

A Thought for the Day  
SOME THINGS GO WITHOUT SAYING, INCLUDING SOME TONGUES.

WEATHER—FAIR

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# 75 DEAD TAKEN FROM MINE PINCHOT MAJORITY NOW OVER 80,000

## ACTION NEEDED

During the past several months there have been numerous rumors afloat relative to unseemly activities in and around the office of the burgess and the chief of police of our town, and this newspaper has sufficient confidence not only in the integrity of the town council but in its good sense to believe that when irregularities occur that they will be dealt with in a manner that will be satisfactory to the majority of the citizens of this town. Recent events stand out so prominently that our council cannot well afford to ignore such activities that do not tend to elevate public good and public interest. The members of our council are capable and have within their province the power to sit down and transact the business of our municipal government as do those who direct the affairs of our banking institutions and other public enterprises. In so doing their responsibility to public interest is in the balance when any irregularity occurs that raises the ire of so many of the taxpayers.

This newspaper has no political axes to grind; it keeps out of politics, factional and partisan and is interested in this particular occasion only to serve the best interests of many taxpayers who have called our attention to the manner in which our municipal government is put into effect by our burgess and chief of police.

After all, our municipal government is a complex enterprise, its taxpayers and citizens are its stockholders and each one is affected by the kind of policy and method of administration of its burgess and chief of police. The services of the best business man and ablest administrator and organizer in this town ought to be secured by the council to eliminate any future annoyance to public interest.

Since the beginning of this present administration there has been entirely too much "horse play" and council has an opportunity to render a very valuable service to the citizens and taxpayers of this town at this present time.

Do the citizens have a right to know of the activities of the burgess' office and the chief of police? Are these employees competent to hold their jobs?

Why is no action taken to compel the enforcement of the proper kind of activities in these offices?

If no irregularities have occurred these ugly rumors should be set to rest at once through the columns of this newspaper, but after a proper hearing, if the rumors are correct, then the resignation of those found guilty should be demanded at once.

## FELL FROM ROOF

Bell, Nov. 6.—(UPI)—Two men were injured, one seriously, in a fall from the roof of the American Rolling Mill Company here yesterday. The men were tarring the roof when the accident occurred. Charles Gould, 43, suffered a fractured skull and is in serious condition while Joseph E. Henney suffered a fractured foot and an injury to his back.

## EIGHT DEAD BY AUTOS

Greensburg, Nov. 6.—(UPI)—Automobile accidents took a toll of eight lives in Westmoreland county during October according to a coroner's report issued today. Nine accidents were recorded in the list with seven victims. Two persons were killed on state roads, one by a street car.

Four suicides occurred during the month.

## RECORD VOTING WAS DONE

### Over 2,100,000 Balloons Were Cast, Setting High Tide in State Campaigns

Philadelphia, Nov. 6.—(UPI)—Gifford Pinchot, master-politician, was governor-elect of Pennsylvania today by a majority of more than 80,000 in Tuesday's election and the complete state-wide ticket swept into office with him assured Republican control of Pennsylvania for at least another four years.

John M. Hemphill, Democrat-Liberal, conducted the greatest political fight in the history of the state in his effort to ascend to the Governorship and polled a tremendous vote but the popularity of Pinchot in 58 of the 67 counties of the state and the tick-tickled Republicanism of the voters sent him down to defeat.

More than 2,100,000 votes were cast in the election, a record for gubernatorial balloting. The intensity of the campaign between Pinchot and Hemphill and the important issues involved resulted in a tie vote.

Secretary of Labor James J. Davis swamped his opponent, Sedgwick Kitcher, Democrat, by majority of more than 800,000 for the U. S. Senate. The Davis landslide was one of the most overwhelming victories ever registered by a Senatorial candidate in the state.

Other Republicans elected to state-wide offices by large majorities over their Democratic opponents included:

General Edward C. Shannon, for Lieutenant Governor; Phillip H. Dwyer, for Secretary of Internal Affairs; Judge George W. Maxey, for the supreme court and Judges William B. Lamp and James B. Drew for the Superior Court.

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Hemphill had the support of "big business" and the entire Philadelphia organization, with the exception of Mayor Mackay and a few other city leaders.

