

THE EXTRA LITERATURE IS FOR SOME HUNTER FRIEND

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Dear Wayne Leek;

I wrote you a letter and had it to mail tomorrow and then Tom came in unexpected. HE drove down just to talk and to bring me the 221 and my .230 Mag that he likes so well and has used all year. That's quite a dilly of a deer gun what with its good game bullet at 3600FPS. I really like it too and I am trying to sell the idea to Roy Weatherby now as it may fit right in his line with that belted .06 size case just shortened. The very idea that its belted will appeal to many folks and won't the wildcatter go for it.

Tom and I had a good talk about the meeting in S.F. and how little the field guys know about guns to start with and the pistol in particular. And again, I can see where its going to need a good push from guys like Jack O'C and others. And also I do think Wayne that the scope idea will make the gun and bring out its potential to most people.

I have a hell of a good Golden eagle to photo with it now. I don't know whether the anti-eagle law has passed to become a law or not as yet. But it hadn't when I shot this one as Martie called the game Comm to find out.

I'm gonna' mess around with a holster now a bit. In the shop here first and then have the saddle man in town make one if I get the idea okay. What's your idea on this packing thing? And what can I do do you think with the stock. It will be here make tomorrow.

Hope that you have the dope on whether the mount is okay or not so I can have Dave Bushnell make a few. If your sales management okays it I'll have Dave send back a dozen or so scopes with the fine X hairs and mounts for them all on loan to the writers you send guns to and then they can phoot them without and then just put the scopes on and see what they will really do.

Have just made up a new loading bench and put the new Saeco Press and stubby dies on it and qalso moved a small CH press to it to seat bullets with. A new Pacific 3 gang press came yesterday and I put that on too. Then I ordered another little Lackmiller primer press for that bench. I just couldnot get along with out that one as I can really feel the primer looseness or tightness with my thumb tip. Best thing I have here. I use it especially on mags like the Wby. And on all experimenting like this 221.

That's about all right now. Been 44 below for days so no shooting but its warmer now. Above zero anyway. And the cars start.

Les B