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NEWS RELEASE

Seventh Line of Duty Death of the El Paso Police Department was Patrolman Octaviano Perea in 1918

Date & Time: Friday, February 1, 1918
Location: Unknown

EL PASO, TEXAS: On Friday, February 1, 1918 Patrolman Octaviano Perea and Deputy Tax Collector Johnny Garcia were shot and killed in a gun battle with a man who had just murdered a woman and her two infant children. Patrolman Perea was shot and killed while shining a spotlight during a search of the suspect. The suspect was shot over 80 times by other officers while hiding in an outhouse. Deputy Tax Collector Garcia was fatally wounded in the final shootout next to the outhouse. Patrolman Perea was 49 years old, had served with the El Paso Police Department for 3 years. He was survived by his wife and children.

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