

Bolt Handle

- The shape of the bolt handle has been modified slightly to accommodate a newly offered adjustable power scope.

MODEL 742 AUTOLOADING RIFLE - CALIBER 243 WINCHESTER

The Production Department reported that rifles in Caliber 243 will be ready to test the end of June. The Sales Department indicated the desire to announce the availability of this caliber as quickly as the test results indicate that it can be satisfactorily manufactured. The Production Department will keep the Sales Department advised on the progress of the tests and when a warehouse quantity can be available.

XC-6 AUTOLOADING RIFLE
XC-7 LEVER ACTION RIFLE
XC-8 SLIDE ACTION RIFLE

The Research and Development Department displayed prototype models of each. These samples will be taken to Bridgeport by Research and Development for further discussion with Sales.

XP-100 A AUTOLOADING PISTOL

A shooting model mounted in a shooting block was displayed to the Committee. The model has been fired single shot only and functions satisfactorily. A box magazine is being fabricated to begin semi-automatic shooting.

RIM FIRE RIFLESXR-5 LOW COST SINGLE SHOT RIM FIRE RIFLE

The Research and Development Department displayed color renderings of a straight stock and a modern stock version of the rolling block rifle. Both incorporated rounded rather than sharp edges and a modern design hammer as previously requested by the Committee. Engineering study has indicated that a cast aluminum rather than cast zinc receiver will be required for strength considerations. The receiver will be common for both 22 Winchester Rim Fire Magnum and conventional 22's.

The cost and various implications of this model were discussed by the Committee. The preliminary economics completed two months prior indicated that the replacement of the Model 514 by this rolling block rifle would provide increased operative earnings before taxes of \$135,000. This was based on a rolling block rifle yearly volume of 45,000, retailing for \$20.95, with an out-of-pocket factory cost of \$6.56. The aluminum receiver will increase this cost slightly.

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