

BROTHER CHARLES P.

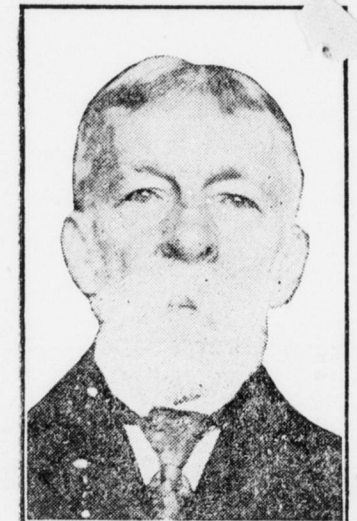
HAS GREATLY AIDED WM. H. TAFT
IN RACE FOR FAME.

Cincinnati Editor Is a Man of Hobbies,
the Biggest of Which Is the Re-
publican Candidate for
President.

Cincinnati.—In a quiet corner office of a high building which he owns, in this city, with only a bookkeeper to keep him company, you will find any day, when he is not in New York looking at old masters and porcelains, a quiet, slim, white bearded man. But for him William H. Taft might never have gone to the Philippines or become secretary of war or a candidate for president.

"Did we beat the P— on the baseball extra last night?" Charles P. Taft calls downstairs to the editor of the newspaper which he owns. He enjoys his newspaper which has as lively headlines as any in the middle west. Baseball interests him equally with Gainsboroughs and Sir Joshua. He owns a large interest in the Cincinnati baseball club, in the gas works and the street car lines, in the leading hotel and the opera house, not to mention much real estate; or rather, he and his wife together. Her fortune he has multiplied.

One day the editor told him of a smart baseball reporter who was looking wistfully at a broken down league team and sighing for capital. "How much do you want?" Charles P. asked the reporter. "One hundred thousand dollars." "Very good," said Charles P., who had been watching that young man for a year. "We'll go into partnership." A quiet man who makes business deals in this fashion naturally needs only a bookkeeper,



Charles P. Taft.

and when he wants a stenographer he can send for one downstairs in the editor's office.

Everything the "Herr Doktor," as he was called among his fellow American students at Hiedelberg, has touched since he came home from finishing his education in Germany seems to have turned into money or art. He has been a Republican, mostly with the local boss, though sometimes against him. On the boardings of the city he has been cartooned villainously as a sinister "interest," and smiled over it and bought another china jar. In matters of music and art, Cincinnati agrees that he is her foremost citizen. "How do you like the interior of the hotel?" he asks the visitor from out of town, for Charles P. looked to the mural decorations in person. They are deservedly praised.

In the evening he goes to an old-fashioned house, once the Longworths', whose domestic establishment is maintained for less than that of many houses occupied by a man of one-twentieth his income. But no one of moderate means could afford such furnishings. To be vulgar about it, there are well over a million dollars' worth of art treasures in the Taft home.

Dealers say no false masters or imitation Hawthornes have been sold to him. He has the discrimination of the wise buyer and the taste of the connoisseur. Seated among china of the Ming dynasty, he reads the baseball extra of his lively newspaper. He never brings business home unless it is William H.'s campaign. William H. is poor. He knows nothing of fortune winning. The only way he could make money would be practicing law.

Charles P. is willing to have fame in the family, but it must all descend on one member. From the day that the elder brother saw the gift of Will for making friends and for dictating in an easy way a legal analysis of a bundle of documents, that younger brother has been a hobby surpassing all the old masters. He has always been trying to show Will the road to opportunity, knowing that once Will was started he could do the traveling himself.

New York the Venice of America. It is a surprising thing to know that New York city, although not known as the American Venice, contains more islands than any city but Venice, for within its boundaries are 31 separate and distinct islands, most of which, encircled by deep water, will afford unlimited shipping accommodations and dockage for the commerce of future years, to reach unreamed of proportions, judging from past and present growth.—The Glant City New York, National Magazine.

FORMER WATER BOY RUNS ROAD

Patrick H. Houlahan Promoted to
General Manager of Alton.

Chicago.—Patrick Henry Houlahan, general superintendent of the Chicago & Alton and the Toledo, St. Louis & Western railroads since January 1, 1908, has assumed the duties of his recent promotion—general manager of two great combined railway systems, with headquarters in this city.

From a water boy and track hand in 1870, to one of the country's most prominent railroad men in 1908, has been the experience of Mr. Houlahan,



P. H. HOULAHAN

and each step he has taken in his upward climb has shown him to be the possessor of those qualities of pluck and energy which are the essentials of really forceful men.

Mr. Houlahan was born March 13, 1855, at Ottawa, Ill., and at the age of 12 years entered the railway mail service. In 1870 he was a water boy and track hand on the Ottawa, Oswego & Fox River Valley road. Later he was employed on the same road in various positions from track hand up to baggage man and station agent. In 1875 to 1880 he was brakeman and conductor on the Chicago & Alton, and in 1881 was promoted to assistant trainmaster of the St. Louis division.

