

by Production and the F&F Department. Production is using both new and more extensive techniques to provide the better metal finish.

The Sales Department took exception to the degree of finish of the end grain of the fore-end. Production will improve this.

An interim RK-W process with a capacity of 200 stocks a shift will be operating by mid-November. The significant break through was a satisfactory filler, the idea for which was suggested by the Production Department, and developed cooperatively with F&F.

The F&F Department has asked Remington not to divulge in anyway the polyurethane base of the new finish. Exclusive use of the term RK-W will accomplish Du Pont's request.

Production noted the Browning butt plate with its scroll designs and prominent Browning inscription, and suggested Sales consider a similar butt plate for the Model 1100. 83

#### Design Status

Research stated the only major design change since last reported is to improve assembly and disassembly. They demonstrated the simple procedure by which the barrel and fore-end may be simultaneously assembled to the magazine and receiver, or the barrel followed by the fore-end so assembled. Both can be done with the bolt either open or closed.

Sales asked that the instruction folder outline the one best method to avoid confusion.

Patent status of the Model 1100.

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#### Test Status - Research Shotguns

Research summarized the Field Tests with Research shotguns as good with the reported deficiencies having been corrected:

- . Assembly and disassembly improved as discussed above.
- . The carrier design was revised to prevent shell stemming.

Research discussed the need for close cooperation with Bridgeport during this period of simultaneous change to guns and ammunition. Research suggested a joint discussion between a Bridgeport and an Ilion Research representative at the next meeting would define the critical problems on which the Committee may wish assurance of follow up. The Committee agreed this discussion should be scheduled for the

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