The outcome of the election produced a new potential leader of the Republican party in the state—Senator Joseph R. Grundy—who supported Pinchot against the advice of the regular organization. It also pressed a bitter fight in Philadelphia next year for control of the city organization.

The house situation is equally interesting. As final returns trickled in from the few congressional districts still outstanding, the two parties were in a hairbreadth race, and each was within a seat or two of control.

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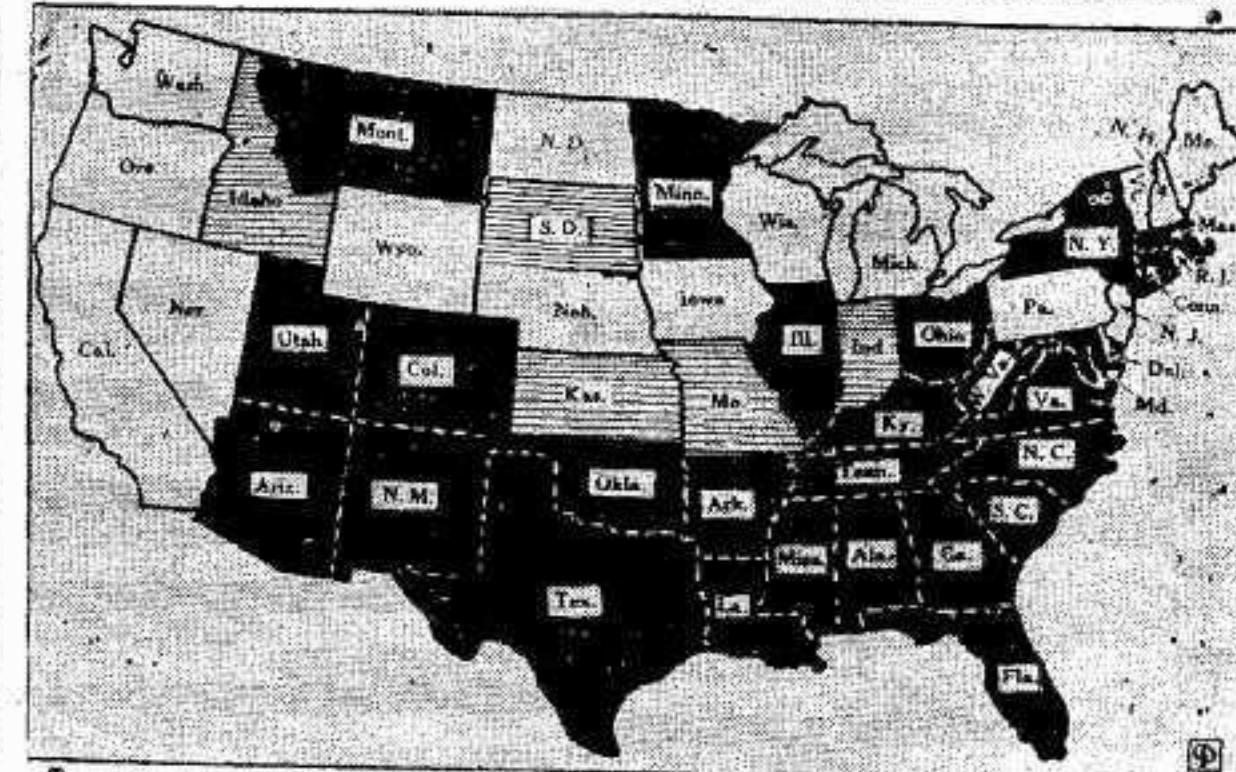
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Vandergrift officers—Jacobs Stefanick and Andrew Dimino were elected chief of police and patrolman of East Vandergrift to fill the vacancies created when the incumbents were discharged after being found guilty of bribery and extortion. The former officers were charged with having accepted bribes from bootleggers in return for protection from raids.

Football practice, Fair Grounds 5 p.m. This evening. Invitation extended to anyone wishing to play in Armistice Day game.

