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## ASSASSINATION WEAPONS (220)

DALLAS, TEX., AUG. 17 (AP)-ASSASSIN LEE HARVEY OSWALD'S WEAPONS HAVE BEEN SHIPPED TO DALLAS IN PREPARATION FOR GOVERNMENT SEIZURE, THE DALLAS TIMES HERALD SAID IT LEARNED TODAY.

THE GOVERNMENT HAS HELD THE RIFLE AND PISTOL USED TO SLAY PRESIDENT KENNEDY AND PATROLMAN J. D. TIPPIT AS EVIDENCE BUT NEVER HAS GAINED PERMANENT LEGAL POSSESSION.

THE WEAPONS ARE THE 6.5 M.M. MANNLICHER-CARCANO MAIL-ORDER RIFLE WITH WHICH, THE WARREN COMMISSION SAID, OSWALD KILLED KENNEDY AND A .38-CALIBER PISTOL USED TO SLAY OFFICER TIPPIT DURING THE GETAWAY ATTEMPT.

✓ THE NEWSPAPER SAID A LEGAL NOTICE IS BEING PREPARED FOR PUBLICATION TOMORROW INFORMING THE PUBLIC OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE SEIZURE.

THE GUNS WERE BELIEVED SHIPPED TO DALLAS TO THE FBI, BUT LOCAL FBI SPOKESMEN REFUSED TO CONFIRM OR DENY THE REPORT.

JOHN J. KING, ENGLEWOOD, COLO., OILMAN AND GUN COLLECTOR, HAS SUED THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT SEEKING POSSESSION OF THE WEAPONS. HE SAID HE BOUGHT THEM FROM OSWALD'S WIDOW FOR \$10,000.

A BILL IN CONGRESS WOULD PERMIT THE GOVERNMENT TO PERMANENTLY SEIZE THE WEAPONS.

ATTY. GEN. NICHOLAS KATZENBACH, IN PROPOSING THE CONGRESSIONAL ACTION, SAID, "RETENTION OF THESE ITEMS WOULD PERMIT AN ACCURATE AND COMPLETE REASSESSMENT OF THE CONCLUSIONS OF THE PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION (WARREN COMMISSION) IF AT ANY TIME IN THE FUTURE THIS WAS CONSIDERED DESIRABLE."

KATZENBACH ALSO SAID, "WE SHOULD SECURELY PRESERVE THE PHYSICAL EVIDENCE TO ELIMINATE QUESTIONS AND DOUBT."

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