#### CENTER FIRE RIFLES - contd.

# MODEL 700 BOLT ACTION CENTER FIRE RIFLE - IMPROVEMENTS (Introduction 1974)

Production reported the #1 N/C cut checkering machine has been installed at Ilion and is in operation cutting fore-arm checkering three shifts per day. Cutting speed is about 40% of the project goal. During the week of October 14, Du Pont engineers will be at Ilion to try revised tapes on grip checkering.

#2 machine is to be ready for operation at 100-120 inches per minute (120 = 80% of goal) by December 2 at EDL. A 70% chance of reaching 120 inches per minute is predicted.

Production expects that the #2 machine will be shipped to I in the first quarter 1975.

Economics of machine cut versus hand cut checkering was requested.

#### RIM FIRE RIFLES

MODEL 540XR AND 540XRJR POSITION RIFLES
MODEL 40XC NATIONAL MATCH RIFLE
MODEL 40XR POSITION RIFLE
(Introduction 1974)

Production reported that Model 540XR, 540XRJR and 40XR position rifles have been released for invoice shipment.

It is expected Model 40xC rifles will be assembled and tested in October.

## MATERIALS SUPPLY

### WOOD

Production reported additional walnut Stock blanks have been purchased from Missouri Valley Walnut Co. and Midwest Gun Stock Co. This will assure an adequate supply of short Stock blanks starting in the first quarter 1975 and long Stock blanks starting in the second quarter 1975.