

RIM FIRE RIFLES - contd.

MODEL 580 SINGLE SHOT, 581 BOX &  
582 TUBULAR BOLT ACTION RIFLES  
MODEL 788 CENTER FIRE RIFLE - contd.

Continued difficulty has been experienced in producing a satisfactory swaged Receiver blank, particularly for the Model 788. As a result, the Receiver is behind schedule by approximately two months. Possibly some time can be gained as Receiver machining progresses because of advance tryout of some of the subsequent operations.

For the 5mm caliber, parts for three shooting models (i.e., single shot, box magazine and tubular magazine) are being made in the model shop. The first R & D model should be assembled in February. Bridgeport R & D has the prototype model for ammunition testing.

METAL FINISHES

The Board of Directors approved the Part I of the project authorizing funds to improve the metal finishes for the Model 1100 and 870 shotguns. Steps are being taken for area preparation and procurement of equipment. Schedules will be set up as soon as equipment delivery dates have been verified.

WOOD

As reported in December, walnut wood blank costs increased approximately 5 to 10% in April 1965 and 20% January 1966. In the furniture industry, walnut is the first choice and pecan has become second. Remingtons' present source of walnut can also supply pecan in quantities that would be sufficient for the production of Model 514, 580, 581, 582, 788 and 550 long Stocks. The pecan would require staining to produce a walnut color finish. Pecan is slightly heavier than walnut and a harder wood.