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Mr. WILLIAM R. MC EWAN, Branch Manager, United-Carr Fastener Corporation, 1066 West Mockingbird Lane, was interviewed at his residence, 4442 Hockaday.

Mr. MC EWAN was shown a photograph of a leather strap used as a rifle sling on the rifle used in the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY. This photograph revealed that there were two fasteners on this leather strap which were marked "United Carr".

Mr. MC EWAN said that he believed that these snap type fasteners were manufactured by the Carr Fastener Company, Division of United-Carr Fastener Corporation, Cambridge, Massachusetts, under the trade name of "Dot" fasteners. He said that it appears that the fasteners were "Baby Durable fasteners", parts numbers BS-12303 (stud) and BS-12402 (eyelet). Mr. MC EWAN said that it also appeared that the rivets used to hold the large piece of leather to the strap appeared to be "Dot Speedy rivets", parts numbers *BS-99972 (button-top) and *BS-22405 (eyelet base). The asterisk in front of the part numbers indicates that these parts are brass but are available in steel also when the asterisk prefixes the catalogue number. Standard finishes for these parts are nickel, brass, brown and black. The eyelets are nickel, brass and black.

Mr. MC EWAN made the above observations concerning the Dot fasteners from Catalogue #50 of the Carr Fastener Company.

Mr. MC EWAN advised that he did not personally recognize the leather object in the photograph as any manufactured product for which he had sold Dot fasteners. Mr. MC EWAN advised that the following individuals may recognize the leather strap and may have been consulted by the manufacturer of this strap:

Mr. RALPH HVOSLEF, Sales Manager
Consumer Products
Carr Fastener Division, or his assistant,

Mr. W. W. HENDRICKS, Assistant Sales Manager,
who are both located at Carr Fastener Division,
United-Carr Fastener Corporation, 31 Ames Street,
Cambridge, Massachusetts.

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GEORGE T. BINNEY/EJD Date dictated 12/17/63