

SHOTGUNS - contd.OVER AND UNDER SHOTGUN

R & D reported that the development of the Over and Under Shotgun is approximately one month behind schedule. It is believed that the proposed design will eliminate possible jar-off, have faster lock time and practically no Firing Pin breakage.

The fabrication of parts for the prototype 12 gauge gun should start in June.

CENTER FIRE RIFLESMODEL 788, 308 AND 6MM CALIBER
LEFT HAND BOLT ACTION RIFLES

Production reported that to date three hundred and sixty-five (365) 308 and three hundred and fifty-nine (359) 6mm caliber Left Hand Model 788 Bolt Action Rifles had been produced to the warehouse.

Model 788, 6mm rifles were released for invoiced shipment after a 3/8 inch "free-bore" was added to the Barrel. Tests indicated this change provides an average of 12% improvement in Bolt lift force. Muzzle velocity is reduced approximately 1%. There was no effect on accuracy. The "free-bore" is to be added to all Model 788, 6mm caliber rifles.

R & D is determining the effect on Bolt lift force if free-boring is added to other Model 788 caliber rifles. Production is also reviewing manufacturing processes to determine if other improvements can be made.

Committee Action:

Reporting on the Model 788, 308 and 6mm caliber Left Hand Bolt Action Rifles will be dropped.