

FIREARMSWOOD PRESS FORMINGMODEL 870, 12-16-20 GAUGE FORE-ENDS

R & D reported that final matching and adjusting of the first and second press form dies is continuing. One checkering pattern parting line match is about complete. The other remains to be corrected. This die blending is a slow, time consuming manual job which possibly will be completed within a month. A sample Fore-end was shown to illustrate progress to date.

The Onsrud carver modifications are being made which will provide Fore-ends with the correct geometry for the press form Fore-end.

Assembly of the special Fore-end contour machine was completed and has been dry cycled successfully. Tryout and "debugging" of this equipment is expected to start in November. 83

The special Fore-end sanding fixture is being fabricated and will be completed in early November.

SHOTGUNSMODEL 1100, 20 GAUGE LIGHTWEIGHT SHOTGUN

R & D reported that prototype Model 1100, 20 gauge lightweight guns are being made. These will include Receivers made of 1140 modified steel and reinforced Magazine Tubes. The possible use of a long Barrel Extension is being studied. These improvements could increase the endurance life of this gun to about 30,000 rounds.

MODEL 870 "ALL AMERICAN" 12 GAUGE TRAP GUN
(Introduction 1972)

Production reported that two hundred Model 870 "All American" shotguns will be produced in October.