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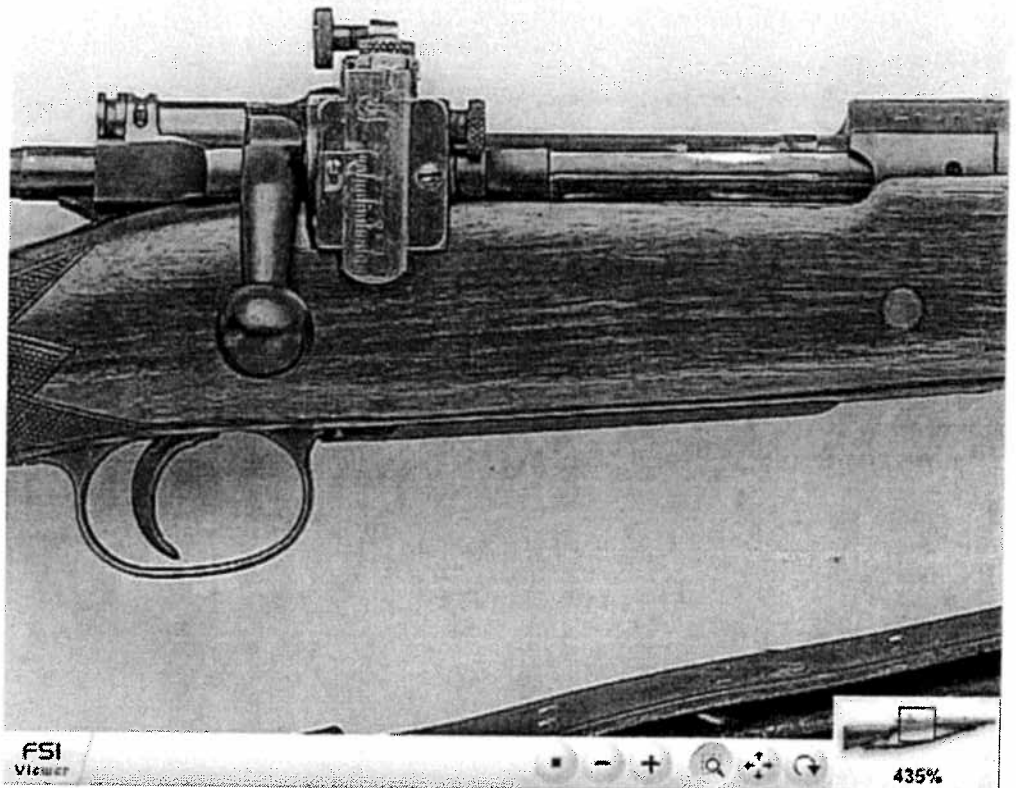
**Sale 13315 - Antique Arms & Armor**  
**220 San Bruno Avenue, San Francisco 6 Dec 2005 at 10:00**

**Lot No: 2565<sup>6</sup>**

A very rare 30/06 Winchester Sniper Rifle  
 Type No. 2 Springfield bolt action rifle.  
 Serial no. 1249404. 30/06. Heavy 26  
 inch barrel marked 183855, MNS, VP (in  
 an oval), 17? 35, 22 on underside. Barrel  
 with target blocks. Side of barrel marked:  
 30 Gov't 06. Raised front sight on barrel  
 band. Springfield bolt action marked U.S.  
 Springfield Armory Model 1903.  
 1249404. with Lyman 48 aperture sight.  
 Finely checkered pistolgrip stock of  
 straight grain walnut. Recoil bolt.  
 Schnabel fore-end tip. Cheekpiece.  
 Smooth hard rubber gripcap. Later  
 Pachmayr Presentation recoil pad. Period  
 target sling.

