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REPORT OF

FRANK A NANCE, CORONER

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES,

JULY 1, 1934 - JUNE 30, 1935

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To the Honorable
Board of Supervisors,
Hall of Records,
Los Angeles, California.

Gentlemen:-

Herewith is presented a statistical report of the operations of the Coroner's Office for the fiscal year 1934-35.

Your attention is directed to the fact that, although we experienced no major disasters in which a number of persons lost their lives, as in the preceding year, nevertheless there was an increase in our case load of almost five percent during this last fiscal period.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank A. Daniel
CORONER, Los Angeles County.

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REPORT OF FRANK A. NANCE

LOS ANGELES COUNTY CORONER

FOR FISCAL YEAR 1934-35

JULY	1934	399	
AUGUST	"	374	
SEPTEMBER	"	407	
OCTOBER	"	418	
NOVEMBER	"	474	
DECEMBER	"	505	
JANUARY	1935	538	
FEBRUARY	"	424	
MARCH	"	483	
APRIL	"	417	
MAY	"	436	
JUNE	"	440	
	TOTAL		5315

MALE	3661	
FEMALE	1653	
SEX UNDETERMINED	1	
TOTAL		5315

IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES	3512	
IN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES OUTSIDE LOS ANGELES CITY	1803	
TOTAL		5315

CLASSIFICATION OF DEATHS

HANDLED BY CORONER

ACCIDENTAL DEATHS- Aeroplane	15	
Animal injury	3	
Asphyxiation	2	
Burns	67	
Crushing	7	
Drowning	50	
Electric Railway	40	
Falls	305	
Firearms	16	
Head Injury	21	
Industrial	96	
Infection	51	
Miscellaneous	13	
Motor Vehicle	934	
Poisoning (Alcoholism -80)	136	
Steam Railway	22	
Strangulation	5	
Suffocation	6	
TOTAL		1789
HOMICIDES	146	
SUICIDES	572	
ABORTIONS	25	
NATURAL CAUSES	2708	
PREMATURE BIRTHS	14	
STILLBORN	13	
UNKNOWN CAUSES	48	
TOTAL		3526
GRAND TOTAL		5315

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

		MOTOR VEHICLES	ELECTRIC RY	STEAM RY	TOTAL
JULY	1934	76	1	2	79
AUGUST	"	76	4	2	82
SEPTEMBER	"	78	1	2	81
OCTOBER	"	86	7	1	94
NOVEMBER	"	87		3	90
DECEMBER	"	98	6	2	106
JANUARY	1935	82	6	2	90
FEBRUARY	"	64	4	2	70
MARCH	"	81	2	2	85
APRIL	"	65	3	1	69
MAY	"	67	4	1	72
JUNE	"	74	2	2	78
TOTAL		934	40	22	996

NOTE:

IN ABOVE CLASSIFICATION 'MOTOR VEHICLE' INCLUDES ALL FATALITIES IN WHICH A MOTOR VEHICLE IS INVOLVED.

'ELECTRIC AND STEAM RAILWAY ' INCLUDES ONLY THOSE CASES IN WHICH A PEDESTRIAN, PASSENGER OR EMPLOYEE IS KILLED.

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

MOTOR VEHICLE

PEDESTRIAN

JULY	1934	34	
AUGUST	"	33	
SEPTEMBER	"	42	
OCTOBER	"	48	
NOVEMBER	"	41	
DECEMBER	"	54	
JANUARY	1935	48	
FEBRUARY	"	36	
MARCH	"	40	
APRIL	"	40	
MAY	"	26	
JUNE	"	29	
	TOTAL		471

MALE	354	
FEMALE	117	
TOTAL		471

IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES	307	
IN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES OUTSIDE LOS ANGELES CITY	161	
SAN BERNARDINO CO. DEATH OCCURRING IN L.A. COUNTY	3	
TOTAL		471

AT INTERSECTION	243	
OTHER THAN INTERSECTION	228	
TOTAL		471

A. M. (Midnight to Noon)	100	
P. M. (Noon to Midnight)	371	
TOTAL		471

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

MOTOR VEHICLE

PEDESTRIAN

AGES

1 to 2 years	4	
2 to 5 years	10	
5 to 10 years	24	
10 to 20 years	14	
20 to 45 years	104	
45 to 65 years	166	
65 and over	149	
TOTAL		471

NATURE

PEDESTRIAN- Auto and pedestrian	434	
Auto and passenger	5	
Truck and pedestrian	23	
Truck trailer and pedestrian	3	
Motorcycle and pedestrian	2	
Bus and pedestrian	2	
Bus and passenger	1	
Bicycle and pedestrian	1	
TOTAL		471

CAUSES

Crossing street not at intersection	126
Crossing street carelessly	125
Playing in street	7
Running in street	16
Walking in street	3
Backing	6
Incompetent handling	27
Intoxication	3
Reckless driving	132
Struck by driverless car	1
Defective brakes	2
While repairing tire	2

