

bcc: D.F. Polley

R-01224 (1982)

Please replace the trigger assembly with a new style (no bolt locks) & return to sender.

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Outdoors Unlimited
Attn: Mr. Gary Kollmeier
1401 E. Abram
Arlington, Texas 76010

Dear Mr. Kollmeier:

Examination has been completed on your customer's Model 700 ADL 30-06 caliber rifle, serial number 6259346, which you returned to us because it allegedly fired when the safety was released to allow the bolt to be opened to eject a cartridge from the chamber.

The returned firearm, which was produced in July of 1969, has been examined by our firearms experts who report that it contained our high-pressure proof test, gallery test, and final inspection stampings, indicating that it had successfully passed all our necessary tests prior to shipment from the factory.

The general condition of the gun appeared to be slightly worn, and it was noted that scope bases had been installed after the rifle originally left our factory. In going over the individual parts, we found the headspace to be normal, recoil shoulders normal and chamber dirty.

Examination of the rifle and trigger assembly could not duplicate the malfunction that was reported. All parts tolerances and dimensions were found to be normal. Also, factory seals were intact on the trigger adjustment screws, indicating no alterations were made on the trigger outside our company. Trigger pull was well within specifications at 4-3/4 pounds. However, it was noted that the trigger assembly contained a mixture of oil and a sandy, gritty material. It is possible that under the right circumstances, the foreign material might have caused the internal trigger parts to hang-up and resulted in the accidental firings.

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