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ORIGIN Field	OFFICE Los Angeles	FILE NO. 4-3-601.0
TYPE OF CASE	STATUS Closed - Los Angeles	TITLE OR CAPTION Ordnance Optics Inc.
PERIOD COVERED	INVESTIGATION MADE AT Hollywood, Los Angeles & Culver City, California 11/22/63 to 12/2/63	
INVESTIGATION MADE BY	SAIC Spaman, SA's Clark and Horn	
DETAILS	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>SYNOPSIS</u></p> <p>Gun sight used on assassination weapon traced to Retting Gun Shop, Culver City, California.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>DETAILS OF INVESTIGATION</u></p> <p>This investigation was predicated on a telephone call made to SAIC Spaman, Los Angeles, from SAIC Bouck, PRS, on November 22, 1963, at 6:15 p.m. SAIC Bouck supplied specific information to SAIC Spaman regarding the telescopic gun sight and weapon used in the assassination of President Kennedy. SAIC Bouck advised that the weapon used was a 1940 Weiland Rifle, 6.5 MM, Bolt Action, Clip Fed, No. 32766 and that the gun sight was a Lx18, marking that it had an inscription of Ordnance Optics, Inc., Hollywood, California, inscribed thereon.</p> <p>SAIC Spaman requested SA's Clark and Horn to pursue this investigation and supplied them with the above information.</p> <p>SA's Clark and Horn met at the Hollywood Police Station and were joined by Det. Sergeant Billy G. Malone, Los Angeles Police Department, Serial No. 5006. Det. Malone advised that he was not familiar with any ordnance optical businesses in this area. A check of the telephone book revealed a listing of Optitronics Corp., 1001 N. Orange, Hollywood, California. This address was checked out and it was determined that this address is now a warehouse used for the distribution of phonograph records.</p> <p>The telephone directory also revealed an Optics Industries and Gordon Optical Supply, both having the address of 6636 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood, California. Efforts to locate Murray Gordon, owner of these establishments, were made that night and he was requested to come to his place of business for interview. Mr. Gordon and his wife both came to their establishment later</p>	
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that night and were interviewed. They advised that they had been in business there since 1953; that they are only involved in the importing of eye glass frames and that they are in no way involved in the manufacturing of ordnance optical equipment. They also stated that they had no information to any industries by the name of Ordnance Optics Incorporated. Their files were checked for the names of Lee H. Oswald and Willie Randall but they were not of record there.

November 23, 1963, SA Horn interviewed Lt. Manuel Pena, Robbery Division, Los Angeles Police Department, Serial No. 3226 and his partner, Sgt. Jess Gonzales, Serial No. 3824. Through their informants it was determined that a Martin B. Retting, owner of the Retting Gun Shop, 11029 Washington Blvd., Culver City, dealt in telescopic gun sights and that he would be the logical person to whom to speak. It was known that Retting obtained his sights from a Japanese company and that these scopes were used in great amounts on hunting guns.

That date, Lt. Pena, Sgt. Gonzales and SA Horn went to Retting's Gun Shop, 11029 Washington Blvd., Culver City, and interviewed Mr. Retting. He stated that he is the sole importer of the gun sights that bear the inscriptions of "Lx18 Coated, Ordnance Optics Inc., Hollywood, California, OIG Japan with a cloverleaf with the initials enclosed of OIG." He advised that he had telephoned the FBI, Los Angeles, on November 22 and advised them of this fact after he had seen a picture of the assassination weapon on television. Mr. Retting stated that he has been selling these sights for the last three or four years, mainly to Klein's Sporting Goods, a mail order house at 1510 West Madison, Chicago 24, Illinois. Mr. Retting also advised that he had sold a quantity of the sights to Dave's House of Guns, 2544 Elm, Dallas, Texas, but stated that Klein's Sporting Goods would be the logical place of business that Oswald would have purchased the gun sight as well as the gun. Retting said that the gun and sight are usually sold in a packet deal for something less than \$20.00.

Retting said that the weapon used was a modified model of an Italian Carcano, a Carcano made in Turin, Italy. Retting stated that the rifle is called a Carcano and or a Turin and that these names are interchangeable.

Records of Mr. Retting were checked for the years 1962-63 but no records of Lee H. Oswald or Willie Randall were found.

This information was immediately relayed to SAIC Spaman by SA Horn. SAIC Spaman then telephoned SAIC Bouck and advised him of the above data.

DISPOSITION

Investigation on this matter is being concluded at this time.

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