Attempting to alight from moving vehicle	3	
Attempting to board moving vehicle	3	
Attempting to stop driverless auto	1	
While stealing a ride	1	
Struck obstruction in street; injuring passenger	3	
Cranking vehicle in gear	2	
Jumped from auto prior to collision	1	
Struck by auto following collision	1	
Unknown cause; found lying in street	1	
TOTAL		471

HELD RESPONSIBLE BY CORONER'S JURY		
MALE DRIVERS	99	
FEMALE DRIVERS	13	
UNKNOWN DRIVERS	47	
EXONERATED BY CORONER'S JURY		
MALE DRIVERS	282	
FEMALE DRIVERS	21	
DRIVERLESS CAR	5	
CASES IN WHICH NO INQUEST BEFORE A JURY WAS HELD		
MALE DRIVERS	4	
TOTAL		471

HIT AND RUN CASES	57
H. B. D. CASES	37

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

MOTOR VEHICLE

COLLISION AND NON-COLLISION

JULY	1934	42	
AUGUST	"	43	
SEPTEMBER	"	36	
OCTOBER	"	38	
NOVEMBER	"	46	
DECEMBER	"	44	
JANUARY	1935	34	
FEBRUARY	"	28	
MARCH	"	41	
APRIL	"	25	
MAY	"	41	
JUNE	"	45	
	TOTAL		463

MALE	359	
FEMALE	104	
TOTAL		463

IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES	213	
IN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES OUTSIDE LOS ANGELES CITY	237	
IN ORANGE COUNTY DEATH OCCURRING IN L.A. COUNTY	3	
IN SAN BERNARDINO CO DEATH OCCURRING IN L.A. COUNTY	3	
IN ARIZONA DEATH OCCURRING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY	2	
IN RIVERSIDE DEATH OCCURRING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY	1	
IN KERN COUNTY DEATH OCCURRING IN L.A. COUNTY	1	
IN INYO COUNTY DEATH OCCURRING IN L.A. COUNTY	1	
IN YELLOWSTONE PARK DEATH OCCURRING IN L.A. COUNTY	1	
UNKNOWN LOCATION	1	
TOTAL		463

AT INTERSECTION	267	
OTHER THAN INTERSECTION	196	
TOTAL		463

A. M. (Midnight to Noon)	168	
P. M. (Noon to Midnight)	295	
TOTAL		463

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

MOTOR VEHICLE

COLLISION AND NON-COLLISION

AGES

Less than 1 year	2	
1 to 2 years	3	
2 to 5 years	3	
5 to 10 years	6	
10 to 20 years	52	
20 to 45 years	230	
45 to 65 years	128	
65 and over	39	
TOTAL		463

NATURE

COLLISION-	
Auto and auto	171
Auto and truck	64
Auto and motorcycle	11
Auto and bicycle	15
Auto and truck trailer	4
Auto and tractor	1
Auto and wheel chair	1
Auto and ambulance	1
Auto and bus	2
Auto and horse	2
Auto and Electric Railway	43
Auto and Steam	10
Auto and pole	21
Auto and tree	9
Auto and embankment	3
Auto and wall	3
Auto and bridge	4
Auto and curb	4
Auto and fence	2
Auto and fire plug	1
Truck and Electric Railway	3

Truck and Steam Railway	1	
Truck and truck	5	
Truck and truck trailer	1	
Truck and motorcycle	2	
Truck and bicycle	2	
Motorcycle and motorcycle	1	
Motorcycle and pole	1	388
NON-COLLISION-		
Auto overturned	62	
Motorcycle overturned	2	
Auto ran off bridge	3	
Fall from vehicle	8	75
TOTAL		463

CAUSES

COLLISION-		
Incompetent handling	69	
Intoxication	13	
Reckless driving	54	
Right of way violated	146	
Motorist's negligence at Railway crossing	53	
Driving on wrong side	12	
Lost control	20	
Skidding	4	
Tire blowout	2	
No tail lights	1	
Glaring head lights	1	
Bicyclist hanging on side of truck	2	
Due to heart attack	1	
View obstructed	1	
During racing contest	3	
Interference with driver by passenger	1	
No head lights; parked	1	
Motorcyclist attacked by dog; collided with curb	1	
Disabled auto struck by another	2	
Unknown cause	2	
Due to fog	1	390

NON-COLLISION- Auto overturned		
Lost control	39	
Reckless driving	15	
Racing contest	1	
Tire blow out	4	
Avoiding collision	2	
Lost rear wheel	1	
Ran off pier	3	
FALL FROM VEHICLE- Riding on bumper	2	
Riding on running board	2	
Skidding	2	
Through open door	2	73
GRAND TOTAL		463