*Condition: Excellent. Barrel and actions  
 showing 98 percent bluing. Bolt showing  
 80-90 percent bluing with wear on  
 extractor. Excellent bore. Stock shows  
 handling marks and extensive raised  
 grain. Leather sling shows age with dried  
 oils.*

Data: Diameter of barrel at muzzle:  
 0.877 inches. Diameter of barrel at  
 breech: 1.25 inches. Pull: 13 1/4 inches.  
 Weight: 12 pounds.  
 See illustration.



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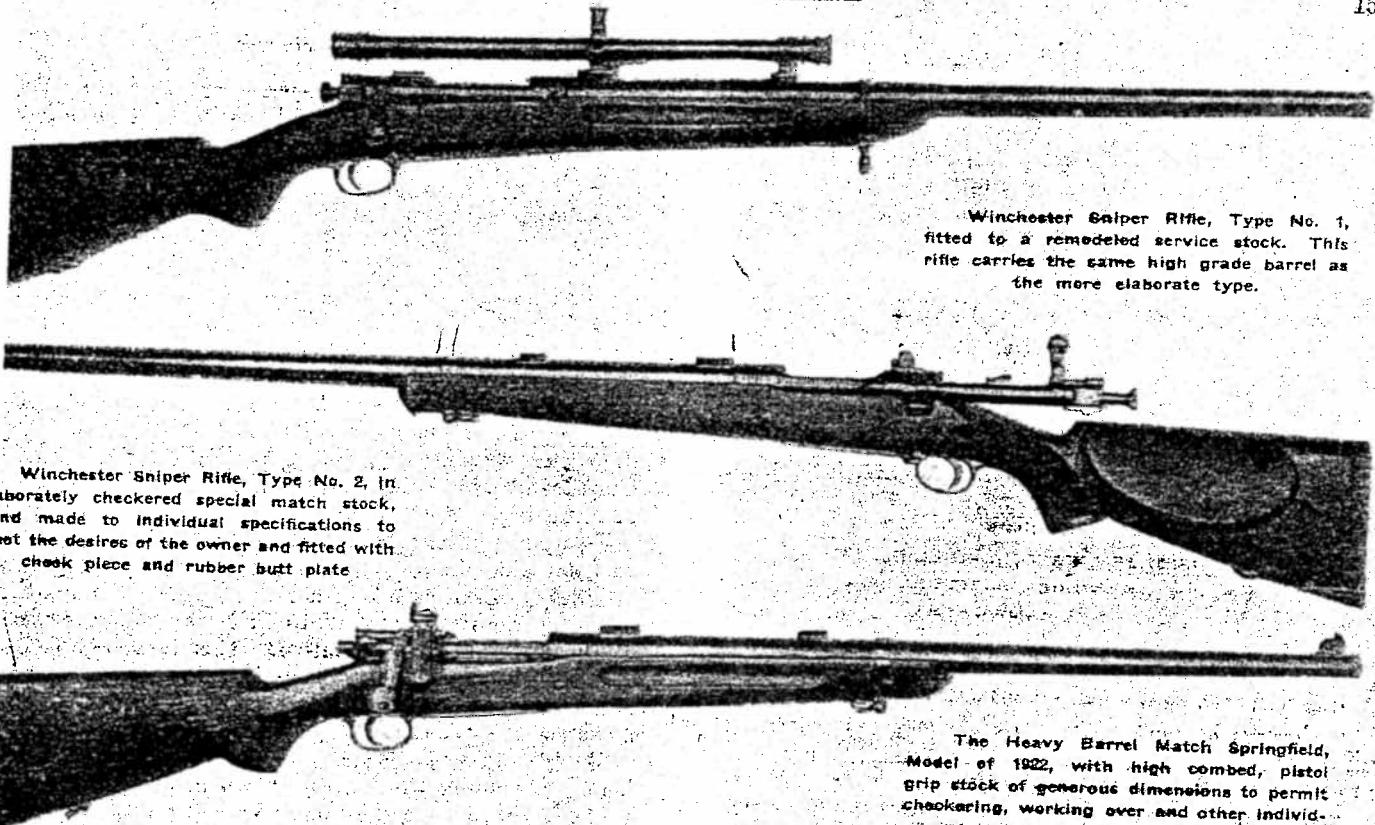
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Winchester Sniper Rifle, Type No. 1, fitted to a remodeled service stock. This rifle carries the same high grade barrel as the more elaborate type.

