7 ARE INDICTED ON RECALL FRAUD

Grand Jury Ends 90-Day Session, Having Returned 117 True, 47 Not True Bills.

WIDE INVESTIGATION MADE

County Officials Lauded for Conscientiousness and Institutions Commended, but Need of Hospital Emphasized.

Seven secret indictments in connection with alleged frauds in circulating petitions for the recall of Mayor Albee and Commissioners Dieck and Brewster were returned by the grand jury yesterday. False names and addresses, said to have been written in the petitions, were the basis of the charges.

The seven circulators, whose names are withheld by the grand jury, will be arrested this week and will be tried before Circuit Judge Davis, who took charge of the criminal department yesterday, succeeding Judge McGinn, whose three-months' term has expired.

Fourteen other true bills, two of which are secret, and six not true bills were returned by the October grand jury, which made its report to the Circuit Court and was discharged by Judge Morrow.

In its report the grand jury strongly urges the construction of a new and more commodious county hospital, reiterating the recommendations made to the budget committee on December 2. During its 90-day term the grand jury has returned 117 true bills, 47 not true bills and has examined 602 witnesses.

District Attorney's Office Praised.

An open letter to the public, giving high praise to the conduct of District Attorney Evans' office and of Deputy District Attorney Hindman, who was assigned to grand jury cases, was another feature of the closing day of the long term.

Among the open indictments returned were two against A. L. Killman and John A. Killman, of Lents, for assault with a dangerous weapon. One of the Killmans shot and serious injured Claude Rinehart. The shooting followed the attempted suicide of Miss Ethel Killman last month. The girl said her attempt was the result of the attentions of Rinehart.

A. M. Brunswick, an attorney, was indicted for embezzlement for the alleged misappropriation of funds which he had collected for a client.

John Selasky and Joe Dodonsky were indicted for malicious destruction of property for cutting down a telegraph pole. The men said they cut down the pole to get into jail, where they hoped to spend the Winter. They are said to have remarked that if they were released they would cut down another pole to get back into jail again.

Trio Indicted for Theft.

James Woodward and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Arndt were indicted for stealing $150 from a woman who had befriended Mrs. Arndt. The two men were also indicted for forgery.

Harry Fulcher, Jesse Weygandt and Robert Wilson were indicted for assault and robbery and Joe Bernardo for threat to commit a felony.

Not true bills were returned against the following:

C. J. Dean, conducting an indecent and immoral act, by running a so-called "museum for men" at Second and Morrison streets; Harold Burns, for stealing an automobile; D. B. Porter, of Linnton, for contributing to the delinquency of a minor; T. M. Ellinger, for murder; R. L. Buckles, for non-support, and George Hines, for larceny.

Following is the report of the grand jury to the Circuit Court:

"We have drawn 117 true bills and 44 not true bills and have examined 602 witnesses and have referred two cases for the consideration of the next grand jury and have completed all business that has been brought before us for attention.

Sheriff's Department Lauded.

"The grand jury made a careful inspection of the County Jail and found it to be kept in a very excellent condition. The corridors and cells are provided with an abundance of fresh air and everything about the institution seemed to be clean and sanitary. We also made a careful inspection of the food being served and found it to be of the best. The cooking utensils were as clean and sanitary as it is possible to make them and we could find nothing about the institution to criticise. In fact, we feel justified in saying that the officers in charge are performing their full duties and we feel that it is only just to compliment them on the manner of their performance of their duties.

"Our visit to the County Poor Farm satisfied us that Multnomah County has a model institution of this character. We made a careful inspection of every part of this institution and found to our satisfaction that all things were in the very best condition. We talked to both the male and female inmates, many in private, as to their treatment, and failed to find a single person who had a word of complaint. In fact, all claimed to receive the best of treatment and each person had a good word to say of the management.

Frazier Home Commended.

"After a careful inspection of the Frazier Detention Home, we can unqualifiedly commend those in charge of said home for their efficiency in the management of this institution. We believe, however, that the south end of the attic should be finished as a dormitory for the larger boys who are under detention. To this end we think that part of the attic should be properly ceiled and finished and baths and toilets installed. The repairs that are being made are entirely necessary and we commend the authorities for their promptness in that respect.

