

THREE SITES ARE SUGGESTED FOR NEW POSTOFFICE

Not Known What Recommendations Be Sent to Washington—Dr. Hill's Selection May Be Ignored.

Dr. J. W. Hill, Taft's representative's choice—Block 64, bounded by Ninth and Tenth, Davis and Couch streets.

Civic improvement league's choice—Block "B," bounded by Seventh and Eighth, Hoyt and Glisan streets.

Superintendent of Construction J. W. Roberts' choice—Block "B" or Block 73, bounded by Park and Ninth, Hoyt and Glisan streets.

Such, in brief, is believed to be the shape the Portland postoffice site matter is now in. While it is impossible to know definitely what recommendations were sent to Washington by Dr. Hill and what Mr. Roberts' report, sent from San Francisco yesterday, contains, it is believed by those familiar with the situation that the contest has narrowed down to these three locations.

That Dr. Hill's selection will be ignored, largely because of the fact that it is too far away from the Union depot—more than the 1400 feet allowed—is considered highly probable. Mr. Roberts is believed to have favored either Block "B" or Block 73. Which is purchased depends largely on the comparative cost. It is believed that while Mr. Roberts was in Portland he went over the records very carefully to ascertain as nearly as possible the value of the property offered the United States by various owners. The results of his research and his conversations with owners were not of a

character that tended to confirm any choice already made, it is said. For instance, on one block Mr. Roberts is said to have secured a reduction of \$100,000 from the figures for which it was offered. Dr. Hill, the Taft representative, is said to have secured a reduction of \$30,000 to \$50,000.

So aroused was Mr. Roberts by the varying figures at which property was quoted that he may possibly recommend that the site be condemned by the United States. He is said to have announced that if condemnation proceedings were begun he would see to it that the jurors were not from Portland.

There is some question as to how the government would go about the matter of condemning property for the postoffice, but if such action were taken before a jury it probably would have to be held in the United States district court.

HEARST'S CHARGES ARE TO BE INVESTIGATED

(By the International News Service.) New York, Dec. 10.—Charges by William R. Hearst that the American Boy Scout movement is being manipulated through "irregular proceedings of a clique of directors," are being investigated by District Attorney Whitman. In addition to making the charges, Hearst resigned from the presidency of the organization.

District Attorney Whitman invited Manager James McGrath, Vice President Devere and General James O'Brien to explain the movement. McGrath charges that Hearst is "more because he was thrown out of the organization, which he wished to make an adjunct of the Hearst political machine." He added that Hearst was "tired" before his resignation was tendered, and that Hearst wanted in the membership boys of 18 years and upward, and that he sought to have his political lieutenants placed in charge of the organization.

The "Hearst Boy Scouts" is an organization affiliated with the American Boy Scouts, which recently perfected an amalgamation with smaller organizations, headed by Emmet Thompson-Beton, Colonel Benius and Dan Hearst.

WATER POWER IN CASCADE RANGE

Geological Survey Collects Valuable Data, Respecting This Great Resource.

Washington, Dec. 10.—A report by the United States geological survey relating to the water powers of the Cascade range in southern Washington follows: "Water powers in the far west have attracted general public attention during the last few years, and their utilization and protection from monopoly have been subjects of wide discussion and of important executive action. Perhaps no area in that region presents more favorable opportunities for water power development than the slopes of the Cascade range. The general elevation of the range is 8000 to 9000 feet. The streams draining it have steep grades and are fed during the period of low water by snow banks and glaciers or by copious supplies of ground water. The three important requisites of water power—rapid fall, abundant water, and comparative uniformity of flow—are found in these streams, and the great resources of forests, mines and soil in the region offer fair promise of a good market for water power.

The United States geological survey has just published as Water-Supply Paper 253 a report on the water powers of the Cascade Range in southern Washington, by John C. Stevens. The streams considered in this report are Klickitat, White Salmon, Little White Salmon, Lewis and Toutle rivers and other streams in the drainage basins of these rivers, and the surveys were made under the direction of Mr. Stevens by engineers employed by the United States geological survey and by the state of Washington, acting in cooperation. These streams are all tributaries of the Columbia. The most important of

them, considered as a source of power, is the Klickitat river, which will furnish 154,000 horsepower at low water. The survey of the Klickitat covered 73 miles and included a total fall of 3,255 feet. The White Salmon, Lewis, Toutle, and Little White Salmon take rank as sources of water power in the order named.

Water Power in Columbia Basin.
The entire system of streams surveyed will afford about 395,000 horsepower. The total water power available in the Columbia river basin has been estimated at 10,360,000 horsepower, so that the region covered by the report will furnish only 4 per cent of the enormous aggregate, yet even this small percentage is five times the amount of water power already developed in the state.

Scope of Report.
The report contains descriptions of the rivers named and of their important tributaries, with tables showing stream discharge, location of waterpower sites and the amount of power available at each site, a summary of the water laws of Washington, tables showing annual mean and minimum discharge of representative streams of the northwest Pacific coast, and rainfall tables for numerous places in Washington and Oregon.

Valuable Maps and Profiles.
The most valuable part of the report is a series of plans and profiles showing the course and gradient of each stream surveyed. The report may be obtained without cost by applying to the director of the United States Geological Survey at Washington.

New School for Coos Bay.
(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Marshfield, Or., Dec. 10.—The city of Eastside, opposite Marshfield, on the east side of Coos bay, is to have a new schoolhouse. A special election will be held soon for the purpose of submitting to the people the question of issuing bonds for this purpose. The plan is to erect a four-story building. The new city now has a good schoolhouse, but it is not sufficient for the growth of population and a larger building is needed.

CULLINAN, DIAMOND KING, HARD WORKER

(Publishers' Press Landed Wire.) Capetown, Dec. 10.—Tom Cullinan has

been robbed of immortal fame by the renaming of the Cullinan diamond, which is to be known in the future as the "Star of Africa."

While the world has heard much of the Cullinan diamond, but little is known of the discoverer of this wonderful gem. Tom Cullinan, now the multimillionaire

chairman and director of the celebrated Premier Diamond Mining company, has not been spoiled by his phenomenal success. He remains faithful and humble to old friends. Beginning life as a penniless youth, Cullinan is of the labor member type, still on the "sunny side" of 50 years.

His discovery of the Premier mine was not a lucky coup—it was the result of calculating courage. After the Boer war he had the chance of buying an old Boer's farm near Pretoria. Believing the farm to be diamond bearing, he risked every penny he possessed on its purchase.



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