

3

DL 89-43
RPG/rms

2. The barrel has been cut off at the first "S" in the word "WESSON" on the barrel. The barrel is now 2½" long. According to information available in the Laboratory, a 5" barrel was standard length for the .38/200 British Service Revolver.
3. The front sight was mounted on the barrel at the muzzle.
4. The butt swivel hole has been plugged.
5. "CAL .38 SPECIAL" has been stamped on the left side of the frame (probably by converter).

On the basis of the English proof marks present on the barrel, cylinder and frame of K3, it is apparent that this weapon has been sent to England. The barrel also bears the stamping ".38" .767" 3½ TONS." There is nothing unusual about this weapon being sent to England since weapons of this type were produced for England and Canada during World War II (all weapons entering England must be proof tested and marked).

Although the Laboratory does not know who made the conversion of this weapon the following firms have been known to sell weapons of this type:

1. Dave's House of Guns, 2544 Elm Street,
Dallas, Texas
2. Vic's For Guns, Galveston, Texas

7/335