

Decision Near
for Big Suit
Testimony Finished
In \$422,000 Case
The case appeared near Satur-
day for the largest—and possibly
most—damaging suit ever tried
in Lane County.
Presentation of all evidence in
the \$422,000 suit brought by the
Portland-based Kelly Lumber Co. against
defendants was completed
yesterday afternoon. The case will
be resumed Monday.
The company charges that losses
from the Little Fall
cabin fire two years ago
resulted from negligence of the
defendants.
Defendants are the Portland
Manufacturing Co., M. and M.
Manufacturing Co., both of Port-
land; C. W. Guerrier Lumber Co.,
and the Rastor Logging Co., both
of Eugene.
Another defendant, the C. R.
Lumber Co., was released
from the case several days ago
on a motion of involuntary non-
prosecution.
The case, moving into its fifth
week Monday, is the longest in
recent memory of court house
officials. The jury is expected to
decide the case by mid-week or
later.
All that remains is closing
testimony by the plaintiff and de-
fendants, summation testimony,
instructions to the jury.
Ray Hirt, court reporter, said
that more than 100 separate
exhibits have been admitted as
evidence. He also estimated the
completed transcript of the case
will run 2500 typed pages—possi-
bly 400,000 words.

Police Make
April Report
Eighteen illegal entries into
Springfield homes highlighted the
Springfield police report for April.
All 18, however, were cleared by
the arrest of four juveniles.
There were 24 accidents during
the month, with two injuries re-
sulting. Eighteen were arrested
for intoxication, one for assault
and battery, and three vagrants.
Of five auto thefts, three were
cleared. There was one suicide.
The juvenile cases handled.
During the month, there were
17 overnight guests in municipal
jail.

With Florence Scouts
FLORENCE — The Eagle badge
of scouting was awarded Leon
Galt at the recent meeting of Boy
Scout Troop 77 Next meeting is
Monday, May 12, Rainbow Hall.
Cleanup day is being planned and
parents will be notified of date.
During Court of Honor, Scout-
master Gilton and Ferrell Hester,
junior assistant scoutmaster,
made awards of tenderfoot badges
to Dick Pithian and John Fager-
strom; second class badge, John
Green; first class badge, Bob Kes-
sler; star, Delvin Riesenhuber, and
tenth badges to several boys.



A GRASS GUN goes to work on the new Eugene-Goshen cutoff. Rudy Seigmund, State Highway Dept. grounds man, demonstrates the high-powered seeder on the banks of a cut just north of the Goshen underpass. The machine is especially useful in planting slopes to prevent erosion. The new limited access highway is scheduled for use this year. The grass gun sprays a mixture of seed and liquid fertilizer.

Queen Bee Brings Her Family Downtown, Ends Up in Box

One queen bee sure raised a fuss in a downtown alley Friday afternoon when she settled on the back of a C and S Electric truck behind the store. That started it.
In a matter of minutes the drones flew in to be close to their queen. Someone had to take care of the lazy drones and the pretty queen, so in came the worker bees.
Soon the whole family was there—about 4 pounds of buzzing, squirming insects. A truck driver came out, took one look and decided to cancel the delivery.
Watching from a safe distance, workers and passersby marveled at the swarm. What to do? Call someone who knows about bees.
The someone was C. A. Horton, a Eugene accountant who has been "keeping bees since he was 6 years old" about 60 years ago.
While everyone thought of getting stung, Horton placed a box on the pickup bed and simply scraped up big batches of bees. Once the Queen was in the box, the rest was simple.
"Pretty large colony" was Horton's observation.
After the beekeeper explained to the by-now-large audience that bees don't sting when they are in a swarm, the watchers ventured in and the circle grew smaller and smaller.
Horton took the bees home. As long as the Queen stays home, all will be well.

Juveniles Take Largest Share Of Cops' Time

City and state police at Eugene, who have long suspected that juveniles take up most of their time, this week listed their felons by age as well as by crime.
During April, Eugene officers arrested 10 persons on felony charges. Nine of them were juveniles. Among the crimes were grand larceny and assault. In addition, 12 minors were arrested for possession of liquor; although considered serious, this charge is classed a misdemeanor.
State police in April made 20 felony arrests. Eighteen of them were juveniles. Among the charges was first degree murder. State officers arrested 12 minors in addition for the possession charge.

