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ALFRED J. POULTER

August 22, 1914

In the evening hours of August 22, 1914, Corporal Al Poulter and his partner, Special Officer Lester Manning, were racing by car to the scene of a fire at a rehabilitation institute in East Oakland. They were traveling south on Fruitvale Avenue, intending to turn onto East 14th Street.

As they reached the intersection their vehicle collided with another car.

The Officers' vehicle was totally destroyed. Corporal Poulter died at the scene and Special Officer Manning sustained severe injuries.

Corporal Poulter was the first officer to die in an automobile accident.