ARCHIVES MAY GET PISTOL RUBY USED TO SLAY OSWALD

Jack Ruby's heirs said today that they have offered to give the National Archives in Washington the pistol with which Ruby killed Lee Harvey Oswald and the clothing Ruby wore at the slaying.

A spokesman for the Archives confirmed that Ruby's pistol, a snub-nosed Colt revolver, had been the subject of "informal" discussions between the Ruby family and government officials. There was no mention of the clothing in the talks, he said.

The offer to the Archives was disclosed in Detroit today by Earl Ruby, a brother of Jack Ruby and executor of the will, and Alan Adelson, attorney for the estate.

Ruby left no money, they said. His estate consists of the revolver, the suit and hat he wore when he shot Oswald, a ring and a wristwatch, plus debts owed by Ruby's three brothers and three sisters for financing his defense, Adelson said. Ruby's pistol "is worth maybe $50,000 to a collector," he said.

Under no circumstances would Ruby's revolver be placed on public exhibit, the Archives spokesman emphasized.

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