

The Plant would also prefer to confine consideration of the use of the barrel cut to 12 gauge Skeet and Trap models where the major problem of dirt exists. The Sales Department agrees with this for the present. The capacity of equipment necessary to accomplish the cut in Skeet and Trap barrels is adequate for field models if desired at any time.

It is Sales' opinion that the barrel cut should definitely be used, if proved possible and practical, to remedy the common complaint of dirty Model Sportsman-58 guns. The Committee was reassured by Research & Development concerning the effect of the cut on barrel strength. Sales believes the possible problem of shooter alarm at a cut inside the barrel can be handled.

As a matter of information, the new XS-1 will depend on a similar cut for cleanliness.

Nylon Buffer

A production quantity of buffers has been received and accepted. Pilot guns with buffer are being followed. If no difficulties are encountered, guns assembled after early September will incorporate the buffer.

Locking Block

All locking blocks now being produced incorporate the new unlocking cam contour. This item will be dropped from the agenda.

XS-1 and XS-2

Guns are in model making stage. A sample may be available for the next regular meeting.

CENTER FIRE

MODELS 722 and 725 BARRELS FOR CALIBER 244

Barrel Weights

The Sales Department had recommended the use of light-weight barrels for the 244 Remington based on evidence of ammunition sales (bullet weights) which indicates that the 244 is a hunting caliber rather than a varmint in the mind of the customer. Discussion on the Sales Department's proposal was deferred temporarily until the item following is resolved.