



"LIGHT" FANTASTIC—Dancer Maxine Gates, 250-pounder called "The Shirley Temple of Cafe Society," takes time out from her current film role in Hollywood to adjust a garter. Then it's on with the dance.

Supreme Court Reverses Itself In Damage Suit

SALEM, June 7. — (AP) — A Vancouver, Wash., man, Merton C. Dunning, lost a \$20,000 damage suit against the Northwest Electric Co. The State Supreme Court, reversing itself after giving the case a second hearing, ordered Dunning's suit dismissed. Dunning said he was injured the night of Dec. 21, 1945, when his car struck a fallen power pole owned by the power company. He was driving on the Mill Plain Road near Vancouver at the time. But the company claimed he knocked the pole down with his car. The Multnomah County Circuit Court of Judge Martin W. Hawkins gave Dunning the \$20,000 damages. Then the supreme court upheld that decision. Today's decision by Justice George Rossman reverses the supreme court's previous decision. In another damage suit for personal injuries, Peggy L. Doty collected \$5,881 damages from the Southern Pacific Railroad, whose passenger train struck her automobile at the Sixth Street crossing in Grants Pass on Nov. 28, 1945. She said she crossed the tracks in the dark when the train ran into her car. She charged the company was negligent because it had no warning signals, and because another engine was smoking and making a lot of noise. This, she said, made it impossible to see or hear the train. Today's opinion by Justice J. O. Bailey upheld Circuit Judge H. K. Hanna of Josephine county. Justice James T. Brand dissented, saying that she also was negligent. The supreme court ordered a new trial today in the \$21,000 Lincoln County damage suit of Frederick M. Neal against Dan Haight. Neal was struck by a truck owned by Haight. Neal lost the case in the circuit court of Judge Carl E. Wimberly, and the judge ordered a new trial. Haight appealed this order, but today's decision by Justice Brand upholds the order allowing the new trial.

Eddie Kirk Band Dated June 18 At Kennedy's Mill



Eddie Kirk, above, singing sensation in the western field, will appear in person for a show and dance in Roseburg Saturday, June 18, at Kennedy's Dutch Mill. Kirk has gained national recognition with three big Capitol hits in a row—"Candy Kisses," "The Gods Were Angry With Me," and "You Sweet Little You." Eddie has long been familiar to western fans having appeared in over 25 motion pictures. He was featured on CBS on "Hollywood Barn Dance," appeared on the Gene Autry show for almost a year and toured the country with the Andrew Sisters on their "Eight To The Bar Ranch Show." Kirk now heads his own group of top musicians. His appearance here is being sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

NLRB Counsel Overruled In Court Decision

WASHINGTON, June 8. — (AP) — Federal District Judge Edward A. Tamm ruled Tuesday that under the Taft-Hartley law the National Labor Relations Board must hold hearings on charges of jurisdictional fights between rival labor unions. The decision was contrary to the opinion and practices of the NLRB general counsel's office. A. Norman Somers, associate general counsel, contended it was discretionary under the law for the NLRB to hold such hearings. Judge Tamm said the NLRB already had 15 months without hearing about 90 per cent of the jurisdictional cases it has received so far under the Taft-Hartley law. The law says the NLRB is "empowered and directed" to hear jurisdictional dispute cases and render binding decisions on union feuds over job rights. Somers argued in court that to make jurisdictional dispute hearings mandatory would flood the NLRB with such cases. However, Judge Tamm said: "The Court cannot subscribe to that argument. Whether 3,600 or 36,000 cases arise, cannot influence the court." Judge Tamm said the United Telephone Organization, an independent union, is entitled to an NLRB hearing on its jurisdictional dispute with the AFL's International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers over installing electrical conduits. The dispute concerns job rights at New York Idlewild Airport and a number of major New York housing projects including that of the United Nations. There are more than 120 species of asparagus.



