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DEVELOPMENT OF A COOL PROPELLANT  
FOR THE 5"/54 CALIBER GUN

8th Partial Report

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BALLISTIC TEST OF COOL PROPELLANTS  
EX-7016 - EX-7021 INCLUSIVE, EX-7038, AND  
EX-7048 - EX-7050 INCLUSIVE

FINAL Report

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PART A

SYNOPSIS

1. This is the eighth partial report on Task Assignment NPG-Re2d-61-1-53, the "Development of a Cool Propellant for the 5"/54 Caliber Gun", and the final report on "Ballistic Test of Cool Propellants EX-7016 - EX-7021 inclusive, EX-7038, and EX-7048 - EX-7050 inclusive".

2. From the results of the subject tests, it is concluded that:

a. None of the subject propellants tested in the 5"/54 caliber gun (Mk 18 or Mk 16) were satisfactory at 3000-3100 f/s velocity in the 22-24 tsi pressure range within the limitation of 3.5 PPD (Production Packing Depth).

b. Difficulty in establishing and maintaining optimum powder packing conditions was experienced due to the soft and fish-scale surface structures of EX-7016 through EX-7021. For the assessed charge of 20.75 lb. of EX-7020, an increase of 1.5 in PPD was obtained by graphiting the powder.

c. EX-7038 was unsatisfactory as a replacement for EX-6883.

d. Mono-perforated powders are readily ignitable and show possibilities for use at higher velocities and pressures in the 5"/54 caliber gun.

e. No appreciable differences in ballistics were obtained between the EX-23-1 and Mk 41-0 (60 lb.) projectiles.

Preliminary firings indicate that propellants with higher relative ignitability and larger percent nitrate nitrogen are more sensitive to basic ignition changes.

f. The pressure-time curves obtained with the subject propellants had steps occurring in the pressure-rise region and in general were rougher than those obtained with EX-6822 or EX-6883.

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## PART B

### INTRODUCTION

#### 1. AUTHORITY:

The tests reported herein were authorized by references (b), (c), and (d) and conducted under Task Assignment NPG-Re2d-61-1-53 as established by reference (a).

#### 2. REFERENCES:

- a. BUORD Conf ltr Re2d-CNB:aph Ser 42692 of 29 July 1952
- b. BUORD Conf ltr Re2d-CNB:aph Ser 44705 of 12 Sept 1952
- c. BUORD Conf ltr NP9 Re2d-ERD:jd Ser 47824 of 18 Nov 1952
- d. BUORD Conf ltr NP9 Re2d-ERD:dad Ser 48931 of 10 Dec 1952
- e. BUORD Conf ltr Re2d-ERD:aph Ser 47419 of 7 Nov 1952 to E. I. duPont Company
- f. NPG Conf Report No. 984 of 18 Aug 1952
- g. Description Sheets of Manufacture and Closed Bomb Data
- h. USNPF Conf Report No. 40 (NAVORD Report No. 3011) of 15 May 1952
- i. NPG Conf Report No. 873 of 17 Dec 1951

#### 3. BACKGROUND:

Reference (a) established the general task for the development of cool powders for the 5"/54 caliber gun. Reference (b) requested that EX-7016 through EX-7021 be fired for ballistic assessment in the 5"/54 caliber gun with the 60 lb. projectile in the 22-24 ton pressure range at a velocity of 3000 to 3100 f/s. Reference (b) described these propellants as cool picrite powders with a nominal flame temperature around 2350°K, prepared by duPont to determine the effect of variation in nitrate nitrogen content on ignition and gun ballistics. Reference (c) requested that EX-7038 be fired for charge determination in the 5"/54 caliber gun and described it as a 2350°K (nominal) picrite propellant for possible use as a replacement for EX-6883 in the continuation of the rapid fire-wear program as reported in reference (f). Reference (d) requested EX-7048, 7049 and 7050 (mono-perforated) be fired for ballistic assessment in the 5"/54 caliber gun. Reference (d) described these propellants as cool picrite powders prepared in accordance with reference (e). Reference (h) described the development of a method for the determination of the ignitability of propellants.

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4. OBJECT OF TEST:

- a. To determine whether EX-7016 to EX-7019 are ballistically suitable for the 5"/54 caliber gun using the 60 lb. projectile at a pressure of 22-24 tsi and velocity between 3000 and 3100 f/s.
- b. To determine the effect of increased nitrate nitrogen content on ignition and ballistics.
- c. To determine whether EX-7038 is a satisfactory replacement for EX-6883.
- d. To determine whether mono-perforated propellants (EX-7048-7049-7050) are suitable ballistically for the 5"/54 caliber gun.
- e. To determine if the subject propellants are ballistically satisfactory within a PPD (Production Packing Depth) of 3#5. (This value allows for manufacturing tolerances between different powder lots and is essential in the assembly of 5"/54 cone-crimped ammunition).

5. PERIOD OF TEST:

- a. Dates of Project Letters:
  - 29 July 1952
  - 12 Sep 1952
  - 7 Nov 1952
  - 18 Nov 1952
  - 10 Dec 1952
- b. Dates Material Received:
  - EX-7016 to 7019 inclusive 7 Aug 1952
  - EX-7038 14 Oct 1952
  - EX-7048-7049-7050 10 Dec 1952
- c. Date Commenced Test: 13 Dec 1952
- d. Date Test Completed: 2 Feb 1953

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PART CDETAILS OF TEST

## 6. DESCRIPTION OF ITEMS UNDER TEST:

Reference (g) gave in detail the powder description and closed bomb data. A summary of the data follows:

| <u>Actual Composition</u> | <u>EX-7016</u> | <u>EX-7017</u> | <u>EX-7018</u> |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Nitrocellulose (13.20%N)  | 20.42%         | 20.33%         | 20.58%         |
| Nitroglycerin #1          | 19.48          | 19.18          | 19.37          |
| Picrite                   | 50.51          | 51.12          | 50.49          |
| Centralite                | 1.71           | 1.54           | 1.55           |
| Dibutylphthalate          | 7.88           | 7.83           | 8.02           |
| Lead Carbonate (added)    | 0.93           | 0.84           | 0.94           |

| <u>Actual Composition</u> | <u>EX-7019</u> | <u>EX-7020</u> | <u>EX-7021</u> | <u>EX-6883</u> |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Nitrocellulose (13.20%N)  | 31.12          | 31.00          | 30.48          | 19.98          |
| Nitroglycerin #1          | 18.85          | 19.28          | 19.43          | 14.61          |
| Picrite                   | 39.41          | 39.64          | 39.58          | 58.40          |
| Centralite                | 2.00           | 1.56           | 2.01           | 1.47           |
| Dibutylphthalate          | 8.62           | 8.52           | 8.50           | 5.54           |
| Lead Carbonate (added)    | 0.98           | 0.92           | 1.00           | 1.01           |

| <u>Actual Composition</u> | <u>EX-7038</u> | <u>EX-7048</u> | <u>EX-7049</u> | <u>EX-7050</u> |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Nitrocellulose (13.20%N)  | 19.16          | 19.90          | 19.20          | 19.08          |
| Nitroglycerin #3          | 15.29(*)       | 15.36          | 14.69          | 14.42          |
| Picrite                   | 59.16          | 58.12          | 58.04          | 58.61          |
| Centralite                | 1.81           | 2.02           | 1.97           | 1.88           |
| Dibutylphthalate          | 4.58           | 4.60           | 4.94           | 4.76           |
| Lead Carbonate (added)    | 0.96           | 0.95           | 0.96           | 0.99           |

\* Nitroglycerin #1 with EX-7038

Reference (g) also gave the following information:

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| Sample  | Calc. Flame Temp. (°K) | Grain Dimensions |             |               | No. of Perfs. | RQ (%)   | RF (%)  | Nitrate Nitrogen (%) | Relative Ignitability (%) |
|---------|------------------------|------------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|--|---|----------------------|---------------------------|
|         |                        | Length (in.)     | Diam. (in.) | Av. Web (in.) |               |  |   |                      |                           |
| EX-7016 | 2334                   | 0.5460           | 0.2377      | 0.0422        | 7             | 95.7(a)<br>105.9(b)<br>82.8(a)<br>89.9(b)<br>72.1(a)<br>78.2(b)<br>103.5(a)<br>112.5(b)<br>86.0(a)<br>93.5(b)<br>72.9(a)<br>79.2(b)<br>88.5(a)<br>97.8(b)<br>90.8(c)<br>96.8(b)<br>91.4(c) | 97.8(a)<br>110.3(b)<br>98.9(a)<br>111.6(b)<br>98.0(a)<br>111.0(b)<br>99.3(a)<br>112.7(b)<br>98.2(a)<br>111.5(b)<br>97.3(a)<br>110.4(b)<br>98.2(a)<br>112.8(b)<br>95.9(c)<br>113.2(b)<br>97.0(c) | 6.42                 | 180                       |
| EX-7017 | 2348                   | 0.7150           | 0.2952      | 0.0512        | 7             | 82.8(a)<br>89.9(b)<br>72.1(a)<br>78.2(b)<br>103.5(a)<br>112.5(b)<br>86.0(a)<br>93.5(b)<br>72.9(a)<br>79.2(b)<br>88.5(a)<br>97.8(b)<br>90.8(c)<br>96.8(b)<br>91.4(c)                        | 98.9(a)<br>111.6(b)<br>98.0(a)<br>111.0(b)<br>99.3(a)<br>112.7(b)<br>98.2(a)<br>111.5(b)<br>97.3(a)<br>110.4(b)<br>98.2(a)<br>112.8(b)<br>95.9(c)<br>113.2(b)<br>97.0(c)                        | 6.42                 | 190                       |
| EX-7018 | 2356                   | 0.7400           | 0.3304      | 0.0596        | 7             | 72.1(a)<br>78.2(b)<br>103.5(a)<br>112.5(b)<br>86.0(a)<br>93.5(b)<br>72.9(a)<br>79.2(b)<br>88.5(a)<br>97.8(b)<br>90.8(c)<br>96.8(b)<br>91.4(c)  | 98.0(a)<br>111.0(b)<br>99.3(a)<br>112.7(b)<br>98.2(a)<br>111.5(b)<br>97.3(a)<br>110.4(b)<br>98.2(a)<br>112.8(b)<br>95.9(c)<br>113.2(b)<br>97.0(c)   | 6.42                 | 181                       |
| EX-7019 | 2381                   | 0.5490           | 0.2323      | 0.0415        | 7             | 103.5(a)<br>112.5(b)<br>86.0(a)<br>93.5(b)<br>72.9(a)<br>79.2(b)<br>88.5(a)<br>97.8(b)<br>90.8(c)<br>96.8(b)<br>91.4(c)  | 99.3(a)<br>112.7(b)<br>98.2(a)<br>111.5(b)<br>97.3(a)<br>110.4(b)<br>98.2(a)<br>112.8(b)<br>95.9(c)<br>113.2(b)<br>97.0(c)  | 7.56                 | 277                       |
| EX-7020 | 2387                   | 0.6613           | 0.3029      | 0.0510        | 7             | 86.0(a)<br>93.5(b)<br>72.9(a)<br>79.2(b)<br>88.5(a)<br>97.8(b)<br>90.8(c)<br>96.8(b)<br>91.4(c)  | 98.2(a)<br>111.5(b)<br>97.3(a)<br>110.4(b)<br>98.2(a)<br>112.8(b)<br>95.9(c)<br>113.2(b)<br>97.0(c)   | 7.56                 | 267                       |
| EX-7021 | 2332                   | 0.7490           | 0.3238      | 0.0589        | 7             | 79.2(b)<br>88.5(a)<br>97.8(b)<br>90.8(c)<br>96.8(b)<br>91.4(c)   | 110.4(b)<br>98.2(a)<br>112.8(b)<br>95.9(c)<br>113.2(b)<br>97.0(c)   | 7.56                 | 273                       |
| EX-7038 | 2455                   | 0.7220           | 0.2873      | 0.0504        | 7             | 97.8(b)<br>90.8(c)<br>96.8(b)<br>91.4(c)   | 112.8(b)<br>95.9(c)<br>113.2(b)<br>97.0(c)  |                      |                           |
| EX-7048 | 2456                   | 0.3709           | 0.1428      | 0.0626        | 1             | 102.9(d)<br>79.5(b)<br>75.0(c)   | 100.7(d)<br>111.1(b)<br>95.3(c)   |                      |                           |
| EX-7049 | 2387                   | 0.4270           | 0.1578      | 0.0705        | 1             | 84.4(d)<br>75.6(b)<br>71.5(c)  | 98.8(d)<br>110.8(b)<br>95.0(c)  |                      |                           |
| EX-7050 | 2393                   | 0.4605           | 0.1778      | 0.0773        | 1             | 80.4(d)  | 98.6(d)   |                      |                           |
| EX-6883 | 2378                   | 0.5750           | 0.2498      | 0.0457        | 7             | 108.2(b)   | 114.1(b)  | 5.03                 | 150                       |

(a) Based on EX-6833 as 100% at 90°F.  
 (b) Based on EX-6586 as 100% at 90°F.  
 (c) Based on EX-6882 as 100% at 90°F.  
 (d) Based on EX-7038 as 100% at 90°F.  
 (e) Based on Cordite N powder as 100%. (reference (h)).

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7. PROCEDURE:

a. The subject propellants were fired in either the Mk 16-0 or Mk 18-0 5"/54 caliber guns. Comparative firings were conducted with related powders listed in references (f) and (i). All tests were conducted with the 60 lb. projectile for 3000-3100 f/s velocity and 22-24 tsi pressure.

