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This is a commercial version of the Third Model Colt Dragoon .44 cal. percussion revolver and one of the last Dragoon revolvers made during last Dragoon revolvers made during the late 1850's, judging from its high serial number. It has an 8" barrel and varnished walnut grips. Cylinder is marked "MODEL U.S.M.R.", and its frame "COLT'S PATENT", The accessories shown include the The accessories shown include the Colt powder flask, bullet mold, combination screwdriver and nipple wrench, and percussion caps. From collection of Lt. Col. B. R. Lewis, Transparency by Claude



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Dave Bushnell

Says: PERSONAL for

Outdoorsmen with Kids

One of the hardest blows a parent takes is when a son or daughter has no inclination to follow their lifelong hobbies and interests. A great outdoorsman I know has an only daughter. The problem plagued him. Here's how he solved it:

"Last summer," he writes, "I finally got daughter Jane out to Wyoming's Grand Tetons. Just turned 17, her idea of the outdoors was that when you see one mountain, you've seen 'em all. I knew she was going along just to please me.

"Hence, before we left, I bought Jane your 7X "All Purpose"-told her I'd show her sights she'd never imagined. I accidentally left my own Rangemaster at home, so when we joined a saddle trip out of Jackson Hole, we took turns with her new glass. With them I showed her a whole new world-Mere Mart virtually hidden to the naked eye: jeweled lakes, granite crags shining in the sun; little waterfalls where the spray makes a colorful rainbow; dozens of rare birds like the water ouzel perching with wings folded, teetering back and forth in his comic, peculiar way.

'Well, before long Jane was showing me the sights. I'll never forget her exclamation when she spotted a band of mountain sheep. With that 7x35 we could follow every caper ... every muscle as they scrambled over rocks, far above us.

"About that time the rest of the party wanted a look, too. One young chap seized the chance to get acquainted. That was the last time I had a turn with the binoculars.

"Day or two after we got home I found Jane studying a map. 'Dad'. she says, 'next year let's go up in the Canadian Rockies-some beautiful country up there. And (with one of her shy smiles) for heaven's sake, bring your own glasses!"

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