

CENTER FIRE RIFLES - contd.MODEL 700 BOLT ACTION CENTER FIRE RIFLE - IMPROVEMENTS - contd.

Production of BDL Stocks and hand checkering are behind schedule. Output is being increased and it is expected that the total quantity required will be completed on schedule.

Assembly of N/C checkering machine #1 electronic components has begun at Du Pont's Engineering Department Laboratory. For both machines, about 90% of electronic parts have been received; about 50% electrical parts and about 10% mechanical components.

Difficulty is being experienced in obtaining 3 key mechanical components when promised. These items are on the critical path of machine assembly and had been promised for October 1 delivery. It is now indicated these components for one machine will be shipped October 12 and assembly will start October 15. Two-shift assembly will be used as required to maintain schedule which is to ship #1 machine at the end of February and ship #2 at the end of March.

RIM FIRE RIFLES

MODEL 540X AND MODEL 540X-JR POSITION RIFLES
MODEL 40XB STANDARD POSITION RIFLE - RIM FIRE
MODEL 40XB NATIONAL MATCH COURSE RIFLE
(Introduction 1974)

Production reported that tool design for these new position rifle Stocks is in progress. It is planned to complete trial and pilot operations on the Stocks in February, 1974.

BENCH REST BULLETS

R & D reported that the second draw hopper has been installed and is in operation. The new core seat press has been received but has not been installed. If these two items eliminate bottlenecks as planned, production will increase and be more consistent which should put the project in the black.