HELD RESPONSIBLE BY CORONER'S JURY		
MALE DRIVERS	168	
FEMALE DRIVERS	19	
UNKNOWN DRIVERS	4	
TRAIN CREWS	3	
EXONERATED BY CORONER'S JURY		
MALE DRIVERS	106	
FEMALE DRIVERS	8	
TRAIN CREWS	55	
CASES IN WHICH NO INQUEST BEFORE A JURY WAS HELD		
MALE DRIVERS	98	
FEMALE DRIVERS	2	
TOTAL		463

H. B. D. CASES	16
HIT AND RUN CASES	7

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

ELECTRIC RAILWAY

JULY	1934	1	
AUGUST	"	4	
SEPTEMBER	"	1	
OCTOBER	"	7	
NOVEMBER	"	0	
DECEMBER	"	6	
JANUARY	1935	6	
FEBRUARY	"	4	
MARCH	"	2	
APRIL	"	3	
MAY	"	4	
JUNE	"	2	
	TOTAL		40

MALE	29	
FEMALE	11	
TOTAL		40

IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES	33	
IN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES OUTSIDE LOS ANGELES CITY	7	
TOTAL		40

AGES

1 to 2 years	1	
2 to 5 years	1	
5 to 10 years	2	
10 to 20 years	1	
20 to 45 years	3	
45 to 65 years	13	
65 and over	19	
TOTAL		40

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

ELECTRIC RAILWAY

NATURE

Electric Railway and pedestrian	30	
Electric Railway and passenger	9	
Electric Railway and bicyclist	1	
TOTAL		40

CAUSES

Crossing right of way carelessly	26	
Playing on right of way	2	
Walking on right of way	1	
Alighting from moving street car	6	
Boarding moving street car	3	
Incompetent handling by cyclist	1	
Incompetent handling by street car crew	1	
TOTAL		40

HELD RESPONSIBLE BY CORONER'S JURY		
TRAIN CREW	1	
EXONERATED BY CORONER'S JURY		
TRAIN CREWS	39	
TOTAL		40

TYPE OF CARS INVOLVED		
Street cars	31	
Interurban cars	9	
TOTAL		40

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

STEAM RAILWAY

JULY	1934	2	
AUGUST	"	2	
SEPTEMBER	"	2	
OCTOBER	"	1	
NOVEMBER	"	3	
DECEMBER	"	2	
JANUARY	1935	2	
FEBRUARY	"	2	
MARCH	"	2	
APRIL	"	1	
MAY	"	1	
JUNE	"	2	
	TOTAL		22

MALE	18	
FEMALE	4	
TOTAL		22

IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES	17	
IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY OUTSIDE LOS ANGELES CITY	5	
TOTAL		22

AGES

20 to 45 years	12	
45 to 65 years	5	
65 and over	5	
TOTAL		22

NATURE

Steam Railway and Pedestrian	19	
Steam Railway and Passenger	1	
Steam Railway and Employee	2	
TOTAL		22

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

STEAM RAILWAY

CAUSES

Crossing right of way carelessly	9	
Walking on right of way	2	
While working in railroad yards	2	
Attempting to alight from moving train	3	
Attempting to board moving train	4	
Whether suicidal or accidental undetermined	2	
TOTAL		22

EXONERATED BY CORONER'S JURY	
TRAIN CREWS	22

TYPE OF TRAINS INVOLVED		
Passenger trains	12	
Freight trains	8	
Switch engines	2	
TOTAL		22

SUMMARY

	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
MOTOR VEHICLES	713	221	934
ELECTRIC RAILWAY	29	11	40
STEAM RAILWAY	18	4	22
TOTAL	760	236	996

INDUSTRIAL FATALITIES

JULY	1934	10	
AUGUST	"	6	
SEPTEMBER	"	3	
OCTOBER	"	3	
NOVEMBER	"	16	
DECEMBER	"	8	
JANUARY	1935	12	
FEBRUARY	"	6	
MARCH	"	8	
APRIL	"	5	
MAY	"	14	
JUNE	"	5	
	TOTAL		96

MALE 96

IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES	46
IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY OUTSIDE LOS ANGELES CITY	46
IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY DEATH OCCURRING IN L.A. CO	1
IN SAN LUIS OBISPO CO DEATH OCCURRING IN L.A. CO	1
IN ORANGE COUNTY DEATH OCCURRING IN L.A. COUNTY	1
IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY DEATH OCCURRING IN L.A. COUNTY	1
TOTAL	96

AGES

10 to 20 years	2	
20 to 45 years	57	
45 to 65 years	29	
65 and over	8	
TOTAL		96

INDUSTRIAL FATALITIES

NATURE

Animal injuries	2	
Inhalation of flames	1	
Bodily injury	1	
Burns	17	
Crushing	29	
Drowning	1	
Electrocution	3	
Falls	24	
Head injury	3	
Hernia	1	
Infection	12	
Poisoning	1	
Strangulation	1	
TOTAL		96