Paving Debate In Springfield

Council Session Set For Public Hearings

Public hearings on two street paving proposals will be held by the Springfield City Council Monday night at its regular session.
The two projects, one of which has been under debate for some time, are paving M Street from 9th to 13th Streets, and Water Street from E to F. There has been a dispute over the width of the M Street paving. The council has recommended 26 feet width, but residents have thought otherwise. Proposed width of the Water Street paving is 36 feet.
New petitions to pave D Street between 6th and 7th and 9th to 10th Street will be presented to the council.
The finance committee is to report its opinion on increasing the rate of interest on improvement warrants. The move has been proposed to insure better handling of warrants given construction contractors for city work.
Also before the council is the matter of setting a policy for planning commission handling of requests for rebuilding structures which are non-conforming with the zoning code.

Tires That Don't Hum Latest In Driving

AKRON, O.—(U.P.)—The Goodrich new safety tire is for the dogs and you have the company's word for it.
The company announced the tire has a tread so designed that it doesn't hum on the pavement the way other tires do. The hum has been set up to a higher pitch—so high the human ear can't hear it but it is perceptible to the more finely tuned ear of the dog.
Engineers said the new tire also is more skid-resistant than older models.

DESPITE 4 YEARS SERVICE

Veteran Denied Bonus by Two States

A World War II veteran who spent 33 months in foreign service has been notified by two states Oregon and North Dakota—that he is not eligible for a state soldier's bonus, although he lived in both states prior to enlistment.
The veteran, Willard Hotting, 30, 1853 1/2 Charnelton St., Eugene, told the Register-Guard this week he was attempting to obtain a bonus from one of the two states, not from both.
HOTTING said he submitted his North Dakota bonus application about November, 1950, and that the request was disallowed. Then he submitted an Oregon application in December, 1951, and it also was denied.
According to letters Hotting received from the attorney general's office in each state, the applica-

Old Law Puts Co-Eds On Spot In Nebraska

LINCOLN, Neb.—(U.P.)—A 1905 Nebraska law could cause trouble for a co-ed wearing her one-and-only's fraternity pin.
According to law students writing in the Daily Nebraskan, University of Nebraska student newspaper, a 1905 law, still on the books says:
"Whoever wilfully wears or uses the badge, insignia, jewel or badge of recognition . . . of any society, lodge, guild or association, fraternal or otherwise, who is not a member in good standing . . . shall be fined in any sum not to exceed \$50 or be imprisoned in the county jail for a term not to exceed 90 days. . . ."

Pop Bottles for Blood

BOSTON—(U.P.)—Storage of whole blood in pop bottles for emergency disaster use is being studied by Massachusetts civil defense authorities. A beverage bottler, Daniel G. Wheeler and Peter Bent Brigham Hospital specialists have worked for a year to perfect the quick bottling method which if adopted will lead to a state-wide stockpile of 300,000 quarts of blood.

Laboratory to Seek Cure for Arthritis

SAN FRANCISCO — (U.P.) — A cure for arthritis is the goal of a new laboratory dedicated at the University of California medical school.
The metabolic unit, devoted entirely to the study of chronic diseases of the aged such as arthritis, rheumatism and gout, has nine well-equipped laboratory rooms and a lecture auditorium.
It is the accomplished dream of Dr. W. Ferr, who years ago began urging that special studies be undertaken on the afflictions which attack the many aged persons in this country.
The new California unit is believed to be the only medical school laboratory dedicated at the University of California medical school.

NEW RADIO ANNOUNCED

LONDON—(U.P.)—Russia is putting out a new radio set called the "Popov." It is named for Alexander Popov, "the Russian inventor of the radio," Moscow Radio said Friday.

Dog Helps Promote March of Dimes

FRIANT, Calif.—(U.P.)—Fritz, a black and white terrier, unknowingly has become a coin collector for the March of Dimes, according to his owners, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Perry.
The nine-year-old dog begs coins by standing on his hind feet and gently moving his front paws. When given a coin, he dashes under the Perry house and buries his treasure.
Perry said he recently turned over \$2.33 of the terrier's earnings to the March of Dimes but is unable to inform his dog that the campaign cannot accept 37 slugs and a button which Fritz collected.

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