

Train-Car Deaths Reach 16 in 1954

Automobiles tangled with railroad trains 303 times in Oregon last year, bringing death to 16 persons and injuring 118 more, Secretary of State Earl T. Newberry reported Friday.

This was a decline from the 21 train-car fatalities recorded a year ago, the secretary said, although the total number of accidents and persons injured increased slightly.

Six deaths occurred inside the limits of incorporated cities and towns while 10 were charged to locations in rural areas.

Safety men said grade crossing accidents could be all but eliminated if all drivers would assume a train is approaching every time they neared a crossing. In rural areas, some accidents stem from a driver's misjudgment of the speed of an approaching train, particularly diesel-powered locomotives which frequently are travelling much faster than they appear to be.

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William B. Feldenheimer, left, Oregon's cancer crusade chairman, learns first-hand about the use of microscopic slides in the "smear technique" for cancer diagnosis during a visit to University of Oregon Medical School. James Rankin, technician, explains the process. Oregon Division, American Cancer Society, provides grants to train technicians for this work.

Council Okays

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der discussion presently drains its sewage into the Coast Fork of the Willamette River. According to council discussion, the Lane County Health Department has expressed concern over the sewage dumping.

Church school of the Seventh-day Adventist Church had asked the council for connection on a sewer line in the area but the council said that first the property should be annexed to the city.

Following this the church had asked for the connection and said they would furnish the materials and funds and to this the council agreed.

Council members pointed out that eventually property owners in this area would be compelled by the Lane County Health Dept., to connect with the city sanitary sewer and stop dumping sewage into the river.

The city connecting with the sewer would be less now than later when the street is paved because property owners would have to stand the cost of digging thru the pavement and then of replacing it, council members stated.

The city recorder was instructed to write the Lane County Health Dept., and the owner of the apartments in the area, who lives in Eugene, so that both would be informed of the situation and the matter of costs.

In other action the council: • Heard a report from South Lane Recreation Assoc., that the city stand the expense of renovating Kelly Field, making repairs to the fence and lavatories, and pay the salary of a park supervisor at \$170 for seven weeks work during the summer and repairs to items in the park. Previously, the school boards have stood the cost of the items but they do not feel they can continue to do so this year.

• Rejected two bids for the

proposed addition to the rear of city hall building for storage of city-owned equipment and tabled the item. Bids for the project were Peary Hand at \$1,168, and P. J. Bush at \$1,776.16. Council members stated that the bids were not out of line with specifications given but such items were not available at the present time.

• Accepted a bid of \$2,250 from the First Baptist Church for the Snea property at S. 6th St., and Jefferson Ave. The other bidder was Mike Vandervliet at \$2,000.

• Heard a letter from J. S. Crepeau requesting some action be taken by the city regarding a drainage problem in the 900 block on N. 9th St. The city engineer was instructed to consult with the State Highway Maintenance department in an effort to provide better drainage for the area.

• Accepted a bid of \$85 from Chambers Outdoor Store for an 18-inch power lawn mower for use at the city hall and library.

• Heard a report from Councilman Robert Muis on the meeting of the Lane County Log Control Board. Muis stated that he and the Cresswell representative missed the meeting, which was last Friday, because they were not notified of a change in the meeting date, originally scheduled for Monday afternoon. However, Muis stated, Cottage Grove was not affected by the meeting and there is no change in the present arrangement.

• Heard a report from Councilman Joan Gallo on a League of Women Voters meeting in Eugene where the group near a talk on air pollution control by Richard Hatchard, chief air pollution engineer. Mrs. Gallo stated that any city in Oregon may request, free of charge, a study of air pollution in its area. The free engineering service is part of the Oregon State Board of Health activities.

Mrs. Gallo explained that the engineers set up stations and measure what is called "tail-out."

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