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"The Editor's Hour"

Over the last few months we have been hearing rumors that Winchester is going to drop their component business. It is hard to find where the rumors begin but it is obvious that every rumor grows with additional discussions. I felt that this rumor needed company clarification. Here it is.

Mr. Ed Matunas, Manager of component sales informs me that they are dropping component bullets (BULLETS) due to insufficient volume. They will continue to sell brass, shot shell wads, canister powder and primers of all types. We hope that this settles this little rumor.

Comments keep arriving on the suggestion to add the Heavy Bench rifle to the 3 Gun Aggregate in place of the one 10-1/2 pound class. Here are some from one shooter who is not happy.

I just finished building a Heavy Bench rifle for a customer. It weighs 30 pounds. I do not feel that my legs can take carrying this thing around at a match. I am sure that there are others who feel the same and have similar problems.

In looking over the present match schedule I find 7 H.B. matches listed. Two are in Canada and out of the question. Two more are 5 shot events and not worth the effort. (Amen.) I would shoot the 10 shot events with my H.V. One is rumored to be cancelled so that leaves me only 2 matches. That is not enough to justify building the rifle. If I did build one it would weigh about 20 pounds and be a bag rifle.

There is only one Sporter match listed; the IBS Championship, so we don't need that class right now. Why not raise the bore diameter to 25 caliber? All we would need would be a new barrel. It would also create the need for good bullets in this caliber. The need would

create the demand and Americans have a funny way of meeting demands.

During this past winter the Dunham's Bay club has lost two of its fine shooters. Mr. Glenn Morrison passed away in the early winter and George Jackson died on April 14. Both were very eager participants and were a pleasure to be around. They will both be missed by all who knew them. Our sympathy is extended to their families.

Cover Story

Photo by Allen Bench

Our cover this month reflects a rather unusual rifle for the Sporter class. The action is a Stolle Panda fitted to a McMillan 22 inch long 6 x 47 barrel. The barrel is fluted and the muzzle diameter is one inch.

The stock is a Burger pattern by Brown Precision. The scope is a Unertl BV 20 with an Oakley clamp. The rifle weight is 10 pounds 8 ounces. Looking like this how can it miss?

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