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WASHINGTON, JUNE 8 (AP)-THE ARMY-RUN OFFICE PROMOTING CIVILIAN MARKSMANSHIP HAS CENTRALIZED A LISTING OF PERSONS WHO BUY SURPLUS RIFLES FROM THE ARMY, AND WHO BELONG TO RECOGNIZED RIFLE CLUBS.

THE EFFECT IS TO TIGHTEN SOMEWHAT ARMY SUPERVISION IN THIS FIELD.

AUTHORITIES SAID THE ACTIONS WERE TAKEN IN RECENT WEEKS, AND STEMMED FROM AN INCREASED VOLUME OF INQUIRIES ABOUT PERSONS AND CLUBS AUTHORIZED TO DRAW WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION FROM ARMY STOCKS FOR TARGET PRACTICE AND COMPETITION.

THEY DENIED THE MOVE GREW OUT OF THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY, APPARENTLY BY A MAN WHO USED A FOREIGN MADE RIFLE BOUGHT FROM A MAIL ORDER HOUSE.

UNTIL RECENTLY, ARMY ARSENALS AND OTHER OUTLETS KEPT FILES OF NAMES OF THOSE WHO BOUGHT SURPLUS RIFLES.

NOW, THE NATIONAL BOARD FOR THE PROMOTION OF CIVILIAN RIFLE PRACTICEIS KEEPING A MASTER LIST OF THE NAMES.

ALSO, IN THE PAST, THE NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION HAD ROSTERS OF EVERY CLUB MEMBER IN ORGANIZATIONS SUPPORTED BY THE ARMY.

NOW, THOSE NAMES ARE TO BE ON FILE WITH THE ARMY-OPERATED BOARD.

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