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## THE COVER

The flintlock pistols shown are the only surviving firearms of Thomas Jefferson, third President of the United States, a man whom some today might term a "gun nut" because of his enthusiasm for firearms. These English pistols unscrew (see lower) so powder and ball may be loaded directly into the chambers. They are 9 1/4" long and about .45 cal. Both were damaged, one badly. The NRA was instrumental in restoring them for their owner, the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation. (See p. 21-22. Also p. 17-20.) Background is an early woodcut of Monticello, Jefferson's mansion. Inset is Jefferson's portrait by Rembrandt Peale, now in the White House.

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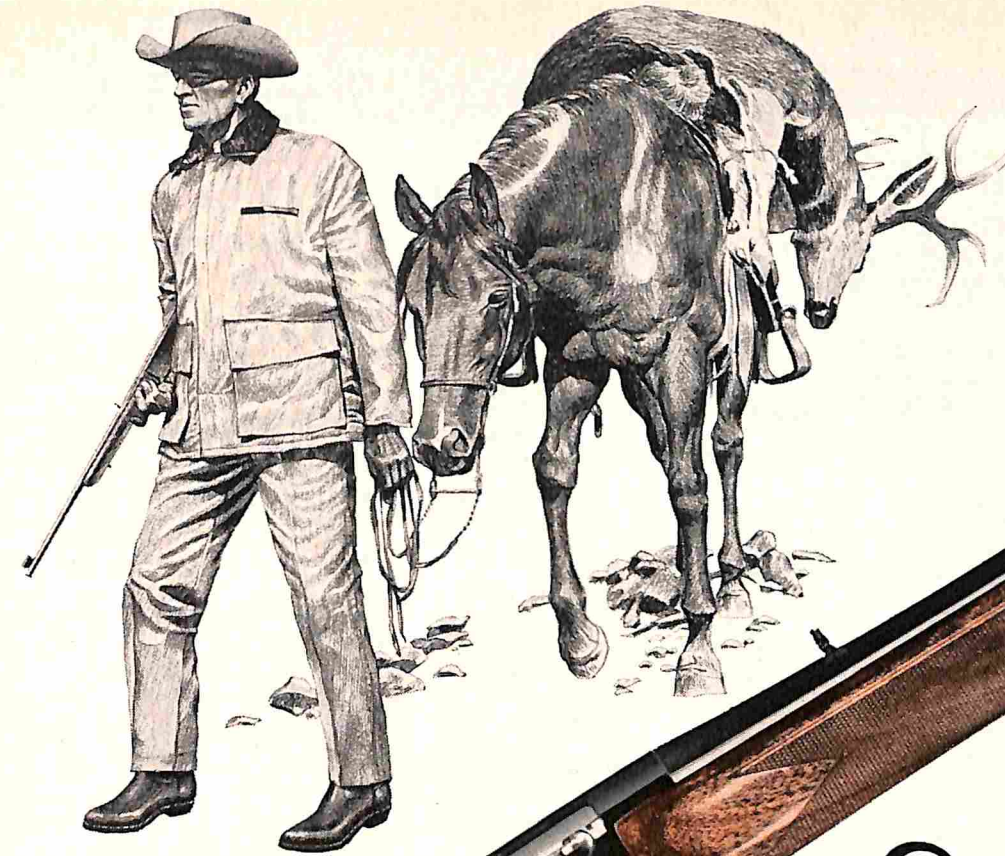
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