

These figures will be rechecked by Ilion. In the meantime, the Sales Department will reconsider this proposal in the light of the apparent cost, to determine whether they will recommend adoption.

It was pointed out that, should it be decided not to make this change in the Model 740 and Model 760, some of the allocated costs will have to be borne by the Model 725, which is scheduled to have the same proposed sight line.

RIM FIRE RIFLES

COLOR MASTER LINE

At the request of Management, the project has been re-written to cover only the introduction of the Model 572 with minimum investment. 83

Research and Development presented appearance samples which were approved by Sales.

MODEL 552

During assembly of pilot guns, some difficulty in feeding was experienced. It is now believed that this has been overcome, and assembly is continuing. Twenty guns were released for Sales field test on December 4 and 5, and it is expected that ten guns will be selected for formal pilot test by December 14.

Sales field tests are not completed. In tests to date, performance of the guns has been generally satisfactory. In 200 rounds fired, there were five incidents of fired cases caught between the barrel and the bolt as it closed. Most of these happened on the last shot, and they are believed by the designers to occur because there is no incoming cartridge on the ramp to help guide the fired case through the ejection port. This is not considered a serious deficiency.*

* Sales reported after the meeting that further testing indicates that this may be more serious than it appeared to be at first.