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SLINGS USED ON XP-100 PISTOL
Correspondence Between John Appelt, Les Bowman and W.E. Leek

Attached are copies of letters from Mr. Appelt to Les Bowman and me, together with Mr. Bowman's and my replies to Mr. Appelt with regard to future use of his product on the XP-100 Pistol. Don't feel that this item is very serious but wanted to keep you advised of the correspondence and my comments to Mr. Appelt. Actually, what initiated the letter from these people was the article Les Bowman wrote in Guns & Ammo (June issue) on his use of a sling with the XP-100 Pistol.

Last fall when Les was provided with one of these pistols I also sent him an additional stock and a Nylon-66 sling, with the express intentions of seeing what he could do experimentally in utilizing one of these slings for carrying such a pistol. Les commented several times that he couldn't work out any system that would be ideally suited for a carrying strap attached to the stock, but did work up a system of supporting the stock in a rigid manner when the sling was looped over his shoulders. He mentioned this and showed a picture or two in the Guns & Ammo magazine as to how he accomplished this, and immediately there was a reaction from Mr. Appelt, who apparently is ready to market such an item and wanted to advise us of his patent.

As far as we are concerned here at Remington unless advised to the contrary we do not have any intentions of drilling the XP-100 stock for a sling attachment, nor do we have any intentions of providing the customer with a sling for this pistol. Your advice in this matter would be appreciated.

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