CAUSES

ANIMAL INJURIES-	
Gored by bull	1
Gored by elephant	1
INHALATION OF FLAMES-	
Explosion of sulphuric acid flames	1
BURNS-	
Explosion of powder in mine shaft	9
Explosion of gasoline at refinery	2
Explosion of gasoline vapor	2
Explosion of gasoline tank	1
Explosion of gasoline while loading truck	1
Threw gasoline in furnace	1
Explosion of cleaning solvent	1
CRUSHING-	
Explosion of powder	3
Explosion of dynamite	2
Explosion aboard ship	1
Caught in cave in	4
Struck by falling rock	9

Struck by falling boom aboard ship	1
Struck by falling compressor	1
Struck by elevator link on oil rig	1
Struck by rim of truck wheel	1
Struck by falling tug being hoisted aboard ship	1
Caught between cars while switching	1
Caught in winch aboard ship	1
While fighting fire	1
Run over by ore car	1
Caught under overturned load of fertilizer	1
DROWNING-	
Attempting to rescue marooned person during flood	1
ELECTROCUTION-	
Came in contact with live wire	2
Came in contact with transformer	1
FALLS-	
From scaffold on movie set	4
From ladder while working	4
While fighting fire	1
From power pole	1
Down elevator shaft	1
Scaffold while painting	1
Down stairs; janitor	1
From building under construction	2
Tripped over pipe	1
While working on electric sign	1
From standing box car	1
Through pole hole in fire station	1
To floor while working	2
From cliff while surveying	1
From oil tank	1
Tripped over log	1
HEAD INJURY-	
Struck by broken moor line	1
Fell into pit on movie set	1
Due to fall while loading boat	1

HERNIA-		
Probably sustained while at work	1	
INFECTION-		
Injured thigh; gas bacillus developed	1	
Injured leg; peritonitis developed	1	
Injured leg; gangrene developed	1	
Injured finger; cellulitis developed	1	
Injured finger; septicemia developed	1	
Injured leg; septicemia developed	1	
Injured hand; septicemia developed	1	
Injured foot; gangrene developed	1	
Injured arm; septicemia developed	1	
Attacked by lion; septicemia developed	1	
Injured finger; septicemia developed	2	
POISONING-		
From spraying paint	1	
STRANGULATION-		
Following an electric shock	1	
BODILY INJURY-		
Whether accidental or homicidal undetermined	1	
TOTAL		96

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES

JULY	1934	57	
AUGUST	"	48	
SEPTEMBER	"	37	
OCTOBER	"	49	
NOVEMBER	"	60	
DECEMBER	"	40	
JANUARY	1935	81	
FEBRUARY	"	58	
MARCH	"	74	
APRIL	"	68	
MAY	"	56	
JUNE	"	54	
	TOTAL		682

MALE	422	
FEMALE	260	
TOTAL		682

IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES OUTSIDE LOS ANGELES COUNTY	412	
IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY OUTSIDE LOS ANGELES CITY	262	
In SANTA CRUZ DEATH OCCURRING IN L.A. COUNTY	1	
IN SAN BERNARDINO CO DEATH OCCURRING IN L.A. CO	2	
IN KERN COUNTY DEATH OCCURRING IN L.A. COUNTY	1	
IN INYO COUNTY DEATH OCCURRING IN L.A. COUNTY	1	
IN SAN DIEGO CO DEATH OCCURRING IN L.A. COUNTY	1	
IN OAKLAND DEATH OCCURRING IN L.A. COUNTY	1	
IN PLANE ENROUTE TO LOS ANGELES	1	
TOTAL		682

AGES

Less than 1 year	9	
1 to 2 years	14	
2 to 5 years	29	
5 to 10 years	20	
10 to 20 years	34	
20 to 45 years	163	
45 to 65 years	165	
65 and over	248	
TOTAL		682

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES

NATURE

Animal injuries	3	
Asphyxiation	2	
Burns	67	
Crushing	7	
Drowning	50	
Falls	305	
Firearms	16	
Head injury	21	
Infection	51	
Misvellaneous	13	
Poisoning (Alcoholism -80)	136	
Strangulation	5	
Suffocation	6	
TOTAL		682

CAUSES

ANIMAL INJURIES-	
Knocked down by race horse	1
Bitten by dog (Rabies-1 Hydrophobia-1)	2
ASPHYXIATION-	
By smoke from fire	1
By illuminating gas	1
BURNS-	
Clothing ignited from gas heater	21
Clothing ignited from match	2
Clothing ignited from bon fire	3
Clothing ignited from incinerator	2
Clothing ignited from candle	1
Bedding ignited from cigarette	4
Bedding ignited from pipe	1
Trapped in burning building	9
Playing with matches	5
While extinguishing flames on another	1
Fell over stove	1
Fell into bake oven (Child)	1

