was at present working in a knitting mill. Other witnesses called were Dr. Shultz and Mrs. Huntington, after which the Commonwealth rested.

William Kelly, the defendant, was called to the stand in his own defense. He accused his wife of leaving him and attributed their difficulties to the interference of his wife's relatives.

The court adjudged the defendant guilty and sentenced him to pay the costs of prosecution, to contribute for the support of his wife and child the sum of four dollars per week and to enter into recognizance in the sum of two hundred dollars, surety to be approved by the court.

In the case of Commonwealth vs. Alexander East, assault and battery, the grand jury ignored the bill and put the costs on the justice of the peace. The prosecutor in the case was Charles Ritter.

SENTENCED TO REFORMATORY.

The first case attached in the afternoon session was that of Commonwealth vs. Arthur Welliver, whose murderous attack on Mrs. John Benfield a few weeks ago was described in these columns.

In taking up the case the district attorney explained that the defendant desired to plead guilty. The charge brought against him was aggravated assault and battery with intent to kill.

Mrs. Benfield, the victim of the assault, was called upon the stand. Her head was still swathed in bandages and she appeared very frail and weak. She related the story of the assault as it appeared in these columns at the time. She identified the implement with which Welliver had beaten her on the head and described the fury of the fellow as he assaulted her repeatedly warning her that he intended to kill her. She was confined to her bed for ten days following the attack.

Dr. Paulus was called who described the nature of the wounds inflicted on Mrs. Benfield.

Arthur Welliver was called before the court. In reply to a question he said he was 36 years of age but did not know when his birthday occurred. He said that he did not intend to kill Mrs. Benfield—that his purpose in visiting the Benfield farm that morning was to purchase a bicycle.

Judge Evans reminded Welliver that there was no mitigating circumstances in his case, but that the court would take his extreme youth into consideration and on that account would not sentence him to the penitentiary but would send him to a place where he would receive some good wholesome training.

The sentence of the court accordingly was that Arthur Welliver pay the costs of prosecution, one hundred dollars fine and undergo imprisonment in the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon until discharged by due process of law. The sentence carries with it the provision that in Welliver's case no parole shall be granted, until after ten days' notice to the district attorney of Montour county.

NOL. PROS. ALLOWED.

In the case of Commonwealth vs. Joseph Koons and Samuel Snyder, the charge being misdemeanor in office, a nol. pros. was allowed, the county to pay the costs, which amount to some twenty dollars.

The two defendants were overseers of the poor in Anthony township and at the last moment it was discovered that an order of relief figuring in the affair had been signed by only one justice of the peace instead of by two as required by law. This was considered sufficient grounds for a nol. pros., as the court explained, were the case to go to trial under the circumstances a verdict of acquittal would have to be ordered by the court. W. E. Crawford, Esq., of Hughesville, as special attorney, was associated with the Commonwealth. W. Kase West represented the overseers of the poor.

In the case of Commonwealth vs. John Martin a nol. pros. was also allowed.

By 3 o'clock Monday afternoon the grand jury had passed upon all the bills and withdrew to examine the public buildings of the county. The cases in which true bills had been found were likewise all disposed of by the court and Judge Evans announced that they were ready to attach the civil list.

A TRESPASS CASE.

The case taken up for trial was that of Myrtle Dugan, child, and Howard Dugan, parent, vs. the Pennsylvania Railroad company. Trespass. Edward S. Gearhart represents the plaintiff and Hon. H. M. Hinkleley, and I. X. Grier the defendant, the Pennsylvania Railroad company.

After the jury was empaneled the court explained that business had moved along much more rapidly than usual and that as a result the civil list was attached sooner than was expected. The witnesses had not arrived.

All the jurors, with the exception of those empaneled on the trespass case, were excused from further attendance at court this term.

The twelve jurors empaneled were sworn, after which they were excused, with instructions to return to their places at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning.

EIGHT YEARS FOR HOLD-UP MAN

Charles Potter, the Bloomsburg man who one evening last week held up and robbed three different parties in one evening at Jersey Shore, but was finally overpowered and made a prisoner by L. D. Herritt, whom he attempted to hold up, has been sentenced to eight years in the Eastern Penitentiary.

OPERATORS WILL REJECT DEMANDS

It has been learned that at a meeting of representatives of coal companies held last week, the decision was reached to submit to the anthracite miners of Pennsylvania a proposition to continue the present agreement now in effect for another three years, and to refuse to grant any of the new demands as formulated last Thursday at the Tri-district convention of the United Mine Workers in Scranton.

CONVALESCENT.

Emerson Gosh, who was operated on for appendicitis at the Joseph Ratti hospital, Bloomsburg, on Saturday, the 10th inst., is improving rapidly. He was able to sit up yesterday and on Saturday may return to his home in this city.

CHARGES OF DEFIANCE AND NEGLECT HAVE BEEN MADE AGAINST TWO HARRISBURG FIRE COMPANIES AT A RECENT COUNCILMANSHIP MEETING. RESOLUTIONS WERE INTRODUCED DISBANDING THE COMPANIES.

Charges of defiance and neglect have been made against two Harrisburg fire companies at a recent councilmanship meeting. Resolutions were introduced disbarring the companies.

BEGGED TO BE SENT TO JAIL

"Say, Judge, send me up for six months."

The above words in a clear voice trembling with emotion rang through the nearly empty court room Tuesday morning.

It was about 10 o'clock. Judge Evans and Associate Welliver were on the bench. In all there were less than a dozen persons in the court room. Each seemed occupied in some way and silence prevailed.

"Say, Judge, send me up for six months."

