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Mr. C. B. Workman
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Dear Mr. Workman:

I have read about your new m. 7 light rifle and thought you might be interested in my comments. I am disappointed that it is so expensive and I dislike the schnabel. In 222 cal. an 18 1/2-inch barrel is unacceptable. I own, or have owned 16 Remington guns including 540-X, 541-S, 580, 700BBLV, 722 and 788.

I suggest urgently that you make a real light-weight, single-shot, 222 cal. rifle having a 24-inch barrel, essentially the same as your 788 except without sights, about the same size barrel, bolt receiver as your m. 541-S. The long tang of the receiver could be shaped as the 580 and the rear screw omitted, with a screw added through the stock as in the 540-X. This would make a still lighter, much less expensive rifle which would not be inferior to any.

Sincerely,
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