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INTRODUCTION

Stevedore pallets are used in preference to other types of pallets in many ports. The function of stevedore pallets is to provide effective ways of handling materials at the docks. These pallets are designed to carry all kinds of products, such as bagged cereals and fertilizers, kegs, drums, boxes, and crates. The pallets are to withstand such heavy impacts as are exerted by the forks of lift trucks. Furthermore, these pallets are often used in atmospheres of high humidity, with the air having a high salt content, hence, being corrosive.

Since stevedore pallets are used mainly to facilitate materials handling at the docks, they can be considered captive pallets. For this reason, it is both feasible and desirable to design and build these pallets in such a way that they have a useful service life over a long period, thereby capitalizing on the fact that long-lasting pallets are normally the most efficient pallets.

Because of their more or less continuous rough use and exposure to the elements, stevedore pallets should be of optimum design and construction. Otherwise, they are subjected to excessive damage and deterioration which could require more or less continuous and expensive repairs.

In Brazil, where pallets are expected to play a major role in the rapid industrialization during the country's immediate future, stevedore pallets are used at the docks to a considerable extent. Relatively large numbers of Brazilian stevedore pallets are repaired daily, a situation which is aggravated by the fact that the workmen involved in pallet repair have received insufficient instruction to perform in a most effective manner. These pallets are of 48" by 63" (1200 by 1600 mm) size and usually assembled with mixed Brazilian hardwoods, some of which have densities similar to the density of the North American red oaks, a principal group of species, which are used for pallet assembly in many parts of North America.

The majority of the captive Brazilian pallets are assembled today with Brazilian helically fluted nails, while helically threaded hardened-steel nails are used for this purpose in North America. These fluted nails are normally non-hardened and relatively soft.

The performance of pallets is influenced by the properties of the wood and the fastener used as well as the pallet design and construction which result in interaction of wood and fastener under load. For a given species of wood, improvements of pal-

let performance may be attained either by improving the design and construction or the means of fastening.

One of the prevalent modes of failure is the separation of the top leading-edge deckboards from the stringers as a result of repeated impacts by the forks of lift trucks. To reduce this incidence of failure, nails of improved toughness and holding power can be used for the fastening of deckboards to stringers. In addition, reinforcing the leading-edge deckboards against impact may be achieved by locating the adjacent deckboard directly next to the leading-edge deckboard, in order to allow interaction among both deckboards when impact forces are applied by the lift trucks.

The observed Brazilian stevedore pallets are of conventional design, as shown in Fig. 1. Improvements in their design as well as in their construction have been recommended. Pallets of both conventional and improved designs and constructions, also shown in Fig. 1, were tested, in order to fulfill the objective of this study, that is, to demonstrate the effectiveness of these improvements. They included back-up deckboards for the leading-edge deckboards as well as a larger number of improved nails for fastening the deckboards to the stringers. No consideration was given to any other potential design and construction improvements during this study.

Whereas peroba (Aspidosperma polyneouron) and other mixed hardwoods have been used predominantly in Brazil for stevedore pallets, red oaks and other dense hardwoods are, as already indicated, the principal species used for this purpose in North America. The conventional and improved stevedore pallets under study were made of North American red oak, since data on red oak pallets are of significant value in North America and since South American woods were not as readily available to the investigator for the assembly of the pallets under scrutiny.

In order to provide needed data on the effectiveness of the fasteners used for the assembly of stevedore pallets as manufactured in the Americas, the pallet deckboards were nailed to the pallet stringers with four different nails, as shown in Fig. 2.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of this study include the quantitative evaluation of

- a) the stiffness, rigidity, and load-carrying capacity of stevedore pallets of conventional and improved designs as well as their resistance to forces exerted by the forks of forklift trucks;
- b) the performance of two types of nails used in Brazil and two sizes of nails used in the U.S.A. for the assembly of pallets.

With such information at hand, it should be possible to advance recommendations which can result in the manufacture of more effective and longer lasting pallets which do not require such costly repairs throughout the pallet life as are experienced with the conventional pallets in common use today.

LITERATURE REVIEW

Pallets, as they are known today, are a product developed since World War II, when the forklift truck was introduced. It required the use of a platform on which products could be placed for moving, handling, storing, display, etc. These platforms are known as paillets (palle in Danish; palette in French; Palette in German; paleta, estrado or plataforma in Portuguese; paleta in Spanish; and lastpall in Swedish). Most of them are made of wood. A sizeable quantity is made of plywood and relatively few are made of steel, aluminum, and plastic. The pallets made from these latter materials are usually special purpose pallets where use requirements may justify the high initial cost of these pallets. Because of the advantages offered by wooden pallets, they can be expected to remain in high demand wherever wood is economically available for their manufacture (8).

The economic significance of wooden pallets becomes evident from some of the statistics available. The manufacture of wooden pallets in the U.S.A. increased drastically during the past few years, as is evident from Table 1. The most recent statistics indicate that as many as 236 million wooden pallets, produced in the U.S.A. during 1977, required the use of 15% of the national lumber production (8). Worldwide, these figures are more limited, as is shown in Table 2 (22).

Research on and evaluation of pallets have been underway during the past two decades in order to assure that pallets perform as anticipated under given use conditions and to demonstrate the benefits of given improvements (9). The economic aspects of such improvements have been given special consideration (30). This experimental and market research has influenced pallet performance to such an extent that the importance of such research has been recognized by both pallet manufacturers and pallet users.

