

RIM FIRE RIFLES - contd.MODEL 550 AUTOLOADING RIM FIRE RIFLE

The economics of changing to sycamore in place of walnut for the Stock (Exhibit 4) was reviewed by the Committee. A sample rifle was shown to the Committee.

Changing to sycamore will eliminate the purchase of one size walnut blank. It is proposed to convert the present supply of walnut blanks to short Stock and Fore End blanks. The added costs will be more than offset by savings through the earlier use of sycamore for the Model 514 and 550 rifles. It is estimated the conversion to sycamore would be made by mid-year 1968.

Committee Action:

The Operations Committee recommended Management approval to use sycamore wood for the Model 550 autoloading rim fire rifle.

TRAPSMODEL 100T & 200S TRAPS

R & D reported that a new motor mount has been developed for the 100T and 200S traps which is easily adjustable for belt wear and different pulley sizes.

Information on a new brake lining material is expected the first part of December.

Field service was discussed. If assistance from Ilion representatives is required, Marketing should make full utilization to cover any other problems in the adjacent area.

Marketing reported on the performance of the rebuilt traps at Lordship. There has been a minimum of difficulty with the skeet equipment. The trap field is still experiencing difficulty. No problems are being experienced with the competitor's product. R & D indicated while the problems can be reduced, elimination is not possible with the present design.