

Summers extradition hits snag

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SAN BERNARDINO — Extradition proceedings for Roy Summers, charged in the 1977 Wise murder-kidnap, ran into a snag this week and now he probably won't be brought here from Oregon for several more weeks.

Summers, 39, had waived extradition to California in January, but first had to face unrelated charges in Oregon. He has been in jail there since last November in connection with an attack on his seventh wife, Connie.

In February he was convicted of a misdemeanor assault charge for

the attack in which his wife's right arm was broken in eight places and may have to be amputated.

Summers, who is appealing the conviction, last month began serving a year's sentence in Deschutes County Jail.

San Bernardino police were prepared to return Summers here

about three weeks ago but delayed doing so on the advice of Chief Deputy District Attorney Joseph Canty, who is handling the case.

Then earlier this week at an extradition hearing in Oregon it was learned that an Oregon judge had neglected to sign the extradition papers that Summers had OK'd in January.

Also this week Summers changed his mind and refused to waive extradition.

He was acting on the advice of his attorneys — Craig Emerson in Bend, Ore., and David Weiner of Shingle Springs, Calif. — who told a reporter they wanted San Bernardino authorities to choose a specific date for Summers' arraignment and preliminary hearing.

"I don't believe he should waive (extradition) again and sit there and wonder what's going to happen," Weiner said Wednesday.

"We waived it once and they didn't come and get him. We wanted to come down and have the matter heard months ago, but apparently the authorities down there preferred to wait.

"I'm not saying we won't waive — we want to get the matter (in San Bernardino) resolved. I may well advise Roy to waive extradition if we know when they (San Bernardino authorities) want him."

Weiner was retained by Sum-

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Skyjack suspect

FBI wants Ontario man

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LOS ANGELES — FBI agents are seeking an arrest warrant against a former Ontario resident who they say hijacked a jetliner from Ontario International Airport to Cuba last week.

The suspect is Gerald Leland Marity, 35, whose last known address was on the 1400 block of South Briar Street.

Investigators say Marity is a black militant who attended three Bay Area colleges. He recently moved to Ontario where he worked as a scrap-metal melter at General Electric's flatiron manufacturing plant from Jan. 28 until April 3.

The American Airlines Boeing 727 was commandeered April 9 while its crew was preparing to take on passengers at Ontario for a

flight to Chicago and New York.

No one was harmed in the hijacking. After arriving in Havana, the gunman surrendered to Cuban authorities and the seven-member crew was allowed to fly the plane back to the United States.

Phil Reagan, an FBI spokesman in Los Angeles, said agents still aren't certain how the gunman got past security checkpoints and boarded the jet.

Reagan said Marity has Black Muslim connections and sometimes uses the name Muhammad Jalal Deen Akbar. Marity's parents are dead, but he reportedly has relatives in Ventura County.

The suspect is a 1974 graduate of Alameda Junior College in Oakland and a 1977 graduate of the University of California, Berkeley.

Marity later was a dental student

at UC Berkeley, but withdrew last year.

If the warrant is issued, Marity automatically would be considered a fugitive and would be subject to arrest if he ever returns to the U.S. The statute of limitations doesn't apply to skyjacking, Reagan said.

Conviction on the charge of air piracy carries a mandatory prison sentence of not less than 20 years.

The FBI has released little hard information about their investigation. They haven't said how they picked Marity as a suspect, nor what his alleged militant activities involve.

Asked about an airport spokesman's statement that the gunman's pistol may have been plastic, Reagan said, "That's highly unlikely." Asked why it is unlikely, he replied, "I can't say."