

Next Arms
meeting m/25

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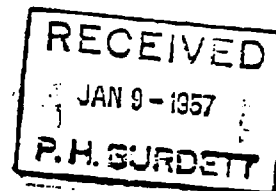
TO: DAN CARROLL
FROM: J. B. MITCHELL
SUBJECT: PROPOSED MODEL 725 RIFLE

Confirming action of the Operations Committee, Firearms, on January 8, you are instructed to go to Ilion to coordinate and cooperate with the Design Group on the preparation of a Model 725 exhibit in calibers 30/06 and 308 that will incorporate correction of the points listed below.

1. Trigger Bow still too small.
2. "A" grade wood.
3. Checkering pattern to be established.
4. Fore-end tip too thin vertically, make like Model 70.
5. Safety thumb-piece loose, must be more positive.
6. Floor plate release too hard to open.
7. Aluminum floor plate instead of steel.
8. Fit grip cap.
9. Closer grip to prevent fingers from touching cheek.
10. Closer comb point to prevent thumb from bumping nose.
11. Top of left panel of stock to be lowered to allow fitting of Lyman and Redfield sights without notching stock.

After completion of these changes, the two exhibits are to be returned for viewing by Bridgeport Sales Department.

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M/721-722 - ADVERTISING

Wayne Leek has called my attention to the fact that our current advertising of the M/721-722 includes emphasis being placed on the fully encased bolt head "with no weakening extractor cuts". He relates having discussed this with you, pointing out that some of our future designs are in another direction as far as extractor cuts are concerned in order to gain other added advantages; of course, still maintaining an adequate strength of the action.

He therefore recommends that we discontinue the emphasis being placed on "no extractor cuts" in the bolts on any of our center fire rifles in order to avoid being in a less tenable position in the future. Of course, there is nothing wrong with the claim for the M/721-722 as being "the strongest bolt action ever built".

Copy of the advertisement in question is attached hereto.

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