

LEGAL eagles moving silkily along panelled corridors continue to whisper that the Souths "dig" on the abovementioned court case has produced many glittering jewels.

Within the quiet reaches of Phillip Street there is talk of evidence unearthed of such tidbits as \$29 million poured into the Cowboys by News Ltd, of \$16 million into Melbourne, and plenty more spicy stuff to boot — all of which casts an increasingly sickly glow over the "criteria" that got rid of Souths.

I'm assured, too, that Melbourne Storm's link to the NRL will be VERY closely microscoped.