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In Laguna Hills
a car swerved,
brakes squealed,
the horns blew,
and the walls fell down.

The rich speak
of being crushed by wealth,
but an ordinary Brinks guard
died the death of Midas.

13000 dollars
52000 quarters
104000 bits
26 boxes
832 pounds

Did the boxes split?
Did the quarters ring down
burying him in silver?
But quarters aren't silver
and don't ring anymore.

He held the key. Too late
they picked the lock
to get him out.