

FIREARMSWOOD PRESS FORMINGMODEL 870, 12-16-20 GAUGE FORE-ENDS

Production reported that adjustments and modifications to ready equipment for trial and pilot operation will be completed by October 19. About 200 Fore-ends will then be pressed to assess process control. If acceptable, equipment will be relocated into manufacturing areas for trial operation by Production operators.

A Model 870 Fore-end production prototype sample was presented to the Operations Committee for approval.

The press form equipment that has been built will produce 50% of the Model 870 Fore-ends.

Committee Action:

The Operations Committee accepted the Model 870 press formed Fore-end production prototype sample. General Management approval to release for invoice shipment will be recommended after production capability is demonstrated.

SHOTGUNSMODEL 1100, 20 GAUGE LIGHTWEIGHT SHOTGUN

R & D reported that the two prototype Model 1100, 20 gauge light-weight skeet shotguns have been test fired 30,000 and 40,000 rounds. The regular 20 gauge control gun is at 20,000 rounds. Although there has been some parts breakage, the test does show that a safe skeet gun can be made. Gun layouts and additional prototypes are being made for further testing. The revised Locking Block and Breach Bolt appear satisfactory. The Action Bar Assembly is to be strengthened. An attempt will be made to eliminate the Fore-end Support. Extractor breakage indicates some corrective action is necessary.

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