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Stanton L. Wormley

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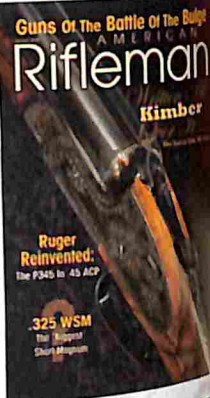
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THE COVER: The Kimber Valier is a remarkable gun—and it's what we expected in a Kimber double gun. A true sidelock, the new side-by-side replicates the looks and lines of a classic English game gun. Made in Turkey for Kimber, the Valier's metalwork is hand-polished, the stock is hand-checked and all the engraving is executed by hand as well. Shown on the cover is the 20-ga. Grade II Valier. For more on this new shotgun with "Kimber Written All Over It," turn to p. 48. Design by David J. Labrozzi. Photo by Hannele Lahti.

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