

ALFRED PINISCH, 6540 Claranwald, Montreal, Canada, advised he is an employee of Empire Sporting Goods of Montreal and has been a professional gunsmith for approximately 25 years.

Mr. PINISCH assisted in taking the critical measurements of the Italian carbine which was made available by Mr. JAMES L. OUIMET. It is noted there were no micrometers, calipers, or other precise measuring instruments graduated in tenths or hundredths of inches available, and all measurements were taken to the nearest sixteenth of an inch.

The following measurements were taken of the Italian carbine:

Total length - 40 $\frac{3}{16}$ "
 Length of stock - 34 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
 Length of barrel and action - 28 $\frac{15}{16}$ "
 (This measurement is from tang to muzzle)
 Length of barrel only - 21 $\frac{1}{8}$ "
 Length from rear of receiver to muzzle - 26 $\frac{1}{2}$ "

No attempt was made to weigh the carbine and Mr. PINISCH explained weight can vary between similar weapons sometimes several ounces because of different density of the wood of the stock, oil content of the wood, and other factors in the different grain characteristics of the wood.

Mr. PINISCH also stated the Italian weapons with which he has had experience have had no set pattern regarding serial numbers. He stated he did not believe the Italian Government at the time it requested various Italian manufacturers to manufacture rifles in the 1930's kept any control of the serial numbers, and he felt each manufacturer used its own serial numbers. It was noted the serial number

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of the carbine examined, as indicated above, was serial number AG 483.

Mr. PINISCH also pointed out that the rifle examined above appeared to be the identical model of the rifle used to assassinate President KENNEDY, after he had compared the examined rifle with a picture of the assassination rifle.

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