



Cline's Gun Shop  
1024 Augusta Street  
Pekin, Illinois

March 11th 1963

Dear Sir

Here is the paper for the win. Hi wall  
it is a blue print on the barrel, if you  
are in doubt on the gun, just look  
at the proof marks on the gun, as you  
will see that it has the Winchester  
stamp on the barrel and action,  
sorry it has taken so long

Sincerely  
B. P. Cline

Win Berrel  
Drawing Attached  
No. 42816

Rec'd - 3/13/64

Winchester Model 1885, Cal..219 Zipper Serial no. 80736.

Attached hereto are most if not all of the Paper work that should be retained with this gun. This is the first that I h that Win. factory after ceasing production of the Model 1885 actually continued<sup>1</sup> production by introduction of 3 Varmint C not only the .219 Zipper, also the .22 Hornet and .218 Bee.

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Over the years, I had done a lot of business with Mr Robert Thompson of 844-14th Ave. So. Clinton, Iowa. As noted herein One of the most honest, reliable Coll. I have every known.

Here is the story of his trading for Serial no. 80736.

See letter dated Feb. 6, 1964:

Well described and knows that it is as described a product of the Win. factory. Price \$ 275.00

See letter dated Feb. 15, 1964:

Sending the Hiwall via Express for approval price \$ 275.00

See March 5th 1964 letter:

Gun arrived via Railway Express prepaid.

See letter from B.P.Cline, Pekin, Illinois:, dated March 11-64  
(Rec. by Mr Thompson 3-13-64-1)

This letter contained the original Barrel Blue Print 4281

Mr Thompson forwarded this letter and the orig. B.P. 4281

Which notes for the first time that:

The .219 Zipper and six other calibers possible:

See letter dated March 18-1964:

Mr Thompson describes received the above letter from Mr Cline and same is enclosed.

Reduces the price to \$ 230.00 cash no trade.

A Mr Smalley was the previous and original owner.

See letter dated March 30 ,1964.

I had bought or was buying the gun for Henry Bitz of Box Elder. He took the gun home, and also to his favorite

Gun Smith here in Great Falls, (Mr Elden Stephens).

His Gunsmith told him, (Lew is trying to sell you a gunsmith job at a tough price. Win. never made such a gun).

So Henry was going to bring the gun back.

(here is where I became a Coll. of the Model 1885

as I believe Mr Thompson's story and it is a fact. produ

See letter dated April 10, 1964: With Paid Billing 4-10-64

~~with~~ with three money orders dated April 7-1964.

\$ 200.00 to pay for Ser.No. 80736 and \$8.69 to

pay for the Win. loading tool noted above letter

I had been helping Mr Bitz to reach his mission of assembling

as many of early firearms associated with early Montana.

I had the "expertise" to do so: He had the money to accomplish

his mission. But after this incident I learned about

that jealousy was a big factor in

I tried to convince Mr Bitz the gun was well worth retention, but he figured his Gunsmith knew more than any Military Man.

I took the gun back, as Henry had never paid for it, neither had I paid Mr Thompson.

I called Mr Thompson and we agreed to a cash price of \$200.00 which I immediately sent via Money Order, as I

Mr Bitz and I remained friends, under Mr Bitz's terms

But I became a Collector of Browning original Single Rifle as well as deciding to run down all of the Win. Model 1885's and its varied Calibers:

Serial number 80736 has a traceable history:  
This is just the beginning:

Lewis E. Yearout

Collectors Guns

Winchester Parts

ROBERT THOMPSON  
844 14th Ave. So.  
Clinton, Iowa

ORDER NO. \_\_\_\_\_

DATE

1/24/1964

SOLD TO

Lew Gearout

ADDRESS

4005 4th Ave. No.

SHIP TO

Great Falls, Montana

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

SALESMAN

SHIP VIA

WHEN

TERMS

F. O. B.

Parcel Post

1/25/64

Open

1 M45 Winchester Rifle, Deluxe

Cal 30/40 #43273

\$125.00

1 Sear

Prepaid  
Paid in full  
2/1/64  
RV T

7.95

132.95

I took the liberty of  
holding up payment on the \$7.95  
until the Rifle arrived —  
to pay your bill all  
at one time

Hoping this is within  
your approval,  
Thanks,

PURCHASED BY

Lew

JAN 31 1964

ROBERT THOMPSON  
844 14th AVE. SO.  
CLINTON, IOWA

ORDER NO. 2/18/63

DATE 2/23/19 63

SOLD TO Lew Jearout

ADDRESS 4005 4th Ave. N.

SHIP TO Great Falls, Montana

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

SALESMAN

SHIP VIA

WHEN

TERMS

F. O. B.

Parcel Post

2/23/63

Open

1	Lo-wall fence, rd. #1 bbl	\$ 4 25
1	Lo-wall bbl, 22 RF, 2d	6 95
1	Lo-wall buttstock w/plate	14 00
1	pr. M76 Toggle Links	9 90
		<u>\$ 35 10</u>
	<u>Postage in bbl</u>	<u>\$ 50</u>
		<u>\$ 35 60</u>

PURCHASED BY



Collectors Guns

Winchester Parts

ROBERT THOMPSON  
844 14th Ave. So.  
Clinton, Iowa

ORDER NO. \_\_\_\_\_

DATE 3/30 / 1964

SOLD TO

Lew Yearout

ADDRESS

4005 4th Ave. No.

