

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
IMMIGRATION SERVICE

IN ANSWERING REFER TO

No. 5091/856

OFFICE OF DISTRICT DIRECTOR
EL PASO, TEX.

November 23, 1928

Commissioner General of Immigration,
Washington, D.C.

There is attached hereto, in triplicate, a report submitted by Patrol Inspector Ivan E. Scotten on the 19th instant, concerning an exchange of shots between himself and an unknown smuggler on the bank of the Rio Grande in this city at about 7:45 p.m. on the 18th instant.

Patrol Inspector Scotten was apparently justified in returning the fire of the smuggler.

(Signed) G. C. Wilmoth.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Immigration Service

El Paso, Texas,
November 19, 1928

Chief Patrol Inspector,
U. S. I. S. Border Patrol,
El Paso, Texas.

You are respectfully advised that at about 7:45 P.M. on the 18th, the writer, while on duty at the International Railroad Bridges between Santa Fe and Stanton Streets, saw a man wading the river from the Mexico side crossing into the United States. The writer ran down the river bank to apprehend him, stating that he was a Federal Officer. The man ran back toward Mexico, firing a shot in the direction of the writer, who immediately returned the fire, firing three shots. Apparently the man escaped into Mexico. It is believed that there was no one injured in the exchange of shots.

(Sgd.) IVAN E. SCOTTEN
Patrol Inspector

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Office of Chief Patrol Inspector
El Paso, Texas,
November 21, 1928.

OFFICIAL COPY hereof, in triplicate, respectfully furnished the District Director, U.S. Immigration Service, El Paso, Texas, for his information and file

(Sgd.) W. W. LINNENKOHL
Acting Chief Patrol Inspector

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