Methods of testing pallets were standardized by the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) several years ago. Among these methods is the two-step pallet stiffness test which evaluates the stiffness (a) across the pallet width and (b) across the pallet length (4). Another ASTM test is the diagonal rigidity test (4) and a third one is the leading-edge impact resistance test (4). The latter two test methods were among those used during this study of the evaluation of stevedore pallets.

Among the test methods developed at the William H. Sardo Jr. Pallet and Container Research Laboratory (10) and published by the American National Standards

Institute (ANSI) is one which allows the simultaneous testing of the pallet for its stiffness across both its length and width as well as at the pallet center while the pallet is supported at its four corners and loaded at the center (3). Both the ASTM and VPI&SU stiffness test methods were evaluated at the Sardo Laboratory by performing fully comparative tests in order to provide comparative data resulting from the use of the two test methods (20). Pallets were tested for their stiffness and ultimate load at failure. The VPI&SU method, in comparison with the ASTM method, was found to be simpler, less time-consuming, better suited for yielding valuable supplementary data, and more stringent with respect to the ultimate load-carrying capacity of the tested pallet. This improved test method can yield highly reproducible and accurate test data. Consequently, it appears to be not only reliable but worthy of confidence (20).

Among the many experimental studies undertaken at the Sardo Laboratory and of particular interest to the Brazilian pallet manufacturer is one designed to determine the performance of warehouse and exchange pallets made of Eucalyptus saligna shook sawn from bolts of 55-year old and older trees. The fasteners used for shock assembly were NWPCA-approved (a) $2\frac{1}{4}$ " x 0.113" and $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 0.119", helically threaded, hardened-steel, pallet nails, and (b) $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 15-gauge, 7/16"-crown, polymer-coated, pallet staples (26).

During tests on eucalyptus deckboard-stringer joints, the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 0.119" pallet nail provided, on the average, a one-fifth higher immediate and delayed deckboard-stringer separation and shear resistance than the $2\frac{1}{4}$ " x 0.113" pallet nail. The $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 15-gauge pallet staple provided, on the average, a 6% and 59%, respectively, lower immediate and delayed shear resistance than the $2\frac{1}{4}$ " x 0.113" pallet nail. According to these test data, from 1.1 to 2.5 pallet staples may replace the $2\frac{1}{4}$ " pallet nail; while from 1.3 to 3.0 pallet staples may replace the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " pallet nail (26).

During tests on 48" by 40" eucalyptus pallets, no failures were observed during the static stiffness test up to a total load of 2000 lb. and only minor failures were noted during the impact rigidity test up to twelve free-fall drops. Furthermore, the average stiffness of the "standard" pallets, as described in the referenced report and assembled with $2\frac{1}{4}$ " or $2\frac{1}{2}$ " pallet nails or $2\frac{1}{2}$ " pallet staples and that of the "food" pallets, as also described in the referenced report and assembled with $2\frac{1}{4}$ " pallet nails were practically the same, varying as much as from -8% to +5% from the average values for the pallets tested. However, the average stiffness of the stapled pallets was 6% to 13% higher than that of the nailed pallets. In addition, the average rigidity of the nailed "standard" and "food" pallets was the same, varying only as much as from -2%

to +3% from the average rigidity of the nailed pallets. On the other hand, the average rigidity of the stapled pallets was considerably lower than that of the nailed pallets (26).

With respect to the analytical evaluation of pallets, a method was developed during 1976, for use by pallet manufacturers who are continuously faced with the problem of providing a product of sufficient strength to perform as required, which is safe to use and low in cost (27). The design procedure uses graphs as an alternative to rather complex calculations. These methods are based on the use of three factors: (a) a pallet use factor, which depends on the conditions under which the pallet is used; (b) a pallet design factor, which refers to the characteristics of the pallet design; and (c) a material factor, which refers to the characteristics of the materials used.

This analytical design procedure was found to be valid and conservative in a study of southern pine pallets, during which the predicted values for the cost per use, the safe load, and the economic life were compared with those obtained by pallet testing. The procedure was found to be conservative, since the computed values were lower than the test values in all instances under observation (28).

A similar, however, simplified analytical procedure, based on the same engineering principles, was developed during 1977, for the prediction of pallet performance (29). Certain engineering practices were recommended which should be adhered to during the design of pallets. Three loading situations were considered and formulae were advanced covering the stiffness and load-carrying capacity of pallets under these conditions.

The performance of wooden pallets is influenced by the performance of the fasteners, such as nails and staples, which are most commonly used for pallet assembly (11). The deckboard-stringer separation resistance depends to a great extent on the holding power of the fasteners in the wood used. The pallet rigidity is affected considerably by the ductility and toughness of the fastener. Its driveability, especially into dense hardwoods, is influenced by its buckling resistance, which is directly related to its ductility and toughness.

Ductility, pliability, and buckling resistance, as well as the brittleness of the fastener are properties which can be determined and quantified by testing the fastener with the "Morgan Impact Bend-Angle Nail Tester", the MIBANT device, according to established procedures (15, 21).

Since the introduction of any quality control requires the establishment of quality-control criteria, such criteria were suggested on the basis of the performance of

MIBANT tests on numerous helically threaded pallet nails taken from many manufacturing lots (17). The tested nails could be separated into three distinct groups of nails:

- a) "Hardened-steel nails" having MIBANT bend angles ranging from 8° to 28° ;
- b) "Stiff-stock nails" having MIBANT bend angles ranging from 29° to 46° ;
- c) "Soft nails" having MIBANT bend angles beyond 46° .

