

## Anne Sterling Case Will Be Dismissed If Plaintiff Unsigned

Hollywood — (U.P.) — Sheriff Eugene Biscailuz said Monday unless actress Anne Sterling signs a complaint against the millionaire Hollywood playboy she accused of beating her, the case will be dismissed this week.

Biscailuz said the blonde Italian-born television actress will be given one more chance "after she regains her composure" to explain how she was beaten and bruised.

Already she has given three different versions of how she came up black and blue last Monday morning.

Miss Sterling would give no indication of whether she would sign a complaint. But she said she was conferring with a lawyer.

Miss Sterling, who first told officers she was attacked by "four thugs" at 3 a. m. and later said it was "about dawn," related a third story to the sheriff's office Friday.

She handed investigators a prepared statement saying a "rich and powerful" man with a cane "threw me down" in his bedroom, "lifted up my ballerina skirt and beat me with the cane."

## Boy Uses Copies of Sermon To Start Fire in Church

Portland — (U.P.) — An 11-year-old boy used copies of the Sermon on the Mount, written in Japanese, as fuel to start three small fires in the basement of Hope Presbyterian church while services were under way Sunday, firemen reported.

**Disaster Averted**  
A possible disaster was averted when the boy ran upstairs and told some of the parishioners.

## Policemen Guard Strategic Points After Tanger Riot

Tanger — (U.P.) — Armed police guarded all strategic points of this international city Monday after at least three persons were killed and scores more were injured in anti-French rioting.

Police fought a two-hour pitched battle Sunday with thousands of Moorish demonstrators armed with clubs, rocks and knives. The rioters surged through the main European streets, shattering plate-glass windows and stoning automobiles.

**15 Persons Injured**  
Police officially listed 15 persons as injured, although some reports put the casualty toll near 100, including several Europeans. Fifty persons were arrested.

Earlier reports reaching Casablanca, in French Morocco, said the death toll was believed as high as 10. These reports said that all Europeans found on the streets were beaten by the mobs, and that automobiles were smashed and overturned.

## Nine men Rescued From Arctic Ice Floe

Point Barrow, Alaska — (U.P.) — Nine men who had been stranded on an Arctic ice floe 779 miles north of here since Thursday were rescued late Sunday by a ski-equipped patrol bomber, and all survivors were in good condition, the Navy said Monday.

The successful pickup was made by Cmdr. V. J. Coley, officer-in-charge of the Navy's "Operation Ski Jump," designed to set up oceanographic and weather stations on the polar ice cap.

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## Portland Transit Strike To Be Postponed One Week

Portland — (U.P.) — Members of the streetcar union here agreed today to postpone their threatened strike against the Portland Traction company for one week.

**Approved Delay**  
The delay, which had been recommended by the union's executive board, was approved Sunday in two meetings in which 650 of the 1200 union members voted on the postponement.

Harvey Thomas, business agent for the local, said the vote was "very close."

The union had previously announced members would walk off their jobs at midnight Monday night. Now the deadline is midnight April 7.

**Stand Not Changed**  
Thomas said "we have not changed our stand in the strike in the least by the vote. We just want to give the committee a chance to work something out. If they don't, the strike will go on."

The union is asking a 15-cent wage boost and the traction company says it can't afford to pay more wages unless the city grants an increase in fares.

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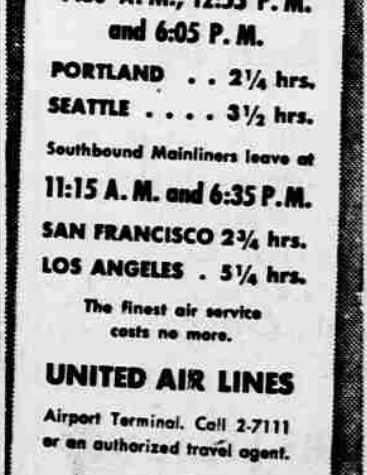
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## Meeting Tonight To Count Names For Hospital Vote

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## Murphy Acceptable As Envoy to Japan

Tokyo — (U.P.) — The newspaper Asahi reported Monday that Japan has notified the United States Robert D. Murphy is acceptable as American ambassador.

Murphy, at present U. S. ambassador to Belgium, is now in Washington for consultations. His nomination as first post-war ambassador to Japan has not been announced.

## Nisei May Get Job With State

Portland — (U.P.) — Sagie Nishioka may get a job with the Oregon State Tax commission after all.

Jason Lee, personnel officer for the commission, told the Oregon Journal he will recommend to the commission that it employ the 30-year-old Japanese-American veteran of World War II.

"At the present time there isn't actually a job opening, but there could be one by reshuffling," he said. The Nisei accountant, who was wounded during an amphibious landing in Italy during the war, made news last week when it was discovered his name had appeared at the head of a civil service eligibility list but that he had not been hired.

Contacted by the Journal at his present home in Seattle, Nishioka said he will accept an appointment as accountant with the commission if it is offered to him.

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## Adenauer Party Trailing in Early Bavarian Returns

Munich, Germany — (U.P.) — The Social Democrats, bitter opponents of German rearmament, held a slight edge over west German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer's Christian Democratic party Monday in early returns from Sunday's Bavarian local elections.

The results so far also indicated that the Communists were being badly beaten.

**Figures Unavailable**  
Popular vote figures were not yet available in the balloting for mayors, town councillors and other local government officials.

With about half the ballots counted, returns showed the anti-rearmament Socialists with 28.7 per cent, compared with 23.4 per cent in the last elections for the same districts in 1948. The Christian Democrats had only 25.4 per cent, compared with 35.9 in 1948, while the Communists slipped from 4.3 to 2.5 per cent.

Because of the complicated voting system, final results will not be determined for several days.

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