

SPROUL IN LEAD BY 225,895 VOTES

Figures From 6268 Districts Indicate Record-Breaking Plurality

CLOSE CONGRESS FIGHTS

Bonnivell Suggested for Judge Kephart's Seat on Superior Bench

State Senator Sproul's plurality over Judge Eugene C. Bonnivell in Tuesday's election for the governorship passed 225,895 today when 6268 of the 7651 districts in Pennsylvania had been heard from. The figures stand: Sproul, 493,056; Bonnivell, 267,261. Republican leaders predict the final returns will give Sproul 250,000, the largest plurality received by a gubernatorial candidate in Pennsylvania. Superior court Judge John W. Kephart continues to increase his lead over Justice Alexander Simpson, Jr. Returns from 2115 of the 7651 districts in the State indicate that Kephart and Simpson have been elected. The returns for Supreme Court are: Kephart, 168,411; Simpson, 129,531; Fox, 55,122; Levanth, 43,114. Democratic State leaders are contesting the claim of Republican leaders that the Democrats will lose four of their present representation of seven in the Pennsylvania delegation.

The Democrats are now claiming the return of Congressman Campbell, Dewart and Steele, whose defeat has been claimed by the Republicans, and contend that the soldier vote will re-elect Congressman Leasher and Beahlin. In addition they claim that the districts of Luzerne and Lackawanna have been won over from the Republicans. Late returns indicate that the vote in those two districts is close, with both sides claiming majorities. Rumors are current that Governor-elect Sproul will appoint Municipal Judge Bonnivell, his opponent at the polls, to the vacancy caused in the Superior Court by the election of Judge John W. Kephart to the Supreme Court. Judge Kephart is not expected to resign his place on the Superior bench until just before he is sworn in as a member of the Supreme Court.

T. R. CONGRATULATES SPROUL

Majority Epochmaking, Roosevelt Wires Governor-Elect. Colonel Roosevelt has wired congratulations to Governor-elect William C. Sproul. "You were absolutely right," the message reads. "I congratulate you heartily on your tremendous, epoch-making majority." Governor Walter E. Edge, of New Jersey, and David Baird, of Camden, the two United States Senators-elect in New Jersey, are among many others who have sent congratulatory messages to the Governor-elect. In reply to the congratulatory message sent by Municipal Judge Bonnivell, the defeated Democratic nominee, Governor-elect Sproul sent the following message: "The fine letter of congratulations which I have received from you has greatly pleased me. I know that it reflects your true feeling and I appreciate it thoroughly. All through the campaign you have been courteous, fair and generous to me and I believe my own attitude toward you has been the same. "I feel that we have conducted a campaign that has been entirely free from personal attacks or partisan rancor. It has been clear and decent in every way. This is surely a satisfaction to both of us, and we have come through it with our long-time friendship unimpaired and our cordial personal relations really strengthened."

MAY STAGE NEW YEAR'S PARADE

There may be a Mummers' parade in Broad street on New Year's Day. Despite announcements to the contrary, Common Councilman John H. Baisley, of the Thirty-ninth Ward, chairman of Common Council's Fourth of July committee, which had charge of the annual parade, said he would request an appropriation of \$7000 from Council to defray the expenses of the parade.

CUBAN CITIZENS

All Cuban citizens between the ages of 18 and 30 years old residing in the States of Pennsylvania and Delaware should register according to the law of the United States. Registration will close on the 11th December, 1918. C. J. L'Esperance, Consul of Cuba.

1919 TAX RATE OF \$2.35 LIKELY

Administration Plans to Maintain Present City and School Levy

BUDGETS MUST BE CUT

Estimated Yield of \$46,000,000 Far Less Than Requests of Department Heads

Philadelphia's city and school tax rate for 1919 will be \$2.35, if present plans of the administration are carried out. Many Councilmen are pledged not to exceed that figure, and there admittedly is no possibility of a reduction. Revenue resulting to the city from the rate and other sources, approximately less than \$46,000,000, a figure millions lower than demands. In the events of deficits at the close of the next twelve months, a Councilman loan will be resorted to as a means of creating funds. This will be resorted to on the ground that war emergencies necessitated the expenditure of funds that otherwise would be available for current operating expenses. It would mean the ignoring of the pay-as-you-go act which this administration promised to live up to.

LIEUT. GAMBLE BRAVE IN HIS LAST ACTION

Haverford Soldier Fell Clutching Revolver Brother Officers Write Home

"He died with his boots on, clutching his automatic revolver as he fell dead. He took a machine-gun nest—and just in front of him were two of the crew of the machine gun that got him across the chest." Thus speaks a brother officer of the death in action by St. Michel salient of Lieutenant Robert H. Gamble, son of Dr. Robert G. Gamble, of Haverford. Lieutenant R. P. Phelan, of Philadelphia pays this tribute to the Haverford soldier, and another fellow-officer, Lieutenant Frederick E. Bryant declared that he was "a true soldier to the last." Official notice of Lieutenant Gamble's death was received by his parents some time ago, but it was not until these letters arrived that the detailed manner of his death was made known. Lieutenant Gamble attended the Haverford School, after which he went to Andover Seminary. He was graduated from Yale University in 1915, and entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

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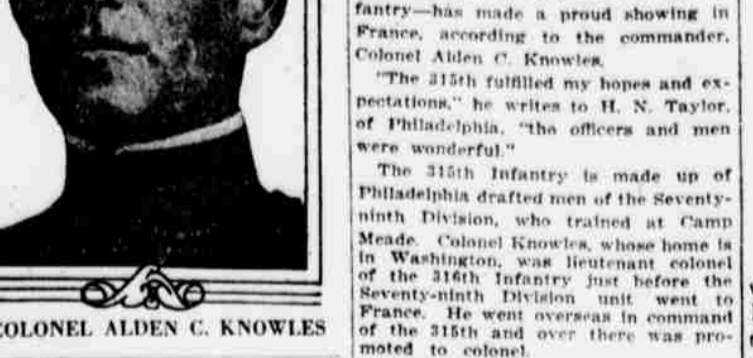
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BROTHERS TELL OF BATTLE

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