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Dear Tom:

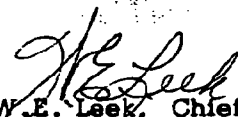
MODEL XP-100 TESTING

Thanks for your two memos and telephone call. Glad you like the XP-100. Latest 5-shot machine rest groups indicate superior accuracy. Some groups as small as .9" at 100 yds. In fact, the XP-100 is shooting more accurately than most rifles.

I am afraid your suggestion of 6mm on the Magnum case might burn the powder too slowly, therefore resulting in poor accuracy, low velocity and a noisy gun. We will have to experiment a little and see what we can work out.

Don't worry about the 30-30 --- there will be other calibers, too.

Best regards and Holiday wishes to the Tom Frye's.

  
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