

U.S. Seizes \$5,306 In Counterfeits

Bills Found On S.D. Vessel; 2 Crewmen Held In Tijuana

By TIM SHEPARD

Treasury agents seized \$5,360 in bogus bills hidden aboard a Scripps Institution of Oceanography research vessel, the U.S. attorney's office reported yesterday.

Two crew members of the vessel, the Argo, were held in the Tijuana jail on Mexican charges of passing four counterfeit bills in a Tijuana bar.

The suspects were identified as Dale Wyman, 36, and William K. Osborne, 39, both of Seattle. They were arrested Wednesday night by Tijuana police after they tried to pay bar bills with the bogus money, Tijuana police reported.

PRINTING ADMITTED

Assistant U.S. Atty. Elmer Enstrom said U.S. treasury agents reported that Wyman admitted printing the counterfeit bills in Seattle several months ago before signing on the Argo. The Argo was commissioned recently in Seattle and docked here last week.

Enstrom said a U.S. complaint was issued only against Wyman. He said his office has asked Mexican officials to release the suspects to U.S. authorities. Osborne denies knowledge of the money, Enstrom said.

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Agents in Seattle and San Diego said no bogus bills other than the ones passed in Tijuana have been reported.

The counterfeit bills were described as "better than average."

"The faces of the bills are fairly good, but the backs are not green enough," Enstrom said. "The serial number B-1254941-A is the same on all of the bills."



Elmer Enstrom, left, and Paul Hofflund, U.S. attorneys, inspect counter-

feit \$10 bills confiscated after the bills were passed in Tijuana.

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PRESIDENT CLARK KERR:

You are well aware that one of the principal needs of our expanding program of instruction and research is for new money. As you can see from the enclosed clipping, we have recently discovered a hidden talent in two Scripps Institution staff members that, if properly exploited, might go far to solve this problem.

Our present proposal (after due consultation with the properly constituted committees of the Academic Senate, of course) is to set these lads up in a laboratory or institute of their own (proposed title: Institute of Unconventional Economics) in the sub-basement of the Library building. This may take some time, because we will have to wait until they are released from San Quentin. But a university must look into the far future.

Under the present policy of decentralization, this would probably be a La Jolla campus rather than a Statewide project. However, the different parts of the University must help each other, and we will gladly offer the services of these two employees to other parts of the University upon request.

Incidentally, we have here an inspiring example of how all the State's agencies that deal with people can contribute toward increasing the economic productivity, or at least the income, of the State.

Roger Revelle

Enclosure

cc w/encl: Regent Philip A. Boyd
Vice President, Finance
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Director Roger R. Revelle
 La Jolla Campus

Dear Roger:

Thank you for the news clipping and your comments about "new money." Bob Harkness of the Department of Finance suggested several days ago that the University should be able to come up with a plan to create new money. I told him we had but that certain authorities took a dim view of our scheme.

Cordially,



R. W. Kettler

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Dr. Paul Fye, Director
Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution
Woods Hole, Massachusetts

Dear Paul,

As the enclosed clipping will suggest, two of the most talented staff members of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography are having a slight contretemps with your friends in the Treasury Department. I know you will be glad to advise me on the basis of your wide experience about what I should do next.

Our present plan is to wait until these two lads are released from San Quentin and set them up in a special laboratory in the basement of the Library building here at Scripps, with all the necessary equipment. With our rapidly expanding educational and research program, we are in need of large quantities of new money. By making it ourselves, we should be able to avoid a lot of difficulty with accountants and similar characters.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,


Roger Revelle

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