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**WARNING**

Care must be exercised to either have the pistol raised or pointed down range when loading.

Before firing, the firer must be sure that the bore of the pistol is free from any foreign matter. Firing a pistol with any obstruction in the bore will result in damage to the weapon and possible injury to personnel.

Before starting an inspection, be sure to clear the weapon. Do NOT actuate the trigger until the weapon has been cleared. Remove magazine, inspect the chamber to insure that it is empty and check to see that no ammunition is in position to be introduced.

Avoid skin contact with P-C-III. The compound should be washed off thoroughly with running water if it comes in contact with the skin. A good lanolin base cream, after exposure to the compound, is helpful. The use of rubber gloves and protective equipment is recommended.

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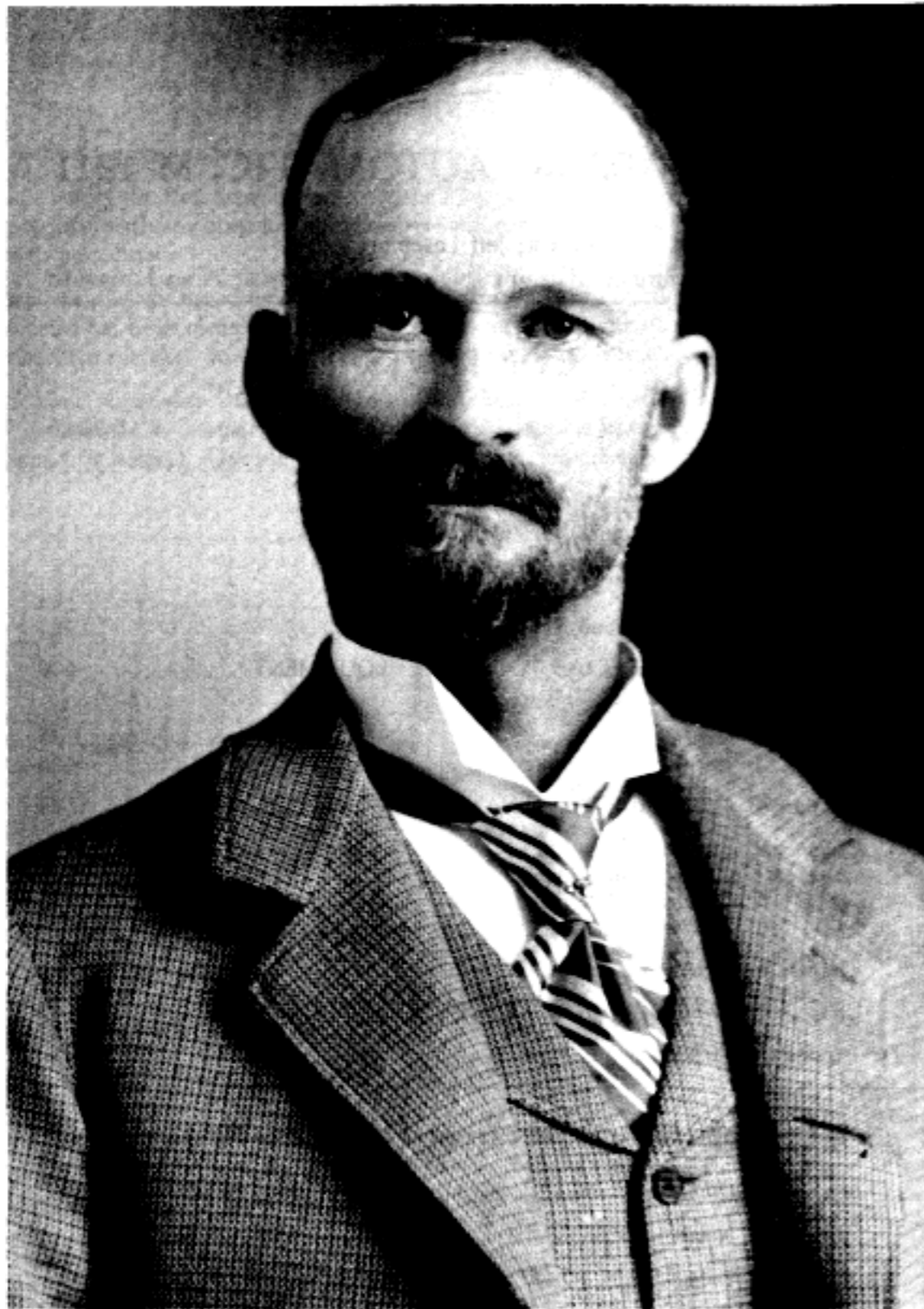


Figure 1. John M. Browning. Portrait taken in 1886. Union Station Museum, Ogden, Utah.

## PREFACE

This manual is the first offering in a series which we hope will be regarded as an improvement over the original Army publications and the reprints which have appeared through the years. There are several elements which have been brought together in this effort, and we have been fortunate to have had the encouragement and valuable assistance of a number of friends and associates. We must give special thanks to Mr. Mike Brubaker, Museum Co-ordinator of the Union Station Museum, in Ogden, Utah. Several of the photos in the introductory chapter came from the Browning arms collection in the museum. We are also indebted to Mr. Foye Tinsley III, master leather crafter, of Macon, Georgia, for his assistance in the restoration and conditioning of the leather goods shown in this and other manuals in this series. David and Mary Granger, who have a gun parts business in Tampa, Florida, provided many parts and tools, plus large quantities of patience and encouragement from their almost unlimited inventory of all of these items. Without the contributions of these people, this manual would have been far less than it is.

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