"After careful inspection of the County Hospital, we find that the facilities of said institution are insufficient to properly house and care for those who should receive treatment at the place. The ventilation of this hospital is bad. The danger to the inmates thereof from fire is great and the accommodations are poor. In short, we find that the present building and its equipment has passed the limit of usefulness. We are of the opinion that Multnomah County is in urgent need of a new hospital, with proper facilities for caring for all those persons who are in need of medical attention, and we therefore strongly urge that immediate steps be taken toward the erection and construction of a large, modern hospital, such as would be, when constructed, entirely sufficient in every way to accomplish the purposes for which such an institution is ordinarily maintained.

Thanks Tendered Court.

"We also desire to commend the District Attorney and his deputies for their attention to their duties. We unhesitatingly believe that every case brought to this office receives the careful attention of the person to whom such case is referred. Apparently every person who comes to that office receives a courteous hearing, and we think all persons accused of a crime are given the benefit of a fair, just and complete inquiry as to their guilt.

"We desire to thank the court for its kind and courteous treatment of us during our term."

The grand jury's letter to the public relative to the conduct of the District Attorney's office says:

We, the undersigned members of the grand jury of Multnomah County, desire to state that under the law we are selected for 30 days, but that the court in its discretion can continue the grand jury for additional time, and that we have served for 90 days.

Mr. Hindman Thanked.

We desire to express our appreciation of the treatment we have received from Walter H. Evans and his deputies. They have rendered us every possible assistance in all of our labors, works and investigations. In the three months we have investigated 125 cases. We could not have disposed of as much business if it had not been for the hearty co-operation of the District Attorney and his deputies.

Charles Hindman was the deputy assigned by the District Attorney to represent him in all cases that came before us, and because we have come more in contact with him than any other deputy we desire to state that he has given us every possible and valuable assistance.

We desire particularly to emphasize the fact that whenever in our investigations of a case it became apparent that the party accused was innocent that the District Attorney's office was as anxious to see an innocent man vindicated and the proceedings dismissed as his office was to see that a guilty man was punished and convicted.

Fairness Is Emphasized.

As an illustration of the desire of the District Attorney's office to treat fairly every person charged with a crime or misdemeanor we desire to state that the District Attorney or his deputies in every instance give to the person accused the following printed slip, to-wit:

"WHEN YOU ARRIVE AT THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE HAND THIS TO THE CLERK.

"To.....

"You are hereby notified that the ..... for the County of Multnomah is willing to hear any explanation that you think it proper to make in relation to a certain charge against you, pending, or any statement of facts which you may think will tend to establish your innocence.

"But you are to understand distinctly that you are not and cannot be required or compelled, under any circumstances, to appear to testify in relation to the charge against you.

"Your appearance and the evidence you may give, in case you decide to appear, must be entirely voluntary, and your failure or refusal to appear or to testify cannot raise any unfavorable presumption against you, or in any way operate to your prejudice; but in case you do appear and testify, the testimony you give may be used against you on your trial in case you are indicted.

"You may avail yourself of the privilege hereby extended by appearing in your proper person, at the office of the District Attorney in the sixth floor of the Multnomah County Courthouse, on Fourth street, between Salmon and Main streets, in the City of Portland, Oregon, on the ..... day of ..... instant, at the hour of..... o'clock ... M.

WALTER H. EVANS
"District Attorney.

"Dated..... 19..

"I understand the above and desire to accept the privilege offered me."

Our experience has taught us that the District Attorney and his deputies have a great deal of work to do, and it is very trying and annoying. We believe and certify that the District Attorney and his deputies discharge their duties faithfully and conscientiously and with dispatch. We earnestly recommend that every good citizen whenever called upon do all that they can to assist the District Attorney's office.

Yours very truly,
WILLIAM BALLIS, Foreman,
ADOLPHUS BOSLAR,
EDWARD KRUEGER,
ADAM WEIGAND,
ARTHUR N. HOWATT,
L. A. BARTHOLOMEW,
F. W. R. PREER, Secretary.

MURDER AFTER FUNERAL

BABE IS BURIED, THEN MAN KILLS WIFE AND SELF.

Frank Larue, Garage Keeper, of Condon, Or., Murderer and Suicide at Lewiston, Jury Declares.

LEWISTON, Idaho, Jan. 2.—(Special.)—The bodies of Frank Larue and his wife, a bullet hole in the right temple of each, were found here today in the apartments of Larue at the home of Mrs. Mary L. Sullivan. At the Coroner's inquest this afternoon the jury returned a verdict that Larue had shot his wife in the night with a .22-caliber revolver and then committed suicide. The funeral of the 3-months-old child of the Larues was held yesterday.

