

BULLETS MISS DEPUTIES ON PV 'TARGET RANGE'

Government postal inspectors today were studying "The Mystery of the Palos Verdes Mail Bag."

A badly-deteriorated leather and canvas pouch of the type used to carry registered mail or bank funds was found hidden under a large rock atop the nearby hills.

Its lock was still secure but the sides of the bag apparently had been slit by a knife. It appeared to have been pierced with a .38 caliber bullet.

Measuring 18 by 14 inches, the postal container was found near Marymount School in Rolling Hills by men removing native stone.

Printing on the leather work spells out the manufacturing stamp, "William H. Hoegge, Los Angeles." Scratched into the leather are the words "Stort No. 4" and "Ford Spot." There are illegible blue crayon markings on the canvas portion.

The bag was turned over to Mrs. Lillian Throne, postmaster of Palos Verdes Estates, who got in touch with postal inspectors in Long Beach. Mrs. Throne said the bag was of the kind normally used to carry bank funds.



Winning Authors Receive Awards

Days of anticipation and worry are over for five Torrance High School playwrights. Tabbed for early production are three comedies written by students for the Annual Theatrical Society Play Festival to be presented March 21.

Winning authors included Jo Ann Benard and Jeanette Lopez whose melodrama, "Innocent Darling," was chosen; Leo Melvedt and Ted Lloyd who authored the satire "Romeo and Juliet," and Sandra Pestoff who wrote "Little Innocent," a farce.

These authors will cast and direct their own plays for the festival.

Rosemary DeCamp Shidler presented trophies to the winning playwrights and will present a permanent plaque to the school on which the records of this and future contests will be entered.

Judges for the plays included Dr. James H. Butler, professor of drama at USC; Arthur Friedman, professor of theater arts, UCLA; Jack Gariss, screenwriter for Cecil B. DeMille Productions; and Desmond P. Wedberg, high school drama instructor.

Obituaries

CORA ERNST
Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at the Stone and Myers Chapel for Mrs. Cora Ernst, 70, for 28 years a resident here. A native of Wisconsin, she made her Torrance home at 1023 Madrid Ave. Surviving her are a daughter, Irene; three sons, Charles, Fred and Robert; a granddaughter, Mrs. Hazel Camp; a grandson, and a great-grandson, Michael.

JESSIE E. LYON
Services for Mrs. Jessie Erickson Lyon, 70, of 1413 Madrid Ave., were held at the Stone and Myers Chapel last evening. Officiating at the private service was Mrs. Clarence E. Miller of the Methodist Church. Survivors include Mrs. Ruth Shelman, a daughter; Mrs. Myrtle Heath, a sister, and Lorita, Carl and Robert Shelman, grandchildren.

THOMAS J. HOLT
Thomas Jonathan Holt, 68, a retired engineer, was interred at Roosevelt Cemetery yesterday following services at Stone and Myers Chapel. The Rev. Arthur Bello officiated. Mr. Holt, who lived at 17039 S. Ardath Ave., died Sunday in Harbor Hospital. Survivors are a son, Gordon; a daughter, two sisters, two grandchildren and two step-grandchildren.

CLARENCE E. GREENLEY
Funeral services for Clarence Edward Greenley, 39, were held at the Stone and Myers Chapel Tuesday afternoon. The Rev. Paul Wonske presided. Interment followed at Roosevelt Cemetery. Mr. Greenley, who was employed as a butcher at the Quality Market, resided at 21725 Halldale Ave. Surviving him are his wife, Evelyn; a stepson, four brothers, four sisters, and his father.

MARY ULRICH
Private services were held Tuesday for Mrs. Mary Ulrich, 91, of 1226 Cota Ave., at the A. M. Gamby Chapel, Lomita. She died Monday in Redondo Beach. Cremation followed at Pacific Crest. Mrs. Ulrich, who moved here in 1936, is survived by a son, Tom; two grandchildren, Talmadge and Jack; a great-grandson, Talmadge III, and a niece.

ELMER H. TURNEY
Funeral services for Elmer Henry Turney, of 4447 W. 172nd St., were held at Stone and Myers Monday. Mr. Turney, 69, had lived here for nine months and was a retired steel roller. The Rev. C. J. England presided. Interment followed at Pacific Crest. Survivors include two daughters, three grandchildren and a brother-in-law of Lawndale.

CHARLES E. HENLEY
Services were held Monday for Charles Earl Henley, 63, of 1626 Amapola Ave. at the Stone and Myers Chapel. Mr. Henley died in Harbor General Hospital last Thursday following injuries received in a traffic accident at Western and Sepulveda Aves. He was a port patrol officer with the U. S. Customs Office. Officiating at the services was the Rev. C. J. England. Mr. Henley was interred at Green Hills Memorial Park. Surviving him is

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Douglas Still Holding Option On Alcoa Plant

Douglas Aircraft officials have made no decision yet about leasing the huge Columbia Steel property formerly occupied by Alcoa, a company spokesman told the Herald yesterday afternoon.

The huge aircraft company announced recently that it had taken an option to lease the manufacturing site located at 190th St. and Normandie Ave. Reports prevalent here at the time of the announcement said Douglas planned to set up an assembly plant here which would eventually hire about 5000 persons. Company officials have made no official comment on plans for the plant.

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