Fell into hot tar	1
Burned with hot wax	1
Explosion of still	1
Explosion of gasoline	4
Explosion of gas heater	1
Explosion of water heater	1
Explosion of dynamite	1
Fell into tub of hot water	3
Upset pot of hot milk	1
Upset pot of hot tea	1
Fell into bake oven	1
CRUSHING-	
Struck with falling pedestal	1
Struck by falling rock	2
Explosion of gasoline engine	1
Caught in cave in while playing	2
Caught under auto that slipped from jack	1
DROWNING-	
Fell from raft	3
Attempting to rescue another	2
Exhausted while swimming	9
Intoxication	1
Waded beyond depth	1
Fell into swimming pool	1
Fell from dock	3
Fell from boat	3
Boat capsized.	2
Caught in rip tide	3
Fell into lake	4
Fell into fish pond	1
Fell into storm drain	1
Fell into bath tub	2
Fell into cesspool	1
Fell into ditch	1
Fell into creek	1
Fell from gang plank	1

Whether suicidal or accidental undetermined	10
FALLS-	
To floor; old age	104
Due to illness	36
Tripped over object	14
Intoxication	5
Slippery floor	4
Baby learning to walk	1
After colliding with door	1
Unknown cause	2
TO STREET-	
Old age	24
Illness	6
Tripped over object	5
Intoxication	9
After colliding with running dog	1
After colliding with running person	1
While playing	1
DOWN STAIRS-	
Old age	17
Tripped over object	6
Illness	5
Intoxication	4
Fall from gang plank	1
From Racer; standing up	2
From ladder while playing	1
From running horse	3
From bicycle	2
From ladder at home	3
Elevator shaft; no witnesses	1
Elevator shaft; while playing	1
From porch; old age	6
From porch; while playing	1
From cliff while hiking	3
In yard at home; old age	5
Into light well; suicidal or accidental undetermined	1
From fence while playing	1

Into grease pit; intoxication	1
Retaining wall; intoxication	1
In bath tub	2
From window; intoxication	2
From window; illness	1
From window; playing	2
From window; suicidal or accidental undetermined	1
From standing truck	1
In standing street car; old age	1
Down embankment while playing	1
In schoolyard while playing	2
From aeroplane; intoxication	1
On walk at home; old age	2
On walk at home; illness	3
On deck of boat	1
Whether suicidal or accidental undetermined	1
Unknown cause	5
FIREARMS-	
Playing with gun	1
Accidental discharge of gun	5
While cleaning gun	2
Careless handling	1
Barrel shattered when accidentally discharged	1
Whether suicidal or accidental undetermined	5
Whether homicidal or accidental undetermined	1
HEAD INJURY-	
During boxing contest	1
Probably due to fall	6
Struck by swing	1
Cranking car	1
Struck by metal bar while playing	1
Fall while intoxicated	1
Jumped from window during fire	1
Whether homicidal or accidental undetermined	7
Unknown causes; no witnesses	2

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INFECTIONS-	
Stepped on nail; tetanus developed	3
Injury to foot; tetanus developed	4
Injury to head; tetanus developed	1
Injury to arm; tetanus developed	2
Injury to finger; tetanus developed	1
Injury to hand; tetanus developed	5
Injury to leg; tetanus developed	1
Burns; tetanus developed	1
Injury to foot; septicemia developed	4
Injury to finger; septicemia developed	2
Injury to heel; septicemia developed	2
Injury to ankle; septicemia developed	2
Scratched lip; septicemia developed	1
Injured in fall; septicemia developed	1
Injured in fall; cellulitis developed	1
Injured leg; cellulitis developed	2
Injured mouth; cellulitis developed	1
Extraction of tooth; cellulitis developed	1
Peritonitis developed; unknown cause	1
Injured when exercising ; peritonitis developed	1
Injured when exercising; meningitis developed	1
Injured during quake; septicemia developed	1
Injured arm; toxemia developed	1
Swallowed tooth; abscess of lung developed	1
Swallowed bone; abscess of throat developed	1
Septicemia developed after accidental gun shot wound	1
Septicemia developed after operation	1
Injured leg; gas bacillus developed	1
Injured hand; septicemia developed	5
Injured leg; septicemia developed	1
MISCELLANEOUS-	
Sunstroke	1
Heat prostration	2
Fracture of neck; dove into shallow water	1
Fracture of neck; homicidal or accidental undetermined	2

Bodily injury; insane person	1
Struck in eye with stone while playing	1
Laceration of throat; swallowed tooth	1
Shock and exhaustion after being thrown in Ocean	1
Bodily injury; unknown cause	3
POISONING-	
Alcoholism	80
Carbon monoxide; working in closed garage	1
Intoxicated in closed room	1
Gas heater burning in closed room	22
Trapped in burning room	2
Child ate ant paste	5
Child drank gasoline	2
Child inhaled poison fumes	1
Child drank lysol	1
Overdose of bromide; addict	2
Overdose of chloroform	1
Took nicotine in place of medicine	1
Poisoned while mixing cyanide mixture	1
Ate toad stools	3
Ate canned beans	1
Ate poisonous food	1
Whether suicidal or accidental undetermined	11
STRANGULATION-	
Regurgitated food	2
Kernel of corn lodged in throat	1
Piece of meat lodged in throat	2
SUFFOCATION-	
Choked on candy	2
By smoke; bedding ignited while intoxicated	1
Fell into sump hole while intoxicated	1
Trapped in burning building	1
Umbilical cord around neck at birth	1
TOTAL	682

