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Photograph taken with a Bronica-S and standard Nikkor 2.8 lens with Ektachrome X film at f.11 at 1/125 sec.

For more on varmint hunting, with comments on Winchester, Weatherby, Marlin and others, see "What Is the Right Varmint Rifle?" by Gene West, in this issue, pages 28-29.

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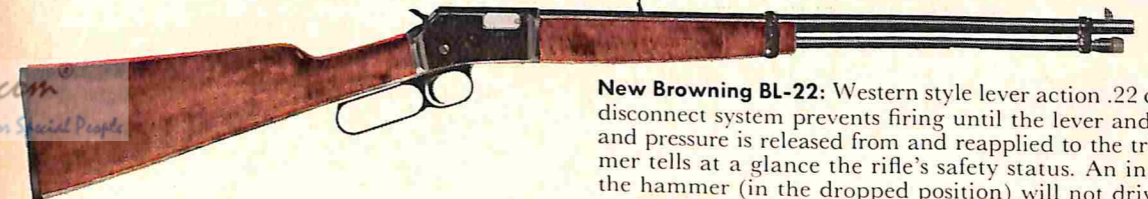
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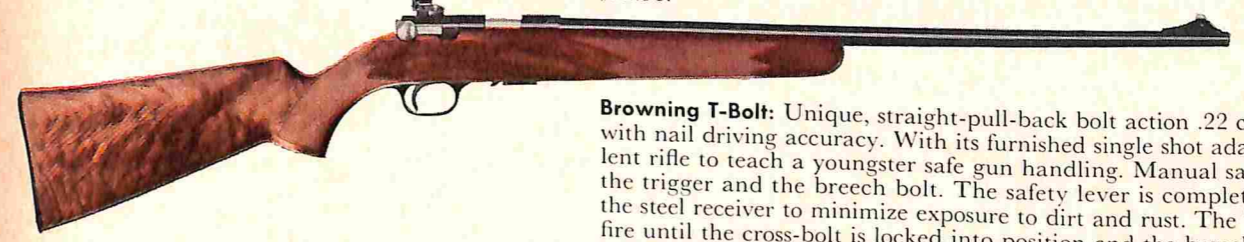


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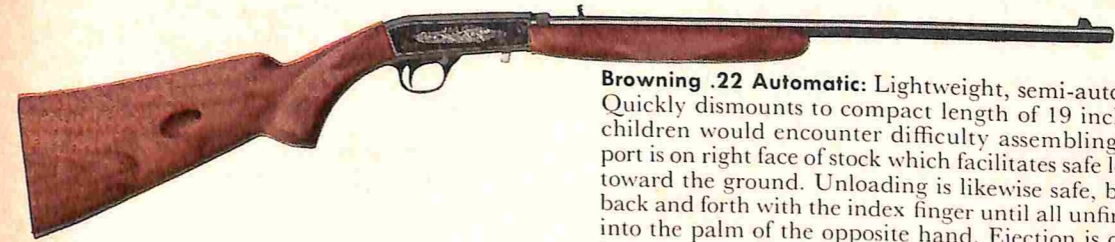
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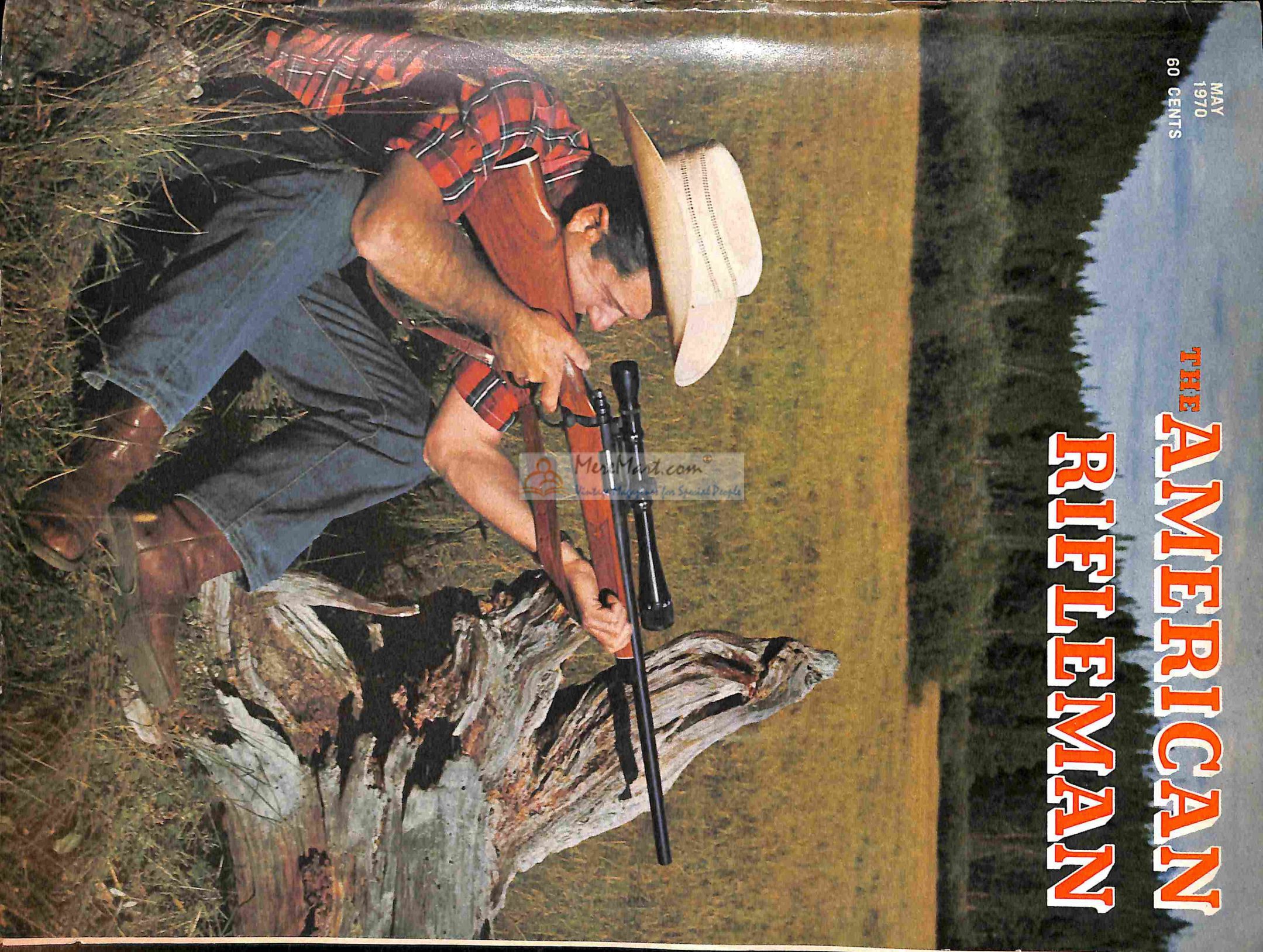
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