The body of Mrs. Larue was completely attired and its posture indicated that she was murdered while she knelt at the bedside. Larue's body was lying on the bed and a revolver was found within several inches of his hand.

At the Coroner's inquest it was testified that Larue was cruel to his wife and child and had often tortured Mrs. Larue by pulling her hair and burning her with a hot poker. He had threatened many times to kill his wife and baby, witnesses said.

Larue and his wife left Lewiston some time ago to make their home at Condon, Or., where Larue was manager of the Wheat City Garage. Three weeks ago Mrs. Larue and her baby returned to Lewiston and lived at the home of her mother, Mrs. O. W. Travis. A week ago Larue followed her here and engaged a room at the residence of Mrs. Mary L. Sullivan at 1302 Main street.

After the baby's funeral yesterday Larue called at his wife's room and requested that she go to his apartment. When Mrs. Sullivan opened the door at noon today she found the two bodies.

1133 of School Age in District.

M'MINNVILLE, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—A report by School Clark J. O. Rogers, of district 40, which comprises McMinnville and adjacent territory, fixes persons of school age at 1133. This is a gain of only seven over last year, when this district became first class.

DEPARTMENT MANAGER GOES TO NEW FIRM.

W. Dorres.

Henry Jenning & Sons, furniture dealers, who have just moved to their new building at Fifth and Washington streets, have secured the services of W Dorres as manager of their carpet department. Mr. Dorres is well known in Portland, as he for 14 years was connected with the carpet and drapery department of Meier & Frank, later becoming a member of the firm of Geisler & Dorres. After disposing of his interest to Mr. Geisler he made an extended trip to Eastern carpet centers.

PORTLAND HOTEL MANAGER RESIGNS

G. J. Kaufmann, Head of Carravansary for Eight Years, to Take Long Rest.

FIRM EXPRESSES REGRET

Boniface and Graduate Railroader Likely to Open High-Class Dry Cafe Here After Vacation. Success Crowns Career.

G. J. Kaufmann, who for the last eight years has been manager and secretary of the Portland Hotel Company, has resigned that dual capacity and about February 1 will leave Portland for a three months' vacation, part of which will be passed in the Panama Canal Zone.

On his return to Portland, which will be about the middle of June or the first of July, Mr. Kaufmann probably will engage in business for himself, the probability being that he will conduct a high-class "dry" cafe designed to meet conditions when Oregon shall have gone "dry."

Mr. Kaufmann resigned last November, but, on request of the stockholders and directors of the Portland Hotel Company, withheld the resignation until this time. He had originally planned to go East and accompany the party on the Great Northern, the first of the Great Northern Pacific Steamship Company's vessels to make the canal, on the trip to the mouth of the Columbia prior to starting the fast steamship service between Astoria and San Francisco. Because no successor has been chosen as yet, it is likely Mr. Kaufmann will not get away in time to make the trip.

Directors Express Regret.

Mr. Kaufmann was interested in making the trip, as for 23 years before becoming identified with the Portland Hotel he had been in active railroad business, having risen from the ranks, his first "position" having been that of messenger boy for the old Union Pacific.

The officers and directors of the Portland recently adopted resolutions regretting the leave taking of Mr. Kaufmann, and Vice-President Edward Bolce and H. L. Day, one of the directors, now are surveying a field of possible successors in the endeavor to select a man capable of taking Mr. Kaufmann's place.

Mr. Kaufmann became affiliated with the Portland Hotel in 1907 through H. L. Corbett, J. W. Newkirk and others associated with the First National Bank. It was as financial secretary Mr. Kaufmann took hold, and following the departure of H. C. Bowers as manager of the Portland Mr. Kaufmann assumed the double duties of financial secretary of the corporation and house manager.

Doctors Advise Rest.

The long hours and persistent attention to duty which became pertinent when hotel competition waxed keener than ever before in 1912 and 1913 is ascribed by Mr. Kaufmann as one of his reasons for wanting to retire at this time. He has been facing a physical collapse for some months and has been advised by physicians to take a rest of a year before entering into active work again.

The financial storm which the Portland Hotel weathered several years ago, when the Norman interests, of Spokane, had a hand in the Portland affairs, gave cause for additional work, which Mr. Kaufmann handled. The brisk money-fight for possession of the hostelry has become an epic in Portland and Spokane financial circles, and Mr. Kaufmann acted as buffer between the interests. His loyalty to the Day-Boice interest, which eventually won out, has a bearing on his eight years of service in connection with the management of the hotel.

