

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

Production reported that existing equipment to press form Model 870 Fore-ends is to be moved into a production area by February.

Machine studies are in progress to determine causes and corrections required to reduce wood machining tolerances to improve percentage of parts acceptable for press forming.

SHOTGUNSMODEL 1100, 20 GAUGE LIGHTWEIGHT SHOTGUN

R & D reported that three prototype Model 1100, 20 gauge light-weight skeet shotguns are being built. Testing will be completed in March. These guns will have:

- . Long Barrel Extension
- . Ejection port size reduced in width for front 2/3 of length
- . Revised Locking Block and Breech Bolt Assemblies

Production reported that samples of African Danta wood were received. These and the Iroko wood samples have been machined and are to be finished. This preliminary evaluation, with a few samples, will be completed the week of February 4. Du Pont assistance will be used on finishing.

No quotations have been received on direct purchase of Philippine or African mahogany.

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