

EX-FW Marine Quits Russia to Return Home

Ex-FW Oswald, former Fort Worth seaman, who never would be would "never return to the United States for any reason," is on his way home from Russia.

Visited from International reported today that Oswald, along with his Russian wife and child, left the Soviet Union within the past 10 days and was en route to the United States.

Oswald's brother, R. L. Oswald of 7123 Davenport in West Ridge told THE PRESS that he and his mother Mrs. Marguerite Oswald had been hearing from the 27-year-old ex-Marine regularly. "He wanted to come back for some time," Oswald said. "His heart yearned that he had left, though," Oswald said.

Oswald arrived in Moscow in November of 1938, two months after he was released from active duty in the Marine Corps. He was in that line he was allowed to live in Russia as a "resident agent." He was reported to have been a student while in the Soviet Union, possibly in Moscow.



OSWALD WAS SEEN

His mother called him long distance. At that time he refused to talk to her. She didn't hear from him again till a letter came January 4, 1940.

When he first went to Russia, Oswald told a newspaper he "would not want to live in a worker's country. I would not want to be either a worker exploited by capitalists or a capitalist exploiting workers or become unemployed." Oswald said he could not be happy living under capitalism.

HAS OWN PERSONAL experiences in civil and military service, he said, had shown him the weaknesses of Communism. Oswald said he began studying Communism when his family was living in New Orleans.

"I discovered a book in the library," said Mrs. Oswald. "It was like a very religious man, opening the door for the first time."

Oswald said he had joined the Marine Corps at the age of 17 because he felt he could not get a job and because he wanted to relieve the financial burden of his family. "I saved my money—\$15,000—to come to the Soviet Union and spend it on nothing else," he said. "When I left America, it was like getting out of prison."

OSWALD WAS THE third American to join them, two months to give them assistance with the border way of life and to return to the United States.

Robert E. Wheeler of Zephyrus, Pa., who gave up his American citizenship, left for the United States on an airplane Philadelphia, aboard seaman David Johnson and his wife and two sons, returned to the United States after a five-month stay in Russia when they had completed their

service. She did not criticize, but says she realizes the danger of living in Russia.

"It was something he thought out for himself. He is an adult. He has been in the service. He is responsible of making his own decisions," she said.

Lee's Communist action in 1936 was a shock to his family. "But the boys' fathers and his father were veterans and Lee himself had served three years in the Marine Corps. When he visited his family shortly after his release from service he had talked optimistically about the future of the party but had included Guling in 1937, writing a book on joining Castro's Cuban army."