The acceptance criteria also limit the number of partial and complete nail failures to 8% of the 25 samples randomly selected from each lot of nails.

MIBANT test procedures for pallet staples have been suggested (21). However, no acceptance criteria have been advanced to-date.

The design and construction of wooden warehouse and exchange pallets have been studied for many years. Improvements have been recommended and evaluated. Among the major improvements introduced are the use of (a) back-up deckboards placed directly next to the leading-edge deckboards (23, 26) and (b) appropriate numbers of helically threaded, instead of helically fluted, hardened-steel, instead of stiff-stock, nails (10, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19).

The use of the back-up deckboard was found to increase by one-fifth the rigidity of 30% heavier mixed hardwood pallets of improved design. The use of hardened-steel nails was found to increase the pallet rigidity as much as two-thirds regardless of the wood species used. Since pallet rigidity may, under given conditions, be equated with pallet life, these improvements are highly significant from the pallet cost-per-use aspect (23).

Information on the laboratory and field performance of stevedore pallets has not been found in the published literature. Thus, it appears that this study introduces a new dimension in the design and construction of stevedore pallets. On the other hand, they are basically similar to other captive warehouse pallets, with the stiffness resulting from the large size and weight and the inclusion of top and/or bottom deckboard wings in the design of stevedore pallets.

MATERIALS

Lumber

The two lots of lumber used for the assembly of the deckboard-stringer joints and the pallets tested during this study were of the red-oak family from the southwest region of Virginia, purchased directly from a Montgomery County sawmill. The lumber was received at the Sardo Laboratory in green condition, planed to uniform cross-sections and subsequently stored in the Laboratory's 100% relative humidity chamber until used. Therefore, it was considered to have been green during its assembly into pallet joints and pallets.

The oven-dry specific gravity (as determined according to a procedure described in the chapter on Test Procedures) of the pallet deckboards ranged from 0.50 to 0.68, with an average of 0.59 and a standard deviation of 0.06. The oven-dry specific gravity of the pallet stringers ranged from 0.60 to 0.78, with an average of 0.68 and a standard deviation of 0.04. The bar diagrams in Fig. 3 indicate that the randomly selected deckboards and stringers provided pallets of a comparable nature, since the pallet deckboards and stringers were of relatively uniform oven-dry specific gravity.

Nails

Prior to the mass-production of helically threaded pallet nails in Brazil during 1977, $2\frac{1}{2}$ " helically fluted nails were predominantly used there for pallet assembly. Both types of nails, shown in Fig. 2, are readily available in Brazil at this time. These nails were tested at the Sardo Laboratory and used for the assembly of the tested joints and the pallets of both conventional and improved designs. In addition to these two types of Brazilian nails, two helically threaded nails, used in the U.S.A. for pallet assembly and shown also in Fig. 2, were tested during this study and used for the assembly of the deckboard-stringer joints as well as the pallets. Since the nail data obtained are of a fully comparative nature, the performance of the tested nails could be fully analyzed. The four different nails, numbered according to the VPI&SU Laboratory numbering system, are described in the following paragraphs:

Nail a.- The Brazilian helically fluted nail (VPI&SU No. 2017) is of $2\frac{1}{2}$ " (length) x 0.143" (flute-crest diameter) size, with four helical flutes having an 80° flute angle, an 0.30"-diameter flat head, and a medium diamond point, and weighing 4.546 g.

The MIBANT bend angles of 25 random samples, given in Appendix Table 16a, ranged from 29° to 36° , with an average of 32° . Therefore, this nail can be classified as a stiff-stock nail.

Nail b.- The Brazilian pointless helically threaded nail (VPI&SU No. 2018) is of $2\frac{1}{2}$ " (length) \times 0.127" (wire diameter) size, with three helical thread flutes having a 68° thread angle, an 0.142" thread-crest diameter, and a $\frac{1}{2}$ " clearance between thread and 0.287"-diameter umbrella head, and weighing 4.221 g. The MIBANT bend angles of 25 nail samples, given in Appendix Table 16b, ranged from 35° to 41° , with an average of 37° . Therefore, this nail can be classified as a stiff-stock nail.

Nail c.- The short helically threaded nail (VPI&SU No. 1999-A), commonly used in the U.S.A., is of $2\frac{9}{16}$ " \times 0.119" size, with four helical thread flutes having a 59° thread angle, an 0.138" thread-crest diameter, a $\frac{3}{4}$ " clearance between thread and 0.276"-diameter flat head, and medium diamond point, and weighing 3.800 g. The MIBANT bend angles of 25 nail samples, given in Appendix Table 16c, ranged from 15° to 19° , with an average of 17° . Therefore, this nail can be classified as a hardened-steel nail.

Nail d.- The longer helically threaded nail (VPI&SU No. 1785) is of 3" \times 0.120" size, with four helical thread flutes having a 63° thread angle, an 0.136" thread-crest diameter, and a $\frac{7}{8}$ " clearance between thread and 0.316" flat-topped umbrella head. It is pointless and weighs 4.589 g. The MIBANT bend angles of 25 nail samples, given in Appendix Table 16d, ranged from 12° to 25° , with an average of 16° . Therefore, this nail can be classified as a hardened-steel nail.