OUT OUR WAY SELF DEFENSE By J. R. Williams

White Man's Political Rows, Taxation Cause Thousands Of Indians To Spurn Voting Right

By ROBERT E. GEIGER
WASHINGTON.—On June 2 Indians celebrated the 25th anniversary of the date on which they gained full citizenship. Although they have been citizens for 25 years many of them did not win the right to vote until last year. The 1948 presidential election was the first in which many could legally cast ballots. The U. S. Constitution excluded Indians from the census that determined, on a basis of population, each state's representation in the House of Representatives. Many states later interpreted this as excluding Indians from elections. The 14th Amendment, adopted in 1868, gave citizenship to all persons born or naturalized in the United States. But still many Indians were excluded from elections. Then in 1870 the 15th Amendment provided that the right of citizens to vote should not be denied by any state on account of race, color "or previous condition of servitude." The 1924 law extended citizenship to Indians born in the United States. But as late as 1936 seven states—Arizona, New Mexico, Idaho,

district, including whites, is more than 300,000. Even Long Island has an Indian tribe, the Shinnecocks. Their reservation is near Southampton and its yacht-studded waters. For a delicious punch for a warm day, mix tea, pineapple juice, orange juice and a little lemon juice. Sweeten to taste and chill. Just before serving, add gingerale. decision that denied the vote to "a person under guardianship." This had been applied to reservation Indians because they are, in some ways, wards of the government. Thus the new decision cleared the way to the ballot box for Arizona Indians. In New Mexico a federal court ruling prohibited election clerks from refusing to register Indians who are not taxed. So this gave New Mexico Indians the voting privileges. U. S. Indian Service officials say Oklahoma Indians probably are the most influential in politics. They have had voting rights ever since Oklahoma became a state. Not Eager to Vote But these officials do not expect other Indians to take on an influential part in the politics immediately. This goes for the states—Arizona and New Mexico—where full-blooded Indians are the most numerous. For one thing the Indians have strong tribal councils. They are more interested in tribal politics than in the white man's politics. Many Indians also fear that if they vote they will lose special privileges that have been granted them, such as freedom from land taxes, the right to live on reservation lands and enjoy government services like schools and hospitals. Indian Service officials say all these fears are unfounded, and they are urging the Indians to vote. The Indians also fear that if they become entangled in the white man's politics it will cause tribal dissension. Despite these fears, many Indians participated in the primaries and the national election of 1948. For instance, the all-Pueblo Council in New Mexico, which for 300 years has been the organization through which 20 Pueblo villages threshed out common problems, sent a questionnaire to each of the candidates in the election. It asked written views on many questions, such as whether the candidate believed that Indians should receive social security payments. Indian Blood in Congress However, Manuel Lujan, the governor of the state of New Mexico, urged his people not to take part in the white man's politics. There are about 35,000 Indians in New Mexico and only about 3,000 reservation Indians were registered in the 1948 elections. Several persons with Indian blood have been members of both the U. S. Senate and House of Representatives. The late Vice President Charles Curtis was of Kaw Indian blood on his mother's side. There are Indian tribes in 26 states, but Indian Service officials say the greatest concentration of full-blooded Indians is in the second congressional district in Arizona. The district contains 40,000 Navajos on the Navajo reservation, but the total population in the

Deadlier Bait Eases War On Mormon Crickets

PULLMAN, Wash., June 8. — (AP) — Mormon crickets are causing plenty of work but little worry in the lower Big Bend wheat region of Washington State this year. The battle against the crickets is centered in the border area where Grant, Adams and Franklin counties meet. Washington State College Extension Entomologist David Brannon said the problem of controlling crickets this year is less serious than in any other recent year. This, he said, is because of the continued efforts to destroy the pests and because of a new, deadlier bait being used for the first time this year. The bait is a dry mixture of toxaphene, bran and deodorized kerosene. The new mixture is less toxic than other baits used previously and its strength stands up longer, Brannon said.

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