Winchester Sniper Rifle, Type No. 2, in elaborately checkered special match stock, and made to individual specifications to suit the desires of the owner and fitted with cheek piece and rubber butt plate.

The Heavy Barrel Match Springfield, Model of 1922, with high combed, pistol grip stock of generous dimensions to permit checkering, working over and other individual requirements.

It of the experiments to the end of de-  
ging snipers' rifles was seen for the  
time in open competition at Caldwell  
1919. One of the heavy barreled weapons  
brought to the National Matches that  
by Captain W. H. Richard of New  
en who had shown an intense interest  
he development of arms of this class  
le he was serving at the Camp Perry  
ll Arms Firing School. Several of the  
er-known shots used Captain Richards'  
essure Barrel," as the rifle was called,  
none of the big events that year were  
with it, the shooters apparently over-  
ing the fact that a sudden change can  
be made from a light barrel to a heavy  
without the essential of getting used  
he new weight rifle. In 1920 and in 1921, Infantry,  
ine Corps and civilian shots at the Na-  
al Matches fired the pressure barrels  
1 enough consistent success to create a  
and for a rifle equipped not merely with  
ressure barrel but with a heavy barrel  
ie in every way to measure up to the  
best standards of craftsmanship while  
essing the extreme weight of the pres-  
e tube.

Meanwhile, Springfield Arsenal on the  
hand and the Winchester Company on  
other were not insensible to the grow-  
demand for heavy barreled rifles for  
in certain of the long-range competi-  
s. Strangely enough, weapons of both  
es materialized about the same time and  
now available.

The heavy-barreled Springfield Match  
e shows many radical departures from  
familiar lines of the service rifle. It is

type, and in spite of the bulk of barrel  
metal is well proportioned.

The Match Springfield measures 44 inches  
over all, nearly two inches longer than the  
service rifle, the difference lying in the  
longer butt stock, which is high of comb,  
fitted with pistol grip, and like other late  
special products of Springfield, is generally  
oversize in all dimensions to permit the  
individual to suit it to his own require-  
ments.

The details of the new Match Spring-  
field, Model of 1922, are:

*The Stock.*—Length over all 31½ inches.  
From the center of butt plate to trigger,  
13½ inches. High comb carried practi-  
cally straight back to heel. Drop at comb  
1½ inches, heel 2¼ inches. Forestock  
smooth and extra full, but neither beaver-  
tail nor pear-shaped, permitting of check-  
ing. Without upper hand guard. Pistol  
grip of approved design placed so that the  
grip point falls about 3¾ inches behind  
the trigger. The stock is fitted with a  
special butt plate with a new type of  
checkering and with no trap. The butt  
plate has a curved face and straight back,  
so that if the stock is too long the rifleman  
has only to remove the butt plate, make a  
straight cut, and replace the plate, thereby  
fitting the stock to his individual need, with  
small trouble and no expense. The front  
sling swivel is placed 29 inches from the  
center of the butt plate and is so mounted  
that to diminish this measurement is a  
simple matter easily accomplished. As the  
stock is turned out all measurements are  
slightly over the average, but it is expected  
that they will fit about 60 per cent of the

shooters purchasing the rifle without altera-  
tion.

*The Sights.*—Front sight, as issued on  
the service rifle; rear sight, special Lyman  
N. R. A. No. 48-B, short staff, regularly  
equipped with disc and with wind scale  
forward on front of receiver bridge, where  
it is readily visible at all times and can be  
adjusted without disturbing the disc. The  
sight clicks for windage and elevation.