Before Mr. Kaufmann went to the Portland he was traveling auditor and paymaster of the O.-W. R. & N., and as such became intimate with the First National Bank officers, through whom he entered the hotel business. In 1907 he took up work with the Portland, assuming executive direction in 1910.

Career Begun as "Newsie."

Mr. Kaufmann came to Oregon in 1894 after a successful career in Chicago, where he began business as a "newsie" for the Chicago Daily News at the time Eugene Field was writing topical verse and human-interest stories. He had his first taste of hotel life under the invincible Joe Biefeldt, of the Sherman House. Mr. Kaufmann was then a hotel messenger.

"I am leaving the active hotel business because I must take a rest," said Mr. Kaufmann yesterday. "Long hours, and constant attention to minute details, which are a necessity after all to successful hotel management, are telling on me, and I must quit for awhile. I regret to go, and the directors have given me the satisfaction of knowing it is with regret they have accepted my resignation. I am going to take a three months' rest and then I am coming back to Portland; probably to go into business for myself. I have had several offers from San Francisco, but I prefer to stay here. This is home."

The officers of the Portland Hotel Company are E. R. Day, of Wallace, president; Edward Boice, of Portland, vice-president; H. L. Day of Wallace, Robert H. Ellis of Portland, and J. J. Day of Wallace, directors. They will meet some time this month and decide on a successor to Mr. Kaufmann.

2 BURGLARIES REPORTED

Gladstone Residence and Barton Postoffice Entered.

OREGON CITY, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—The residence of Miss Eva Mounton at Fern Ridge, near Gladstone, was entered between 6:30 and 10:30 o'clock last night and two watches, a ring and a Colts' automatic revolver stolen. The family was away from home at the time of the robbery. The robber also took a bottle of milk off the back porch. Entrance to the house was gained by prying open a window.

Robbers entered the Barton postoffice during the night, but obtained no plunder. Postmaster Gibson is in the habit of removing the stamps and money at night.

A. J. ZUMWALT IS DEAD

Oregon Pioneer of 1851 Succumbs to Pneumonia at Age of 82.

EUGENE, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—A. J. Zumwalt, pioneer, and member of the Oregon Legislature in 1880, died today at his farm near Irving, five miles north of Eugene. Death, occurring at th eage of 82 years, followed an attack of pneumonia.

A. J. Zumwalt was one of 11 children of Soloman and Nancy Zumwalt, pioneers, from whom have sprung 150 children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, now living in Lane County.

A. J. Zumwalt was born in Charles County, Missouri, on September 2, 1832. His parents and the 11 children started to Oregon by ox-team in April, 1850. They wintered at Salt Lake City. The family spent the Summer in Polk County, and came to Eugene in the Fall. Here Mr. Zumwalt took up a homestead two miles west of the city, and on February 15, 1855, he married Margaret M. Walker. The children of this marriage still living are Mrs. Mattie Bond, of Eugene; Mrs. Addie Jennings, of Spokane; E. W. Zumwalt, of Irving.

After the death of his first wife, November 7, 1873, he purchased a farm at Irving, and on April 29, 1875, he married Lavina M. Brown. The living children of this marriage are Mrs. May Turkington, of Irving; Mrs. Thomas Campbell, of Eugene; Paul Zumwalt, of Oaksdale, Wash., and Warner L. Zumwalt, of Irving.

$2 LUMBER RISE SEEN

COAST RANGE COMPANY TO BOOK NO ORDERS, SAYS OFFICIAL.

Big Revival of Business Predicted For This Year—Order of 4,000,000 Ties Being Figured by Mills.

EUGENE, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—Anticipating a rise of from $2 to $3 in the price of lumber, now $10 a thousand, the Coast Range Lumber Company is booking no new orders, according to C. E. Gatke, manager of the lumber company's mill at Mabel, in the Mohawk Valley, east of Eugene. The mill will reopen February 1.

Mr. Gatke expects the rise soon after the first of the year. He says it will mark the beginning of a revival of the lumber business. An order for 4,000,000 ties, now being figured upon by the Coast mills, appeared a week ago, and although Mr. Gatke states that it cannot be handled by the inland mills, he regards it to be one of the factors which will help relieve the strain. The mill at Mable has a capacity of 100,000 feet daily.

"The first of the year always marks Spring buying in lumber yards, just as it does for any of the wholesalers," stated A. C. Dixon, manager of the Booth-Kelly Company. He says: "I have talked with a number of the foremost Portland lumbermen during the week. They are watching the arrival of the new year with interest. Such factors as the rate increase, the large crops, the restoration of confidence, and changes in the war situation, are considered."