Muzzle velocities, maximum pressures (copper crusher), ejection times, and visual observations of flash and smoke were obtained. Pressure-time records were obtained on representative powders.

b. Tests were conducted to determine powder packing depth differences with graphited and non-graphited powder.

8. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION:

The results of the subject tests are given in detail in the Appendices and are summarized below:

a. Uniformity:

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Gun No.</u> | <u>Powder</u> | <u>PPD (in.)</u> | <u>Charge (lbs.)</u> | <u>Velocity (f/s)</u> | <u>Pressure (t.s.i.)</u> | <u>Ejec. Time (sec.)</u> | <u>No. of Rds.</u> |
|-------------|----------------|---------------|------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| 12-18-52    | 16076          | EX-6883       | 4.6              | 20.15                | 2971±2                | 20.0±0.1                 | 0.021±0.001              | 5                  |
| "           | "              | EX-7016       | 6.0              | 18.50                | 2850±0                | 21.5±0.3                 | 0.018±0.001              | 2                  |
| "           | "              | EX-7017       | 5.1              | 18.50                | 2689±4                | 14.3±0.2                 | 0.019±0.000              | 2                  |
| "           | "              | "             | 1.4              | 21.10                | 2954±1                | 18.4±0.2                 | 0.019±0.001              | 3                  |
| "           | "              | EX-7018       | 3.1              | 20.00                | 2637±8                | 12.9±0.3                 | 0.022±0.001              | 2                  |
| "           | "              | EX-7019       | 5.9              | 18.50                | 2930±3                | 26.6±0.4                 | 0.017±0.001              | 2                  |
| "           | "              | EX-7020       | 4.9              | 18.50                | 2757±4                | 15.8±0.2                 | 0.020±0.002              | 2                  |
| "           | "              | "             | 1.4              | 20.90                | 3004±6                | 20.2±0.1                 | 0.017±0.001              | 2                  |
| "           | "              | EX-7021       | 4.6              | 19.00                | 2579±9                | 12.4±0.1                 | 0.019±0.000              | 2                  |
| "           | "              | "             | 1.4              | 21.20                | 2809±4                | 15.2±0.1                 | 0.021±0.001              | 2                  |
| "           | "              | EX-7038       | 7.2              | 18.00                | 2659±2                | 14.2±0.1                 | 0.021±0.001              | 3                  |
| "           | "              | "             | 1.4              | 22.20                | 3070±4                | 20.7±0.3                 | 0.018±0.001              | 3                  |
| 12-19-52    | 14763          | EX-6883       | 4.6              | 20.15                | 2990±7                | 20.9±0.5                 | 0.019±0.000              | 5                  |
| "           | "              | EX-7020       | 4.9              | 18.50                | 2771±5                | 16.4±0.2                 | 0.018±0.001              | 3                  |
| "           | "              | "             | 1.6              | 20.75                | 3001±3                | 21.0±0.2                 | 0.017±0.001              | 5                  |
| "           | "              | EX-7038       | 7.2              | 18.00                | 2674±1                | 14.4±0.1                 | 0.021±0.001              | 3                  |
| "           | "              | "             | 1.4              | 22.20                | 3059±5                | 20.9±0.3                 | 0.018±0.001              | 5                  |
| "           | "              | Blend (a)     | 2.0              | 20.50                | 3007±7                | 21.8±0.3                 | 0.016±0.000              | 5                  |
| "           | "              | "             | 5.7              | 18.00                | 2759±2                | 16.8±0.1                 | 0.018±0.001              | 3                  |
| "           | "              | EX-7020(b)    | 3.1              | 20.75                | 2979±5                | 21.2±0.1                 | 0.017±0.001              | 3                  |

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| Date     | Gun No. | Powder     | PPD (in.) | Charge (lbs.) | Velocity (f/s) | Pressure (t.s.i.) | Ejec. Time (sec.) | No. of Rds. |
|----------|---------|------------|-----------|---------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| 12-19-52 | 14758   | EX-6883    | 4.6       | 20.15         | 2940±0         | 18.6±0.2          | 0.020±0.001       | 3           |
| "        | "       | EX-7020    | 1.6       | 20.75         | 2958±2         | 19.6±0.2          | 0.018±0.001       | 3           |
| "        | "       | EX-7038    | 2.3       | 21.50         | 2960±7         | 18.6±0.2          | 0.017±0.000       | 3           |
| "        | "       | Blend (a)  | 2.0       | 20.50         | 2975±4         | 21.6±0.3          | 0.017±0.001       | 3           |
| "        | "       | EX-7050    | 7.8       | 18.65         | 2644±1         | 21.4±0.3          | 0.017±0.001       | 3           |
| "        | "       | EX-7020(b) | 3.1       | 20.75         | 2959±3         | 21.3±0.7          | 0.017±0.000       | 3           |
| 1-2-53   | 16077   | EX-7038    | 6.7       | 18.50         | 2725±2         | 15.1±0.0          | 0.019±0.001       | 2           |
| "        | "       | "          | 3.0       | 21.00         | 2966±4         | 18.5±0.3          | 0.018±0.001       | 4           |
| "        | "       | " (c)      | 3.0       | 21.00         | 2960±10        | 17.8±0.4          | 0.020±0.002       | 5           |
| "        | "       | EX-6822    | 7.3       | 18.50         | 2822±4         | 17.5±0.4          | 0.022±0.002       | 3           |
| "        | "       | "          | 3.5       | 21.30         | 3076±5         | 22.0±0.2          | 0.019±0.001       | 5           |
| "        | "       | " (c)      | 3.5       | 21.30         | 3076±7         | 21.8±0.3          | 0.019±0.002       | 5           |
| "        | "       | EX-6883    | 6.9       | 18.50         | 2826±6         | 17.2±0.2          | 0.020±0.000       | 3           |
| "        | "       | "          | 3.0       | 21.30         | 3099±3         | 21.7±0.5          | 0.019±0.001       | 5           |
| "        | "       | " (c)      | 3.0       | 21.30         | 3102±2         | 21.9±0.3          | 0.019±0.001       | 5           |
| 1-22-53  | 14763   | EX-7019(d) | 8.1       | 17.00         | 2782±3         | 24.1±0.2          | 0.019±0.001       | 2           |
| "        | "       | " (e)      | 8.1       | 17.00         | 2782±2         | 22.8±0.5          | 0.019±0.001       | 2           |
| "        | "       | " (f)      | 8.1       | 17.00         | 2766±1         | 20.5±0.1          | 0.019±0.001       | 2           |
| "        | "       | EX-7017(d) | 1.4       | 21.10         | 2948±3         | 19.0±0.1          | 0.019±0.001       | 2           |
| "        | "       | " (e)      | 1.4       | 21.10         | 2928±1         | 17.8±0.0          | 0.019±0.001       | 2           |
| "        | "       | " (f)      | 1.4       | 21.10         | 2915±1         | 17.1±0.1          | 0.019±0.000       | 2           |
| "        | "       | EX-6883(d) | 4.4       | 20.15         | 2957±4         | 20.0±0.3          | 0.021±0.001       | 5           |
| "        | "       | " (e)      | 4.4       | 20.15         | 2949±2         | 19.9±0.2          | 0.023±0.001       | 2           |
| "        | "       | " (f)      | 4.4       | 20.15         | 2958±19        | 20.6±1.2          |                   | 2           |
| 1-27-53  | 14763   | EX-6822    | 3.0       | 21.56         | 3070±15        | 21.5±0.8(g)       | 0.020±0.002       | 2           |
| "        | "       | EX-7019    | 7.7       | 17.00         | 2766±4         | 21.0±0.5(g)       | 0.019±0.002       | 3           |
| 1-28-53  | 14763   | EX-6883    | 2.6       | 21.28         | 3063±8         | 21.6±0.7(g)       | 0.020±0.002(j)    | 5           |
| 2-2-53   | 16078   | EX-6883    | 3.0(k)    | 21.31         | 3084±5         | 22.9±0.4          | 0.019±0.002       | 5           |
| "        | "       | EX-6822    | 3.2(k)    | 21.56         | 3093±5         | 23.5±0.5          | 0.018±0.002       | 5           |

(a) 78/22 blend of EX-7020 and EX-7019  
 (b) Graphited  
 (c) Ex-23-1 projectile  
 (d) 800 grams of black powder in primer  
 (e) 600 " " " " " "  
 (f) 400 " " " " " "  
 (g) T-1070 - Static calibration pressure for 1/6 sq. in. area gauges.

(h) MI-2 - Dynamic calibration pressure for 1/6 sq. in area gauges  
 (i) MI-3 - Dynamic calibration pressure for 1/30 sq. in area gauges  
 (j) Based on 3 rounds  
 (k) Cone crimp assembly

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EX-7038, and EX-7048 - EX-7050 inclusive

b. Charge Determination:

(1) 5"/54 caliber guns (as indicated)  
Firing conditions were the same as the Uniformity Firings.

| Date     | Powder    | PPD<br>(in.)<br>(d) | Gun   |        | Velocity<br>(f/s) | Charge<br>(lbs.) | Pressure<br>(t.s.i.) | Remarks  |
|----------|-----------|---------------------|-------|--------|-------------------|------------------|----------------------|----------|
|          |           |                     | No.   | Mk-Mod |                   |                  |                      |          |
| 12-13-52 | EX-7016   | 4.2                 | 16076 | 18 0   | 3000              | 20.11            | 26.3                 | Too fast |
| "        | "         | 2.6                 | "     | " "    | 3100              | 21.18            | 29.5(a)              | Too fast |
| "        | EX-7017   | 1.2                 | "     | " "    | 3000              | 21.55            | 19.4                 | Too slow |
| "        | "         | -0.3(e)             | "     | " "    | 3100              | 22.53            | 21.6                 | Too slow |
| "        | EX-7018   | -2.0(e)             | "     | " "    | 3000              | 23.89            | 18.4                 | Too slow |
| "        | "         | -3.6(e)             | "     | " "    | 3100              | 24.96            | 19.9                 | Too slow |
| "        | EX-7019   | 5.5                 | "     | " "    | 3000              | 19.16            | 29.2(a)              | Too fast |
| "        | "         | 4.1                 | "     | " "    | 3100              | 20.10            | 32.3(a)              | Too fast |
| "        | EX-7020   | 2.0                 | "     | " "    | 3000              | 20.86            | 20.1                 | Too slow |
| "        | "         | 0.5                 | "     | " "    | 3100              | 21.83            | 21.9                 | Too slow |
| "        | EX-7021   | -0.6(e)             | "     | " "    | 3000              | 23.03            | 17.5                 | Too slow |
| "        | "         | -2.3(e)             | "     | " "    | 3100              | 23.98            | 18.7                 | Too slow |
| "        | Blend (b) | 3.5                 | "     | " "    | 3000              | 20.47            | 21.2                 | Too slow |
| "        | "         | 2.2                 | "     | " "    | 3100              | 21.40            | 23.6                 | (f)      |
| "        | EX-7038   | 2.9                 | "     | " "    | 3000              | 21.49            | 19.6                 | Too slow |
| "        | "         | 1.4                 | "     | " "    | 3100              | 22.51            | 21.2                 | Too slow |
| "        | EX-7048   | 6.7                 | "     | " "    | 3000              | 19.35            | (c)                  | Too fast |
| "        | "         | 5.3                 | "     | " "    | 3100              | 20.26            | (c)                  | Too fast |
| "        | EX-7049   | 4.9                 | "     | " "    | 3000              | 21.06            | (c)                  | Too fast |
| "        | "         | 3.7                 | "     | " "    | 3100              | 21.98            | (c)                  | Too fast |
| "        | EX-7050   | 3.8                 | "     | " "    | 3000              | 22.15            | (c)                  | Too fast |
| "        | "         | 2.5                 | "     | " "    | 3100              | 23.12            | (c)                  | Too fast |
| 12-19-52 | EX-7020   | 2.1                 | 14763 | 16 0   | 3000              | 20.74            | 21.0                 | Too slow |
| "        | "         | 0.7                 | "     | " "    | 3100              | 21.72            | 23.0                 | (f)      |
| "        | EX-7038   | 2.8                 | "     | " "    | 3000              | 21.56            | 19.9                 | Too slow |
| "        | "         | 1.3                 | "     | " "    | 3100              | 22.65            | 21.6                 | Too slow |
| "        | Blend (b) | 3.6                 | "     | " "    | 3000              | 20.43            | 21.6                 | Too slow |
| "        | "         | 2.3                 | "     | " "    | 3100              | 21.44            | 25.7                 | Too fast |
| 1-2-53   | EX-7038   | 3.1                 | 16077 | 18 0   | 3000              | 21.35            | 19.0                 | Too slow |
| "        | "         | 1.7                 | "     | " "    | 3100              | 22.39            | 20.4                 | Too slow |
| "        | EX-6822   | 5.1                 | "     | " "    | 3000              | 20.46            | 20.5                 | (h)      |
| "        | "         | 3.7                 | "     | " "    | 3100              | 21.56            | 22.4                 | (h)      |
| "        | EX-6883   | 4.9                 | "     | " "    | 3000              | 20.28            | 20.1                 | (g)      |
| "        | "         | 3.5                 | "     | " "    | 3100              | 21.31            | 21.7                 | (g)      |

- (a) Extrapolated value
- (b) Blend of 78% EX-7020 and 22% EX-7019
- (c) Over 30 t.s.i. by extrapolation
- (d) PPD without gages
- (e) Charge too large for cartridge case
- (f) Satisfactory ballistically at 3100 f/s but unsatisfactory within PPD limits
- (g) Evaluated separately in ref. (f)
- (h) Evaluated separately in ref. (i)

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(2) None of the subject propellants tested in the 5"/54 caliber gun (Mk 18 or Mk 16) at 3000-3100 f/s velocity and 22-24 tsi pressure were satisfactory within 3% PPD limitation.

