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Among LEE HARVEY OSWALD's personal effects examined after his arrest on November 22, 1963, there was noted an advertisement out of an unidentified publication in which Mershon Company, 1230 South Grand Avenue, Dept. GA-10, Los Angeles, California, advertised Mershon Custom Walnut Grips for hand guns. The advertisement contained the date "October, 1959" in longhand at the bottom.

It is pointed out that the FBI Laboratory examination of the Smith and Wesson .33 caliber weapon, Serial No. V510210, in OSWALD's possession when arrested, disclosed that the original grips on that weapon had been replaced. It is also pointed out that in October, 1959 OSWALD was en route to Russia.

On December 23, 1963, Mr. JERRY LUNDBLAD, Office Manager, Mershon Company, 1230 South Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, California, advised SA WILLIAM J. Mc CAULEY that records for 1958 and 1959, including correspondence and invoices, failed to disclose any sales identifiable with OSWALD and that no sales have been made to anyone in Russia for some years.

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