SUICIDES

JULY	1934	49	
AUGUST	"	44	
SEPTEMBER	"	57	
OCTOBER	"	50	
NOVEMBER	"	51	
DECEMBER	"	60	
JANUARY	1935	35	
FEBRUARY	"	31	
MARCH	"	45	
APRIL	"	55	
MAY	"	43	
JUNE	"	52	
	TOTAL		572

MALE	425	
FEMALE	147	
TOTAL		572

IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES	366	
IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY OUTSIDE LOS ANGELES CITY	206	
TOTAL		206

AGES

10 to 20 years	15	
20 to 45 years	258	
45 to 65 years	231	
65 and over	68	
TOTAL		572

NATURE

ASPHYXIATION	32
BURNS	4
CUTTING	24
DROWNING	20
JUMPING-	
From building	22
From bridge	17

In front of train	4	
From window	8	
In front of truck	1	
POISONING- Arsenic	48	
Bi-chloride of mercury	20	
Carbon monoxide	41	
Cyanide	30	
Chloroform	3	
Carbolic acid	2	
Lysol	11	
Lye	1	
Nicotine	2	
Strychnine	11	
Barbital	1	
Creolin	1	
Hydro chloride	3	
Iodine	2	
Saniflush	1	
Potassium permanganate	1	
SHOOTING	191	
STRANGULATION	71	
TOTAL		572

CAUSES

Ill health	227
Domestic difficulties	43
Financial difficulties	59
Despondency	12
Tired of life	36
Intoxication	28
Fear of prosecution	13
Fear of blindness	2
Mentally deranged	30
Temporarily deranged	13
Lack of employment	14

Grief over death of wife	5	
Grief over death of husband	5	
Grief over death friend	1	
Grief over death of sweetheart	1	
Grief over death of father	1	
After murder of wife	6	
After murder of husband	1	
After murder of daughter	1	
After murder of wife and friend	1	
After murder of friend	1	
After committing murder	6	
After attempted murder of wife	1	
After attempted murder of grandmother	1	
After attempted murder of friend	1	
Love affair	7	
After reprimand from teacher	2	
Fear of compulsory military service	1	
Failure in school work	1	
Unknown causes	52	
TOTAL		572

HOMICIDES

JULY	1934	13	
AUGUST	"	7	
SEPTEMBER	"	14	
OCTOBER	"	10	
NOVEMBER	"	7	
DECEMBER	"	14	
JANUARY	1935	16	
FEBRUARY	"	11	
MARCH	"	12	
APRIL	"	14	
MAY	"	13	
JUNE	"	15	
	TOTAL		146

MALE	107	
FEMALE	39	
TOTAL		146

IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES	108	
IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY OUTSIDE LOS ANGELES CITY	34	
IN ARIZONA DEATH OCCURRING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY	1	
IN STOCKTON DEATH OCCURRING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY	1	
IN VENTURA CO DEATH OCCURRING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY	1	
IN SAN BERNARDINO CO DEATH OCCURRING IN L.A. COUNTY	1	
TOTAL		146

AGES

2 to 5 years	2	
5 to 10 years	1	
10 to 20 years	20	
20 to 45 years	93	
45 to 65 years	25	
65 and over	5	
TOTAL		146

HOMICIDES

NATURE

Fighting	7	
Given forced enema by father	1	
Shooting	94	
Stabbing	20	
Strangulation	2	
Struck with object	22	
TOTAL		146

CAUSES

ACCIDENTAL- Shooting at target	1
While hunting	3
Gun accidentally discharged	2
During friendly scuffle	1
Mistaken for prowler	1
Gun accidentally discharged when Officer fell	1
Playing with gun	2
Carelessly handling	1
Shot by Officer shooting at bandit	1
JUSTIFIABLE- Evading arrest	9
Self defense	10
During hold up	6
During burglary	4
In defense of mother	1
UNJUSTIFIABLE- During fight	34
Domestic difficulties	15
During drunken brawl	6
Love affair	5
During hold up	13
Jealousy	3
Quarrel over horse	1
Quarrel over money	3
During strike demonstration	1

Mentally deranged	4	
Revenge over imprisonment	1	
Unknown causes	15	
JUSTIFIABLE OR UNJUSTIFIABLE UNDETERMINED	2	
TOTAL		146

