

SHOTGUNS - contd.MODEL 32 OVER & UNDER SHOTGUN - contd.

Evaluation of competition is part of the R & D program. To develop volumes that will justify the expenditures, a family gun approach may be necessary. This would include the combinations of a shot-gun and center fire Barrel similar to guns being marketed by competition. R & D indicated a three-year development program.

CENTER FIRE RIFLESMODEL 742-760 CENTER FIRE RIFLES

Production reported that the toolroom work to complete the second set of checkering dies with the leaf border has been greater than originally estimated. As a result, the tryout will be delayed until the middle of January. 83

Production to warehouse to date is approximately twelve hundred (1200) Model 742 and seven hundred (700) Model 760, 243 caliber rifles. Approval for invoice shipment was authorized Jan. 5, 1968.

Committee Action:

Reporting on 243 caliber production will be dropped.

MODEL 788 CENTER FIRE BOLT ACTION RIFLES

Production reported that tooling to start pilot operations for the 308, 6mm and 243 calibers on the major metal parts should be completed in February as scheduled.

Tool design for the left hand Model 788, 30-30 and 308 calibers and the Model 581 rim fire rifle is approximately 30% complete. Developing the fixturing and gaging for the N/C machine has required more time than anticipated.

R & D is releasing model drawings for the left hand Bolt Model 591, 5mm rifle for processing and equipment procurement.