

FAKE ANTHRAX ATTACKS IN TWO STATES

Someone launched a Judy Miller-type (that is, fake) anthrax attack on a bunch of Republicans in AL—and two academics in CA. (h/t TPM)

Envelopes containing white powder set off anthrax scares in five Alabama cities, shutting down two federal courthouses Monday and trapping a congressman in his office as authorities tested the substance.

No one was injured, and investigators said at least five of the letters – all sent to the offices of senators or congressmen – were believed to be from the same source.

Recipients include:

- US Rep Jo Bonner (2 offices)
- US Rep Mike Rogers (2 offices)
- Senator Richard Shelby
- Senator Jeff Sessions
- Federal Courthouse (Anniston)
- Federal Courthouse (Birmingham)
- UC Irvine professor Cynthia Feliciano
- UC Irvine professor Nancy Da Silva

TPMM notes the coincidence between this and the attempted terrorist attack on Christmas Day. Me, I'm more concerned by general anxiety in the US.