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MODEL 870 AND 1100, 12 GAUGE 34" TRAP BARRELS - contd.

No written information on recommended ammunition will be included in the Model 1100, 34" Barrel package. The high base and 2-3/4" magnum ammunition adversely affects the life of all autoloading shotguns, regardless of Barrel length. For the next printing of the Gun Owner's Guide, a "low key" statement should be considered saying the gun functions best with 2-3/4" field loads.

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R & D reported that parts for the model guns are being completed to the latest design revisions. Six (6) guns will be available approximately April 15 for endurance and field testing. Five (5) of these will be rebuilt guns from earlier testing. The proposed game scenes will be engraved on the new model gun.

Production reported that model drawing revisions redeived to date will not delay the introduction date of The 3200 Shotgun; however, tool design and tool and equipment procurement will take about one month longer than scheduled.

Trial and pilot operations have started on several major components. Difficulties experienced in completing major N/C machining operations on the Frame and Hono-Block are being resolved and other pilot operations can begin to move ahead as required.

The project for 1 of 1000 high grade trap guns, which is primarily N/C anguaving equipment, will be circulating for approval this week.

A meeting was held February 22 with Marketing, R & D and Production to review the complete program for high grade guns. Some revisions in introduction dates are required. A report of this meeting will be issued.

It was emphasized that we must meet the introduction date for The 3200 Shotgun.