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FIREARMS

WOOD PRESS FORMING

MODEL 870, 12-16-20 GAUGE FORE-ENDS

Production reported that equipment modifications, needed to produce acceptable wrap-around checkering on Model 870 Foreends, have been completed. Machine reassembly has been accomplished and trial startup has just begun.

Samples will be submitted to Marketing in August.

Trial and pilot operation by Production can begin shortly after samples have been approved for acceptable quality.

SHOTGUNS

MODEL 1100, 20 GAUGE LIGHTWEIGHT SHOTGUN

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R & D reported that the Bolt and Locking Block of the Model 1100, 20 gauge lightweight shotgun have been redesigned in an effort to increase endurance life for skeet use. Prototype components will be completed July 21 for testing on the long Barrel Extension guns.

Marketing reported that practically no complaints are received on the field gun. There is some customer resistance to the price being \$10 greater than the standard 20 gauge gun.

MODEL 3200 SHOTGUN (Introduction 1973)

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Twe hundred and seventy-five Model 3200 shotguns have been moduced in July through the 19th. It is expected that the schedule of 1430 guns for July will be met. 83