At the sound of the clear tremulous voice everybody started and looking up beheld a man of very small stature standing directly in front of Judge Evans. The man although addressing the court had neglected to remove the little tightfitting cap that covered his head and he cut an odd and half amusing picture as he stood there with his head on a level with the bench clutched nervously at the woodwork in front of him and looking nearly straight upwards into the face of Judge Evans.

It was a moment before the court recovered from its surprise then Judge Evans made it plain to the little man that he considered his request quite odd if not absurd and that it would be impossible for the court to comply. But the strange request was repeated—this time in an impatient and insistent tone:

"Judge, send me to prison for six months; you can do it."

The little man possessed a frank and good natured countenance somewhat beclouded, it is true, by over indulgence in liquor, and in a moment he had the sympathy of everybody present including the court.

Judge Evans spoke very kindly to the man. He asked him his age and why he did not stop drinking.

He replied that he was 34 years of age, but that he was hopelessly given to drink.

"Judge," he said, "I can't help myself—whenever I have a dime or a nickel they'll take it. I've got a good mother and I want to help her. Send me up, Judge, for six months. Then I'll sober up and maybe forget it." He looked up appealingly and added: "You can do it, Judge."

By this time he was crying bitterly and as he brushed the tears from his eyes with a soiled white handkerchief he presented a picture that would have moved a heart of stone.

The young man gave his name and said he was an employe of the Reading Iron works. He also gave the name and address of his mother, who is a widow. The family is well connected in town.

In vain Judge Evans assured the man that he could do nothing for him; that the only hope lay in himself and that he must stop drinking. Still weeping the fellow was led from the court room, but in a few minutes he returned and renewed his entreaty. Friends finally appeared and took him in charge.

STRAY BULLET ENTERS WINDOW

The Rev. A. B. Still met with rather an unpleasant experience Tuesday night.

About dusk he was sitting at the window reading when all of a sudden there was a sharp click in the direction of the window and simultaneously a whizzing sound as of a bullet passing near his head.

If there was any uncertainty as to what caused the noise all doubt was dispelled by the discovery of a small clean cut bullet hole in the window pane.

Where the shot came from or who fired it constitutes a very deep mystery, as on the side of the house where the shot entered other buildings stand close by. If it was a stray bullet it must have struck the upper walls of one of the houses and glanced downward.

OPERATORS WILL REJECT DEMANDS

Among those who testified for the plaintiff yesterday afternoon were: J. W. Rantz, of Montgomery; Jeremiah Fogleman of Washington township; W. H. Fritz of Muncy; J. C. Fowler, cashier of the First National Bank of Montgomery; Jacob Artley of Muncy, who drove the carriage on the night of the accident, and Miss Edith Goddard, who accompanied the party. Each of the above testified in accordance with the facts as stated above.

Three doctors are on hand to testify for the plaintiff: Dr. Gardner, and Dr. Hull of Montgomery, and Dr. Rankin of Muncy. Dr. Nutt, specialist of Williamsport, will arrive today to testify in the case.

WILL ATTEND CONVENTION.

Mrs. A. H. Woolley, Miss Elsie Sainsbury and Miss Matilda Pritchard left yesterday for Lewistown, where they will attend the annual meeting of the women's auxiliary of the diocese of Harrisburg which convened yesterday.

DUGAN DAMAGE SUIT ON TRIAL

The damage suit of Myrtle Dugan, child, and Howard Dugan, parent, against the Pennsylvania railroad company, which began in the Montour county court yesterday, will no doubt prove an interesting and hard-fought contest, occupying several days. The trial was to have begun yesterday morning, but owing to delay in the arrival of witnesses proceedings were postponed until the afternoon session.

Court convened at one o'clock and a few minutes later E. S. Gearhart opened the case. He occupied about half an hour outlining in his characteristic forceful and emphatic manner the plaintiff's case.

Briefly stated the facts alleged by the plaintiff are as follows: On October 28, 1904, Myrtle Dugan sustained injuries while crossing the tracks of the Pennsylvania railroad at a point known as "Thomas" crossing in the township of Clinton in the county of Lycoming. At this crossing the tracks of the Pennsylvania Railroad company and those of the P. & R. Railway company run parallel and were originally about 27 feet apart. The wagon road leading from "Muncy" to "Montgomery" crosses the railroad diagonally, a condition which naturally makes the eastern approach to the Pennsylvania railroad tracks slanting and dangerous.

At a comparatively recent date the Pennsylvania railroad company constructed a third track or siding between the two railroads, which reduced the distance between the two tracks from 27 to 11 1/2 feet. The P. & R. Railway lay 2 1/2 feet lower than the Pennsylvania tracks and the construction of the third track had the effect of making the road more dangerous, as the siding was raised some three feet. Thus the slant which formerly extended over 27 feet was reduced to 11 1/2 feet and made all the steeper.

To make the crossing still more dangerous it is alleged that on the evening of October 28, 1904, employes of the Pennsylvania Railroad company dumped a car load of cinder upon the crossing and neglected to level it down; also that they neglected to hang out a red light or establish any warning whatsoever.

On October 28, 1904, a party of which Myrtle Dugan was one, drove from Muncy to Montgomery. At about 8:15 o'clock P. M. the party reached "Thomas" crossing and seeing no red light and not suspecting any danger attempted to drive upon the railroad.

They crossed the Reading track in safety but when they reached the Pennsylvania tracks the horse struck the bank of cinder, which was about 3 feet high. The animal at once began to plunge and side-stepped down, locking the left front wheel under the carriage, while the right front wheel was up on top of the bank of cinder. The horse was unable to move, while the carriage was held in an extremely perilous position, leaning over to one side with the rear wheels on the P. & R. tracks.

While they were in this position they heard the whistle of an approaching train. Jacob Artley, who was driving, leaped out and took the horse by the head. Terrified, Miss Dugan followed suit, jumping to the ground. All was darkness and she doesn't