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Dear Mr. Know,

I read with considerable interest your editor's note in Jan Sundra's article, "Reflections on the 6mm Remington", Handloader No. 49. About eight years ago I reluctantly, but profitably, traded a .244 Remington to a fellow who "just had" to have another .244. I received in turn a neat 20" barrel Medel 700 in 6mm. The rifle has become one of my favorites for situations where ranges aren't expected to be long and I'm planning to do considerable walking.

A curious point about the rifle is that the barrel is factory stamped "5:M.REM.MAG.", with the "MAG" X-ed out. I had always wondered 1963 why. Now I know. Now, also, my curiosity is whatted. Maybe you can be help. The SN of my 5mm is 58465. When was my rifle manufactured? Where does it fall in the order of manufacture of Model 700's chambered in 6mm Remington? Thanks.

Sincerely

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