*The Barrel.*—Over all length full 24  
inches, straight taper 1¼ inches at re-  
ceiver, ¾ inch at muzzle, specially cham-  
bered to the government specifications.

*Breech Mechanism.*—The regular service  
receiver, bolt and trigger, the receiver  
being of the new-treated variety.

The new Winchester Sniper rifle, the  
manufacturers have announced, will be pro-  
duced in two types, it being possible to fit  
the barrel to any Springfield action. Type  
No. 1 is to be fitted to any remodeled serv-  
ice stock. Type No. 2 calls for a stock  
hand made and fitted to the purchaser's  
requirements.

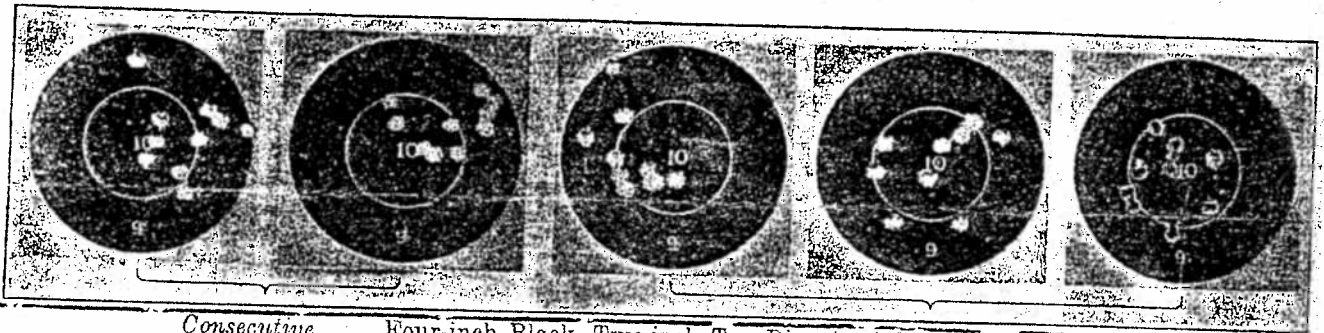
The new Winchester rifle weighs com-  
plete about 11 pounds, but the weight is  
well distributed, and will not be found un-  
comfortable in any shooting position.

The barrel which is the chief feature dis-  
tinguishing the new Sniper type rifle from  
previous patterns of match rifles, is of  
finely finished nickel steel made to govern-  
ment standards in bore and groove meas-  
urements. Its length over all is 26 inches;  
its diameter at the receiver end is 1¼  
inches and at the muzzle ¾ of an inch with  
a straight taper from receiver to muzzle.  
Telescope sight bases are part of the regu-  
lar equipment of the barrel.

# A New Sniper's Rifle

## A heavy-barrel, super-accurate, long or short range target rifle for the .30 U. S. Government cartridge

This is the rifle you read about in August 15th number of ARMS AND THE MAN.