(3) Soft surfaces and to a greater or lesser degree inherent "fish-scale" surface structures were observed on propellants EX-7016 through EX-7021. Because of the above conditions, optimum powder packing conditions were somewhat difficult to establish and maintain. One of the powders (EX-7020) was coated with a layer of graphite. The PPD for a charge of 20.75 lb. of this powder ungraphited was 1% while the same charge with a coating of graphite was 3%, thereby allowing for 1% more free space remaining in the cartridge case.

(4) EX-7038 was too slow for the 5"/54 caliber gun and was found unsatisfactory as a replacement for EX-6883.

(5) EX-7048 through EX-7050, the first mono-perforated propellants fired in the 5"/54 caliber gun, were all too fast at either 3000 or 3100 f/s velocity.

It is evident that mono-perforated propellants are readily ignitable and have possibilities for use at higher velocities and pressures in the 5"/54 caliber gun.

(6) Comparative firings between the Ex-23-1 and Mk 41-0 (60 lb. projectiles) showed no appreciable difference in ballistics.

(7) One powder from each group was fired with different amounts of ignition in the primer. The data are as follows:

| Powder Index | Charge (lbs.) | Relative Ignitability | Per Cent Nitrate Nitrogen | Ignition (grains) | Velocity (f/s) | Pressure (t.s.i.) | No. of Rds. |
|--------------|---------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------|
| EX-7019      | 17.00         | 277                   | 7.56                      | 800               | 2782±3         | 24.1±0.2          | 2           |
| "            | "             | "                     | "                         | 600               | 2782±2         | 22.8±0.5          | 2           |
| "            | "             | "                     | "                         | 400               | 2766±1         | 20.5±0.1          | 2           |
| EX-7017      | 21.10         | 190                   | 6.42                      | 800               | 2948±3         | 19.0±0.1          | 2           |
| "            | "             | "                     | "                         | 600               | 2928±1         | 17.8±0.0          | 2           |
| "            | "             | "                     | "                         | 400               | 2915±1         | 17.1±0.1          | 2           |
| EX-6883      | 20.15         | 150                   | 5.03                      | 800               | 2957±4         | 20.0±0.3          | 2           |
| "            | "             | "                     | "                         | 600               | 2949±2         | 19.9±0.2          | 2           |
| "            | "             | "                     | "                         | 400(a)            | 2958±19        | 20.6±1.2          | 2           |

(a) 5 second hangfires

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From the above results it can be seen that a propellant with a higher relative ignitability and higher percent nitrate nitrogen content is more sensitive to ignition changes.

Tests are currently being conducted on these propellants to determine ignition changes on pressure-time behavior and will be reported separately under "Case Gun Ignition" Task Assignment NPG-Re2a-184-1-53.

c. Pressure-Time Records:

(1) The pressure-time records obtained in the subject tests are presented in Appendix (B).

(2) EX-6822 and EX-6883 gave smooth pressure-time curves.

(3) The pressure-time curves obtained with EX-7038 had only slight steps occurring in the pressure-rise portion of the curves.

(4) EX-7020 (ungraphited) gave fairly pronounced steps in the pressure-rise region and were generally better than those obtained with EX-7020 after graphiting.

(5) Very large steps and rough peaks were obtained with EX-7019 and EX-7050.

(6) In general, none of the subject powders tested in the 5"/54 caliber gun gave as smooth pressure-time curves as either EX-6822 or EX-6883.

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PART D

CONCLUSIONS

9. From the results of the subject tests, it is concluded that:

a. None of the subject propellants tested in the 5"/54 caliber gun (Mk 18 or Mk 16) were satisfactory at 3000-3100 f/s velocity in the 22-24 t.s.i. pressure range within the limitation of 3!5 PPD (Production Packing Depth).

b. Difficulty in establishing and maintaining optimum powder packing conditions was experienced due to the soft and fish-scale surface structures of EX-7016 through EX-7021. For the assessed charge of 20.75 lb. of EX-7020, an increase of 1!5 in PPD was obtained by graphiting the powder.

c. EX-7038 was unsatisfactory as a replacement for EX-6883.

d. Mono-perforated powders are readily ignitable and show possibilities for use at higher velocities and pressures in the 5"/54 caliber gun.

e. No appreciable differences in ballistics were obtained between the Ex-23-1 and Mk 41-0 (60 lb.) projectiles.

Preliminary firings indicate that propellants with higher relative ignitability and larger percent nitrate nitrogen are more sensitive to basic ignition changes.

f. The pressure-time curves obtained with the subject propellants had steps occurring in the pressure-rise region and in general were rougher than those obtained with EX-6822 or EX-6883.

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TABULATION OF FIRING DATA

Gun: 5"/54 Caliber, Mk 18-0 No. 16076  
 ESR = 42.4 D<sub>o</sub> = 5.010  
 Mk 16-0 No. 14763  
 ESR = 180.5 D<sub>o</sub> = 5.056  
 Mk 16-0 No. 14758  
 ESR = 296.8 D<sub>o</sub> = 5.074  
 Mk 18-0 No. 16077  
 ESR = 54.2 D<sub>o</sub> = 5.006  
 Mk 18-0 No. 16078  
 ESR = 271.7 D<sub>o</sub> = 5.011

Projectile: Mk 41-0 (60.00 lb.) Empty

Cartridge Case: Mk 7

Primer: Mk 45 (XC-M5B)

Lead Foil: None

Powder: As indicated

Plug: Cork

Crimp: Cone on 2/2/53 - None on rest

Wad and Spacer: Cardboard, NGF Dwg. No. 132664  
Pc. Nos. 18 and 15 (as required)

Powder Temp.: 90°F

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TABULATION OF FIRING DATA (Continued)

Date: 13 December 1952

Gun: Mk 18-O, No. 16076  
ESR = 42.4 D<sub>0</sub> = 5.010

| Rd. No. | Powder                | PPD (in.) | Charge (lbs.) | Velocity (f/s) | Pressure (t.s.i.) | Ejec. Time (sec.) | Flash (%) | Smoke (%) |
|---------|-----------------------|-----------|---------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 - 6   | (Reported separately) |           |               |                |                   |                   |           |           |
| (a) 7   | EX-6883               | 4.6       | 20.15         | 2977           | 20.4              | 0.022             | Tr        | 150       |
| 8       | "                     | "         | "             | 2970           | 20.3              | 0.019             | 75        | 125       |
| 9       | "                     | "         | "             | 2970           | 20.0              | 0.022             | 0         | 150       |
| 10      | "                     | "         | "             | 2972           | 19.9              | 0.021             | 0         | 150       |
| 11      | "                     | "         | "             | 2976           | 20.0              | 0.019             | 75        | 125       |
| 12      | "                     | "         | "             | 2967           | 19.9              | 0.022             | 0         | 150       |
|         | Mean of 5 rounds      |           | 20.15         | 2971±2         | 20.0±0.1          | 0.021±0.001       |           |           |
| 13      | EX-7016               | 9.1       | 17.00         | 2694           | 18.3              | 0.017             | 0         | 150       |
| 14      | "                     | 6.0       | 18.50         | 2850           | 21.2              | 0.018             | 0         | 150       |
| 15      | "                     | "         | "             | 2850           | 21.8              | 0.017             | 0         | 150       |
|         | Mean of 2 rounds      |           | 18.50         | 2850±0         | 21.5±0.3          | 0.018±0.001       |           |           |
| 16      | EX-7016               | 3.8       | 20.00         | 2990           | 25.9              | 0.017             | 0         | 150       |
| 17      | EX-7017               | 5.1       | 18.50         | 2693           | 14.4              | 0.019             | 75        | 125       |
| 18      | "                     | "         | "             | 2685           | 14.1              | 0.019             | 75        | 125       |
|         | Mean of 2 rounds      |           | 18.50         | 2689±4         | 14.5±0.2          | 0.019±0.000       |           |           |
| 19      | EX-7017               | 2.2       | 20.50         | 2879           | 17.2              | 0.021             | 75        | 125       |
| 20      | "                     | 1.4       | 21.10         | 2953           | 18.3              | 0.017             | 75        | 125       |
| 21      | "                     | "         | "             | 2954           | 18.2              | 0.019             | 75        | 125       |
| 22      | "                     | "         | "             | 2956           | 18.7              | 0.020             | 75        | 125       |
|         | Mean of 3 rounds      |           | 21.10         | 2954±1         | 18.4±0.2          | 0.019±0.001       |           |           |
| 23      | EX-7018               | 3.1       | 20.00         | 2645           | 13.1              | 0.022             | 75        | 125       |
| 24      | "                     | "         | "             | 2629           | 12.6              | 0.021             | 75        | 125       |
|         | Mean of 2 rounds      |           | 20.00         | 2637±8         | 12.9±0.3          | 0.022±0.001       |           |           |

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TABULATION OF FIRING DATA (Continued)

Date: 13 December 1962 (Continued)

| Rd. No. | Powder           | PPD (in.) | Charge (lbs.) | Velocity (f/s) | Pressure (t.s.i.) | Ejec. Time (sec.) | Flash (%) | Smoke (%) |
|---------|------------------|-----------|---------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 25      | EX-7018          | 1.4       | 21.20         | 2749           | 14.6              | 0.020             | 100       | 100       |
| 26      | EX-7019          | 8.1       | 17.00         | 2777           | 20.7              | 0.020             | 75        | 125       |
| 27      | "                | 5.9       | 18.50         | 2927           | 27.0              | 0.016             | 0         | 150       |
| 28      | "                | "         | "             | 2932           | 26.2              | 0.017             | 75        | 125       |
|         | Mean of 2 rounds |           | 18.50         | 2930±3         | 26.6±0.4          | 0.017±0.001       |           |           |
| 29      | EX-7019          | 4.5       | 19.50         | 3036           | -                 | 0.016             | 75        | 125       |
| 30      | EX-7020          | 6.4       | 17.50         | 2644           | 13.9              | 0.020             | 0         | 150       |
| 31      | "                | 4.9       | 18.50         | 2753           | 15.6              | 0.021             | 100       | 100       |
| 32      | "                | "         | "             | 2761           | 15.9              | 0.018             | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 2 rounds |           | 18.50         | 2757±4         | 15.8±0.2          | 0.020±0.002       |           |           |
| 33      | EX-7020          | 1.4       | 20.90         | 2998           | 20.3              | 0.016             | 100       | 100       |
| 34      | "                | "         | "             | 3009           | 20.1              | 0.017             | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 2 rounds |           | 20.90         | 3004±6         | 20.2±0.1          | 0.017±0.001       |           |           |
| 35      | EX-7021          | 4.6       | 19.00         | 2588           | 12.5              | 0.019             | 100       | 100       |
| 36      | "                | "         | "             | 2570           | 12.3              | 0.019             | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 2 rounds |           | 19.00         | 2579±9         | 12.4±0.1          | 0.019±0.000       |           |           |
| 37      | EX-7021          | 1.4       | 21.20         | 2813           | 15.3              | 0.020             | 100       | 100       |
| 38      | "                | "         | "             | 2805           | 15.1              | 0.021             | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 2 rounds |           | 21.20         | 2809±4         | 15.2±0.1          | 0.021±0.001       |           |           |

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TABULATION OF FIRING DATA (Continued)

Date: 13 December 1952 (Continued)

| Rd. No. | Powder           | PPD (in.) | Charge (lbs.) | Velocity (f/s) | Pressure (t.s.i.) | Ejec. Time (sec.) | Flash (%) | Smoke (%) |
|---------|------------------|-----------|---------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 39      | EX-7020          | 5.7       | 16.00         | 2730           | 15.7              | 0.020             | 100       | 100       |
| 40      | EX-7019          | 4.2       | 2.00          | 2844           | 18.5              | 0.017             | 100       | 100       |
| 41      | "                | 2.7       | 16.00         | 2945           | 19.6              | 0.019             | 100       | 100       |
| 42      | "                | 1.4       | 4.00          | 3059           | 23.0              | 0.017             | 100       | 100       |
| 43      | EX-7038          | 8.6       | 17.00         | 2555           | 12.6              | 0.019             | 100       | 100       |
| 44      | "                | 7.2       | 18.00         | 2656           | 14.1              | 0.021             | 100       | 100       |
| 45      | "                | "         | "             | 2661           | 14.3              | 0.019             | 100       | 100       |
| 46      | "                | "         | "             | 2661           | 14.1              | 0.022             | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 3 rounds |           | 18.00         | 2659±2         | 14.2±0.1          | 0.021±0.001       |           |           |
| 47      | EX-7038          | 4.4       | 20.00         | 2841           | 16.2              | 0.021             | 100       | 100       |
| 48      | "                | 1.4       | 22.20         | 3065           | 20.9              | 0.019             | 100       | 100       |
| 49      | "                | "         | "             | 3071           | 20.3              | 0.017             | 100       | 100       |
| 50      | "                | "         | "             | 3075           | 20.9              | 0.017             | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 3 rounds |           | 22.20         | 3070±4         | 20.7±0.3          | 0.018±0.001       |           |           |
| 51      | EX-7048          | 10.9      | 16.00         | 2644           | -                 | 0.016             | 0         | 150       |
| 52      | "                | 9.5       | 17.00         | 2747           | -                 | 0.015             | 0         | 150       |
| 53      | "                | 15.4      | 13.00         | 2324           | 17.3              | 0.018             | 0         | 150       |
| 54      | "                | 13.7      | 14.00         | 2429           | 19.9              | 0.017             | 0         | 150       |
| 55      | "                | 12.3      | 15.00         | 2549           | -                 | 0.020             | 0         | 150       |
| 56      | EX-7049          | 12.7      | 15.00         | 2361           | 14.0              | 0.018             | 75        | 125       |
| 57      | "                | 11.4      | 16.00         | 2474           | 17.5              | 0.021             | 75        | 125       |
| 58      | "                | 10.0      | 17.00         | 2570           | 20.9              | 0.021             | 75        | 125       |
| 59      | "                | 9.3       | 17.50         | 2624           | 22.9              | 0.018             | 75        | 125       |
| 60      | EX-7050          | 11.3      | 16.00         | 2387           | 14.0              | 0.018             | 75        | 125       |
| 61      | "                | 10.0      | 17.00         | 2494           | 16.8              | 0.018             | 0         | 150       |
| 62      | "                | 8.6       | 18.00         | 2588           | 18.8              | 0.016             | 100       | 100       |
| 63      | "                | 6.7       | 19.50         | 2736           | 23.2              | 0.016             | 100       | 100       |

(a) Conditioning round.

