

SHOTGUNS - contd.MODEL 870, 28-410 GAUGEMODEL 1100, 20-28-410 GAUGE - contd.

Model guns with the proposed vent rib design for the Model 1100, 20 gauge shotgun should also be available for review at the February meeting.

In the design of the new line of lightweight shotguns, consideration of a Model 870, 20 gauge slide action was included. Marketing may at a future date need a lightweight Model 870, 20 gauge slide action shotgun. There is no indicated need for this gun at the present time.

A comparison of Model 1100, 20 gauge warehouse guns with walnut and mahogany wood was made. An average of 5.4 oz. weight reduction is indicated for the mahogany. Producing mahogany wood with walnut color requires an increased cash cost of approximately \$.14 per gun. A copy of the Methods & Standards report is attached as Exhibit 2. A sample Stock and Fore End with walnut color was shown to the Committee.

Committee Action:

The previous Marketing recommendation to furnish skeet shotguns with walnut wood and the balance with mahogany is to be followed in establishing gun specifications. The color samples were satisfactory.

MODEL 32 OVER & UNDER SHOTGUN

R & D reviewed the high spot evaluations made on the Model 32 over and under shotgun (Exhibit 3).

Competitive imported over and under guns are being reviewed as received. Some are satisfactory as to quality and appearance; others appear to be inferior. The selling price is in the \$300.00 range.