FIREARMS

SHOTGUNS

WOOD PRESS FORMING

The equipment for the added capacity to press form Model 870 Stocks should be ready for tryout in December. Production should start in January as scheduled.

Production reported approximately twelve thousand five hundred (12,500) press formed Stocks have been produced to date.

Work has started to determine the development, equipment and other items needed to extend the short Stock press form to the Model 1100, 12, 16 and 20 gauge to be followed by other short Stocks that can be adapted. The project for the Model 1100 should be submitted for General Management approval in January 1969.

ERD has started development of press forming Model 870 Fore Ends. Preliminary layouts are being made for tooling and equipment. When the program is expanded to the Model 1100, a review should be made to determine if splitting of Fore Ends can be eliminated. While there has been an improvement through use of the fiberglass reinforcement, there are still some breakages.

MODEL 870 SHELL LATCE AND MODEL 1100 FEED LATCE

Production reported that the revised Model 1100, 12 gauge Feed Latch designed to overcome the occasional problem of shells feeding back of the Carrier will be in guns assembled the latter part of December.

The Model 1100, 20 gauge guns should have the new latch in January 1969.

MODEL 870 BRUSHMASTER AND MODEL 1100 DEER GUN, 20 GAUGE

Production reported that tooling for the Barrel has been completed. The powder metal dies for the Rear Sight Base are promised Dec. 9 and the December production schedule should be met.