

E. P. PIONEER DIES ON COAST

Edward Howley Once Operated Largest Hotel in City; Was Vigilante

Edward Bartley Howley, one of El Paso's earliest citizens, is dead in San Diego, Cal., friends here were notified today. He was 79.

Funeral services were held in St. Ann's Catholic Church in San Diego.

Born in Welcott, N. Y., Mr. Howley obtained his education in Cincinnati and Canada. In 1884 he entered the wholesale ice and hotel business at El Paso.

After operating the Vendome hotel, then the largest El Paso hostelry, situated on the present site of Hotel Cortea, he opened hotels in Lordsburg, N. M., and Douglas, Ariz.

Mr. Howley took an active part in historic episodes of the 90's, including vigilante drives against undesirable citizens. He served in El Paso as city councilman, fire, police, and water commissioner, and was prominent in the campaign for construction of Elephant Butte dam.

He married Mary Louise Sweeney, sister of Atty. J. U. Sweeney.

In 1918 he moved to San Diego, where he entered the real estate business.

Survivors include his widow, two sons, Edward J. Howley and John Joseph Howley, and a daughter, Mrs. Albert V. Mayrhofer Jr., all of San Diego; a sister, Miss B. Howley, Toledo, O.; a brother, Thomas Howley, of Michigan, and three grandchildren.