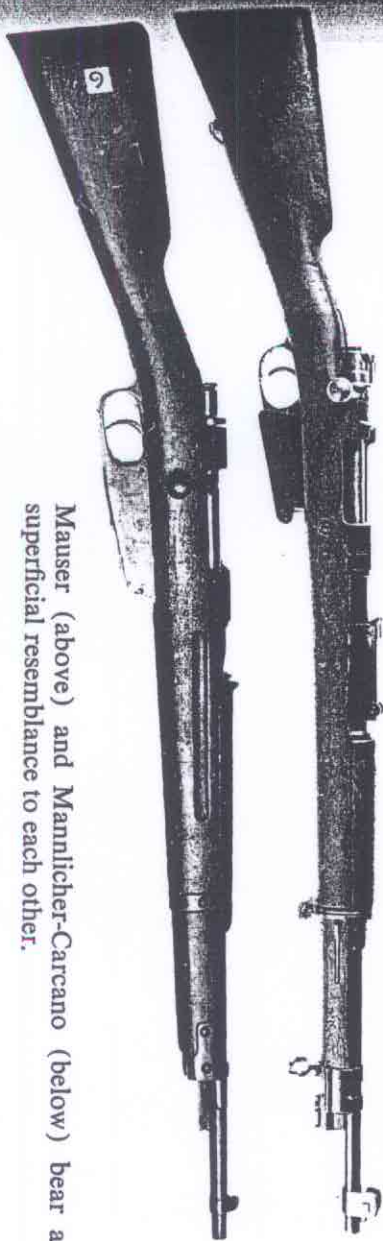


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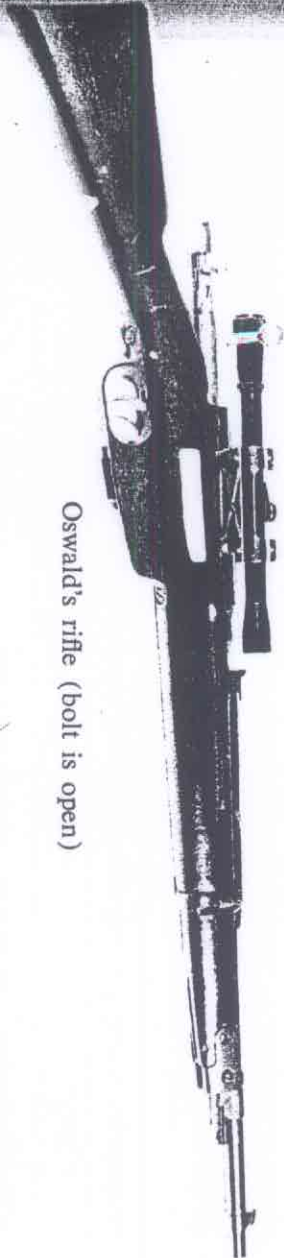
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Mauser (above) and Mannlicher-Carcano (below) bear a superficial resemblance to each other.



Oswald's rifle (bolt is open)

I don't know, it just came out as a German Mauser which it wasn't. It's an Italian type gun. But from a glance it's hard to describe it, that's all I saw, was at a glance. I was mistaken and it was proven that my statement was a mistake but it was an honest mistake (CBS News, "The Warren Report," June 25, 1967).

The Mauser and the Carcano do resemble each



248. Right side views of three examples of 1944-date K98k production.

Left: 'byf'-code (Mauser/Oberndorf), SN 1142a. Fitted with a solid stock, cupped buttplate, stamped triggerguard, stamped-and-welded lower band and a closed, machined upper band welded along the bottom.

Centre: 'byf'-code (Mauser/Oberndorf), SN 0002g. Fitted with an unstained laminated stock, cupped buttplate, stamped triggerguard, stamped-and-welded lower band and milled, closed upper band.

Right: 'byf'-code (Mauser/Oberndorf), SN 704071. One of the first *Kriegsmodelle*. Fitted with an unstained laminated stock, cupped buttplate, stamped triggerguard and stamped-and-welded bands. Note the absence of the bayonet mount, cleaning rod, and the bolt disassembly disc in the stock (replaced by the small hole in the bottom side of the cupped buttplate).

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