Deckboard-Stringer Joints

Each deckboard-stringer joint was assembled with a single nail fastening the matched, clear, green, $1" \times 1\frac{3}{4}" \times 6"$, deckboard specimens across a clear, green $2.3" \times 3.6"$ stringer of appropriate length (48").

For matching purposes, the 6" deckboard specimens were sawn consecutively from representative deckboard strips of 63" length. The joints with the four nails tested were located in sequence next to each other and spaced $3\frac{1}{4}"$ center-to-center along the stringers. The joints tested for nail withdrawal were adjacent to the joints tested for nail shear along the stringer length.

Ten replicate joints were made of wood from randomly selected deckboards and

stringers. This resulted in data as representative of the wood used in this study as were feasible with decuple replications. Because of the matching procedure used, the deckboard-stringer joints yielded fully comparative individual and average test values for the four nails tested for withdrawal and shear resistance.

Six-week seasoning of the assembled joints prior to testing resulted in an average moisture content of 9.4% for the deckboards and 29.8% for the stringers during the deckboard-stringer separation tests and 10.6% for the deckboards and 31.3% for the stringers during the deckboard-stringer shear tests.

The average oven-dry specific gravity was 0.64 for the deckboards and 0.67 for the stringers of the deckboard-stringer separation joints and 0.70 for the deckboards and 0.72 for the stringers of the deckboard-stringer shear joints.

Pallets

The pallets of both conventional and improved designs were reversible, double-face, wing-type, two-way entry pallets, having the same overall 48" x 63" dimensions, as shown in Fig. 1. The pallets were accurately assembled with green red oak at the Sardo Laboratory. During assembly of the pallets, the best stringers were used for the outer stringers. The best deckboards of those at hand were chosen for the leading-edge deckboards and the better edges of the leading-edge deckboards were used for the outer edges. The inner deckboards were randomly selected.

Seasoning of the pallets took place in the Laboratory (nominal 50% relative humidity at 70°F. temperature) over a period of at least nine weeks prior to testing. The moisture content and the oven-dry specific gravity of the top center deckboard and of the center stringer were determined, after the testing of the pallets had been completed, by securing small samples. After testing the pallets to failure, their moisture content ranged from 9.3% to 10.7%, with an average of 9.8%, for the top center deckboards, and from 14.8% to 27.6%, with an average of 21.6%, for the center stringers.

The oven-dry specific gravity of the top center deckboards ranged from 0.50 to 0.68, with an average of 0.59, and that of the center stringers ranged from 0.60 to 0.78, with an average of 0.68. (For further details, see the Section on Lumber.)

The pallets of conventional design, shown in Fig. 1, had the same overall dimensions, the same lumber dimensions, and the same number and location of nails as the pallets being used at Brazilian docks. The quantity and size of the green pallet shook and the number of nails used for the assembly of pallets of conventional design are

shown in Table 3.

The pallets of improved design, also shown in Fig. 1, utilize top and bottom follow-up deckboards placed tightly against the leading-edge deckboards during pallet assembly. As a result of seasoning of the originally green shook after pallet assembly, the follow-up deckboard is eventually spaced approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the leading-edge deckboard. Despite this spacing, the combination of the two boards at each pallet end is highly effective in increasing the pallet rigidity and its resistance to such forces as are exerted by the forklift truck. Because of the tight spacing of the first two top and bottom deckboards at each pallet end, it was found necessary to include an additional deckboard in each pallet face in order to avoid excessive spacing for the inner deckboards.

The pallet of improved design also used an additional nail for each deckboard-stringer joint because of the undernailing of the pallets of conventional design (12). This improvement was found highly desirable because of the large size and weight of the pallet with its shook both in green and seasoned conditions.

The material requirements for the pallet of improved design are also given in Table 3. A comparison of the material requirements of pallets of conventional and improved designs indicates that the pallets of improved design required 12% more lumber and 64% more nails than those of conventional design.

A detailed description of these pallets is given in Tables 4a and 4b.

The average assembly and test weights, in pounds, of the pallets of conventional and improved designs are summarized in Table 5. Consequently, the improved pallets were, on the average, 12.7% heavier during assembly and during the final testing phase than the conventional pallets if no adjustment is made for the difference in lumber from the two batches received for this study. If, on the other hand, weight adjustments are made, the improved pallets were, on the average, 14.0% heavier than the conventional pallets. Furthermore, on the average, the pallets of conventional and improved designs had, by the final testing phase, lost 36% of the initial pallet weights as a result of seasoning in the Laboratory.

To facilitate pallet identification, all test pallets were sequentially coded according to the following convention:

- A) Conventional design
- B) Improved design
 - a) $2\frac{1}{2}$ " fluted nail as used in Brazil

- b) 2½" threaded nail as used in Brazil
- c) 2½" threaded nail as used in U.S.A.
- d) 3" threaded nail as used in U.S.A.

1-5) Replications

Thus, Pallet Aa1 is a pallet of conventional design, assembled with the Brazilian fluted nail, and representing the first of five replications.

EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN

Deckboard-Stringer Joints

An analysis of variance was used for the decuple data obtained both for the deckboard-stringer separation and shear resistance of the joints assembled with the four nails tested. The purpose of such a statistical analysis was to determine whether the mean values differed significantly and to make comparisons between the means.