FARNUM JURY INQUIRES

DELIBERATORS AFTER TWO HOURS SEEK FURTHER INSTRUCTION.

Roseburg Opinion Is that Second Trial Also Will Record Disagreement. Defender Talks Two Hours.

ROSEBURG, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—The jury in the second trial of Roy Farnum, charged with a statutory crime against 15-year-old Edna Morgan, of Glendale, retired to deliberate at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon. At 5:30 o'clock the jury sent for Judge Hamilton, asked for further instructions concerning reasonable doubt, and again retired. It is the general opinion here that the jury will disagree, as in the first trial.

When court reconvened this morning, following the New Year's recess, Attorney Cardwell, of counsel for the defense, delivered his closing argument. He reviewed the testimony of the 40 or more witnesses in his address, which lasted nearly two hours. He was followed by District Attorney Brown, who concluded his argument at 3 o'clock.

The instructions of Judge Hamilton were about the same as delivered by him at the former trial.

The second trial of Farnum began Tuesday. Farnum's arrest and indictment on a statutory charge followed the discovery of Edna Morgan's body in the runs of the barn of H. H. Beamer, near Glendale, on December 9.

LEBANON "KIDS" SEE FILM

Many Are Guests of Mayor on New Year's and Four Travel Six Miles.

LEBANON, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—Every child in Lebanon probably attended the moving picture show on New Year's day as the guest of Mayor Cornier.

One woman came six miles with four children from 4 to 10 years of age, none of whom ever had seen a moving picture. The children were not only astounded by but were almost frightened at the sight of the thrilling railroad accident in "The Trey o' Hearts."

SALMON PACK RUNS HIGH

More Than 6,000,000 Cases Estimated With Export Demand Brisk.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 2.—The salmon pack of 1914 for Alaska, Puget Sound, British Columbia and the Columbia and other Northwestern rivers is estimated at 6,310,000 cases.

The Alaska pack is the largest on record, 4,000,000 cases. The pack is generally out of first hands. Export demand is brisk, offsetting poor sales in the Southern States, which generally are a good market.

AURORA COUPLE CELEBRATES TWENTY-FIFTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Yergen.

AURORA, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—More than 100 guests gathered here yesterday in honor of the 25th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Yergen. Cards and dancing prevailed until late in the afternoon when dinner was served. After dinner the guests returned to the Pythian Hall where music, cards, dancing and readings entertained them.

The following out-of-town guests were present: Mr. and Mrs. Squire Farrar, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Swan, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Monroe and Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Crisell, all of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Grant White and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Yergen, Canby; Miss Nina Runkle, Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hoskins, Donald; Mrs. Pauline Gies, Portland; Mrs. E. E. Brett and Mrs. E. Vadnais, Portland; Clyde Havens, Estacada, and Leslie Bryer, Portland.

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GERMANS REPORT GAINS IN POLAND

Attacks Declared to Have Made Progress East of Vistula's Tributaries.

FOE THOUGHT WEAKENING

Russia Has Plenty of Men, Says Army Officer, but Lacks Material of Every Kind—Russians Tell Defeat of Austrians.

BERLIN, Jan. 2, via London.—The German Army Office issued the following statement today:

"It is reported from the eastern theater that the situation on the East Prussian frontier is unchanged.

"East of the Bzura and Rawka branches of the Vistula River our attacks have progressed under somewhat more favorable weather conditions.

"In Poland to the east of the Pillica River there have been no changes in the situation."

Russians Short of Munitions.

The official Press Bureau has issued the following:

"General Von Blume, a retired German army officer, discussing the military situation in the East, remarks that it is impossible as yet to estimate the scope of Field Marshal von Hindenburg's success, but that it appears certain the Russian offensive has failed. Russia still has plenty of men, he says, but she must be short of everything else needed for warfare.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 2.—An official communication given out by the general staff last night recounts the situation in the various fields of action along the Russian front. It says:

"In East Prussia and in the region of Mlawa (Northern Russian Poland), we have defeated attempts by the Germans to deliver a partial offensive.

"On the Vistula, opposite Wyszogrod, our armed steamers cannonaded the infantry of the enemy with success.

German Activity Intense.

