- 4. stocks dull to medium in finish dull first (46%), medium second (43%), glossy third (11%);
- specified checkering on the grip and fore-end, a quarter say they don't care whether gun is checkered or not, the rest want either the grip or the fore-end checkered, but not both, or no checkering at all. It seems to be a matter of money. Preferences vary by estimated cost of guns, by ages, and shooters' "ratings". A full analysis is contained on pages 29, 30, 31, 51, 52, 53.
- opinions are encountered with some classes of shooters preferring modified, semi-, or full beavertail fore-ends, others satisfied with present designs all as set forth on pages 22, 23, 45, 46.
- g. as to barrels

  1. color blue black first (76%), black second (23%), other colors (1%);
  - 2. <u>barrel finish</u> dull first (34%) velvet second (31%), medium third (26%), and glossy last (9%);
- h. as to butt plates, respondents report:

  1. on high power center fire rifles recoil pads first (37%), metal plates second (29%), hard rubber third (18%), and others (6%);
  - 2. on medium ocwer center fire rifles metal plates first (34%), recoil pads second (28%), hard rubber third (25%) and others (13%);
  - on rim fire rifles hard rubber plates first (46%), metal second (25%), and others (29%);
  - 4. on shotguns recoil pads first (63%),
    hard rubber second (24%), metal third
    (7%), others (13%). Preferences
    vary by preferred gauges, see page
- i. concerning the weight of sporting guns, the respondents' preferences confirm the demand for lighter arms (except 22 caliber