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## HERE'S HOW THE DEMOCRATS AND REPUBLICANS FADED



Map indicates results of the election in 47 states, in which the electorate went to the polls, Nov. 4. White states are those which are in the Republican column through either gubernatorial or senatorial victories, or both; black states are those in which the Democrats were victors, and shaded states are those in which splits occurred. States in which no gubernatorial or senatorial elections were held are given as of their classification before election, except where congressional elections overwhelmingly indicated a realignment. These states are also shaded.

## NEAR TIE WILL EXIST IN CONGRESS

Administration Will Have Nominal Control in Senate—Democrats Gain

New York, Nov. 6.—(UPI)—The Republican majority in both houses of Congress has been shattered by the election, leaving the administration party with purely nominal control of the senate and quite possibly in a minority in the house.

Results early today from Tuesday's elections, in which the Democrats made extensive gains in various parts of the country, showed the senate and house lined up as follows:

Senate: Republicans 47, comprising 12 elected Tuesday, one elected in Maine in September and 34 holdovers.

Democrats 46, comprising 20 elected Tuesday and 26 holdovers.

Of the three remaining seats, one is held by a Farmer-Laborite and two—Minnesota and Kentucky—were yet to be decided. The Democratic candidates were leading in both.

House: Republicans 211, Democrats 220 and probably 215. Farmer-Labor 1.

Undecided (including five of those listed above as probably Democratic), 11.

Official Count Begins

Official count of the vote cast at Tuesday's election is now on. The return board is composed of Judge Frank Graff, Prothonotary R. H. McGraw, with J. D. Daugherty and John L. Thompson as tally clerks. Court Clerk William E. Eppley is also in attendance at the count. The board was sworn in Thursday noon.

If the Democrats capture both the contested seats, they will have 48 against 47 for the Republicans, a plurality of one over the Republicans but not an overall majority.

The situation puts unique power into the hands of Eben C. Shipstad, the Farmer-Laborite. If he would hold the balance of power and could, by voting with the Democrats, give them a majority. On the other hand, if he voted with the Republicans, it would be a tie, and the Republicans would win through the vote of Vice-President Curtis, who has the deciding vote in case of a tie.

The above, of course, is theoretical, presupposing a full attendance and strict regularity of the insurgent Republicans. The latter make no matter what the outcome, and the legislative difficulties of the Republican side in the senate of the 72nd congress are apparent.

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## Armistice Day Observance Sponsored By Legion Will Be One Of Rare Enjoyment

### AROUND THE COURT HOUSE

#### Actions in Trespass

Henry E. Moesta has entered suit against the U. G. I. Contracting Co. to recover \$8,025 for sand and gravel mined and removed from his premises.

Mahoning Island, in the Allegheny river. Plaintiff claims that in the spring of 1929 and at divers other times the defendant entered upon his premises and removed 52,000 tons of sand and 120,000 of gravel,

of the value of \$8,025, and converted the same to its own use.

E. O. Golden will deliver the address of the evening and he is a most thoroughly "sold" man on the Scout proposition and will undoubtedly leave the men with something worthwhile to think about.

This gathering tonight will be composed of the largest group of workers ever assembled in Kittanning for a Scout campaign and success will be attained.

In line with its every move for conservation and a desire to aid there will be no dinner stand at the opening of the drive as the Scout leaders feel that they can aid in that manner.

Football Game, Dinner and Dance Will Be Features of the Day—Real Civic Gathering

November 11 will be observed in Kittanning with the usual splendid celebration under the sponsorship of the Boy Scouts will gather to discuss the final preparations for the Boy Scout Fund Drive. J. T. Colbert is head of the local general committee and he has enlisted the aid of one of Kittanning's best business and hardest workers, H. E. Moesta to head the drive for funds.

Troop committees, scout masters and others will be in attendance. The men who will compose the teams which will be started by Calvin Dunnigan, Calvin Miller, Robert Gibson, Dr. J. D. Sedwick, Sam Heckman, Zelaria Shuster and Wayne Gunn will also be present.

Although she has weathered many storms at sea, John Lowell, author of "Crade of the Deep," confesses she couldn't weather the sea of matrimony and obtained a Mexican divorce from her playwright husband, Thompson Buchanan, some time ago. She made it plain until the gales have driven her from the mine and that night discovered by relief workers.