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TABULATION OF FIRING DATA (Continued)

Date: 19 December 1952

Gun: Mk 16-O, No. 14763  
ESR = 180.5 D<sub>0</sub> = 5"056

| Rd. No. | Powder                | PPD (in.) | Charge (lbs.) | Velocity (f/s) | Pressure (t.s.i.) | Ejec. Time (sec.) | Flash (%) | Smoke (%) |
|---------|-----------------------|-----------|---------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 - 6   | (Reported separately) |           |               |                |                   |                   |           |           |
| (a) 7   | EX-6883               | 4.6       | 20.15         | 3007           | 21.4              | 0.019             | 0         | 150       |
| 8       | "                     | "         | "             | 2983           | 20.6              | 0.019             | 0         | 150       |
| 9       | "                     | "         | "             | 2994           | 21.7              | -                 | 0         | 150       |
| 10      | "                     | "         | "             | 2990           | 20.5              | 0.019             | 0         | 150       |
| 11      | "                     | "         | "             | 3004           | 21.5              | 0.018             | 0         | 150       |
| 12      | "                     | "         | "             | 2979           | 20.4              | 0.019             | 0         | 150       |
|         | Mean of 5 rounds      |           | 20.15         | 2990±7         | 20.9±0.5          | 0.019±0.000       |           |           |
| 13      | EX-7020               | 4.9       | 18.50         | 2776           | 16.7              | 0.017             | 100       | 100       |
| 14      | "                     | "         | "             | 2774           | 16.4              | 0.018             | 0         | 150       |
| 15      | "                     | "         | "             | 2764           | 16.1              | 0.020             | 0         | 150       |
|         | Mean of 3 rounds      |           | 18.50         | 2771±5         | 16.4±0.2          | 0.018±0.001       |           |           |
| 16      | EX-7020               | 1.6       | 20.75         | 3001           | 20.7              | 0.019             | 100       | 100       |
| 17      | "                     | "         | "             | 2993           | 20.7              | 0.016             | 100       | 100       |
| 18      | "                     | "         | "             | 3002           | 21.2              | 0.017             | 100       | 100       |
| 19      | "                     | "         | "             | 3005           | 21.1              | 0.017             | 100       | 100       |
| 20      | "                     | "         | "             | 3004           | 21.1              | 0.018             | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 5 rounds      |           | 20.75         | 3001±3         | 21.0±0.2          | 0.017±0.001       |           |           |
| 21      | EX-7020               | 1.4       | 20.90         | 3010           | 20.8              | 0.016             | 100       | 100       |
| 22      | EX-7038               | 7.2       | 18.00         | 2674           | 14.2              | 0.022             | 0         | 150       |
| 23      | "                     | "         | "             | 2672           | 14.5              | 0.020             | 25        | 125       |
| 24      | "                     | "         | "             | 2675           | 14.4              | 0.021             | 0         | 150       |
|         | Mean of 3 rounds      |           | 18.00         | 2674±1         | 14.4±0.1          | 0.021±0.001       |           |           |
| 25      | EX-7038               | 2.3       | 21.50         | 2977           | 19.3              | 0.020             | 100       | 100       |
| 26      | "                     | 1.4       | 22.20         | 3070           | 21.1              | 0.018             | 100       | 100       |
| 27      | "                     | "         | "             | 3049           | 20.7              | 0.019             | 100       | 100       |
| 28      | "                     | "         | "             | 3062           | 21.1              | 0.017             | 100       | 100       |
| 29      | "                     | "         | "             | 3059           | 21.1              | 0.017             | 100       | 100       |
| 30      | "                     | "         | "             | 3057           | 20.3              | 0.018             | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 5 rounds      |           | 22.20         | 3059±5         | 20.9±0.5          | 0.018±0.001       |           |           |

Ballistic Test of Cool Propellants EX-7016 - EX-7021 inclusive, EX-7038, and EX-7048 - EX-7050 inclusive

TABULATION OF FIRING DATA (Continued)

Date: 19 December 1952 (Continued)

| Rd. No. | Powder           | PPD (in.) | Charge (lbs.) | Velocity (f/s) | Pressure (t.s.i.) | Ejec. Time (sec.) | Flash (%) | Smoke (%) |
|---------|------------------|-----------|---------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 31      | EX-7020          | 2.0       | 16.00         | 2998           | 22.0              | 0.017             | 100       | 100       |
|         | EX-7019          | "         | 4.50          |                |                   |                   |           |           |
| 32      | "                | "         | "             | 3012           | 22.1              | 0.016             | 100       | 100       |
| 33      | "                | "         | "             | 2998           | 22.0              | 0.016             | 100       | 100       |
| 34      | "                | "         | "             | 3011           | 21.0              | 0.016             | 100       | 100       |
| 35      | "                | "         | "             | 3017           | 22.0              | 0.017             | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 5 rounds |           | 16.00         | 3007±7         | 21.8±0.3          | 0.016±0.000       |           |           |
|         |                  |           | 4.50          |                |                   |                   |           |           |
| 36      | EX-7020          | 1.4       | 16.39         | 3049           | 23.5              | 0.016             | 100       | 100       |
|         | EX-7019          |           | 4.61          |                |                   |                   |           |           |
| 37      | "                | 5.7       | 14.05         | 2759           | 16.6              | 0.018             | 0         | 150       |
|         |                  |           | 3.95          |                |                   |                   |           |           |
| 38      | "                | "         | "             | 2762           | 16.8              | 0.016             | 0         | 150       |
| 39      | "                | "         | "             | 2757           | 17.0              | 0.020             | 0         | 150       |
|         | Mean of 3 rounds |           | 14.05         | 2759±2         | 16.8±0.1          | 0.018±0.001       |           |           |
|         |                  |           | 3.95          |                |                   |                   |           |           |
| 40      | EX-7020 (b)      | 2.6       | 20.75         | 2978           | 22.5              | 0.019             | 100       | 100       |
| 41      | "                | 2.0       | 21.50         | 3065           | 25.0              | 0.016             | 100       | 100       |
| 42      | "                | 3.1       | 20.75         | 2983           | 21.0              | 0.016             | 100       | 100       |
| 43      | "                | "         | "             | 2982           | 21.4              | 0.018             | 100       | 100       |
| 44      | "                | "         | "             | 2972           | 21.2              | 0.016             | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 3 rounds |           | 20.75         | 2979±5         | 21.2±0.1          | 0.017±0.001       |           |           |

(a) Conditioning round  
(b) Graphited

TABULATION OF FIRING DATA (Continued)

Date: 19 December 1952  
 Gun: Mk 16-0, No. 14758  
 ESR = 296.8 D<sub>0</sub> = 5.074

| Rd. No. | Powder           | PPD (in.) | Charge (lbs.) | Velocity (f/s) | Pressure (t.s.i.) | Ejec. Time (sec.) | Flash (%) | Smoke (%) |
|---------|------------------|-----------|---------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| (a) 1   | EX-6883          | 6.9       | 18.50         | 2730           | 16.4              | --                | 0         | 175       |
| 2       | "                | 4.6       | 20.15         | 2940           | 18.8              | 0.020             | 75        | 125       |
| 3       | "                | "         | "             | 2941           | 18.5              | 0.018             | Tr        | 150       |
| 4       | "                | "         | "             | 2940           | 18.4              | 0.021             | Tr        | 150       |
|         | Mean of 3 rounds |           | 20.15         | 2940±0         | 18.6±0.2          | 0.020±0.001       |           |           |
| 5       | EX-7020          | 1.6       | 20.75         | 2955           | 19.9              | 0.019             | 100       | 100       |
| 6       | "                | "         | "             | 2958           | 19.6              | 0.016             | 100       | 100       |
| 7       | "                | "         | "             | 2962           | 19.4              | 0.018             | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 3 rounds |           | 20.75         | 2958±2         | 19.6±0.2          | 0.018±0.001       |           |           |
| 8       | EX-7038          | 2.3       | 21.50         | 2949           | 18.7              | 0.018             | 100       | 100       |
| 9       | "                | "         | "             | 2968           | 18.3              | 0.017             | 100       | 100       |
| 10      | "                | "         | "             | 2963           | 18.7              | 0.017             | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 3 rounds |           | 21.50         | 2960±7         | 18.6±0.2          | 0.017±0.000       |           |           |
| 11      | EX-7020          | 2.0       | 16.00         | 2975           | 21.4              | 0.017             | 100       | 100       |
| 12      | EX-7019 (b)      | "         | 4.50          | 2981           | 22.0              | 0.016             | 100       | 100       |
| 13      | "                | "         | "             | 2968           | 21.4              | --                | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 3 rounds |           | 16.00         | 2975±4         | 21.6±0.3          | 0.017±0.001       |           |           |
| 14      | EX-7050          | 7.8       | 18.65         | 2642           | 21.1              | 0.016             | 80        | 125       |
| 15      | "                | "         | "             | 2645           | 21.8              | 0.019             | 80        | 125       |
| 16      | "                | "         | "             | 2644           | 21.2              | 0.016             | 80        | 125       |
|         | Mean of 3 rounds |           | 18.65         | 2644±1         | 21.4±0.3          | 0.017±0.001       |           |           |
| 17      | EX-7020 (c)      | 3.1       | 20.75         | 2963           | 20.7              | 0.016             | 100       | 100       |
| 18      | "                | "         | "             | 2957           | 20.8              | 0.017             | 100       | 100       |
| 19      | "                | "         | "             | 2956           | 22.3              | 0.017             | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 3 rounds |           | 20.75         | 2959±3         | 21.3±0.7          | 0.017±0.000       |           |           |

(a) Conditioning round (b) 78/22 blend (c) Graphited  
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 APPENDIX A

Ballistic Test of Cool Propellants EX-7016 - EX-7021 inclusive, EX-7038, and EX-7048 - EX-7050 inclusive

TABULATION OF FIRING DATA (Continued)

Date: 2 January 1953

Gun: Mx 18-O, No. 16077  
ESR = 54.2 D<sub>0</sub> = 5.0006

| Rd. No. | Powder                | PPD (in.) | Charge (lbs.) | Velocity (f/s) | Pressure (t.s.i.) | Ejec. Time (sec.) | Flash (%) | Smoke (%) |
|---------|-----------------------|-----------|---------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 - 6   | (Reported separately) |           |               |                |                   |                   |           |           |
| (a) 7   | EX-7038               | 6.7       | 18.50         | 2732           | 15.4              | 0.011             | 50        | 100       |
| 8       | "                     | "         | "             | 2727           | 15.1              | 0.018             | 50        | 100       |
| 9       | "                     | "         | "             | 2723           | 15.1              | 0.019             | 0         | 150       |
|         | Mean of 2 rounds      |           | 18.50         | 2725±2         | 15.1±0.0          | 0.019±0.001       |           |           |
| 10      | EX-7038               | 3.0       | 21.00         | 2971           | 18.3              | 0.018             | 100       | 100       |
| 11      | "                     | "         | "             | 2960           | 18.7              | 0.020             | 100       | 100       |
| 12      | "                     | "         | "             | 2968           | 18.8              | 0.018             | 100       | 100       |
| 13      | "                     | "         | "             | 2965           | 18.2              | 0.017             | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 4 rounds      |           | 21.00         | 2966±4         | 18.5±0.3          | 0.018±0.001       |           |           |
| 14      | EX-7038 (b)           | 3.0       | 21.00         | 2971           | 18.8              | 0.018             | 100       | 100       |
| 15      | "                     | "         | "             | 2949           | 17.4              | 0.018             | 0         | 150       |
| 16      | "                     | "         | "             | 2967           | 17.7              | 0.021             | 0         | 150       |
| 17      | "                     | "         | "             | 2967           | 17.9              | 0.019             | 100       | 100       |
| 18      | "                     | "         | "             | 2947           | 18.0              | 0.022             | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 5 rounds      |           | 21.00         | 2960±10        | 17.8±0.4          | 0.020±0.002       |           |           |
| 19      | EX-6822               | 7.3       | 18.50         | 2829           | 18.0              | 0.019             | 0         | 150       |
| 20      | "                     | "         | "             | 2817           | 17.5              | 0.022             | 25        | 100       |
| 21      | "                     | "         | "             | 2821           | 16.9              | 0.025             | 25        | 100       |
|         | Mean of 3 rounds      |           | 18.50         | 2822±4         | 17.5±0.4          | 0.022±0.002       |           |           |
| 22      | EX-6822               | 5.0       | 20.20         | 2981           | 19.8              | 0.018             | 0         | 150       |
| 23      | "                     | 3.9       | 21.00         | 3056           | 21.9              | 0.017             | 0         | 150       |
| 24      | "                     | 3.5       | 21.30         | 3082           | 22.3              | 0.021             | Tr        | 150       |
| 25      | "                     | "         | "             | 3080           | 21.6              | 0.018             | Tr        | 150       |
| 26      | "                     | "         | "             | 3071           | 21.7              | 0.018             | Tr        | 150       |
| 27      | "                     | "         | "             | 3069           | 22.2              | 0.017             | Tr        | 150       |
| 28      | "                     | "         | "             | 3079           | 22.0              | 0.019             | Tr        | 150       |
|         | Mean of 5 rounds      |           | 21.30         | 3076±5         | 22.0±0.2          | 0.019±0.001       |           |           |