Pallets

A two-factor analysis of variance and a Duncan's multiple range test were chosen as the statistical models for the evaluation of the research data covering the pallets of conventional and improved designs on the one hand and the four nails used for the assembly of the pallets on the other hand. This statistical analysis was applied to the data on the initial static stiffness, impact rigidity, impact deckboard-stringer separation resistance, follow-up static stiffness, and static ultimate load-carrying capacity of the quintuplicate pallets.

The statistical design used for the $2 \text{ (designs)} \times 4 \text{ (nails)} \times 5 \text{ (replications)} = 40$ pallets tested during this study is given in Table 6.

TEST PROCEDURES

Minor Tests

1) Moisture Content of Pallet Shook

After completion of the tests on the deckboard-stringer joints as well as the tests on each pallet, small clear samples were sawn from the specimens and weighed immediately and after oven-drying at approximately 101° C. for a period of not less than 24 hours (6). In the case of the joints, all deckboard samples as well as all stringer samples were treated as single samples. This resulted in the determination of average moisture contents for both the deckboards and the stringers used. In the case of the pallets, small clear samples were sawn from the center part of the top center deckboard and center stringer of each pallet according to established Laboratory procedure, and each was weighed immediately and after oven-drying. Thus, the moisture content was obtained for one deckboard and one stringer of each pallet.

2) Oven-Dry Specific Gravity of Pallet Shook

After weighing each oven-dry specimen, its volume was determined by using the VPI&SU Mercury Volumeter (7, 25). The specific gravity of the pallet shook used was determined on the basis of oven-dry weight and volume of the samples.

Major Tests

1) Deckboard-Stringer Joints

Deckboard-stringer joints were assembled and tested to provide basic information on their performance.

The static deckboard-stringer separation resistance was determined six weeks after the assembly of the decuple red-oak joints with the four nails under investigation, with a single nail per joint. This was accomplished by holding the stringer in a static position and applying a normal force to the deckboard in the axial direction of the nail at a constant rate of motion of 0.100 inches per minute of the movable cross-head of a 3000-lb. capacity Tinius Olsen Electromatic testing machine. Whenever a head pull-through failure occurred, the fastener was subsequently tested by gripping

the protruding nail shank and determining the axial withdrawal resistance of the nail.

The static deckboard-stringer shear resistance was determined in a similar manner with similar joints by holding the stringer in a static position and applying an axial force in the plane and parallel with the grain of the deckboard perpendicular to the nail axis and the grain of the stringer.

The ultimate test load and the mode of failure were observed and recorded for the eighty joints tested.

2) Pallets

Whole pallets were tested since the required information cannot be obtained in any other way.

The following tests were performed in sequence, as shown in Figs. 4a to 4f, on each of the forty pallets of conventional and improved designs, assembled with the four nails under investigation.

a) Initial Pallet Stiffness as Determined by Static Load-Deflection Test

The basic test procedure is described in American National Standard 1977, ANSI-MH 1.4.1 - 8.3 -- Combined Deckboard, Stringer, and Pallet Stiffness and Strength Test (3).

This test procedure was used to determine the relative stiffness of the deckboards, stringers, and complete pallets supported at the four pallet corners and loaded at the pallet center. The test frame has four 2" x 2" bearing plates supporting the four pallet corners, a 12" x 14" x $\frac{1}{2}$ (0.56)" steel plate with a spherical loading device, and five linear position transducers allowing deflection recordings in one thousandth of an inch up to a maximum of 6" (Waters Manufacturing, Wayland, Massachusetts 01778). The sensors were located at the midpoints of the pallet sides and ends and directly below the pallet center. In order to provide sufficient space for the installation of the sensors, the wings of the top center deckboards of the pallets of improved design had to be sawed off prior to the performance of the initial stiffness tests.

In order to ascertain that the loading was uniform throughout the testing and to be able to observe any creep, the load was applied with a computer-controlled motorized 6000-lb. capacity pump in increments of 200 lb., with each step load maintained automatically for a period of two minutes, up to a load of 2000 lb., when the test was terminated.

The average load-deflection curves for the pallet sides and the pallet ends as well as the load-deflection curve for the pallet center were automatically plotted during the progress of the test. The initial and final deformations at every load step provided the information for the plot.

b) Pallet Rigidity as Determined by Impact Free-Fall Cornerwise Drop Test

The test procedure is described in American National Standard 1977, ANSI-MH 1.4.1 - 4.2 -- Corner Drop of Vertically Suspended Pallet (1).

The drop test simulates impact racking forces imposed by dropping the pallet onto one of its four corners during pallet handling. Such dropping may occur during unstacking of loaded and unloaded pallets as well as during their removal. The test was performed by dropping the pallet six times from a height of $33\frac{1}{2}$ " above the level surface of a heavy concrete mass onto one of the pallet corners.

The unloaded pallet was suspended at one corner in such a manner that the diagonal across the pallet face from the suspended corner to the impact corner was vertical. The pallet was allowed to fall freely from its original position onto the impact surface. After the impact had occurred, the pallet was restrained to prevent a secondary fall.

Prior to the first drop and after each subsequent drop, the lengths of each of the two top-deck and two bottom-deck diagonals were measured with a graduated scale, measuring one hundredth of an inch, and recorded. The test was terminated after dropping the pallet for the sixth time.

c) Resistance of Pallet to Forces Exerted by Forklift Truck as Determined by Impact Incline Deckboard-Stringer Separation Test

The impact incline test is described in American National Standard 1977, ANSI-MH 1.4.1 - 5.6 -- Incline Impact Deckboard-Stringer Separation Test (2).

