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MAGNUM BOLT HEADS

Attached is report of problem we have been having with the magnum bolt heads in the M/600. This bolt head is identical to that used in the M/700.

Because of error in manufacture of the first lot which was to have been tested during the vacation period we have had to delay our testing for approximately one month. Now that the new run has been made we are still experiencing a high percentage of rejects with the same difficulty.

I trust that immediate steps will be taken to correct this condition as it affects both rifles and could cause considerable functional difficulties.

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