

SHOTGUNS - contd.MODEL 3200 TRAP 32" VENT RIB BARREL - contd.
(Introduction 1975)

Marketing reported that competition is selling 40-50% of their over and under trap guns with 32" Barrels. It is believed that this length Barrel is required to meet competition.

IRON SHOT PROGRAM

All of the reporting was done with respect to Model 3200 field magnum shotgun.

ADHESIVE-FASTENED VENT RIB AND PHOTO-ETCHED MATTING

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Production reported that trial startup of photo-etch facilities is under way and good quality samples have been produced. Process procedures are being reviewed and additional production aids are being fabricated. It is still planned that trial operation with Production operators will begin in October.

In the adhesive-bonded rib program, work is under way to define an experimental bonding technique that adequately simulates the proposed production process. Testing will not resume until this is determined.

It is planned to perform both laboratory and field test on the adhesive-fastened Vent Rib. The R & D testing will begin in 1974. A program for Marketing field testing of the rib is to be developed. R & D indicated that the most severe test of the adhesive-fastening probably would be with the Model 1100 shotgun in 3" magnum.

Regarding the photo-etched matting, good samples have been made. The problem now is to produce in large quantities.

MODEL 1100 AUTOLOADING SHOTGUN - SHELL CATCHER

R & D reported there has been no work done on the wire type shell catcher and drilling holes in the Barrel Extension. It was