Ballistic Test of Cool Propellants EX-7016 - EX-7021 inclusive, EX-7038, and EX-7048 - EX-7050 inclusive

TABULATION OF FIRING DATA (Continued)

Date: 2 January 1953 (Continued)

| Rd. No. | Powder           | PPD (in.) | Charge (lbs.) | Velocity (f/s) | Pressure (t.s.i.) | Ejec. Time (sec.) | Flash (%) | Smoke (%) |
|---------|------------------|-----------|---------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 29      | EX-6822 (b)      | 3.5       | 21.30         | 3084           | 22.5              | 0.020             | Tr        | 150       |
| 30      | "                | "         | "             | 3064           | 21.7              | 0.021             | Tr        | 150       |
| 31      | "                | "         | "             | 3071           | 21.6              | 0.018             | Tr        | 150       |
| 32      | "                | "         | "             | 3081           | 21.6              | 0.021             | 100       | 100       |
| 33      | "                | "         | "             | 3080           | 21.4              | 0.017             | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 5 rounds |           | 21.30         | 3076±7         | 21.8±0.3          | 0.019±0.002       |           |           |
| 34      | EX-6822          | 3.2       | 21.50         | 3099           | 23.6              | 0.018             | Tr        | 150       |
| 35      | EX-6883          | 6.9       | 18.50         | 2833           | 17.3              | 0.020             | 0         | 150       |
| 36      | "                | "         | "             | 2818           | 16.9              | 0.019             | 50        | 100       |
| 37      | "                | "         | "             | 2828           | 17.5              | 0.020             | 0         | 150       |
|         | Mean of 3 rounds |           | 18.50         | 2826±6         | 17.2±0.2          | 0.020±0.000       |           |           |
| 38      | EX-6883          | 4.7       | 20.15         | 2982           | 20.2              | 0.019             | 100       | 100       |
| 39      | "                | 3.4       | 21.00         | 3062           | 21.1              | 0.021             | 100       | 100       |
| 40      | "                | 3.0       | 21.30         | 3101           | 21.3              | 0.021             | Tr        | 150       |
| 41      | "                | "         | "             | 3096           | 21.1              | 0.018             | 100       | 100       |
| 42      | "                | "         | "             | 3105           | 21.9              | 0.018             | Tr        | 150       |
| 43      | "                | "         | "             | 3094           | 22.6              | 0.021             | Tr        | 150       |
| 44      | "                | "         | "             | 3099           | 21.4              | 0.018             | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 5 rounds |           | 21.30         | 3099±3         | 21.7±0.5          | 0.019±0.001       |           |           |
| 45      | EX-6883 (b)      | 3.0       | 21.30         | 3102           | 22.1              | 0.021             | Tr        | 150       |
| 46      | "                | "         | "             | 3104           | 21.7              | 0.018             | 100       | 100       |
| 47      | "                | "         | "             | 3101           | 21.8              | 0.018             | Tr        | 150       |
| 48      | "                | "         | "             | 3098           | 22.5              | 0.019             | 100       | 100       |
| 49      | "                | "         | "             | 3103           | 21.3              | 0.018             | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 5 rounds |           | 21.30         | 3102±0.3       | 21.9±0.3          | 0.019±0.001       |           |           |
| 50      | EX-6883          | 6.9       | 18.50         | 2830           | 17.2              | 0.019             | 100       | 100       |

(a) Conditioning round  
 (b) Ex-23-1 projectile

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TABULATION OF FIRING DATA (Continued)

Date: 22 January 1953

Gun: Mk 16-0, No. 14763

ESR = 180.5 D<sub>0</sub> = 5.056

| Rd. No. | Powder           | P.D (in.) | Charge (lbs.) | Velocity (f/s) | Pressure (t.s.i.) | Ejec. Time (sec.) | Flash (%) | Smoke (%) |
|---------|------------------|-----------|---------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| (a) 1   | EX-7019 (d)      | 8.1       | 17.00         | 2705           | 21.0              | 0.017             | 0         | 200       |
| 2       | "                | "         | "             | 2779           | 23.9              | 0.018             | 0         | 150       |
| 3       | "                | "         | "             | 2784           | 24.2              | 0.019             | 0         | 150       |
|         | Mean of 2 rounds |           | 17.00         | 2782±3         | 24.1±0.2          | 0.019±0.001       |           |           |
| 4       | EX-7019 (e)      | 8.1       | 17.00         | 2780           | 22.5              | 0.019             | 0         | 150       |
| 5       | "                | "         | "             | 2783           | 23.2              | 0.018             | 0         | 150       |
|         | Mean of 2 rounds |           | 17.00         | 2782±2         | 22.8±0.5          | 0.019±0.001       |           |           |
| 6       | EX-7019 (f)      | 8.1       | 17.00         | 2765           | 20.5              | 0.018             | 0         | 150       |
| 7       | "                | "         | "             | 2767           | 20.4              | 0.021             | 0         | 150       |
|         | Mean of 2 rounds |           | 17.00         | 2766±1         | 20.5±0.1          | 0.020±0.002       |           |           |
| 8       | EX-7017 (d)      | 1.4       | 21.10         | 2945           | 18.9              | 0.019             | 100       | 100       |
| 9       | "                | "         | "             | 2951           | 19.1              | 0.018             | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 2 rounds |           | 21.10         | 2948±3         | 19.0±0.1          | 0.019±0.001       |           |           |
| 10      | EX-7017 (e)      | 1.4       | 21.10         | 2929           | 17.8              | 0.018             | 100       | 100       |
| 11      | "                | "         | "             | 2927           | 17.8              | 0.019             | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 2 rounds |           | 21.10         | 2928±1         | 17.8±0.0          | 0.019±0.001       |           |           |
| 12      | EX-7017 (f)      | 1.4       | 21.10         | 2915           | 17.0              | 0.019             | 100       | 100       |
| 13      | "                | "         | "             | 2914           | 17.2              | 0.019             | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 2 rounds |           | 21.10         | 2915±1         | 17.1±0.1          | 0.019±0.000       |           |           |

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TABULATION OF FIRING DATA (Continued)

Date: 22 January 1953 (Continued)

| Rd. No. | Powder           | PPD (in.) | Charge (lbs.) | Velocity (f/s) | Pressure (t.s.i.)                | Ejec. Time (sec.) | Flash (%) | Smoke (%) |
|---------|------------------|-----------|---------------|----------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 14      | EX-6883 (d)      | 4.4       | 20.15         | 2965           | 19.3 (b)<br>19.7 (c)             | 0.023             | 100       | 100       |
| 15      | "                | "         | "             | 2959           | --                               | 0.021             | 100       | 100       |
| 16      | "                | "         | "             | 2953           | 20.1 (c)<br>19.3 (b)<br>19.6 (c) | 0.021             | 100       | 100       |
| 17      | "                | "         | "             | 2950           | 19.2 (b)<br>20.0 (c)             | 0.021             | 100       | 100       |
| 18      | "                | "         | "             | 2957           | 19.1 (b)<br>20.8 (c)             | 0.020             | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 5 rounds |           | 20.15         | 2957±4         | 19.2±0.1 (b)<br>20.0±0.3 (c)     | 0.021±0.001       |           |           |
| 19      | EX-6883 (e)      | 4.4       | 20.15         | 2947           | 19.7                             | 0.022             | 100       | 100       |
| 20      | "                | "         | "             | 2951           | 20.0                             | 0.023             | 0         | 150       |
|         | Mean of 2 rounds |           | 20.15         | 2949±2         | 19.9±0.2                         | 0.023±0.001       |           |           |
| 21      | EX-6883 (f)      | 4.4       | 20.15         | 2939           | 19.4                             | --                | 100       | 100       |
| 22      | "                | "         | "             | 2976           | 21.6                             | --                | 100       | 100       |
|         | Mean of 2 rounds |           | 20.15         | 2958±19        | 20.6±1.2                         |                   |           |           |
| 23      | EX-7017          | 5.1       | 18.50         | 2664           | 13.7                             | 0.019             | 100       | 100       |

- (a) Conditioning round
- (b) T-1070 - Static calibration pressure for 1/6 sq. in. area gauges
- (c) MI-2 - Dynamic calibration pressure for 1/6 sq. in. area gauges
- (d) 800 grams of black powder in primer
- (e) 600 " " " "
- (f) 400 " " " "

Ballistic Test of Cool Propellants EX-7016 - EX-7021 inclusive, EX-7038, and EX-7048 - EX-7050 inclusive

TABULATION OF FIRING DATA (Continued)

Date: 27 January 1953

Gun: M<sub>r</sub> 16-0, No. 14763  
ESR = 180.5 D<sub>0</sub> = 5.3056

| Ed. No. | Powder           | PPD (in.) | Charge (lbs.) | Velocity (f/s) | Pressure |          |          |          | Ejec. Time (sec.) | Flash (%) | Smoke (%) |
|---------|------------------|-----------|---------------|----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
|         |                  |           |               |                | (t.s.i.) | (b)      | (t.s.i.) | (c)      |                   |           |           |
| (a) 1   | EX-7019          | 7.7       | 17.00         | 2761           | 19.5     | 19.4     | 20.0     | 20.0     | 0.020             | 0         | 100       |
| 2       | EX-6822          | 3.0       | 21.56         | 3084           | 22.3     | 22.4     | 22.4     | 22.4     | 0.018             |           |           |
| 3       | "                | "         | "             | 3056           | 20.7     | 22.1     | 22.0     | 22.0     | 0.022             |           |           |
|         | Mean of 2 rounds |           | 21.56         | 3070±15        | 21.5±0.6 | 22.3±0.2 | 22.2±0.2 | 22.2±0.2 | 0.020±0.002       |           |           |
| 4       | EX-7019          | 7.7       | 17.00         | 2763           | 20.9     | 21.0     | 20.6     | 20.6     | 0.019             |           |           |
| 5       | "                | "         | "             | 2773           | 21.7     | 21.3     | 20.5     | 20.5     | 0.016             |           |           |
| 6       | "                | "         | "             | 2763           | 20.4     | 20.2     | 20.7     | 20.7     | 0.022             |           |           |
|         | Mean of 3 rounds |           | 17.00         | 2766±4         | 21.0±0.5 | 20.8±0.4 | 20.6±0.1 | 20.6±0.1 | 0.019±0.002       |           |           |

- (a) Conditioning round
- (b) T-1070 - Static calibration pressure for 1/6 sq. in. area gauges
- (c) MI-2 - Dynamic calibration pressure for 1/6 sq. in. area gauges
- (d) MI-3 - Dynamic calibration pressure for 1/30 sq. in. area gauges

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TABULATION OF FIRING DATA (Continued)

Date: 28 January 1953

Gun: M16-0, No. 14763  
ESR = 180.5 D<sub>0</sub> = 5.056

| Rd. No.          | Powder  | PPD (in.) | Charge (lbs.) | Velocity (f/s) | (t.s.i.) (b) | (t.s.i.) (c) | (t.s.i.) (d) | Ejec. Time (sec.) | Flash (%) | Smoke (%) |
|------------------|---------|-----------|---------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| (a) 1            | EX-7019 | 7.7       | 17.00         | 2769           | 20.6         | 21.2         | 20.6         | -                 | -         | -         |
| 2                | EX-6883 | 2.6       | 21.28         | 3052           | 20.5         | 21.2         | 21.5         | -                 | -         | -         |
| 3                | "       | "         | "             | 3055           | 21.1         | 21.9         | 22.2         | -                 | -         | -         |
| 4                | "       | "         | "             | 3071           | 21.6         | 21.2         | 22.7         | 0.021             | -         | -         |
| 5                | "       | "         | "             | 3068           | 22.2         | 22.3         | 21.7         | 0.017             | -         | -         |
| 6                | "       | "         | "             | 3070           | 22.7         | 22.0         | 23.0         | 0.021             | -         | -         |
| Mean of 5 rounds |         |           |               | 3063±8         | 21.6±0.7     | 21.7±0.4     | 22.2±0.5     | 0.020±0.002(e)    |           |           |

- (a) Conditioning round
- (b) T-1070 - Static calibration pressure for 1/6 sq. in. area gauges
- (c) MI-2 - Dynamic calibration pressure for 1/6 sq. in. area gauges
- (d) MI-3 - Dynamic calibration pressure for 1/30 sq. in. area gauges
- (e) Based on 3 rounds

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TABULATION OF FIRING DATA (Continued)

Date: 2 February 1953

Gun: M1 18-O, No. 16078  
ESR = 271.7 D<sub>0</sub> = 5.011

| Rd. No.          | Powder  | PPD (in.) | Charge (lbs.) | Velocity (f/s) | Pressure (t.s.i.) | Ejec. Time (sec.) | Flash (%) | Smoke (%) |
|------------------|---------|-----------|---------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| (a) 1            | EX-6883 | 3.0       | 21.31         | 3045           | 23.2              | 0.019             | 0         | 150       |
| 2                | "       | "         | "             | 3084           | 23.2              | 0.017             | 100       | 100       |
| 3                | "       | "         | "             | 3072           | 23.0              | 0.020             | 100       | 100       |
| 4                | "       | "         | "             | 3088           | 22.0              | 0.021             | Tr        | 150       |
| 5                | "       | "         | "             | 3086           | 22.7              | 0.021             | 100       | 100       |
| 6                | "       | "         | "             | 3091           | 23.6              | 0.017             | 75        | 125       |
| Mean of 5 rounds |         |           | 21.31         | 3084±5         | 22.9±0.4          | 0.019±0.002       |           |           |
| 7                | EX-6822 | 3.2       | 21.56         | 3085           | 23.7              | 0.018             | 100       | 100       |
| 8                | "       | "         | "             | 3094           | 23.8              | 0.020             | 100       | 100       |
| 9                | "       | "         | "             | 3096           | 23.9              | 0.016             | 100       | 100       |
| 10               | "       | "         | "             | 3100           | 22.4              | 0.016             | 100       | 100       |
| 11               | "       | "         | "             | 3089           | 23.8              | 0.021             | 100       | 100       |
| Mean of 5 rounds |         |           | 21.56         | 3093±5         | 23.5±0.5          | 0.018±0.002       |           |           |

Note: Cone crimp assembly on all rounds.

