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NOTES FOR WEEKLY MANAGEMENT STAFF MEETING

Model 725

The dimensional trouble of the stock inletting as reported last week has since been cleared up and we are "on the way" again. Also will be able to use stocks already made. First production assembled rifle put up this morning and Plant still expects to have about 25 within another week. These for Sales review with District Managers.

There are still a few minor things to "iron out"; namely, fit of rear sight step, fit of the magazine floor plate (which appears to be caused by an adjustment of the latch), and also need a little more work on the safety operating mechanism. In general, the M/725 looks pretty nice.

Model 555

Leek was in Wilmington last week with Polychem engineers, working on the stock color material problem. This effected both the bronze and the brown stocks. A new material formulation has been made and scheduled with priority at the Washington Works plant. Expect to have at the molders by November 19.

Hope to have some rifles to bring to Bridgeport at time of December 10 Operations Committee Meeting. At present we have only the one color stock on hand -- the "OD". These appear a little on the dark side as to shade but with the white trim seem attractive, so plan to put some of these up.

All metal parts now clear.

Olympic Rifle and Ammunition

No action on request for quote from Ft. Benning on two rifles. Awaiting further information on specs. Sales handling. We are expediting. In the meantime Walker has loaded up some experimental 7.62 rounds to a lower velocity (2300 to 2500) and with significantly improved results. We will probably do some more.