Among the identified dead are W. E. Tyus, president of the Sunday Creek Company; F. A. Cohn, Columbus, vice president; H. L. Lancaster, chief engineer; Walter Hayden, mine superintendent; Joseph Berlin, Philo, Ohio, general superintendent of the Ohio Power Company; Robert Parsons, Pulaski, Ohio; Mr. Roberts and P. H. Traynor, Columbus, both representatives of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company; William Peay, Thomas Peay, John Nadroski, Geo. Love, Charles Hoops, William Kish, George Brown, James North, Wilbur North, E. S. McKee, Andrew Wilson, Virgil Phillips, Joe Butako, Walter Andrychuk, Edward Watson and Harold Phillips.

As the last body was raised from the depths of the 189-foot shaft, and taken to an improvised morgue at Millfield, rescue workers staggered from the pit, their faces haggard and drawn. From 20 hours' ceaseless toil underground.

Many were on the verge of collapse and required assistance in regaining their normal facilities. The men described their work underground as horrifying. But beyond that were for the most part unable to relate their experiences.

Most of the bodies were located late last night and early this morning in the various extremities of the mine. They were carried to the foot of the entrance and deposited in piles to be hauled outside. With the collection of the 81 bodies, workers said, squads returned to the search, scanning virtually every inch of space in the mammoth mine for possible victims which had been overlooked on the first search.

The men had a run to Wilk Chaff this week and on arrival there found no place where water could be secured to advantage. The men state they could have saved the property which was ablaze had they been able to secure water.

To that end they are asking each rural community that depends upon Kittanning firemen for aid to prepare a place where the pumpers may be put to work.

**WILL SPEND MILLIONS**

Youngstown, Nov. 6.—(UPI)—The West Penn Power Company of Pitts-

burg entered suit today against John D. Caulfield, Loyalhanna township, for \$80,000 damage which it claims resulted to one of its trucks which collided with the defendant's car on the Saltsburg-Avondale road last July 10.

**Marriage Licenses**

Annie Rummel, Plumville, and Margaret Potts, Crookside.

Martin M. Mikulas and Helen Molek, both of Pittsburgh.

**NOVEL EXPERIENCE**

Frank Gibson, of Kittanning, employed as a baggage master on the Pittsburg and Shawmut rail road had an experience this week that was most novel. While hunting in the woods near Brookville he shot at a rabbit and when he went to pick up his game found that he had not only shot and killed the rabbit but that he had also shot and killed a weasel.

This was a novel experience and one that has won much attention among the hunters of the county number of new features.

**BANDITS SHOT GROCER**

Erie, Pa., Nov. 6.—(UPI)—One of two bandits who were frustrated in their effort to hold up his grocery store in Franklin park last night shot and seriously wounded Benjamin R. Braswell, 53.

Braswell, shot in the head, is in Hamot hospital here. Physicians said his condition was serious. The bandits escaped.

**CONDITION SERIOUS**

Washington, Nov. 6.—(UPI)—The condition of Bishop James Cannon, Jr., who is being treated for arthritis, is in a hospital here, remained serious today, his physician said. Painful joints "are the most troublesome symptom," the doctor added.

**WILL BUY MILK**

Leechburg, Nov. 6.—(UPI)—Leechburg council had set aside a fund today to buy milk for poor children of the school. About 20 children were found unable to buy their quota of milk and council took action to provide the funds.

**PARK 28**

**JO ANN**

A COMMUNICATION  
Nov. 5, 1930.  
Daily Leader-Times,  
Kittanning, Pa.  
Dear Sirs:

I note by your paper that the citizens of this community are invited to join with the American Legion at their annual dinner, Nov. 11, next.

To my mind this is a splendid idea, and I believe the people of this community should attend and show their appreciation to the ex-service men.

Tickets for the dinner should be on sale some place where people could get them easily, if they are not already on sale.

At any rate let us attend this dinner and show the service men we are with them, for we know they have been with us.

Yours truly,

Citizen.

## Rescue Workers Sure All Dead Have Been Recovered From Workings

### Marital Bark Wrecks