SHIP TO

Great Falls, Montana

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

SALESMAN

SHIP VIA

WHEN

TERMS

F. O. B.

1 TM-3 Win Tool- 32 Long \$7.95

Post & Insur. 74  
\$8.69

Received Money Order 4/10/64 8.69

Paid In Full

M.O. # A05-2458 #869

oid  
R.V. J  
4/10/64

PURCHASED BY \_\_\_\_\_



Collectors Guns

Winchester Parts

ROBERT THOMPSON  
844 14th Ave. So.  
Clinton, Iowa

ORDER NO. \_\_\_\_\_

SOLD TO

*Low Yearout*

DATE

*4/10/64*

ADDRESS

*4005 4th Ave. No.*

SHIP TO

*Great Falls, Montana*

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

SALESMAN

SHIP VIA

WHEN

TERMS

F. O. B.

1

*Winchester High Wall Single  
Shot Rifle, Cal. 219 Zippo  
#80736*

*(Elgreen Prepaid 2/18/64)*

*\$200.00*

*Received by Money Order*

*200.00*

*Paid In Full*

*M.O. # A052456 \$100.00*

*M.O. # A052457 100.00*

*~~\$200.00~~*

PURCHASED BY \_\_\_\_\_





Always Enter Name of Originating Express Company

Prefix Letters

Delivery Sheet Number

To Destination Office

Consignee

Street Address or Non-Agency Destination

(Block Number)

Name of Forwarding Office

(Group Letter)

Place

Article

Shipper

Before Street Address

CONSIGNEE'S RECEIPT  
FOR CHARGES

Received payment by RAILWAY EXPRESS AGENCY inc. for charges  
Amount entered hereon

Received for Express Company

THANK YOU—We appreciate your patronage

Date Shipped in this space.

When shown, enter N. S. meaning Not Shown.

If delivery sheet number is  
not shown, enter "over" in  
space for Delivery Sheet No.

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Class

Paid in Part

Scale or Rate

Priced by

Date Delivered

Hour

A.M.

P.M.

(Form 13)

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Refrigeration Charges

Other Charges

Storage

C. O. D.

C. O. D. Service Charge

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# MONEY ORDER RECEIPT

Buttrey

FOODS, INC.

No. A 052458

19 64

PAYEE

Robert Thompson

THE CUSTOMER PROCURING THE PERSONAL MONEY ORDER FORM, CORRESPONDING IN NUMBER AND AMOUNT TO THAT SHOWN HEREON, AGREES TO INSERT IMMEDIATELY THEREON IN INK, THE DATE, PAYEE, HIS SIGNATURE AND ADDRESS AND ASSUMES RESPONSIBILITY FOR ALL EVENTS MADE POSSIBLE BY HIS FAILURE TO DO SO. WHEN SO COMPLETED, CUSTOMER IS INSURED AGAINST LOSS, NOT EXCEEDING THE AMOUNT OF THE PERSONAL MONEY ORDER, CAUSED BY ANY ALTERATION THEREOF, OR FORGERY OF PAYEE ENDORSEMENT.

BUTTREY \$8.69

NON NEGOTIABLE

4005-411 Ave No. 1  
RETAIN THIS COPY AS YOUR RECEIPT OF PAYMENT

Lewis E. Yearwood

# MONEY ORDER RECEIPT

Buttrey

FOODS, INC.

April

PAYEE

Robert Thompson

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BUTTREY \$100

NON NEGOTIABLE

4605-4<sup>th</sup> Ave North  
RETAIN THIS COPY AS YOUR RECEIPT OF PAYM

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Buttrey

FOODS, INC.

Apr. 1

PAYEE

Robert Thompson

BUTTREY \$100

NON NEGOTIABLE

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4065-4111 Apr. No. 1h  
RETAIN THIS COPY AS YOUR RECEIPT OF PAYME

Price 210.<sup>00</sup>

Rifle

Overall Condition           

Winchester  
(Manufactured By)

S.S.  
(Model)

Hinell  
(type)

.219 Zipp  
(Caliber)

            
(Repeater or Single)

            
(Magazine & Type)

30  
(Barrel Length)

Rd #  
(Type Bar)

            
(Bore & Condition)

            
(Stock Length)

            
(Overall Length)

            
(Weight)

            
(Date of Manufacture)

            
(Type Front Sight)

            
(Type Rear Sight)

            
(Type Butt)

Finish originally shipped from Factory on Jan. 25, 1898 as a Cal. 40-62 - #3 Oct. barrel.

Barrel underneath marked B-41 for year of 1941

Remarks S.S. Trigger Pistol grip (checkered) with Win logo  
blocks. Barrel orig. Wm & Wm. proofed beside rec- scope block. Coil Spring action repe  
Factory retinche

Robert Thompson  
(Bought From)  
844-14th Ave South  
Clinton, Iowa.

April 12-64 \$200.<sup>00</sup>

(Date)

(Price)

(Sold To)

(Date)

(Price)

Wm Stapp added 200.<sup>00</sup>  
& Mts. -  
400.<sup>00</sup>

Lower Tang stamped 71 on

Single Adjustable set trigger

Barrel not slotted for either front or rear barrel sights

Hard rubber shots in type. Butt plate inset in stock on top.

Stock pistol grip with mixer head rubber cap.

Check down wrist and forearm.

Proof marked on left side below the forearm Scope Block

Also Proof marked on top of action.

With V.M. ~~100~~ B-5 Scope (Crosshair)