

CENTER FIRE RIFLES - contd.MODEL 742-760 "BDL" CENTER FIRE RIFLES - contd.

Marketing expects the original forecast of five thousand (5000) rifles in 1966 will be exceeded and Production was asked to continue producing at the higher rate.

MODEL 600 MAGNUM BOLT ACTION RIFLECaliber 6.5mm Remington

Three (3) field test reports have been received to date. The function and accuracy is satisfactory.

Tooling for changing the cartridge feed rails in the Receiver should be shipped to Ilion January 15. Rifle assembly should start in March.

MODEL 700 "BDL" VARMINT GRADE

Calibers 222 Remington, 223 Remington,
22-250 Remington, 6mm Remington and
243 Winchester

To resolve the question of meeting an accuracy specification of under 2" R & D with Plant assistance is processing one hundred (100) Bartels for testing. To date, four (4) caliber 22/250 rifles have been assembled and tested using "Power-Lokt" ammunition. Two (2) of the four (4) rifles would have passed the 1" specification which has been requested by Marketing. The balance passed after retesting. This seems to further indicate a marginal condition and a 1 1/4" specification seems more realistic.

R & D is continuing the assembly and testing of additional rifles. Results should be available for review at the February Operations Committee meeting.