

TABLE 3

MODEL 32 OVER AND UNDER SHOTGUN

COMMITTEE ACTION - "Ilion R & D is to investigate all possible economical methods of procurement of Model 32 Over & Under Shotgun. Quality must equal guns previously produced at Ilion." (Minute #1 - 1965)

Background

In early 1963 (Minute #4 - Ilion Division) the Operations Committee reached the following conclusions:

"The design investigation to manufacture an Over & Under at Ilion should be discontinued in view of the improbability of a profitable venture. The investigation of profitable foreign manufacture of an Over & Under should be continued."

This assignment subsequently became the investigation for manufacture of Model 32 Over & Under with an arrangement negotiated with the Combined Service Forces, Republic of China. (Minute #18 - November 1964) At the previous meeting - September 1964 - it was reported that "Remington had furnished drawings of the Model 32 Over & Under to the Combined Service Forces, Republic of China, for estimates to manufacture.----"

As an alternate, the Ilion Plant was requested to review and prepare estimated cost to produce the Model 32 at the Ilion Plant, based on the original model drawings. Modern manufacturing processes such as precision castings are being used due to the projected low volume.

At the meeting of the following month (November 1964) the Manufacturing Department reported "based on high spot estimates, the cost of manufacture at Ilion would not be economically justified." As a result, the Committee action was recorded as follows:

"It appears that only possible economic justification for manufacture would be in Taiwan or some other foreign country. Further action to develop firm costs will be dropped by the Ilion Plant."