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a formal pilot test can be undertaken. However, the question was raised as to whether it was worthwhile to spend the money for such a test after approximately 25,000 guns have been shipped. It was the feeling of the committee that this test, giving an appraisal of the quality level being achieved by the Plant under normal conditions, is important, and that the test should be run as soon as production is stabilized.

Other design changes being incorporated for better general functioning include:

Supersheening of action bars for smoother action

Strengthening of the sear

Improvement in polish on the carrier dog

Addition of radius on carrier dog follower for easier action

Substitution of square-ended piston ring to improve functioning and clean the action

Improvement in carrier release springs for longer life

Substitution of nylon action spring stop and pin for better seating of springs.

The following revised production schedule was submitted by the Plant:

	<u>May 1, 1956</u>	<u>June 11, 1956</u>
1956		
January	108 actual	108 actual
February	2,435 actual	2,435 actual
March	5,181 actual	5,181 actual
April	8,400 schedule	7,934 actual
May	9,900 schedule	9,921 actual
June	10,500 schedule	9,450 schedule
July	9,500 schedule	8,550 schedule
August	7,500 schedule	6,750 schedule
September	9,000 schedule	8,100 schedule
October	11,500 schedule	10,350 schedule
November	--	5,450 schedule
December	--	6,500 schedule
TOTAL	<u>74,024</u>	<u>80,729</u>