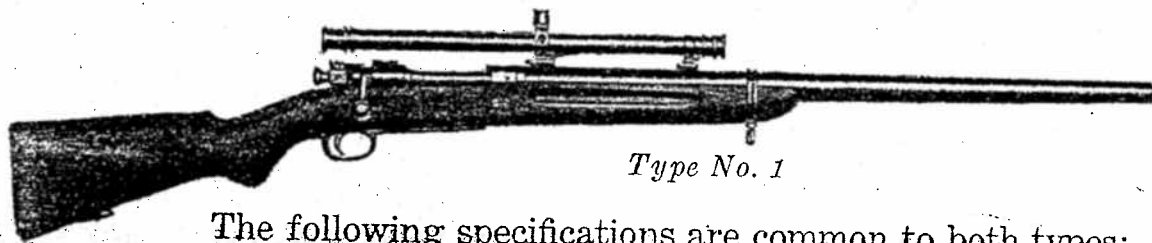
Consecutive Made with Type No. 1

Four-inch Black, Two-inch Ten Ring

Consecutive Made with Type No. 2

At 200 Yards

Muzzle and Elbow Rest: Small Bore, N. R. A. 100-yd Targets

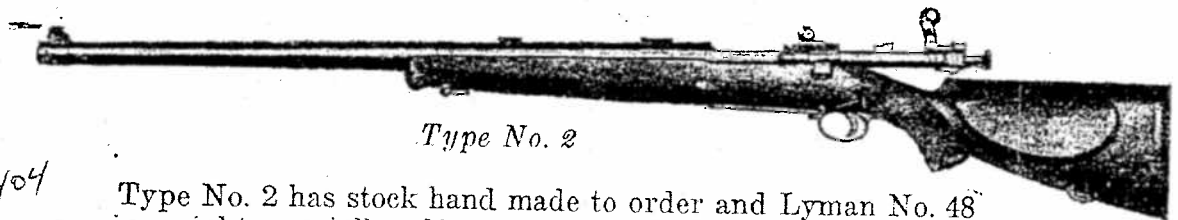


Type No. 1

The following specifications are common to both types:

Winchester 26-inch nickel steel barrel made to Government standard in groove and bore measurements and with Winchester quality finish.

Diameter at receiver end 1 1/8-inch, diameter at muzzle end 7/8-inch. Springfield action. Thoroughly tested for accuracy. Service stock with fitted pistol grip. Plain service rifle trimmings. Barrel based for Winchester A-5 telescope sight.



Type No. 2

# 1249404

Type No. 2 has stock hand made to order and Lyman No. 48 receiver sight, specially adjusted front sight stud and sight.

Prices and Complete Specifications upon Application to

Shooting Promotion Division

# WINCHESTER REPEATING ARMS COMPANY

NEW HAVEN, CONN.

Aug. 15, 1912 pg. 14

Lateral Displacement of Point of Impact, due to Canting of Rifle.

Range (Yards)	Bullseye (Inches)	Depth of Deflection (Minutes)	Drop of Bullet (Inches)	Lateral Displacement															
				15'	30'	45'	1°	1°15'	1°30'	1°45'	2°	2°15'	2°30'	2°45'	3°	4°	5°	6°	
30 Calibre -- Model 1906 Ammunition																			
100	8	2.40	2.513	.0	.0	.0	.0	.1	.1	.1	.1	.1	.1	.2	.2	.3	.4		
200		5.18	10.248	.0	.1	.1	.2	.2	.3	.3	.4	.4	.5	.5	.8	.9	1.1	1.2	
300		8.26	25.949	.1	.2	.3	.4	.6	.7	.8	.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.8	2.3	2.7	
400		11.83	49.553	.2	.4	.6	.9	1.1	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.9	2.2	2.4	2.6	3.5	4.3	5.1	
500	20	15.90	83.252	.4	.7	1.1	1.4	1.8	2.2	2.5	2.9	3.3	3.6	4.0	4.4	5.8	7.3	8.7	
600		20.48	129.436	.6	1.1	1.7	2.3	2.8	3.4	4.0	4.5	5.1	5.7	6.2	6.8	9.1	11.3	13.5	
700		26.35	191.689	.8	1.7	2.4	3.3	4.2	5.0	5.8	6.7	7.5	8.4	9.2	10.0	13.4	16.7	20.0	
800		32.50	272.278	1.2	2.4	3.6	4.7	5.9	7.1	8.3	9.5	10.7	11.9	13.1	14.2	19.0	23.7	28.4	
900	36	39.24	375.672	1.6	3.3	4.9	6.6	8.2	9.8	11.5	13.1	14.7	16.4	18.0	19.7	26.2	32.7	39.2	
1000		48.30	505.997	2.2	4.4	6.6	8.8	11.0	13.2	15.4	17.7	19.9	22.1	24.3	26.5	35.3	44.1	52.8	
1100		57.80	665.109	2.7	5.8	8.7	11.6	14.5	17.4	20.3	23.2	26.1	29.0	31.9	34.8	44.4	54.0	63.6	
1200		68.55	841.426	3.5	7.5	11.3	15.0	18.8	22.5	26.3	30.0	33.8	37.6	41.3	45.1	60.1	75.1	90.1	
1300	40	80.35	1095.852	4.5	9.5	14.3	19.1	23.9	28.6	33.4	38.2	43.0	47.7	52.5	57.2	76.3	95.3	114.3	
1400		93.25	1367.119	6.0	11.9	17.9	23.9	29.8	35.8	41.8	47.7	53.7	59.6	65.6	76.5	95.4	114.1	142.1	
1500		107.26	1694.840	7.5	14.7	22.0	29.4	36.8	44.1	51.5	58.8	66.2	73.5	80.8	88.2	117.5	146.8	176.1	
25		7.2	3.00	.785	.00	.01	.01	.01	.02	.02	.02	.03	.03	.03	.04	.04	.05	.07	.08
50	4.00		3.142	.01	.03	.04	.05	.07	.08	.10	.11	.12	.14	.15	.16	.22	.27	.33	
100	14.75		15.446	.07	.13	.20	.27	.34	.40	.47	.54	.61	.67	.74	.81	1.08	1.35	1.61	
200	33.26		49.638	.30	.61	.91	1.21	1.52	1.82	2.13	2.43	2.73	3.04	3.34	3.64	4.86	6.07	7.28	
200	7.2	33.26	49.638	.30	.61	.91	1.21	1.52	1.82	2.13	2.43	2.73	3.04	3.34	3.64	4.86	6.07	7.28	
200		33.26	49.638	.30	.61	.91	1.21	1.52	1.82	2.13	2.43	2.73	3.04	3.34	3.64	4.86	6.07	7.28	