The purpose of this test is to simulate the forces imposed by the forks and fork heels of a lift truck, when they strike the top leading-edge deckboard during and upon termination of fork entry. The test is performed to determine the resistance to damage of the pallet's top leading-edge deckboard and its leading edge as well as the resistance of the top leading-edge deckboard to its separation from the stringers as a result of forces applied by the lift truck.

The pallets were tested in an apparatus which is described in ASTM Standard

D880-73 (5) and modified by affixing forks as shown in ANSI MH 1.4.1 - 5.6.2 (2).

The dolly of the tester was raised up the incline to leave a 30" space between the dolly front and the fork heel. The pallet was placed on the dolly in such a way that the forward leading edge of the pallet was parallel with the forward leading edge of the dolly and overhanging it by two inches. Furthermore, the bottom leading-edge deckboard of the pallet next to the "C" sensor, shown in Fig. 1, during the initial static stiffness test was placed in such a way as to become the top leading-edge deckboard which was to receive the impact. A 410-lb. weight box was placed onto the pallet in such a manner that the trailing upper edge of the 40"-wide and 32"-long box was flush with the trailing upper edge of the pallet and the kinetic energy of the box was transferred at impact directly to the stringers.

Failure was considered to have occurred when the forks had destroyed the leading edge of the pallet and/or when the top leading-edge deckboard was torn at least from two stringers. At that time, the test was terminated.

Immediately after test termination, the tested pallet was repaired. This was accomplished by completely separating the partially separated leading-edge deckboard of the conventional pallet and the partially separated leading-edge deckboard and its back-up deckboard of the improved pallet from the three stringers and by renailing these deckboards to the three stringers. Under given conditions, one or both of the damaged deckboards were replaced and fastened to the three stringers with the appropriate new nails. The exceptions were pallets Ba1, Bb1, and Bc1. The leading-edge deckboard of pallet Ba1 was renailed with eight nails and the follow-up deckboard was renailed with three nails, since the two deckboards were not removed completely from the three stringers. Similarly, the follow-up deckboard of pallet Bb1 was renailed with six nails and the follow-up deckboard of pallet Bc1 was not removed from the three stringers, hence, was not renailed.

d) Follow-Up Pallet Stiffness as Determined by Follow-Up Static Load-Deflection Test

The purpose of this test is to determine whether the impact free-fall cornerwise drop test and the subsequent incline impact deckboard-stringer separation test influenced the stiffness of the pallet after its repair. Any difference between the initial and the follow-up stiffness test values can be attributed to loss in stiffness as a result of a simulated field service by the pallet and the effect of the repair.

This test was performed with the pallet located in the test rack in the same way

as during the initial stiffness test. Furthermore, the follow-up test was performed in the same manner as the initial stiffness test, except that the test was terminated only after a load of 6000 lb. had been applied.

e) Pallet Load-Carrying Capacity as Determined by Static Load-Deflection Test

The purpose of this test is to determine the pallet's ultimate load-carrying capacity in the same manner as the pallet's stiffness, except that the first 6000-lb. load was applied in a single step and that each subsequent 200-lb. load was applied only after a two-minute constant-load interval. Furthermore, a 20,000-lb. capacity hand-operated pump was used for loading instead of the computer-controlled motorized pump used for the determination of the pallet stiffness. During this test, no deflection readings were recorded. The type of failure was observed and recorded.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Deckboard-Stringer Joints

1) Static Deckboard-Stringer Separation Resistance in Direction of Nail Axis

The detailed static ultimate nail-withdrawal and deckboard-stringer separation-resistance data are presented in Appendix Table 17a. The average nail-withdrawal values are summarized in Table 7.

In comparison with the withdrawal resistance of the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " helically fluted nail (a), the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " helically threaded nail (b) performed 44% better and the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " and 3" helically threaded nails (c and d) performed 61% and 111%, respectively, better in resisting axial withdrawal forces.

The efficiency of the nails, on a uniform weight basis, indicates that, in comparison with the efficiency of the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " helically fluted nail (a), the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " helically threaded nail (b) was 56% more efficient, and the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " and 3" helically threaded nails (c and d) were 93% and 109%, respectively, more efficient in resisting axial withdrawal forces.

These findings are presented graphically in the bar diagrams of Fig. 5. The three threaded nails performed considerably better than the fluted nail. The $2\frac{1}{2}$ " and 3" threaded nails (c and d) performed similarly on the basis of uniform shank penetration into the nailing member.

The helically threaded nail (b) could, of course, have been provided with a considerably more effective thread, which would have increased its holding power and the energy required for driving. Increasing its length and head diameter would also have increased its effectiveness.

2) Static Deckboard-Stringer Shear Resistance in Direction Perpendicular to Nail Axis

The detailed static ultimate deckboard-stringer shear-resistance data are presented in Appendix Table 17b. The average shear values are also summarized in Table 7.

In comparison with the shear resistance of the deckboard-stringer joint assembled with the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " helically fluted nail (a), that of the joint assembled with the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " helically threaded nail (b) was 28% higher and that of the joints assembled with the

2½" and 3" helically threaded nails (c and d) was 35% and 70%, respectively, higher.

The efficiency of the nails, on a uniform weight basis, indicates that, in comparison with the efficiency of the 2½" helically fluted nail (a), the 2½" helically threaded nail (b) is 37% more efficient and the 2½" and 3" helically threaded nails (c and d) are 61% and 69%, respectively, more efficient in resisting shear forces.