(a) Conditioning round.

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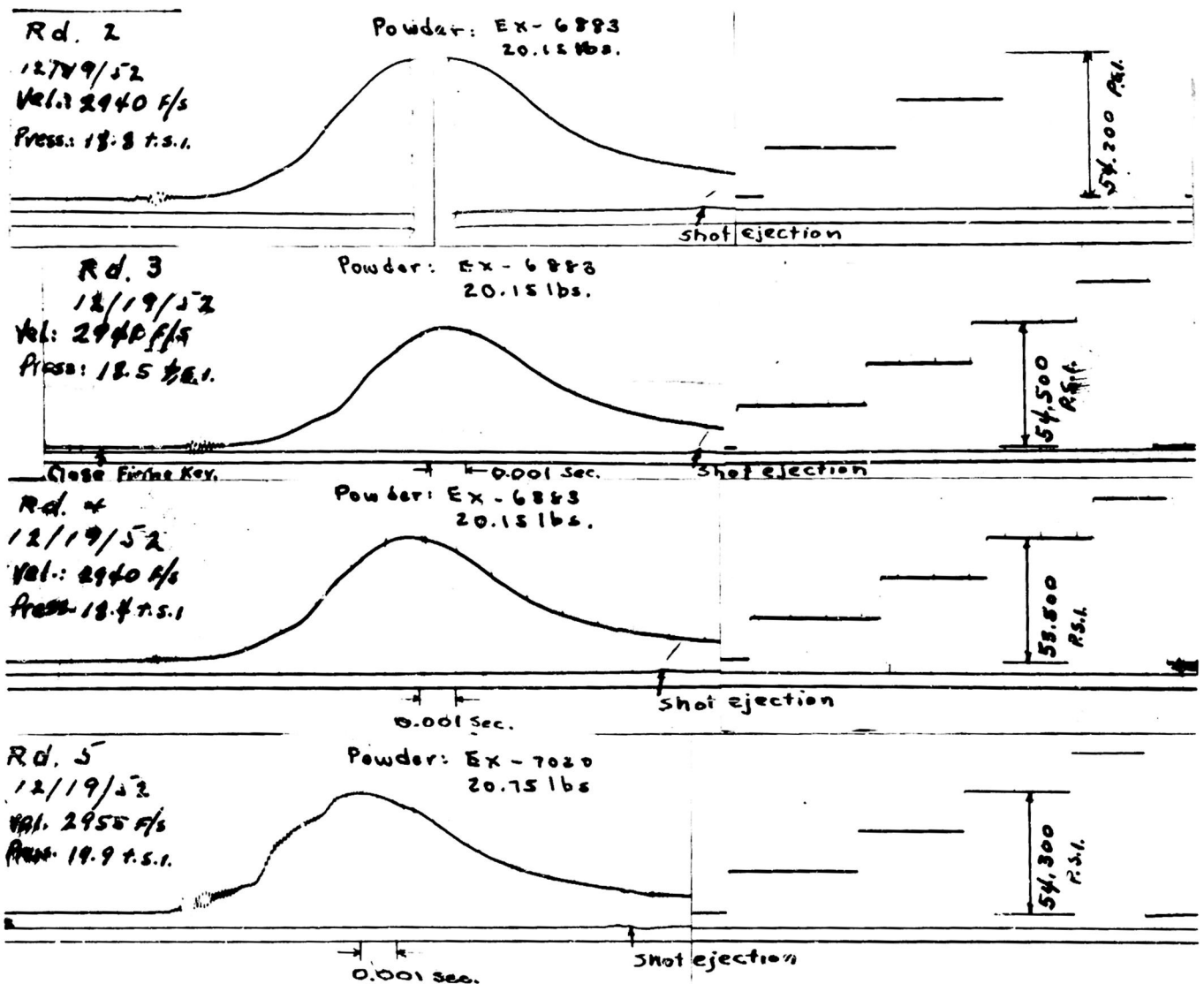
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PRESSURE TIME-CURVES

Gun: 5"/54 caliber Mk 16-0, No's. 14758 and 14763  
Projectile: Mk 41-0 (60.00 lb.) Empty  
Cartridge Case: Mk 7  
Primer: Mk 45  
Lead Foil: None  
Powder: As indicated  
Plug: Cork  
Was and Spacer: Cardboard, NGF Dwg. 132664  
Pc. Nos. 18 and 15 (as required)  
Powder Temp.: 90°F

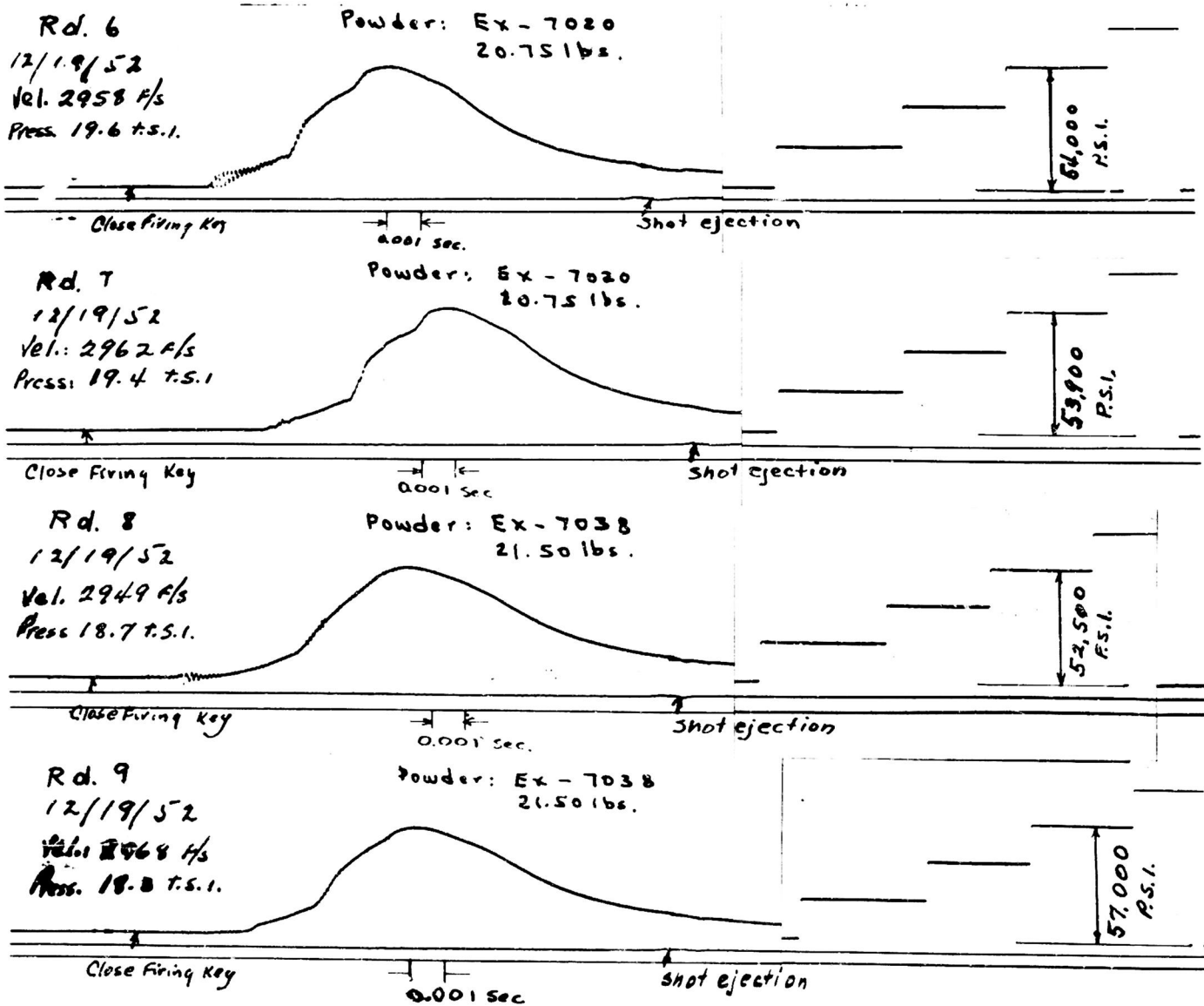
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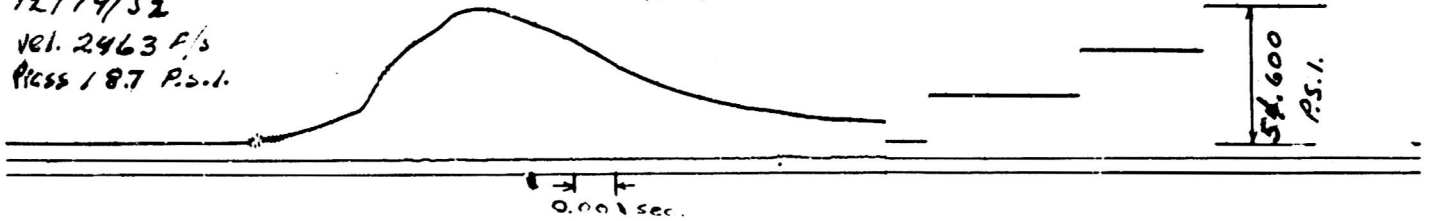


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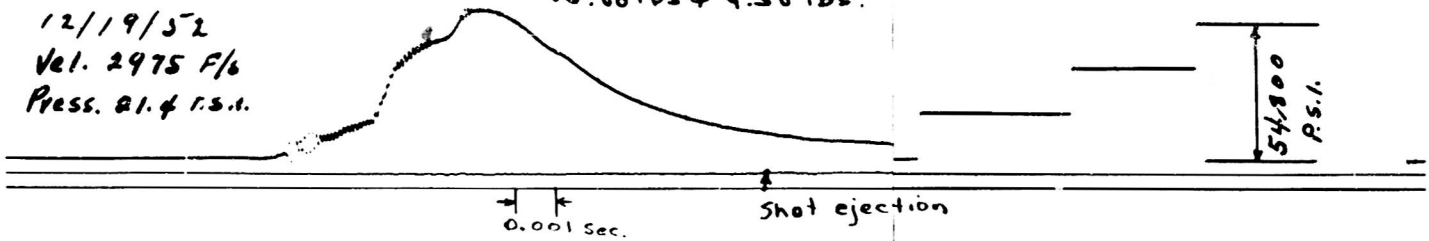
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Vel. 2463 F/s  
Press 18.7 P.S.I.

Powder: EX-7038  
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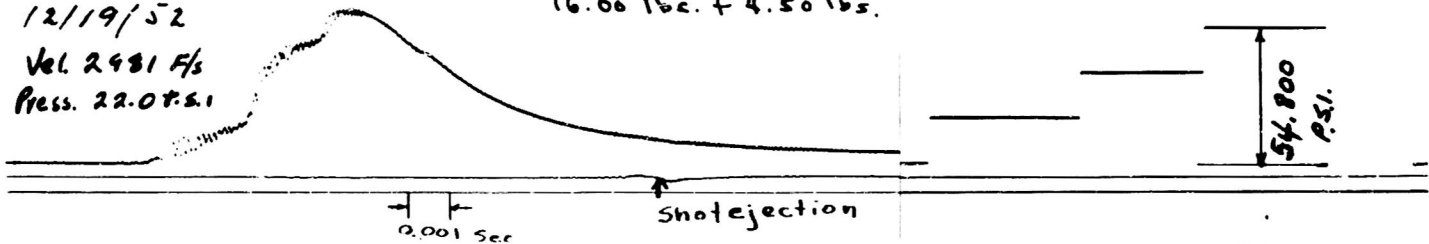
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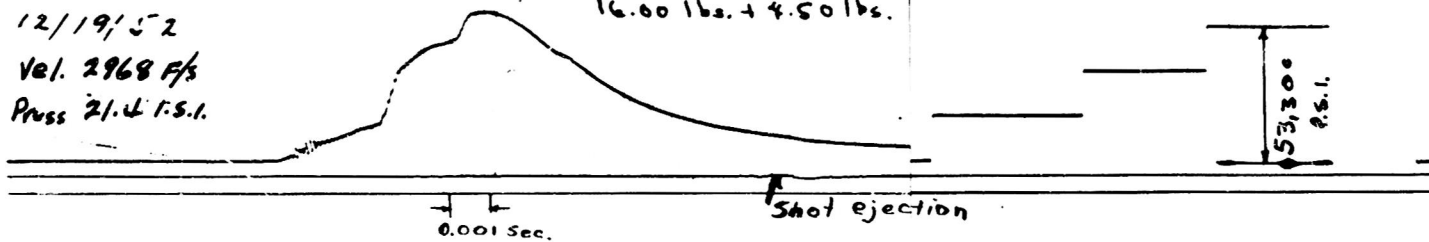
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Press. 22.0 P.S.I.