Note. The assumption is made that standard 30 calibre ammunition will give average groups measured 2 inches times the hundreds of yards in the range. The heavy lines drawn through the tabulation indicate danger points beyond which an increase of cant, plus half the average group, may put the shot outside the bullseye. Blackfaced numerals indicate displacements sufficient to put the shot off the target.

(This table is used in connection with Part I.)

sulting from canting is a negligible factor at all ranges. Lateral displacement, with low trajectory ammunition, is of little moment at short range. At the mid-ranges it begins to count. On the suggested new reduced bull's-eyes, at long range it will hereafter take heavy toll unless suitable means are taken to confine canting to angles so small that few men will be able to determine them with iron sights and the unaided eye.

Two methods are open. The long range rifleman, either the target shooter or the sniper, can find his remedy in a good telescope sight, which is the natural adjunct of the ultra-precise ammunition and rifles of the pressure-barrel type. Or, if he prefers metallic sights, he should turn back to the practice of the eighties, and use a front sight containing a spirit level.

Rifemen can undoubtedly train themselves to make smaller average errors in canting, just as they drill themselves in other features of holding. Measurement of the average errors at different periods would show the progress made. It is largely a matter of training the eye. But the eye alone probably cannot give the pre-

# New Heavy Barreled Rifles Available

By STEPHEN TRASK

LONG range rifemen who have always favored heavy-barreled, muzzle-steady weapons, starting the bullet on its flight with the minimum of interference from vibration, now have a choice of two super accurate rifles of sniper type. One from the government shops at Springfield and the other the product of the Winchester Company, each embodies a slightly different development of the same basic idea—the designing of a strictly sniping weapon for use in France; either arm possesses a degree of accuracy commensurate with the holding and doping skill of the best shots; therefore a choice between them will be in most instances one purely of individual preference.

For the sake of easy comparison, the following are the general specifications of the new rifles:

Calibre.....	30	Win. Sn.
Action.....	Springfield	Sprig
Length Overall.....	44"	Depend
Barrel.....	24	speci
Stock.....	New p.g.	dim
Sights.....	Lyman 48B and blade	As re

The two new super-rifles had their genesis in the dark days of the War, when the combined intelligence of the best riflemen of the Nation, in the light of their own long experience and with the aid of the best sniper rifles of other nations for comparison and comparison, undertook the task of designing a weapon for our forces.

