## **FIREARMS**

## SHOTGUNS

#### WOOD PRESS FORMING

Production reported that the stainless steel Model 870 Stock master dies have been completed and the two original steel dies are available as standby should problems develop. There is full production of Model 870 Stocks which can be press formed.

The vendor continued to have problems in producing stainless steel castings for the Model 1100 Stock master die which did not have voids. The middle of September, the vendor stated that a good casting had been produced and is being shipped to Ilion. The master Stock which is required to machine the dies and make the copy lathe formers has been completed. The receipt of castings has been the major delay in the program.

Work has started to select a master Stock for the Model 742-760 press form Stock. Stainless steel castings for the dies should be ordered in October.

Although the return was marginal, the project to develop experimental equipment to press form the Model 870 Fore End was authorized. This equipment is required to determine the feasibility of press forming Fore Ends. TAD reported that some delays have been encountered. Tryout will probably be in January 1970.

# Committee Action

Reporting on the Model 870 press form Stock will be dropped.

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# White Line Spacers

Production reported that samples of the white line spacers for the Grip Cap and Butt Plate were received September 9. Tests