On July 1, 1884, he was appointed trainmaster of the Burlington system; May to November, 1886, master of transportation, Missouri and Kansas division, St. Louis, Arkansas & Texas railway. From November, 1886, to April, 1890, trainmaster, and April, 1890, to May, 1891, assistant superintendent; May, 1891, to June, 1892, superintendent west division; June, 1892, to December, 1904, superintendent, Hannibal & St. Joseph railroad.

From December, 1904, to date, Mr. Houlahan has been general superintendent of the Toledo, St. Louis & Western, and from January 1, 1890, also general superintendent of the Chicago & Alton Railroad Company.

BLIND MAN RUNS FOR OFFICE.

Murry Sandusky Hopes to Win by
Means of His Wife and Voice.

Macon, Mo.—A man totally blind is making the race for the Democratic



MURRY SANDUSKY

nomination for treasurer of Macon county, an office which pays about \$1,200 a year. He is Murry Sandusky, and he frankly admits that personally he will not be able to perform the clerical duties of the office, but his wife is bright and familiar with figures, and she is ready to attend to the real work of the office.

Mr. Sandusky is a barytone singer, and when attending political meetings or rallies he sings instead of making speeches. He has become popular because of his strangely sweet voice. At one night meeting the lights went out, but he did not know it, and kept on with his song.

Mrs. Sandusky accompanies her husband on his campaigning tour and guides him about from place to place. They make no secret of the manner in which the office is to be run, but pledge themselves that the duties will be faithfully performed.

Mr. Sandusky was born in Sullivan, Ind., 39 years ago. The greater part of his life has been passed in Missouri. For some time he tilled a large farm northwest of Macon. One day he suffered a sunstroke. He recovered the use of his body, but he has not been able to see since.

Picked Up in Pennsylvania

POTTSTOWN.—Peter Frankl, aged 18, and Marion Engle, aged 17, were drowned in the Schuylkill canal.

KITTANNING.—Mrs. Harvey Montgomery, aged 45, was struck by lightning and instantly killed near her home at Lawsonham.

KITTANNING.—One of the oldest buildings in this section, built 50 years ago across the Allegheny river from here, has burned, causing a loss of \$5,000.

MONONGAHELA.—William Kistler, fire boss at the mine of the Charleroi Coal Co., was caught between two wagons and so crushed that he died two hours later.

PHILADELPHIA.—One Chinaman was killed and two white men were injured in a pistol fight in Chinatown. The fight was the result of a quarrel among a group of Chinese.

CARLISLE.—Jacob D. Peckman, a well-known farmer, was found dead in a cornfield on his farm about two miles east of Scotland. He was probably overcome by the heat.

BEAVER.—Judge Richard S. Holt announced from the bench at the opening of a special term of criminal court that liquor drinking within the walls of the courthouse must stop.

ALLENTOWN.—Spontaneous combustion of coal dust in a bin at the Atlas cement mill, Northampton, burned Howard School to death and caused severe injury to six others.

HARRISBURG.—Of 212 applicants for license to practice dentistry who took the recent examination before the Pennsylvania state dental examining board, 36 failed and 176 were successful.

CALIFORNIA.—At Daisytown, near here, burglars entered the home of John Michens, a Hungarian miner. A trunk was broken open and \$30 secured, but the thieves missed \$1,000 that had been hidden there.

VANDERGRIFT.—Charles F. Johnson, aged 30, was found dead in Vandergrift park with a bullet hole through his heart. A revolver in his hand, with one chamber empty, showed how his death came about.

BUTLER.—Passengers were bespattered with mud and slightly hurt and windows in a Pittsburg & Butler electric car broken by a shower of mud and rocks from a blast set off along the line three miles south of here.

FRANKLIN.—The city of Franklin recently came into possession of the plant of the Venango Water Co., paying \$250,000 therefor. Thus a fight for municipal ownership extending over a period of 30 years is at an end.

CONNELLSVILLE.—Peter Rutsek, the missing foreign banker, who owns a chain of banks in Conneltsville, Uniontown and Brownsville, has been located in Hungary through information received by John Bilpuk of Dawson, a depositor in the defunct institution here.

BUTLER.—Alleging that Joseph Strawbridge made love to his wife, Mabel Jones, in Sunday school, and passed endearing notes to her across church pews, thus alienating her affections, Thomas H. Jones, a foreman in the Standard mine at Hilliard, brought suit to recover \$5,000.

MONONGAHELA.—Michael Dalvezo, an Italian 16 years of age, was arrested near Finleyville by County Detective William McCleary, charged with cutting Frank Minott, a labor boss of the W. E. Howley Construction Co., on the new road being constructed between Finleyville and Liberty.