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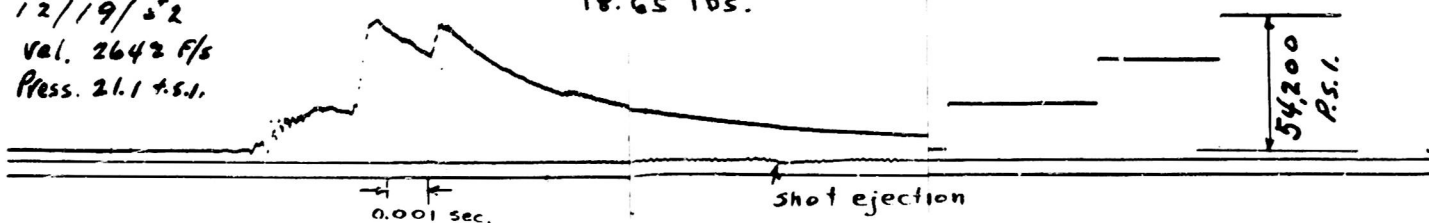
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Press 21.4 P.S.I.

Powder: EX-7020 + EX-7019  
16.00 lbs. + 4.50 lbs.



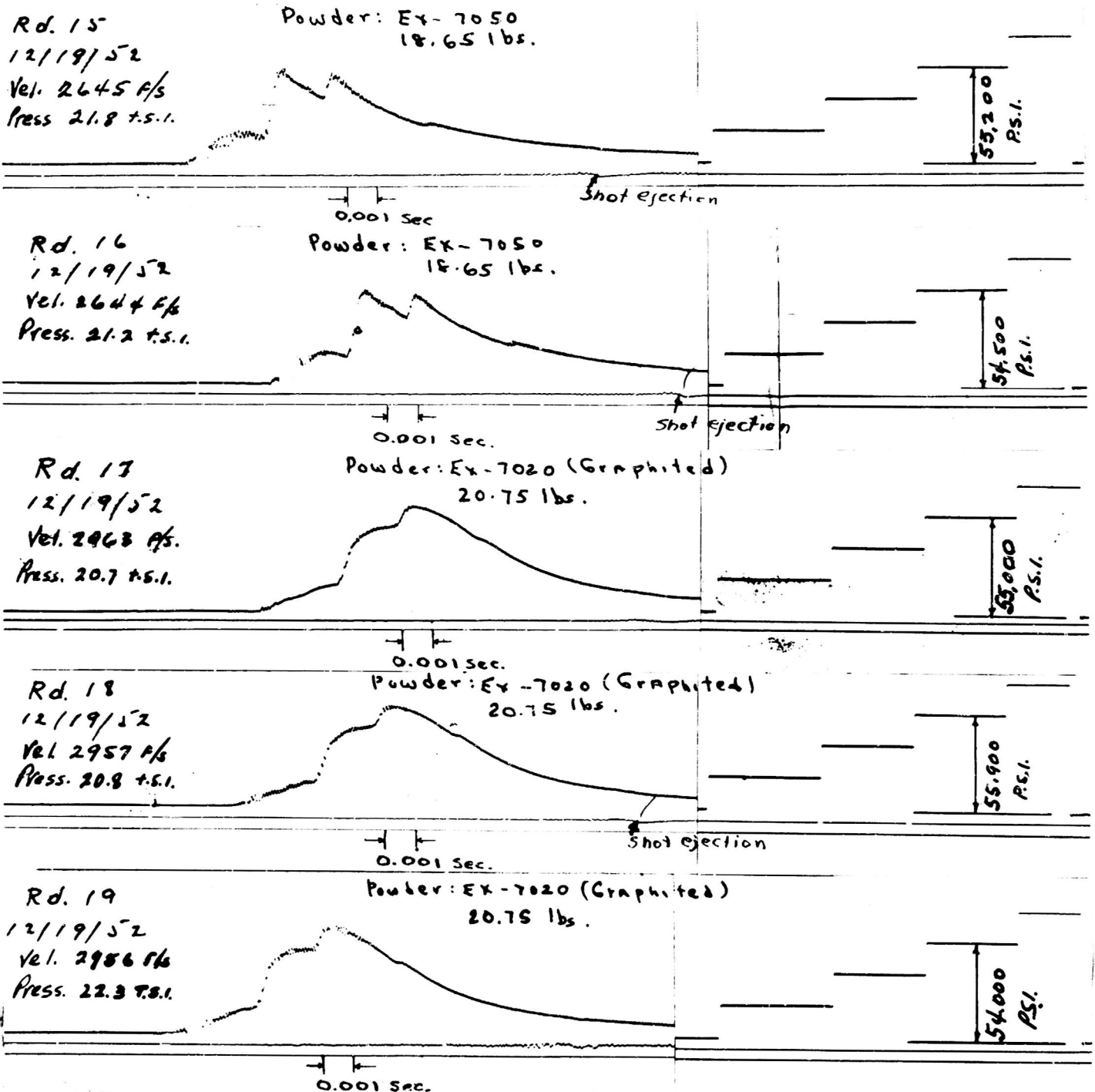
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Press. 21.1 P.S.I.

