Taft. Congressman Desires Patronage.

take the place of Senator Jonathan Bourne as chief dispenser of federal patronage in Oregon? That he regards himself as next in line for presidential favor, so long as Bourne is in disfavor with the administration, is indicated by the pull he is said to be exerting for the appointment of C. V. Johnson, postmaster at Corvallis, as successor to the

master at Corvallis, as successor to the late General Owen Summers, in the appraiser of customs office in Portland.

This job pays \$3000 per year, and is one to which appointment is ordinarily made by the president on recommendation of the Republican senator or senators, from states where such vacancies occur. But the recommendations of Senator Bourne, the only Republican senator from Oregon, no longer appear to count, as shown by the recess appointment of Colwell as marshal and of Maicolm as collector.

Evidently this is where Hawley sees an opportunity to knock a few persimmons. He has recommended the name of Johnson, who is commanding strong support from other sources, not all of them standpatters. Hourne is under-stood to have recommended another man, but it is doubted whether he would make a stubborn fight in oppo-sition to Johnson should the Corvallis man be appointed.

Hawley is the senior congressman from Oregon, and is just entering upon new term. He has been a friend of Cannon and has stood with the standpat element in congress. While he voted against Canadian reciprocity, his record is such as generally commends itself to Taft. Lafferty is a newcomer, he is an insurgent, and he is not in favor with the general land office. His advice is not likely to go far with the administration. With Bourne and Lafferty out of it, Hawley probably hopes be the whole thing. Here he may strike a snag unless he

makes an alliance with Ralph E. Wil-Hams, national committeeman, and the Fulton following, for Williams apparently has the ear of Frank H. Hitchoock, and Hitchcock has the ear of Taft. surmised that Williams may not pe strong for Johnson as appraiser, and f he goes to the bat for someone else,



the president will have choice of three offerings—one by Williams, and Hawley, and a third by Bourne.

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