

cc: A. D. Kerr - Ilion
M. S. Crabtree - Arizona

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for receipt
make sure Fox sees
this gun before repair*

Bridgeport, Connecticut
April 15, 1971

TO: LLOYD FOX - ILION
FROM: E. G. LARSON
SUBJECT: GUN COMPLAINTS - BROKEN TRIGGER CONNECTORS

Dear Lloyd:

Mal Crabtree, our Representative in Phoenix, Arizona, just called and stated that the Tempe, Arizona Police Department has had two (2) trigger connectors in their Model 700 BDL caliber 223's break and, upon breakage, the gun fires on closing.

The first time Mal had the gun repaired locally but, when it broke this past week, the police folks were quite perturbed because of the possibility of injury, and demanded a new gun. Mal talked them out of the new gun, but stated he would ship theirs back to Ilion and the repairs would be made immediately.

I would appreciate the Arms Service people getting this gun out the same day as received.

To add to the problem, a local college that had purchased the same model had called about the same time, and they, too, had experienced breakage of the connector and a resultant firing on closing. Mal had this one repaired locally and is sending me the broken parts which I in turn will send to you.

Is this the same problem that was reported by a military installation down South some time ago, and do we have a proper cure?

I also ask Art Kerr to send Mal several connectors at no charge so that should he run into additional complaints he can handle them on the spot.

Many thanks, and keep me posted.

E. G. Larson

EGL:tk