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MODEL 40X DESIGN IMPROVEMENTS

This refers to trip report of C. Prosser dated March 30th with suggestion of two improvements for the Model 40X Rifle. It consists of (1) adding nylon buttons for contacts on the end of the bedding Escutcheon Screw, and (2) to provide means for retaining the Trigger Adjusting Ball.

It seems that both of these items have been suggested before and design revisions can be made to incorporate them providing the additional cost might be justified. As you know, we were faced with a very close margin on the original design of this model, making it necessary to eliminate many things which we felt desirable but not necessarily essential. No doubt the Sales Department would be very glad to have these improvements provided, but we hesitate to spend any additional money without being ready to accommodate the additional cost, which would very likely add 25-50¢ more per rifle.

Would therefore appreciate your comments before we take any further action.

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