

PELLET RIFLES

Ilion plant and R & D is making high spot cost estimates to produce the Crosman and Sheridan rifles. Also, a review is being made of all available air, CO₂ and spring loaded actions. Layouts of a possible spring powered model that could be adapted to CO₂ powered are being developed.

Attached Table 10 is a report by the Development Department of the air and pellet gun business. Further study is planned before a final report will be made. It is indicated that target type pellet rifle shooting has not developed in the United States to the same extent as in Europe. There are many local restrictions throughout the country regarding the use, possession, etc. of air or pellet guns.

The air and pellet gun field is quite competitive and it appears that the margin of profit is relatively low.

Development plans to further study air and pellet gun sales. It was suggested the study should include all areas of the United States. The final report should be issued in October.

Committee Action

R & D was authorized to continue the limited investigations of possible designs for air and pellet guns.

TELESCOPES AND MOUNTS

R & D has been making a study to determine the feasibility of Remington entering the scope and mount field. The review indicates that the best approach is to consider the manufacture of a scope without internal adjustments. This would require an adjustable mount.

Prototypes of a scope and mount have been developed. It is proposed to provide scopes in 2 3/4X - 4X and 6X power. Preliminary economics indicate a satisfactory return.