

TAFT NEW JUSTICE OF SUPREME COURT

Senate Approves Nomination, 60 to 4, After Attack by Borah and Johnson

LIFE'S AMBITION REALIZED

Taft's Public Service Has Covered Wide Range

Mr. Taft's appointment to the chief justiceship of the Supreme Court marks a precedent.

It is the first instance on record of a former President of the United States being named for high judicial honors.

While John Quincy Adams and Andrew Johnson returned to public life after their retirement from the presidency, they entered the legislative branch of the Government.

To Mr. Taft has come the unique distinction of being translated after a comparatively brief absence from the post of chief executive to that of chief judiciary.

Mr. Taft's career has been one of conspicuous public service. In his youth he was an assistant prosecuting attorney in his native county; promoted thence to a local judgeship; later solicitor general of the United States; then a Federal judge; Governor General of the Philippines; Secretary of War, and President of the United States.

Even after his retirement from the latter exalted post, his usefulness as a public servant did not cease, for he was made co-chairman of the War Labor Board at a critical period in American history.

In every post he has discharged his duties with signal honor.

Washington, July 1.—William Howard Taft, former President of the United States, was nominated yesterday by President Harding to be Chief Justice of the United States, to succeed Edward Douglass White. The nomination was credited to Connecticut and not to Ohio.

The nomination of Mr. Taft was confirmed by the Senate in executive session late in the afternoon, by a vote of 60 to 4. Opposing confirmation were Senators Borah, of Idaho; Johnson, of California; and La Follette, of Wisconsin, Republicans, and Watson, of Georgia, Democrat. When the nomination was first received it was hoped to time that the compliment of confirmation in open executive session would be extended to Mr. Taft, but it was soon apparent that such action was out of the question, and the confirmation was considered in secret session.

New Chief Justice



WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT The former President is the first in the history of the United States to hold the highest judicial and executive offices

A dispatch from Montreal last night conveyed the information that the appointment would be accepted.

Senator Borah led the fight against

the former President. He declared that Mr. Taft ceased the practice of law three years ago, and that since that time he had been in politics. He argued that Mr. Taft, who is sixty-three years of age, is within seven years of what he termed the age where by law a man is considered to have reached the age of incompetence.

The nomination was bestowed upon Mr. Taft and sent to the Senate without the distinguished recipient's knowledge. The President announced the appointment in the White House at 4 o'clock.

Mr. Harding's selection falls upon his own predecessor, because, in the President's own words, "he is the outstanding figure in the United States that comes within the scope of my office." The field of availability was carefully scrutinized. More than one eminent lawyer came within the range of possibilities. But measuring one consideration with another, the President decided there was no candidate so well equipped in point of reputation, practical training and legal experience as William Howard Taft.

General Approval Expected

Mr. Harding is happy to think the approval of the country and of the American legal fraternity will be prompt, enthusiastic and universal. It is the first time on record that a former President of the United States has been appointed to the Supreme Court bench. Mr. Taft will be the tenth Chief Justice and the third Ohioan or the second Connecticut man to occupy the post.

The new Chief Justice succeeds the jurist whom he himself appointed to that position. The late Chief Justice White was nominated in 1910.

News of Mr. Taft's appointment to the Chief Justiceship of the United

States was discounted in Washington owing to what President Harding termed a "leak." The President was good-naturedly disappointed over having been cheated, as he put it, out of his own "leak." A reporter who anticipated the day's events spoke up and said: "Nobody 'leaked' to me Mr. President. I just guessed it."

Montreal, July 1.—"It has been the ambition of my life to be Chief Justice," William Howard Taft declared last night, "but now that it is gratified I tremble to think whether I am worthy of the position and be useful to the country."

"I have received telegrams announcing that the President has nominated me to be Chief Justice of the United States and that the Senate has at once confirmed the nomination," Mr. Taft said in a signed statement, commenting on his appointment.

"I am profoundly grateful to the President for the confidence he has thus shown that I can discharge the important duties of the exalted office. I sincerely hope and pray that I may be able to show that his confidence has not been misplaced. I highly appreciate the immediate confirmation by the Senate."

10,301 IN STATE GUARD

Adjutant General Reports Federalized Units to War Department

Harrisburg, July 1.—(By A. P.)—Units of the new Pennsylvania National Guard which have been accorded Federal recognition have a total strength of 10,301. There are 408 officers and 9893 men, according to information sent to the War Department by Adjutant General Frank D. Henry for the computation of the allotment of Federal funds to the State military establishment.

The reports showed: Infantry, officers 225, enlisted men 5143; cavalry, officers 62, enlisted men 1564; field artillery, officers 121, enlisted men 2370; engineers, officers 22, enlisted men 513; motor transport, officers 4, enlisted men 97; staff officers, 11, enlisted, 3.

HARTWELL ESTATE \$10,500

Physician, Victim of Duty, Left Everything to Wife

Dr. John H. Hartwell, 3302 North Broad street, who died June 21 following infection of his hand during an operation for appendicitis, left his entire estate, valued at \$10,500, to his widow. His will was probated today with the Registrar of Wills.

By the provisions of the will of Adelaide K. Carruth, who died June 25 in the Bellevue-Stratford, where she lived, her estate of \$200,000 is made a trust fund for her husband, John S. Carruth, and her two sisters, Mary Norris and Bessie Nickels. They will share the income equally. In the event of the death of her husband, his share of the principal is divided, \$10,000 to



the Philadelphia Home for Incurables, approximately \$18,000 to the New Century Guild and the balance to nieces and nephews.

Several letters written by Benjamin Franklin are given to the American Philosophical Society by the provisions of the will of Annie Bradford, 1028 Walnut street, who died June 18. Her library is divided between the Young Women's Boarding House Association of Philadelphia, and the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb. Her estate is valued at \$130,000.



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Advertisement for Abbotts Cream Buttermilk, featuring a woman with a milk can and text: "You will like ABBOTTS CREAM BUTTERMILK if you drink it ice cold on a hot day. The warmer you are the more you will appreciate the delicious, old-fashioned buttermilk flavor. Try a bottle—it is the most healthful hot-weather drink known."

Large advertisement for "Pre-War Prices" with stylized text and a graphic of a woman.

TOWARD the close of the war, to partially meet increased costs of manufacture, the price of THE HOME JOURNAL was increased to \$2.00 for yearly subscriptions and 20 cents for single copies, and the yearly subscription price of THE SATURDAY EVENING POST to \$2.50.

Since then, costs of manufacture have receded only slightly, but rather than wait for further reductions in our favor, we shall do our part now toward restoring normal conditions, by returning to the old prices on July 1.

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The Saturday Evening Post 5 cents a Copy \$2.00 a Year by Subscription

Both on Sale Today

Deaths

ARMOUR—June 30 ANN B. wife of the late Messrs. Armour. Funeral services, Sat. 2 P. M., 115 Rockland ave. Interment, private.

DEATHS

BAUGHN—June 29 THOMAS, husband of late Rose Baughn. Relatives and friends are invited to attend funeral, Sat. 3:30 A. M., from his late residence, 4228 Locust st. Solemn requiem mass St. James Church, 1 A. M., in the morning.

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