These findings are presented graphically in the bar diagram of Fig. 6. As in withdrawal, the three threaded nails performed considerably better than the fluted nail, with the 3" nail providing higher shear resistance than the 2½" nail of same design.

Pallets

1) Initial Pallet Stiffness as Determined by Static Load-Deflection Test

The detailed load-deflection data are presented in Appendix Tables 18a and 18b. The average data are given in Appendix Table 19. The average load-deflection curves are plotted in Fig. 7.

During these tests, no failures were observed.

The average cumulative load-deflection values, throughout the test range from 0 to 2000 lb., for the quintuplicate pallets of conventional and improved designs, assembled with the four types of nails under study, are presented in Table 8.

The material for the pallets of improved design came from two lots of red oak. An examination of the pallet weights revealed a significant difference between the weights of the pallets assembled with the lumber of the two lots. In order to eliminate the influence of the differences in pallet weights on pallet stiffness, all average cumulative deflection values for the seven pallets of improved design assembled with lumber from the second lot (Nos. Bc4, Bc5, and Bd1 to 5) were adjusted, as is shown in Appendix Table 20, for differences in pallet weights according to D (in in.) $= 46.23 - 0.198 W$ (in lb.). This least-square line regression relationship between pallet weight and cumulative deflection values is indicated in Fig. 8. The relatively high value of the correlation coefficient justified this adjustment.

The weights of the 13 remaining pallets of improved design and of the 20 pallets of conventional design, having been assembled with lumber from the first lot, had similar narrow ranges of weight distribution, as is shown in Fig. 8. An adjustment

of the cumulative deflection values for these pallets had no justification. (Likewise, no adjustments were justified for the test values emanating from the rigidity, deck-board-stringer separation resistance, follow-up stiffness, and ultimate load-carrying capacity tests on the pallets of both conventional and improved designs.)

In the light of the data presented, the use of the four types of nails was of no influence on the initial static stiffness of the pallets of conventional and improved designs. On the other hand, the 12% heavier pallets of improved design proved to be, on the average, 15% stiffer than those of conventional design.

The average deflections, in 1/1000 inch, of all pallets of conventional and improved designs per 100 lb. of static load applied at the pallet center, according to the deflections observed up to a test load of 2000 lb., are presented in Table 9. These findings are shown graphically in the bar diagram of Fig. 9.

In the light of these observations on quintuplicate pallets of conventional and improved designs, assembled with the four nails under scrutiny, the average deflections of the centers of the pallet sides per 100 lb. of load amounted to 0.007"; those of the centers of the pallet ends amounted to 0.031" and 0.027", respectively; and those of the pallet centers amounted to 0.035" and 0.031", respectively.

A statistical analysis of the adjusted initial static stiffness data is presented in Appendix Table 21. This analysis confirmed the conclusions drawn from the previous evaluation of the test data, as can be observed from the following statements:

- 1) The initial static stiffness of the pallets of improved design, being 15% higher than that of the pallets of conventional design, was significantly different at the 5% level of significance from that of the pallets of conventional design.
- 2) The nails did not influence the pallet performance.
- 3) No interaction existed between nails and designs.

2) Pallet Rigidity as Determined by Impact Free-Fall Cornerwise Drop Test

The detailed load-deformation data are presented in Appendix Tables 22a and 22b. The average changes in length of the diagonals for each pallet are plotted against the number of free falls in Fig. 10.

The grand-average changes in length as well as the percentile distortions, that is, the percentages of distortions based on the original dimensions of the pallets assembled with each type of nail, are given in Appendix Table 23 and presented

graphically in Fig. 11.

During these tests, all pallets performed without major failures. However, three pallets of conventional design and two pallets of improved design were damaged by splitting of the leading-edge deckboards. Furthermore, some of the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " and 3" threaded nails (c and d) backed out or failed, especially in pallets of conventional design.

Unexpectedly, the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " threaded non-hardened Brazilian nail (b) performed better than the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " threaded hardened-steel nail (c) used in the U.S.A. This may be explained by the lower flexibility of the latter nail in comparison with that of the former nail. The relatively large number of failures of the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " hardened-steel nail (c) during the performance of the free-fall drop tests is one indication of this finding.

The average percentile distortion of the quintuplicate pallets of conventional and improved designs after the sixth drop and the cumulative average length changes of the pallet diagonals up to and including the sixth drop are presented in Table 10. These data are presented graphically in the bar diagrams of Fig. 12.

Based on these data, the pallets of both conventional and improved designs assembled with the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " threaded nails (c) were most rigid; those assembled with the 3" threaded nails (d) were second best; those assembled with the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " threaded nails (b) were the third best; and those assembled with the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " fluted nails (a) were least rigid.

Furthermore, in comparison with the pallets of conventional design assembled with the four different nails, the corresponding pallets of improved design were 15%, 16%, 27%, and 24% more rigid.

The test findings indicate that the pallets of conventional design assembled with the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " fluted nails (a) were less rigid than all other pallets. Specifically, the pallets of conventional design assembled with the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " threaded nails (b) and $2\frac{1}{2}$ " and 3" threaded nails (c and d) were 8%, 46%, and 42%, respectively, more rigid and the pallets of improved design assembled with the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " fluted nails (a), $2\frac{1}{2}$ " threaded nails (b), and $2\frac{1}{2}$ " and 3" threaded nails (c and d) were 16%, 24%, 60%, and 55%, respectively, more rigid.

