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Sir:

I have written to you before with questions concerning the assassination of John F. Kennedy. If you have the time or the answers to these questions, I would be most thankful for your reply. Or else maybe you could tell me where I can find these answers.

These questions concern the Smith & Wesson .38 Special revolver Oswald was to have purchased from Seaport Traders, Inc., Los Angeles.

The Warren Report states this revolver was received with a shipment of 99 other guns in one crate. Question: (1) were all 99 guns Smith & Wesson .38's or only this one? This shipment was received by them on 1-3-63. On 1-27-63 or before Seaport Traders received an order coupon from Oswald for the gun. The Warren Report does not give the magazine this coupon was from, let alone the date (month). Question: If Seaport Traders received the gun on 1-3-63, how could the magazine place the ad so soon?

Also, the gun was shipped on 3-20-63 C.O.D. to P.O. Box 2915 Dallas, Tex to a R. J. HIDELL. Question: How can a package be sent C.O.D. to a P.O. Box?

who would pay the balance?

The Warren Report states the C.O.D balance was collected by Hidell, the report does not show a signature on this route or a date it was paid. question do you have a record of this C.O.D receipt?

Thank you for your time. I hope you are feeling better. Enclosed is a S.A.S.E. on of your paper you can feel free to call collect at 404-461-8308

Thank you for your help  
James A. Stewart

P.S. Do you know if it is still possible to obtain a copy of the twenty-six volumes of Hearings and Exhibits?

Dear James Stewart,

4/18/95

I decided early on, correctly, as it turned out, that I'd not be able to try to work in all areas of the case so I did little on Ruby and on the Tip, it shooting to spend that time on the JFK case.

Therefore I cannot answer your questions about the .357 revolver.

Although I do not know it's possible that the revolver was a regular stock item for that store or house an thus they could get replacement supply before it ran out.

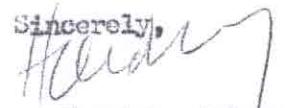
I am not aware of the postal regulations.

You should be able to get that cleared up by asking your local P.O.

As of my last knowledge the stores that look for sets of the 26 to sell have such long lists they are not adding to them.

The only way you'll be able to get a set is by luck. Keep an eye and ear alert because it is not uncommon for sets to be sold on death or because people need money.

They cost quite a bit now if people know the market on them.

Sincerely,  
  
Harold Eisberg