

TRAIL OF OSWALD IN MEXICO VAGUE

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Officials Doubt He Crossed
Border in Sailor's Uniform

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MEXICO CITY, Nov. 28 — The trail in Mexico of Lee Harvey Oswald, slain suspect in the assassination of President Kennedy, seems to end in a series of unresolved questions.

Oswald was in Mexico between Sept. 26 and Oct. 3. While here he applied under his own name for visas both to Cuba and to the Soviet Union. It has been established, however, that his activities in Mexico came to the attention of authorities only after his arrest on Nov. 22 following the shooting of President Kennedy that day in Dallas.

Mexican and American investigative authorities here admitted they were at a loss as to how to uncover further information concerning Oswald's residence during his stay here or any sustained account of his movements. They were inclined today to discount Mexican immigration reports from Nueva Laredo that Oswald entered the country in a United States sailor's uniform and in the company of two women and a man.

Raul Luebano, Mexican immigration agent at the Nuevo Laredo port of entry, said today that his memory of Oswald's entrance into Mexico on Sept. 26 was reconstructed following the events in Dallas. He said he had communicated his recollections of Oswald to the United States consulate in Nuevo Laredo.

Embassy Gets Data

A United States consular official at Nuevo Laredo said he had sent all his information to the United States Embassy in Mexico City. He indicated that little credence could be attached to the possibility that Oswald had entered Mexico in a sailor's uniform. He also said that the report that Oswald had entered in the company of two women and a man was "very vague."

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A United States Embassy official said he was convinced that little credence could be placed in the story of the sailor's uniform and only slightly more credence in the story of Oswald's companions.

A source in the Ministry of Interior here, which has control over immigration and over secret police, agreed. This official said that United States servicemen do occasionally enter Mexico in uniform but they do so under specific circumstances and probably would not be isolated instances of such entries.

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It has been learned that his attempts to obtain visas to Russia and Cuba were reported to the police here only sometime after he had made the applications and had left the embassies in disgust because of the time needed to process his applications.

Information concerning his applications presumably would have reached agencies in the

United States Embassy here interested in Mexico-Cuba traffic.

Following the two unsuccessful visa applications, Oswald disappeared. It is known that Mexican secret police, and quite probably United States investigating officers, have made intensive efforts to reconstruct the picture of Oswald's activities here. They were particularly interested in establishing whether he had had any contact with known Communist or pro-Communist or Castro Cuban groups and organizations here.

So far as has been learned he did not get in touch with any of these groups or at least any of the nominally active ones.