EMBEZZLEMENT IS CLOSE TO \$92,000

Tacoma Bank Teller Arrested After Mother Leaves City; Theft Big.

DEFAULTER BREAKS DOWN

ase of Furhman Most Unique, Being Among First Recorded Where Thief Put Money in Safe, Conservative Investments.

TACOMA, Wash, Dec. 22—(Special.)

Joseph Frank Fuhrman, the defaulting paying teller of the National Bank of Commerce in this city, was arrested today by United States Deputy Marshals charged with embezzing \$20,000 of the bank's funds which he had invested in timber lands and lumber engages.

Arraigned before United States Com-nissioner Bridges this afternoon, Fuhr-san waived examination and was held to the Federal District Court for trial inder bonds of \$4000, in default of which he was committed to jail.

Embezziements Total \$82,000.

When announcement was made yesberday of the issuance of the warrant
for Fuhrman no worry was feit by the
bank officials over his apprehension,
for, although out of town at the time,
he had been under constant surveillance
aince his thefts were discovered. While
the specific charge against Fuhrman is
embezzling \$20,000, his actual embezzlement will total \$22,000, practically all of
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United States Bank Examiner E. T.
Wilson, so that the hank is wholly undamaged by his thefts.

As paying teller Fuhrman worked out
a system of thievery which was very
difficult to discover. The cash was
taken deliberately when none of the
other bank employes were round, and it
was taken in sums small enough that it
hight be carled out in his pockets.
When the accounts were checked up
Puhrman would place a certified check
against the account of some depositor
whose balance was large enough to
cover the defalcation.

As the amount of the stolen money
grew larger the amount of the certified
check also grew, and the record of this
check was placed against different accounts.

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Since in reality no certified check exfisted, an inquiry made by President Chester Thorne aroused suspicions. The efficials of the bank desired to make no scene, so they waited until the bank closed for the day last Thursday and, closeting themselves with Fuhrman, accused him of the theft and showed their evidence.

When brought face to face with his guilt, the paying teller broke down and asked that nothing be done until his fiother would leave the city, which she did last Saturday. A private detective was called, and from Thursday afternoon until today he was in the custody of this man.

Fuhrman expressed himself as anx-

was to right the wrong as much as pos-hie. Yeslerday he went to the Des oines, Wash, sawmill, which he had irchased with stolen money, to com-ete arrangements for turning it over the bank.

Government Official Arrests.

When he returned the Government efficer was waiting at his rooms in the Heaton apartment-house, at 521 South E street, to take him to fall.

Besides the sawmill and about 1,500,-600 feet of logs in the water. Fuhrman also had interests in another tract of timber on the Sound with a full-fledged logsing road in operation, owned several sections of valuable timber land, and was engaged in other conservative enterprises. He had told friends that he had a partner who was putting up the cash while he put up the experience, and, owing to his excellent habits and good reputation, he effectually stalled suspicion.

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Case Most Unique.

"Fuhrman's case is unique," said Bank Examiner Wilson. "I have had dealings with all kinds of defaulters. dealings with all kinds of defaulters, but never with one who took the money and put it in safe, conservative investments. Usually they gamble it in stocks or squander it. The property Fuhrman has turned over will almost if not wholly cover his shortage."

Fuhrman is a single man, 35 years old and of the best habits, and heretofore of a clear requisitor.

and of the best habits, and heretofore of a clean reputation. None of the money stolen was squandered on women and wine, as he was not addicted to the usual bad habits of defaulters. The penalty for his default is from five to ten years at McNell'a laland, and his friends say that he will take his medicine without domur and will try to have it over with as soon as possible.

BIG LAND DEAL IS MADE

Minneapolis Company to Develop

1800 Acres Near White Salmon. WHITE SALMON, Wash. Dec. 22 .-

known as the White Salmon Orchard Development Company and capitalized at \$200,000, has purchased 1800 acres of undeveloped land nine miles north of this place. The president of the company is George W. Seeley, of Minneapolis: Wade Dean, of White Salmon, is vice-president; Gordon, V. Morris, Minneapolis, secretary; William Rafter, of Portland; Dr. Benjamin, W. I. Gray and a prominent railroad man, all of Minneapolis, directors.

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The tract of land contains 50,000,000 feet of merchantable timber. The plan of the company is to turn this large tract into orchard, retailing it in small tracis when set to trees. Over 25 boutracts have already been signed by small buyers in Minneapolis. Offices will be opened in Minneapolis, White Salmon and Chicago.

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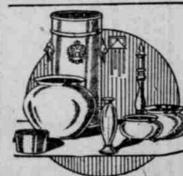


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\$2.25 Armole Mirrors	\$1.48
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MEN'S SUITS, OVERCOATS Longest Trial in History of Lane

ruary 18, 1909, for the construction of the city's power ditch at Walterville.

The trial was one of the longest in the history of Lane County, the work of securing the jury having started 13 of securing the jury having started 13 of securing the jury having started 13 days ago. Thirty witnesses were examined, some of them occupying the stand for a day or more.

According to the allegations of the plaintiffs, the city violated its contract by neglecting to provide all the necesby register to the properties of the fire and water committee had given plaintiffs permission to cease operations.

FUGENE LOSES \$6525

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EUGENE, Or., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—After deliberation.

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LAVA BURIES VILLAGES

JAPANESE VOLCANO ASAME COVERS COUNTRY 40 MILES.

Population Flees in Panic, When Mountain Is Rent and Fiery Stream Pours Forth.

VICTORIA. B. C. Dec. 22.-Advices were brought by the steamer Kama-kura Maru today of the eruption early this morning of Asame volcano, in Mumma, which three centuries ago buried 30 villages when it erupted. As far as can be learned, there was little loss of life on this occasion, but the countryside for 40 miles was

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covered with ashes. The worst sufferer was Konumanura, the village near the base of the volcano, from which the villagers took flight.

Professors Omori and Akamura, the seismological experts, are quoted as stating that Asame volcano has begun a new period of activity and may be expected to erupt periodically.

sprinkled with ashes and lava flowed near Kinry. Two tremendous explosions were experienced at Tokio, eight miles away, and panic was caused in many places, the worst at the Ashio mine near Nikko, where the miners rushed out.

At Tokio many persons fled from buildings during the earthquake which accompanied the eruption and loss of life was averted in one place, where a panic occurred in a crowded storyteller's fete, a rush for the doors being averted by the coolness of the story-teller, who abandoned his story and began telling earthquake experiences, stating that there was nothing to fear.

The eruption, which tore two huge rents in the side of the mountain, from which lava flowed in streams, was accompanied by thick showers of smoke and some fiame and a great shower of ashes. Maebashi, in Gumma, and Makoshi, in Nagano Prefecture, both suffered, the latter village feeling the shock severely, and other villages were