ACCIDENTAL	13	
JUSTIFIABLE	30	
UNJUSTIFIABLE	101	
JUSTIFIABLE OR UNJUSTIFIABLE UNDETERMINED	2	
TOTAL		146

BY KNOWN PERSON	74	
BY UNKNOWN PERSON	32	
BY HUSBAND	11	
BY WIFE	5	
BY EX-WIFE	1	
BY FATHER	3	
BY SON	2	
BY BROTHER	1	
BY OFFICER	17	
TOTAL		146

ABORTIONS

JULY	1934	0	
AUGUST	"	2	
SEPTEMBER	"	1	
OCTOBER	"	5	
NOVEMBER	"	4	
DECEMBER	"	1	
JANUARY	1935	2	
FEBRUARY	"	2	
MARCH	"	3	
APRIL	"	2	
MAY	"	1	
JUNE	"	2	
	TOTAL		25

IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES	23	
IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY OUTSIDE LOS ANGELES CITY	2	
TOTAL		25

AGES

10 to 20 years	3	
20 to 45 years	22	
TOTAL		25

SELF INDUCED	15	
SPONTANEOUS	2	
CRIMINAL BY PHYSICIAN	2	
CRIMINAL BY KNOWN PERSON	3	
SELF INDUCED OR CRIMINAL UNDETERMINED	3	
TOTAL		25

SOCIAL STATUS

MARRIED	18	
SINGLE	2	
WIDOW	4	
DIVORCED	1	
TOTAL		25

AEROPLANE

JULY	1934	0	
AUGUST	"	2	
SEPTEMBER	"	0	
OCTOBER	"	1	
NOVEMBER	"	4	
DECEMBER	"	0	
JANUARY	1935	0	
FEBRUARY	"	1	
MARCH	"	0	
APRIL	"	0	
MAY	"	0	
JUNE	"	7	
	TOTAL		15

MALE	11	
FEMALE	4	
TOTAL		15

IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES	3	
IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY OUTSIDE LOS ANGELES CITY	12	
TOTAL		15

AGES

1 to 2 years	1	
10 to 20 years	1	
20 to 45 years	12	
45 to 65 years	1	
TOTAL		15

PILOTS	5	
PASSENGERS	7	
SPECTATORS AT ARMY MANAUVERS	3	
TOTAL		15

AEROPLANE

NUMBER AND CHARACTER OF PLANES INVOLVED

Pleasure planes	7	
Army plane	1	
TOTAL		8

CAUSES

Engine stalled in landing	2	
Plane overturned in landing	1	
Crashed into mountain in fog	4	
Nose dive	1	
Lost wing	2	
Unknown cause; no witnesses	2	
Army plane out of control; crashed into auto containing spectators	3	
TOTAL		15

ALCOHOLISM

JULY	1934	9	
AUGUST	"	7	
SEPTEMBER	"	2	
OCTOBER	"	4	
NOVEMBER	"	2	
DECEMBER	"	4	
JANUARY	1935	12	
FEBRUARY	"	4	
MARCH	"	9	
APRIL	"	13	
MAY	"	7	
JUNE	"	7	
	TOTAL		80

MALE	66	
FEMALE	14	
TOTAL		80

IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES	67	
IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY OUTSIDE LOS ANGELES CITY	13	
TOTAL		80

AGES

10 to 20 years	2	
20 to 45 years	35	
45 to 65 years	40	
65 and over	3	
TOTAL		80

UNKNOWN CAUSES

JULY	1934	3	
AUGUST	"	2	
SEPTEMBER	"	5	
OCTOBER	"	6	
NOVEMBER	"	7	
DECEMBER	"	6	
JANUARY	1935	4	
FEBRUARY	"	2	
MARCH	"	2	
APRIL	"	4	
MAY	"	3	
JUNE	"	4	
	TOTAL		48

MALE	24	
FEMALE	24	
TOTAL		48

IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES	35	
IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY OUTSIDE LOS ANGELES CITY	13	
TOTAL		48

AGES

Less than 1 year	5	
30 to 45 years	23	
45 to 65 years	19	
65 and over	1	
TOTAL		48

AFTER PATHOLOGICAL AND TOXICOLOGICAL EXAMINATION	6	
AFTER PATHOLOGICAL EXAMINATION	32	
DECOMPOSED	1	
SKELETONS	3	
HISTORY OF ALCOHOLISM	10	
HISTORY OF NARCOTICS	1	
HISTORY OF ABORTION	1	
NEW BORN BABES AND FOETUS	4	
TOTAL		48

INQUESTS

		IN CORONER'S INQUEST ROOM	IN L.A. COUNTY	TOTAL
JULY	1934	58	25	83
AUGUST	"	53	30	83
SEPTEMBER	"	64	28	92
OCTOBER	"	55	37	92
NOVEMBER	"	54	42	96
DECEMBER	"	70	47	117
JANUARY	1935	76	33	109
FEBRUARY	"	49	34	83
MARCH	"	59	39	98
APRIL	"	59	28	87
MAY	"	40	51	91
JUNE	"	70	37	107
TOTAL		707	431	1138

