

The overall performance of guns tested to date has been encouraging. However, Sales is not ready to recommend acceptance of the gun until completion of the test now in progress. For this reason no formal recommendation for addition of the Sportsman-58 to the line can be made at this time. However, if the production schedule shown on page 2 is to be met, production of guns must continue in anticipation of formal approval. To make this possible, the committee took the following action.

Decision:

The Operations Committee (Arms Division) recommends to Management that the following schedule of models of autoloading shotguns be adopted for production scheduling:

| <u>Model</u> | <u>Quantity</u> |
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| 11-48 | 20,000 |
| Sportsman-58A with checkered stock and fore-end, and no other decoration | 45,000 |
| Sportsman-58ADL including checkering, grip cap, and receiver decoration | 20,000 |

The status of the Power Cone development was reviewed, and a gun incorporating the latest version of the Power Cone and the slide button magazine release was shown. Tests on this gun to date have been quite encouraging. Although the results are preliminary, it appears that the present version of the Power Cone will tolerate all loads without any adjustment.

It was pointed out that the Dial-A-Matic will not operate with light Winchester trap loads when the gun is fitted with a 26-inch barrel and compensator. Under these conditions the Power Cone will operate satisfactorily part of the time, but it is not completely reliable. Sales stated that although they would prefer to have the gun operate under these conditions, the use of the Winchester 2-3/4 - 1-1/8 load in a skeet gun would be very infrequent and failure of the gun to handle these loads should not be considered a serious deficiency. They felt that, if a magazine release button was to be used, the design presented was probably