"Plata O Plomo" Images

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Figure 1: Patrol Inspector Loy Cash (L.C.) Henry was assassinated by drug traffickers near his home in Del Rio, Texas in June 1934. Prior to his death, Henry was threatened by a drug gang located in Villa Acuna, Mexico.

Sources: (Left Photo) *The Weimar Mercury* (Weimar, Texas), June 29, 1934, p. 1 and (Right Photo) National Customs Museum Foundation Archives.



Figure 2: Rafael Domínguez admitted to the murder of U.S. Customs Patrol Inspector L. C. Henry in June of 1934. Domínguez never admitted to who hired him to kill Inspector Henry. Domínguez was tried in Mexico and received a 10-year prison sentence.

Source: San Antonio Light (San Antonio, Texas), July 2, 1934, p. 13.



Figure 3: View from Mexico across the Rio Grande River to the Port of Entry at Del Rio, Texas, circa 1922. Note the text on the photograph that describes Villa Acuna, Mexico as "Wet" while Del Rio, U.S.A. is labeled as "Dry." Patrol Inspector Henry worked for U.S. Customs in and around Del Rio for 10 years prior to his death in June of 1934.

Source: Wikiwand website,

https://www.wikiwand.com/en/Del_Rio_Texas_Port_of_Entry.