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*Jerry: We don't need problems like this.  
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Bridgeport, Conn.  
May 26, 1978

TO: E. F. Sienkiewicz  
FROM: E. G. Larson  
SUBJECT: Jerry's Sport Center  
Model 700C, 8mm Rem. Mag.

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Attached is a copy of a letter from Ken Waite, Jr., to Paul Bergere in relation to a 700C 8mm Mag. purchased for personal use by Jerry Warsky of Jerry's Sport Center.

I called Jerry to get the rifle back for our examination but, unfortunately, he had already sent it to Simmons to have it reblued. Jerry's now owns and operates Simmons in Kansas City.

He was quite disturbed because when received, the gun was inoperative. The ejector (not firing pin, as described) was frozen forward due to bluing salts, and the action could not be closed on a loaded round. He had that repaired locally because he was on his way to Alaska for a Kodiak bear hunt. While sighting it in, the gold initial plate fell out, and during and after the hunt, the bluing had a washed out appearance.

Jerry is concerned about the current 700C because he used to move a good quantity of these rifles, but states customers have backed off because it is a 700 BDL with fancy wood. He feels we should go back to the custom polish and bluing operation, and be sure these guns are checked out thoroughly, both cosmetically and mechanically prior to shipment.

On the plus side, he found the accuracy excellent, and for that reason he wants to keep the gun and send it to Simmons to have a custom polish and bluing job done, and to have it checked out completely.

Please discuss this with the Ilion folks.

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