

## *Oregon assault*

# Jury convicts Roy Summers

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Roy Summers, charged in the 1977 murder of Beverly Wise of San Bernardino, was found guilty Tuesday in Oregon of a misdemeanor assault charge on his seventh wife, paving the way for his extradition to California.

In reaching a verdict, a circuit court jury found Summers, 39, innocent of attempted murder and a more serious assault charge on Connie Summers. The charges stemmed from an occurrence last Oct. 28, during which Connie suffered a severely broken arm.

The verdict came after a 3½-day trial and carries a maximum sentence of one year in Deschutes County Jail.

Chief Deputy District Attorney Michael Dugan said it's possible Summers could be returned to Cal-

ifornia in two to six weeks, following a "pre-sentencing investigation." That includes an examination of his marital and criminal history and an assessment of damages he caused in Oregon, Dugan said.

Theoretically, Summers faces two more trials in connection with another alleged attempted murder of Connie and the attempted murder and kidnapping of his mother, Loucylle Herman, last fall.

But Dugan said "in all likelihood, they (the cases) will not go (to trial)," because Herman had testified last month that she would lie to protect her son and had offered testimony that directly conflicted with that given by Connie.

"With that in mind," Dugan said, "the case evaporates before it

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