

Disposal Plant Plans Delayed

Project to Cost
Grove \$174,000

COTTAGE GROVE—It appeared doubtful Monday that plans and cost estimates for a sewage disposal plant will be ready for council inspection Jan. 7.

City Engineer L. W. Coirner said a Corvallis engineering firm preparing the data probably wouldn't have it completed in the next week. The report may be completed in a few weeks, however.

The council last April entered into an agreement with the engi-

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Oh, Beans!

KETTENIS, Belgium — (AP)—A street-corner car crash brought police on the run. There was a thud, then a mixture of hissing air and coffee beans pouring out of four flattened tires.

Police arrested the driver Monday on charges of smuggling coffee across the German border in his auto tires.

neering firm, Cornell, Howland, Hayes & Merryfield. The firm will provide these services:

1. Prepare detailed plans, specifications and cost estimates of a disposal plant.
2. Prepare forms for advertisements, construction contracts and bonds.
3. Supervise all test borings, subsurface exploration or other needed investigation for determining foundation conditions.
4. Supervise operation of treatment plant for the week after the plant is placed in operation.
5. Other engineering services the city may require.

Construction on the plant is expected to start next spring or summer. It has been estimated materials needed for the plant will cost \$174,000.

The city has already completed construction of a mile-long sewer outfall line from the city to the disposal site north of Cottage Grove. The project cost approximately \$40,000.

1951's Whacky Accidents

Year of Mechanical Revolt Reviewed

By NEA Service

The year of 1951 will long be remembered by some poor souls as the Year of the Mechanical Revolt. Some of our usually obedient gadgets and machines decided to bite the hands that oil them.

According to the National Safety Council, which annually collects whacky accidents, during 1951 automobiles, lawn mowers, steam rollers, electric fans and assorted mechanical devices made it rough for the human race.

Consider poor Policeman Joseph Green of Chicago. An electric fan blew an envelope off the top of a filing cabinet. The envelope hit Green square in the eye, and hospitalized him.

Conked on Head

Or poor Ellsworth B. Wilson of Mishawaka, Ind., who was spending a pleasant afternoon, spanking his son. He lifted his arm, knocked over a lamp, got conked on the head, wound up in the hospital.

Or poor William C. Hollis of Denver, who was out for a drive through Topeka, Kan., with his dog. The pooch got impatient, reached over and stepped hard on the accelerator. Result: one collision, four persons injured. And the dog didn't even have a driver's license.

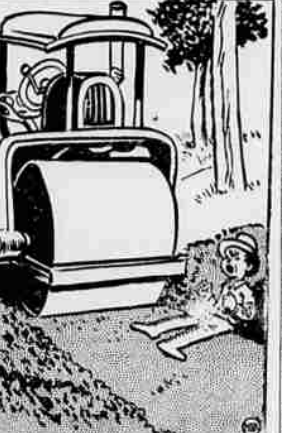
Shot by Rake

Or poor Lincoln Stewart of Columbus, O., who was raking trash in a dump. The rake struck a bullet, discharged it, and Stewart was shot in the ankle.

Then there was poor taxicab driver James Deeds, of Des Moines, Ia. He was helping a passenger unload packages from the car when he backed into a passing car and lost the seat of his pants. The last he saw, that vital section of his clothing was heading south on a door handle.

Another Freak Mishap

And poor Mrs. Catherine Meenan of Boston, who was minding her own business in her second-floor apartment. In the street a car hit a pedestrian, knocked off his shoe and sent it sailing into Mrs. Meenan's window. It hit her



on the head, inflicting scalp wounds.

Poor James Swootan, a steeplejack of Richmond, Ind., wound up in the hospital from a fall. Only it wasn't from a steeple—he fell off a bar stool.

Then there was the poor Florida East Coast Railroad which made the mistake of letting one of its freight trains bump into Ernest Benson's sturdy automobile in West Palm Beach, Fla. Damage: 18 loaded freight cars upset, 1000 feet of track torn up, 1000 cross ties ruined, \$50,000 in damage altogether. Benson was unhurt, although his car was "banged up some."

Bedded Down

Poor little Stanley Willoughby, eight, of Portland, Ore., grabbed onto the back of a three-ton steam roller. The monster suddenly reversed, knocked Stanley down and passed over his legs and hips. Fortunately, the road was still being laid, and the boy was neatly imbedded in soft asphalt and escaped with only slight injuries.

Nature, as well as man-made machines, caused some accidents in '51. Driver Joseph Sylvester, of Logansport, Ind., blamed his accident on ice cream—"I ate so much ice cream that I cut loose with a big burp and lost control of my car."

But possibly 1951's oddest accident happened to Frank Wogtkiewicz, of South Deerfield,

Mass., who crashed St. Peter's gate and lived to tell about it. His car went out of control and ran right through the gate at the home of Nelson St. Peter.



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