"Between the Vistula and the lower Pilica the Germans have begun a series of attacks supported by the fire of their heavy artillery. Our troops, in an action on the left bank of the Bzura river near Vitkoritze, repulsed two night attacks. On the Rawka river we repulsed an attack directed against Dolatzk.

"On December 31 the enemy manifested activity which was particularly intense in the region of the town of Rawa, where the fighting still continues.

"South of the Pilica the action was spread out and the positions cut off the routes from Vlostchoro to Kielce.

"In Galicia we made energetic attacks on the enemy in the region of Gorlice (southwest of Jaslo), near Mschanka and Ropitza where, despite the extremely fierce resistance which the enemy offered, we destroyed, after a hard fight, their fortifications established on the heights.

300 Prisoners Captured.

"In the village of Mschanka we captured about 3000 prisoners, including 68 officers, four cannon and six mitrailleuses. The fighting in this region still continues. Furious counter attacks, which the enemy made, supported by armored automobiles, were repulsed by our artillery fire and bayonet charges.

"In Bukowina, we occupied, after a battle, Storozhinetz and Radutz (just south of Czernovitz). We also took some prisoners."

Inactivity of the Germans in the neighborhood of Warsaw for some days past is explained, according to reports reaching Petrograd by the claim that they have employed this time in fortifying the territory already taken up to the Bzura River, and along the left bank of the lower and middle Vistula River.

Germans Fortify Cities.

According to reliable information reaching here, Lodz, Lowicz, Skierniewice and Piotrkow are now as strongly fortified as Kalisz and Czenstochowa. The Germans have attempted to make this territory as difficult to invade as is German soil.

Residents of West Poland reaching Petrograd say hundreds of factories have been blown up by the Germans and that all available building material, especially bricks and metals, have been used in the construction of the new fortifications. Recent German attacks between Skierniewice and Warsaw have their base at Lowicz and Piotrkow, which are said to be equipped with railroads, telegraph and all the necessary accessories of war.

FORESTER TRACES FIRES

BIENNIAL REPORT SAYS HAZARD IS IN DISPOSAL OF SLASH.

Two-Thirds of Blazes in 1912 and 1913 Laid to Lack of Compact Windrows of Slashings.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—In his biennial report, State Forester Elliott says that the forest fire hazard of the future depends chiefly upon how thoroughly the operators of the present dispose of the slash resulting from logging and wood-chopping. He says that in 1911, 1912 and 1913 more than two-thirds of the fires causing damage to standing timber started in old slashings. The report says:

"Our experience during 1914 emphasizes this point. A total of 1254 fires burned and damaged standing timber to the value of $26,245, while less than a dozen fires, originating in slashings adjacent to logging work, caused a loss of $42,307 to logs and logging equipment.

"A marked improvement would result if slash disposal were considered an integral part of the logging operation and buckers and swampers instructed to leave the slash in compact windrows."

Mr. Elliott says the most serious problem is to persuade ranchers to burn at the right time, declaring that a majority of them wish to burn during the driest part of the season, although experience proves that the best burn will be obtained if there is more or less moisture in the slash. Permits to burn were issued as follows this year: June, 31; July 157; August, 632; September, 285.

O.-W. R. & N. CHANGES MADE

Division Superintendent Kamm Will Move to Walla Walla.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—Announcement was made here today that a rearrangement of the divisions on the O.-W. R. & N. has been made, adding 300 miles of road to the 100 miles between this city and Attalia to make division three, and that A. G. Kamm, division superintendent, will remove his headquarters and office force to Walla Walla on February 1.

The change will take seven men from this city, besides Superintendent Kamm. Division three includes territory from North Yakima to Attalia, the new main line from Attalia to Ayer Junction, the old main line between Grange City and Pendleton, the line from Wallula to Walla Walla and the Turner and Pomeroy branches.

Most of this track is taken from the Spokane division. Mr. Kamm came to North Yakima when the O.-W. built here and has been here since that time.

Linn Recorder Is High Man.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—Grant Froman, County Recorder of Linn County, made the high score in the annual New Year's day shoot of the Albany Gun Club yesterday. Froman broke 42 out of 50 shots. W. E. Parker scored second with 41.

Recall's Official Count Recorded.

TILLAMOOK, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—The official count in the recall election of District Attorney M. J. Gersoni gave 947 in favor of and 488 against, and T. H. Goyne was elected by 830 to 418 cast for Gersoni. The two other candidates polled only 246 votes.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank all our friends for their kindness during the sickness and death of our husband and father, particularly the Fraternal Order of Eagles and the L. O. T. M. M.

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