AUTOPSIES

		AT CORONER'S MORTUARY	IN L.A. CO. GEN HOSP		TOTAL
JULY	1934	214	166	9	389
AUGUST	"	230	133	5	368
SEPTEMBER	"	270	121	5	396
OCTOBER	"	222	161	4	387
NOVEMBER	"	243	201	2	446
DECEMBER	"	277	189	2	468
JANUARY	1935	298	197	4	499
FEBRUARY	"	214	176	7	397
MARCH	"	248	202	7	457
APRIL	"	220	158	2	380
MAY	"	210	200	2	412
JUNE	"	236	178	2	416
	TOTAL	2882	2082	51	5015

NUMBER OF MICROSCOPIC EXAMINATIONS	574
NUMBER OF BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATIONS	16
NUMBER OF BLOOD TESTS FOR CARBON MONOXIDE	7
NUMBER OF GROSS SPECIMENS PREPARED FOR EVIDENCE	55
NUMBER OC CASES HANDLED BY PATHOLOGICAL LABORATORY	448
NUMBER OF CASES SUBMITTED TO CHEMICAL LABORATORY	143
NUMBER OF CHEMICAL TESTS NECESSARY FOR ABOVE CASES	1,581

NUMBER OF BODIES EMBALMED (FEES)	1,822
NUMBER OF BODIES OF INDIGENT PERSONS EMBALMED (NO FEES)	672
NUMBER OF BODIES OF CHILDREN EMBALMED: UNDER 14 yrs(NO FEES)	161
TOTAL NUMBER OF BODIES EMBALMED AT CORONER'S MORTUARY	2,658
NUMBER OF BODIES EMBALMED BY UNDERTAKERS BEFORE DELIVERY TO CORONER'S MORTUARY	217
TOTAL NUMBER OF BODIES HANDLED AT CORONER'S MORTUARY	2,865
TOTAL NUMBER OF CASES HANDLED BY UNDERTAKERS IN L. A. CO. OUTSIDE OF CORONER'S MORTUARY	2,550
TOTAL NUMBER OF CASES HANDLED BY LOS ANGELES COUNTY CORONER	5,315

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

ESTATES OF DECEASED PERSONS	$ 9,680.48	
SALE OF TRANSCRIPTS	1,813.60	
SERVICE OF PROCESS FEES	15.54	
EMBALMING OF BODY FEES	27,330.00	
COUNTY CLERK FEES	821.00	
REIMBURSEMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OF BODY	3.50	
REIMBURSEMENT OF TELEGRAM EXPENSE	20.55	
TOTAL		$ 39,684.67

SUMMARY OF DEPOSITS

TRUST FUND- ESTATES OF DECEASED PERSONS	$ 9,680.48	
SALARY FUND- SALE OF TRANSCRIPTS	1,813.60	
SERVICE OF PROCESS FEES	15.54	
EMBALMING OF BODY FEES	27,330.00	
GENERAL FUND- REIMBURSEMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OF BODY	3.50	
REIMBURSEMENT OF TELEGRAM EXPENSE	20.55	
TOTAL		$ 38,863.67

DEPOSITED WITH COUNTY TREASURER	$ 38,863.67	
DEPOSITED WITH COUNTY CLERK	821.00	
TOTAL		$ 39,684.67

MILES TRAVELED TO CONDUCT INQUESTS AND INVESTIGATIONS	12,650
MILES TRAVELED BY SURGEONS TO PERFORM AUTOPSIES AND TO APPEAR AS WITNESSES	22,110
MILES TRAVELED BY AMBULANCES TO TRANSPORT BODIES	12,738

NUMBER OF TRANSCRIPTS PREPARED	1,138
NUMBER OF TRANSCRIPTS FILED WITH COUNTY CLERK	1,138
NUMBER OF TRANSCRIPTS SOLD	480
NUMBER OF TRANSCRIPTS DELIVERED TO DISTRICT ATTORNEY	333
NUMBER OF PAGES OF TESTIMONY TYPEWRITTEN	16,505
NUMBER OF INVESTIGATIONS (NO AUTOPSY	300
NUMBER OF 'VERDICT OF CORONER' AND AUTOPSY FINDINGS	3,877
NUMBER OF VERDICTS BY JURYS	1,138

NUMBER OF JURORS SUMMONED TO SERVE ON CORONER'S INQUESTS	5,754
NUMBER OF WITNESSES SUBPOENED TO TESTIFY AT INQUESTS	6,828

NUMBER OF ESTATES DELIVERED TO PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR	80
NUMBER OF ESTATES OF DECEASED PERSONS ADMINISTERED BY CORONER UNDER SECTION 4144, POLITICAL CODE, ESTATES AMOUNTING TO LESS THAN $75.00	3