

WOOD - contd.Finishes - contd.

Approximately twenty-five (25) Model 1100 Stocks per day are being processed to the new sequence of operations (Exhibit 2) aimed at improving the finish product. Problems which have developed are being worked out before extending the program. As soon as the process has been established, costs can be developed. It is possible that part of the additional operating costs will be offset by a reduction in repair and scrap. Samples of the present and improved finish were reviewed by the Committee.

Since the improvement is significant, particularly the checkering, Marketing requested the new finish be effected as soon as possible.

PELLET GUNS AND PISTOLS

Development activity is limited to designing devices for testing various systems for pellet guns and pistols. The basic system has to be determined which will best produce the features required for a family of guns. The present concept is to develop a target rifle and then adapt to other guns.

Ilion R & D is working with Bridgeport R & D on the development of the caliber and design of pellets which will tie in with the gun.

Marketing assistance and the product survey report are to be used for R & D guidance in the development.

TELESCOPES AND MOUNTS

The economics of manufacturing for high power rifle scopes and mounts were reviewed. These are based on plant producing mounts and the R & D job shop the scopes. Attached as Exhibit 3 is the first year estimate and as Exhibit 4, the third year. This method of manufacture indicates a return on capital investment of 34.1% and 20.3% on total expenditure for the third year.