

Mr. Les Bowman
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Cody, Wyoming

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Dear Les:

Enclosed are the springs, sear and safety cam you asked for. Are the parts you require for the M/700 or for the M/721. Some of both are enclosed. The M/700 has a little different position on the safety cam angle giving improved mechanical advantage. The parts are not interchangeable, however, as the safety itself is also changed.

Let us know if you can make it before or after the Washington meeting. We expect to be there for the full time. Will probably drive down on Friday, the 22nd and return on Thursday the 28th unless we make different arrangements with you, or whoever.

I agree with you on the 30 Win. Magnum; too bad they had no shooters to see the light. We have been chambering for the .30-338 in the M/40X for some time now. It is quite popular with the 1000 yard match shooters.

We have had some agitation for longer barrels in the .222 and .222 Magnum but not much interest for longer barrels in the .243 and .244. The 20" barrel makes a very handy rifle and the velocity loss is not really enough to be concerned over. As you probably realize, the 20" barrel in 6mm is the equivalent of a 26 1/2" barrel on the 30 caliber from the standpoint of calipers of length.

Best regards,

M. H. Walker

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