Powder: EX-7050  
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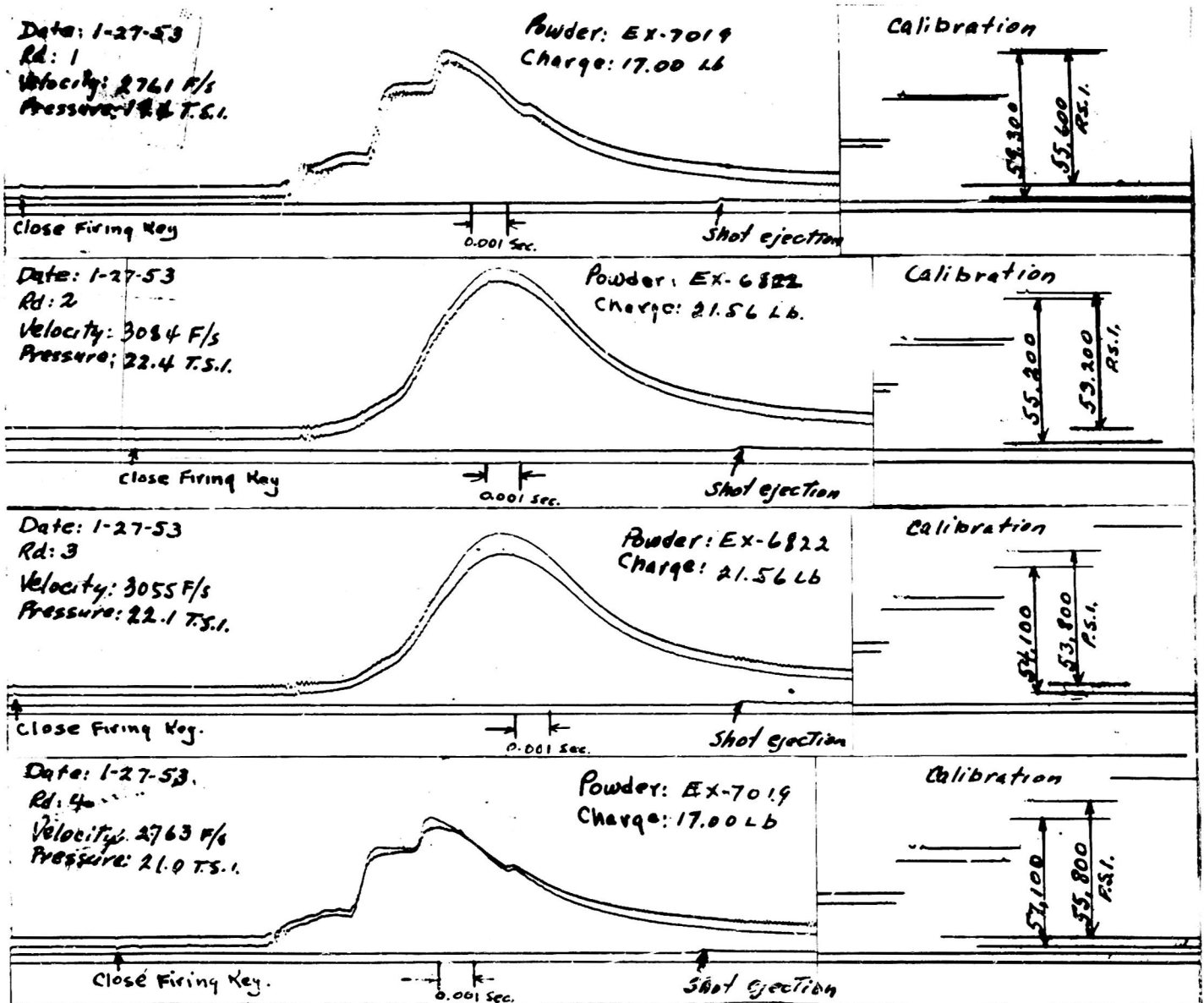
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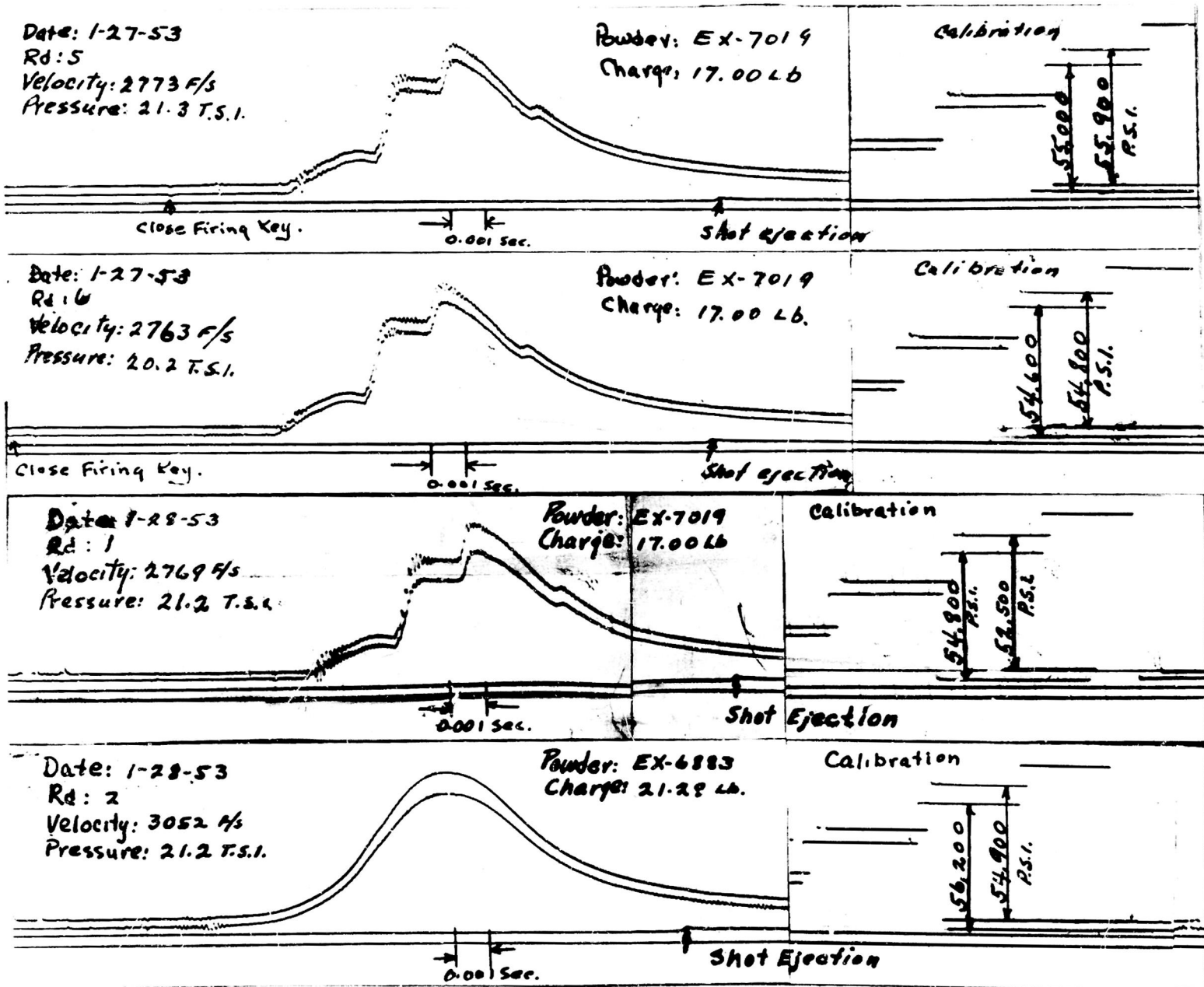
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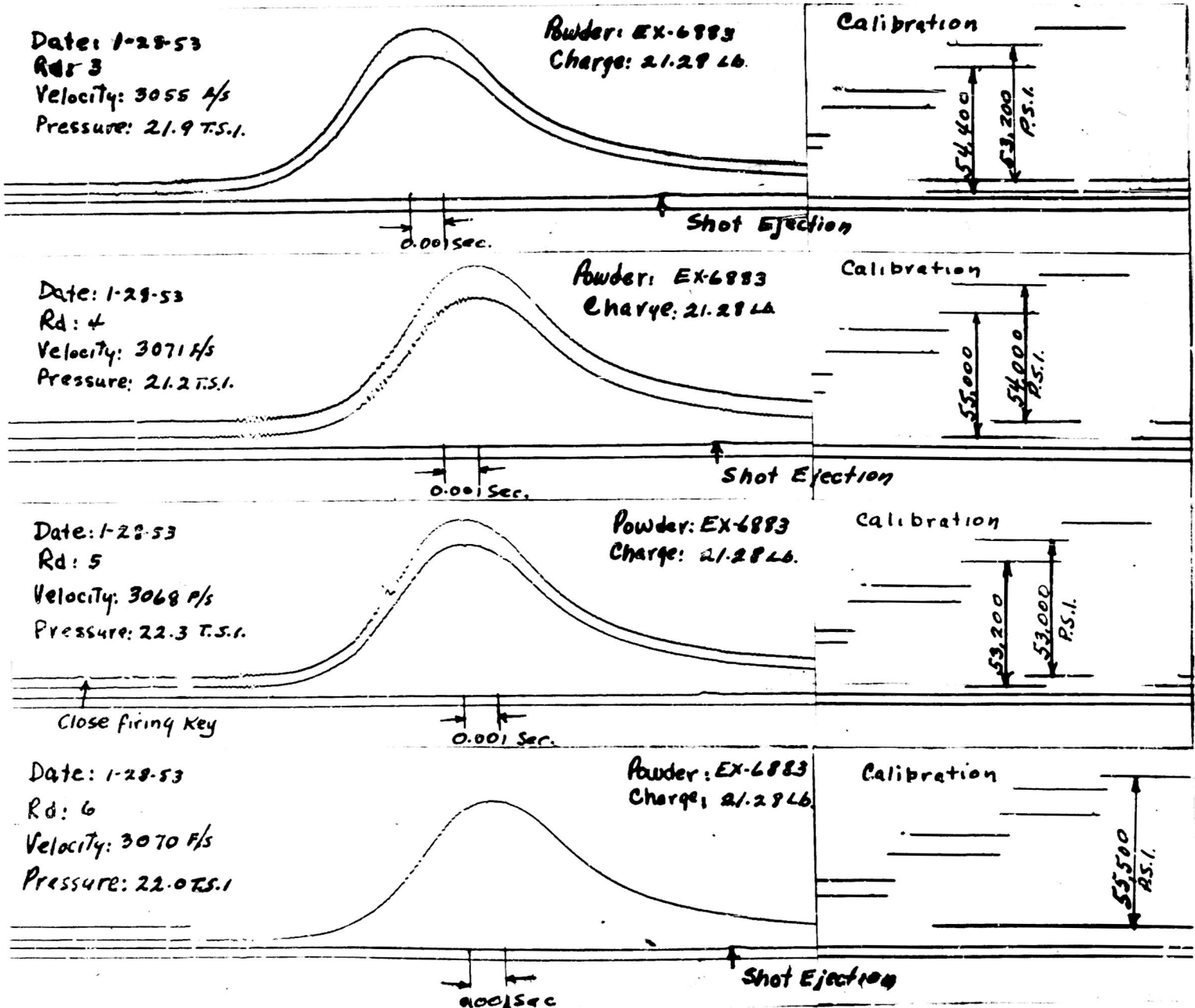
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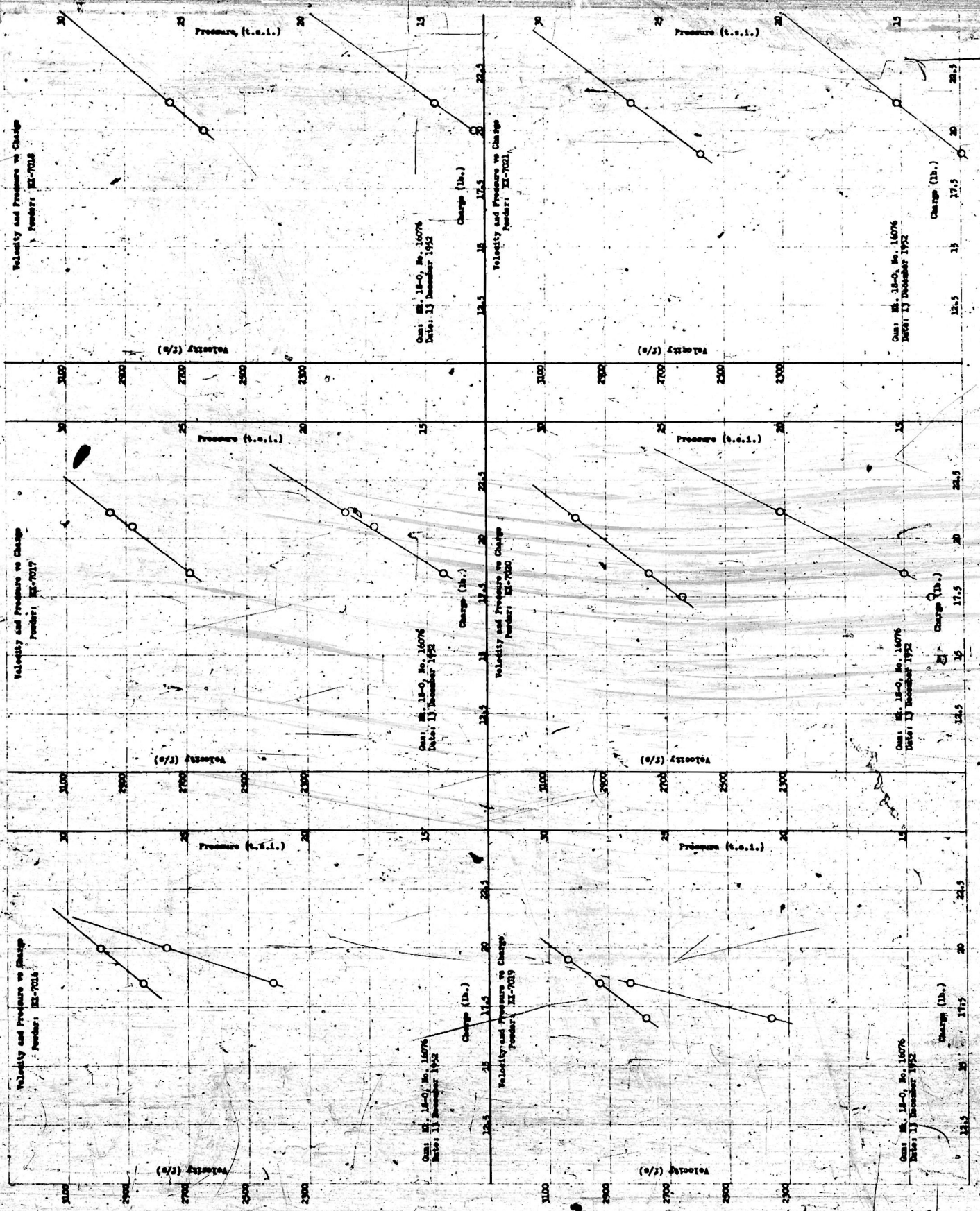
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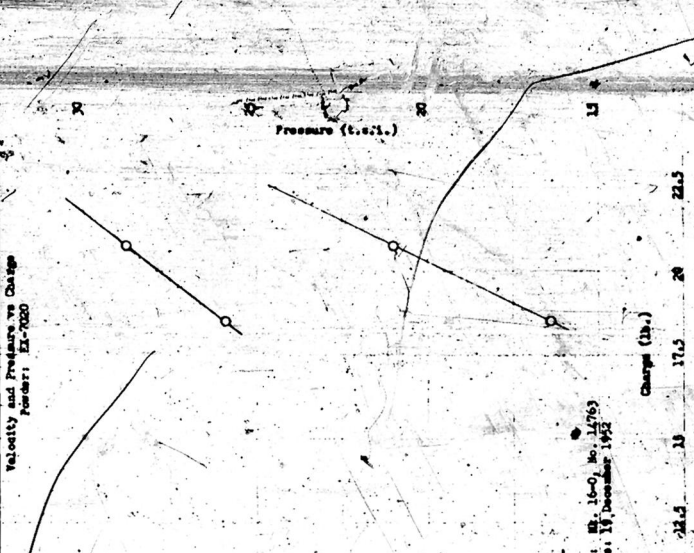
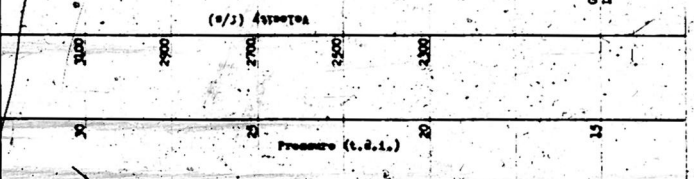
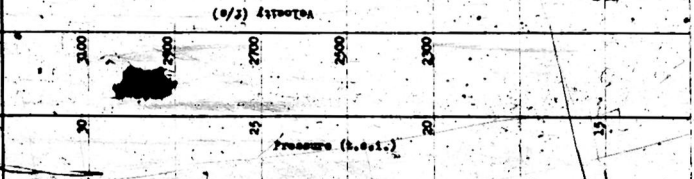
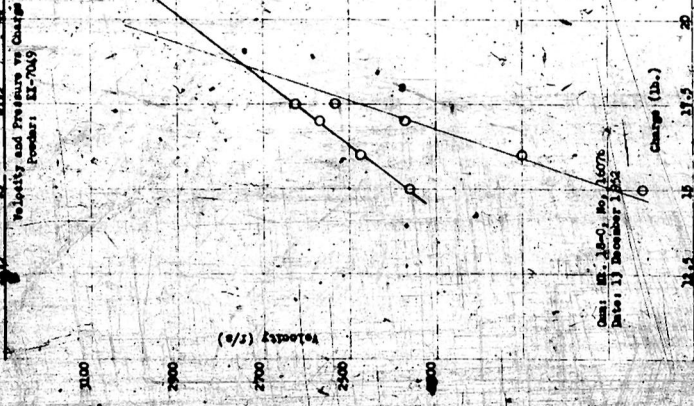
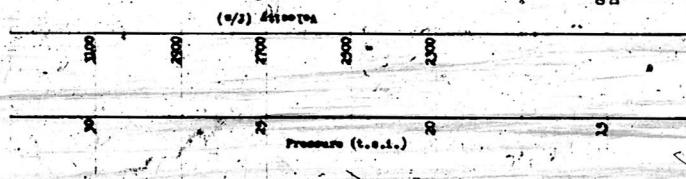
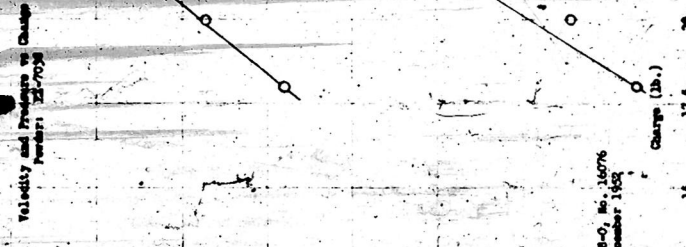
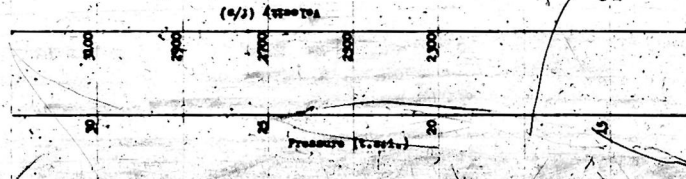
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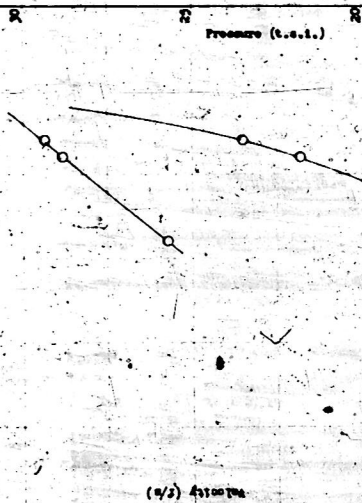


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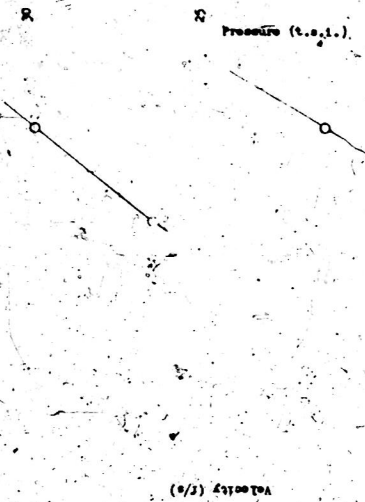
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Alum - EI-7019 - 22



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Velocity and Pressure vs Charge  
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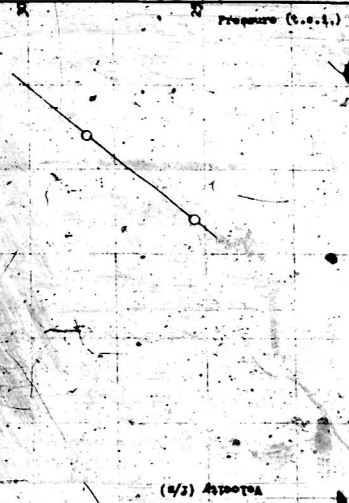
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