Man With Rifle Is Seized On the Street in Cleveland

CLEVELAND, Oct. 8 (AP)—
A man carrying a rifle wrapped in gray paper was arrested today while walking along a downtown street a few hours before President Johnson's arrival here.

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Authorities said that the 47-year-old man denied knowing that the President was coming to the city and said he was taking the gun home to suburban Mayfield Heights to hang on a wall. They said he had a history of mental illness.

The man had no ammunition with him and he had a receipt to show that he had paid \$16.43 for the 6.5mm. surplus Italian army rifle. The police took the man to Central Police Station for questioning but he was not charged.