

3. The new safety.

Since the similarities of and differences between the Models 721-722 and Model 725 affect the cost of both lines, cost estimates will be prepared on the whole program.

Machine Development has revised its previous estimate for the design and manufacture of the first machine for machine checkering of the long stock required on the Model 725, to \$70,000. No further work will be done on this program without project authorization.

MODEL 740

280 Remington

Bridgeport Research and Development reports that difficulty is still being encountered in obtaining satisfactory accuracy with the 150 grain bullet, and that samples of the 125 and 165 grain bullets are not yet available.

In the meantime, Ilion has prepared model drawings of the barrel and magazine based on the tentative cartridge dimensions furnished by Bridgeport Research and Development. To telescope the time required for introduction of this model, advanced authorization has been received for processing and tool design on these items, although it is recognized that it may be necessary to do some of this work over if important dimensional changes are made in the ammunition.

It was pointed out that before a project can be prepared it will be necessary to have a sales forecast.

The Ilion Plant advises that, on the basis of what is now known about the problems of introducing this caliber, they believe approximately 2,000 guns could be in the warehouse five to six months after receipt of final drawings and sample ammunition.

308 Winchester

This gun is now in production and will be dropped from the agenda of this committee.

244 Remington

Although the revised method of attaching the fore-end bushing will not be generally adopted in the Model 740 until