OIL CITY.—Glenn Egbert, aged 15, was found dead in a field near his home at Sandy Lake by a party of searchers. The boy left home to drive cows from a pasture, taking an old muzzle-loading shotgun to hunt woodchucks. It is thought the gun caught on a stump and was discharged, tearing a hole in his left side.

HARRISBURG.—Attaches of the state division of zoology are at work gathering specimens for use in a publication on the insects of Pennsylvania which will be issued by Dr. Surface. A number of rare bugs have been taken and will be photographed and pictures produced. When they are found to be dangerous or destructive, information as to means for their extermination will be given.

WASHINGTON.—A piece of iron pipe carried by Baptiste Salvadeo, a foreign miner, touched an electric wire charged with 500 volts in the Arden mine of the Meadow Lands Coal Co. and Salvadeo was instantly killed.

PUNXSUTAWNEY.—Crazed by jealousy Stephen Joshua, proprietor of a store at Wishaw, near here, drove his family from home, barred the doors and after setting fire to a kerosene-saturated bed shot himself, dying almost instantly.

EVERETT.—A midnight fire, believed to have been of incendiary origin, destroyed the main buildings of the Elk Tanning Co. of this place.

WASHINGTON.—As a result of keeping their places of business open on Sunday, warrants were served on 27 of the leading merchants of Charleroi.

SHARON.—Twenty-four hours after going to work for the Union Telephone Co. Earl Carringer, aged 22 years, of Jamestown, Pa., was shocked to death by a live wire.

HARRISBURG.—Archibald Sellers of Highspire was drowned in the Susquehanna river. Sellers, who was 19 years old, had gone in swimming, when he was attacked by cramps.

INDIANA.—The barn on Woodward Walker's farm in Armstrong township, and all the contents, have been destroyed by fire. The fire originated by a spark from a threshing machine.

KITTANNING.—Milton Jack, a groceryman here, went into a coop to catch a chicken, when a game rooster flew at him and sank both spurs into his kneecap, completely disabling the limb. The injury will be permanent.

GREENSBURG.—Campers in the Ligonier valley have been greatly troubled this season by wandering foreigners, who prowl about the camps, beg food and sometimes steal such equipment as they take a fancy to.

WAYNESBURG.—A deal has been closed here by which Dr. W. J. Hawkins of this place purchased the Farmers & Drovers' National Bank building. The consideration is \$45,000, which includes all the banking fixtures.

HARRISBURG.—The state department of health has taken cognizance of an outbreak of typhoid fever at Hastings, Cambria county. The county medical officer has been ordered to the scene and precautions will be taken.

PHILADELPHIA.—In a vain attempt to save the life of his cousin Pierce Baron was drowned in the Schuylkill river. The cousin, James Hilsey, fell into the river and Baron went to his aid, but both were drowned.

WASHINGTON.—With his clothing on fire and his face and hands badly burned from a gas explosion, James Smith, a well digger at Waynesburg, was drawn to the surface from the bottom of a 32-foot hole in the ground.

UNIONTOWN.—The big plant of the Cheat Haven Coal Co. near Point Marion resumed, giving employment to over 100 men. The plant is one of the largest on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad between this city and Morgantown.

FREEMONT.—Dewey Costello, 10 years old, was run down by an automobile here and badly injured. The machine was driven by A. Hughson of Pittsburg. The boy was riding on a bicycle and was unable to get out of the way. He will recover.

BEAVER FALLS.—The Acme Keystone Specialty works of this place, that has been running in a desultory manner for the past year, has about completed arrangements for starting up in full every department, giving employment to several hundred men.

ELLWOOD CITY.—While playing in the streets here with companions, four-year-old Thomas Lellers was seriously shocked when he caught an arc wire, which had broken and hung from a telegraph pole. Two fingers on his left hand had to be amputated.

NEW CASTLE.—Twenty-five thousand dollars' loss was caused by flames that destroyed the big limestone ore crusher of the Carbon Limestone Co. The crusher was located about ten miles west of here and was owned by Robert Bentley of Youngstown.

SOMERSET.—By the foreclosure of a \$200,000 mortgage the extensive holdings of the Southern Coal Co. in several different townships of the county were sold by the Somerset Trust Co., trustee, to the Baltimore Trust and Guaranty Co., Baltimore, Md., for \$70,000.

OIL CITY.—Alphonse C. Beason, 39 years old, was drowned in a mill pond near Tionesta while recovering logs that had been carried away by a flood. Beason's clothing caught in a submerged tree, holding his body under 15 feet of water. He was a prominent lumberman of Forest county.

WASHINGTON.—Two tanks of the Producers' and Refiners' Oil Co. near Claysville, were struck by lightning and burned the entire night. The tanks contained 1,000 barrels of oil each.

PHILADELPHIA.—During an electrical storm which passed over Ogontz the country house of George W. Elkins, son of the late William L. Elkins, was struck by lightning and in the fire which followed was completely destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$200,000.

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