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MODEL 760 CARBINE

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The Committee was shown two models 760 carbines, one with oil finished stock, and one with the standard factory varnish finish. Sling swivels were provided on the latest prototype with factory finished stock. Otherwise specifications have not been changed from the carbine shown at the last meeting.

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It was proposed by the Research & Development Department that the carbine version of the Model 760 should use the older style of sights. The Sales Department indicated that the new sights should be provided for this model.

Questions were raised by the Committee as to the market which the carbine would fill. The Sales Department says that the major use of such a firearm is in the hands of Eastern deer hunters, and therefore opinions of this group should be strongly considered.

The Research & Development Department pointed out that design The Research & Development Department pointed out that design work would be necessary for the slimmer fore and used on the carbine, as well as tooling to produce this item. The Plant stated that in view of design work necessary and conversion time required to produce the carbine model, a Sales decision is necessary by the end of the month if the gun is to be ready in January, 1960. The Plant pointed out that in the past announcement of new items have been made before we had the item to ship. This is considered to be a serious pro-blem in the Plant. blem in the Plant.

The Sales Department stated that it will survey personnel at Bridgeport to finally define features of the carbine. The Plant and Research & Development was asked to select a jury of hunters from employees to evaluate the present carbine models. A list of questions was prepared for evaluation.

The Sales Department has agreed to define specifications and give a final decision on addition of this item to our line by the end of July.

XC-6 RIFLE

Research and Development reported on changes to basic design which have been made since reviews with Sales and Management during the month of June. Without necessitating any changes to the basic design of the rifle, the appearance has been altered to provide a style more nearly like that of the new Nylon 66 Autoloading Rim Fire Rifle. The design provides for a basic system which may be used for development of a new center fire line of autoloading and pump action rifles.

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