

Tuberculosis Chest X-Ray

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1417 were scheduled to return to the Marion county retake center for a 14x17 film. 528 of the 1417 called for retake films were referred to their private physician for a chest condition demanding medical attention. At the present time figures are not available as to the actual number of tuberculosis cases found and so diagnosed. Such figures, on a county basis, cannot actually be determined at this early date, however, from records of previous surveys it can be assumed $\frac{1}{3}$ of the retakes will be negative, $\frac{1}{3}$ will be old tuberculosis lesions which have healed, and $\frac{1}{3}$ will require medical attention.

Valley statistics to September 21, 1951 discloses a total of 169,059 persons have been X-rayed. 3.4% of this number or approximately 5748 have been asked to return to the retake centers for 14x17 films. Of the suspected cases of tuberculosis, the total of which has not been determined, it can be disclosed fairly accurately that percentage wise the following will result: 66.6% will be minimal cases, 28% moderately advanced, 2.9% for

advanced, and 2.5% unclassified conditions.

Of the eight counties participating in the valley wide project, Polk, Yamhill, Linn and Marion counties have completed their programs with the exception of a mobile unit or two scheduled to return to the counties for the purpose of X-raying students returning to colleges in the respective counties. Benton, Clackamas, Washington and Lane counties are now well started in their survey programs.

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