Long before the Armistice was signed, a general type of sniper rifle was practically agreed upon, but before any definite plan to put these rifles in production was worked out, the end of the war put a stop to the immediate development of these arms.



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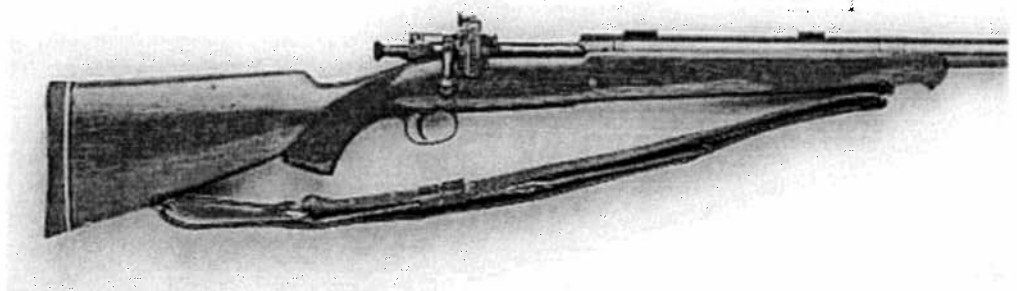
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Estimate: \$8,000 to 12,000

Sold for \$7,000 plus Premium and tax

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In 1922 the Winchester firm produced a limited number of heavy-barrel target rifles with Winchester barrels on the Springfield 1903 action. I have enclosed a xerox of a page from Arms And The Man Magazine which illustrates and describes the two types that were available.

During this same period Winchester sold target-weight barrels for the Model 1903 Springfield rifle.

If your rifle is identical to one of those illustrated in the ad, you could be certain that it is a very desirable piece and would be in demand by advanced collectors of Springfield rifles.

Please note that these rifles were made for commercial sale and not for "issue" in the military sense. I doubt that very many were made as Springfield Armory began to offer heavy-barrel target rifles at about the same time and continued to do so into the 1930s.

Sincerely,



M. D. Waite  
Technical Editor  
THE AMERICAN RIFLEMAN

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Enclosure



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I am sorry to be unable to give you any information on the target rifle that you inquired about.

The copy of the letter you enclosed was very interesting and I will keep it in our files, as we have no information whatsoever, concerning it.

Sincerely,

*T. E. Hall*

T. E. Hall, Curator

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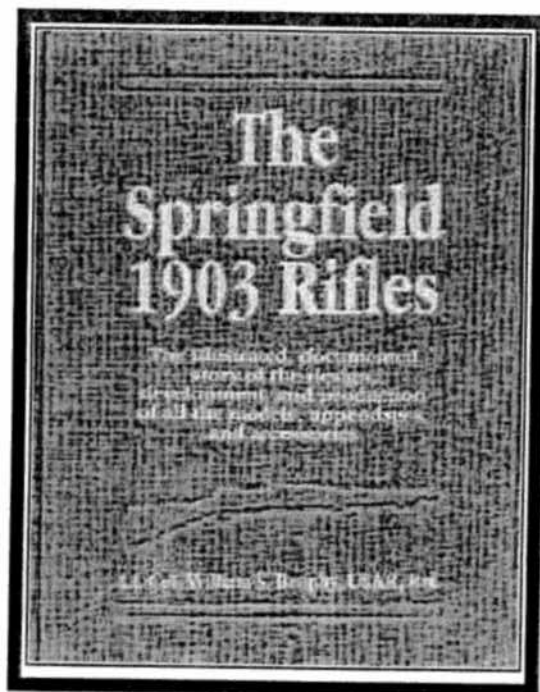


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MODELS, APPENDAGES, AND ACCESSORIES**

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