An analysis of variance performed on the sums of average changes in the lengths of the diagonals is shown in Appendix Table 24. It is evident that the rigidity of the pallets of both designs as well as the rigidity of the pallets assembled with the four different nails were significantly different at the 5% level. On the other hand, there was no interaction between the four different nails and the two different designs at the 5% level of significance.

The Duncan's test for equality of means, applied to the sums of average changes in the lengths of the diagonals, in inches (see Table 10), revealed that all the means were significantly different at the 5% level, except for the rigidity of pallets of conventional design assembled with the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " and 3" threaded nails (c and d). Thus, the highest rigidity was obtained for the pallets of improved design assembled with the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " threaded nail (c), which was 60% higher than the rigidity of the pallets of conventional design assembled with the Brazilian nail (a).

3) Resistance of Pallets to Forces Exerted by Forklift Truck as Determined by Impact Incline Deckboard-Stringer Separation Test

The detailed impact incline deckboard-stringer separation test data are presented in Appendix Tables 25 and 26. The numbers of runs and hits of each pallet are shown in the bar diagram of Fig. 13. The averages and grand-averages of the numbers of runs are presented in Fig. 14.

Prior to testing, the leading-edge deckboard of pallet Bc2 had a 12" crack and its back-up board had a 20" crack. The leading-edge deckboard of pallet Ba5 had a 14" crack. The leading-edge deckboard and the back-up board of pallet Bd3 had 2" splits. The leading-edge deckboard of pallet Bd4 was cupped.

During the tests, the leading-edge deckboards of 38 of the 40 pallets were torn off two stringers. Only in two instances, pallet Ad5 of conventional design and pallet Bb3 of improved design had their leading-edge deckboards destroyed by the forks.

Additional splits were observed during the testing of pallets of both designs. In pallets of conventional design, splits occurred at the beginning of the test and, in the pallets of improved design, splits occurred only after the leading-edge deckboard and the back-up deckboard had been torn off the center stringer just prior to test termination.

The major test findings are presented in Table 11.

Based on these test results, the pallets of both conventional and improved designs, assembled with 3" threaded nails (d) proved to be most resistant to impact deckboard-stringer separation; those assembled with $2\frac{1}{2}$ " threaded nails (b) were the second best; those assembled with $2\frac{1}{2}$ " threaded nails (c) were the third best; and those assembled with $2\frac{1}{2}$ " fluted nails (a) were least resistant to impact deckboard-stringer separation forces.

In a comparison of the performance of all 20 pallets of conventional design, the

corresponding pallets of improved design were, on the average, 23, 17, 17, and 6 times, respectively, more effective.

With the pallets of conventional design assembled with $2\frac{1}{2}$ " fluted nails (a) serving as basis of comparison, the pallets of conventional design assembled with $2\frac{1}{2}$ " threaded nails (b) and $2\frac{1}{2}$ " and 3" threaded nails (c and d) appear to have been equally effective, with the average test values having been only 3, 3, and 11 times, respectively, higher. Furthermore, the pallets of improved design assembled with $2\frac{1}{2}$ " fluted nails (a), $2\frac{1}{2}$ " threaded nails (b), $2\frac{1}{2}$ " and 3" threaded nails (c and d) were, on the average, 23, 52, 43, and 66 times, respectively, more effective than the pallets serving as basis of comparison.

Whereas the difference in performance of pallets of conventional and improved designs was relatively small, however, significant during the initial stiffness and rigidity tests on these pallets, the difference during the deckboard-stringer separation tests was very large and highly significant from the practical viewpoint.

According to an analysis of variance and Duncan's test, presented in Appendix Table 27, the above observations were confirmed, as is shown by the following statements:

- 1) The two pallet designs differed in performance at the 5% significance level.
- 2) The average numbers of runs were different for pallets assembled with the four different nails at the 5% significance level.
- 3) Some interaction existed between the pallets of both designs assembled with the four types of nails at the 5% significance level; but not at the 1% significance level.
- 4) According to Duncan's test, no significant difference was shown at the 5% level among the pallets of conventional design assembled with the four different nails. On the other hand, a significant difference was shown at the same level among the pallets of improved design assembled with the four different nails. Furthermore, the pallets of improved design assembled with the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " threaded nail (b) used in Brazil and the 3" threaded nail (d) performed similarly and better than the other pallets of improved design. Also, the pallets of conventional design assembled with the 3" threaded nails (c) and the pallets of improved design assembled with the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " fluted nails (a) performed in a similar manner. The same was observed for pallets of improved design assembled with the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " threaded nails (b and c) used in South and North America.

Thus, according to the impact incline deckboard-stringer separation tests, pallets of conventional design assembled with the best (3" threaded) nail can replace pallets of improved design assembled with the poorest (2½" fluted) nail.

4) Follow-Up Pallet Stiffness as Determined by Follow-Up Static Load-Deflection Test

Detailed load-deflection data up to a test load of 6000 lb. --- obtained after the performance of the initial static stiffness test up to a concentrated load of 2000 lb., the rigidity test up to six free-fall drops, and the subsequent incline impact deckboard-stringer separation test, followed by pallet repair --- are presented in Appendix Tables 28 and 29. The average load-deflection curves are presented in Fig. 15.

Except in two cases, no failures were observed during these tests. The exceptions were pallet Ad3 with the center stringer broken at a knot and pallet Ad2 with one top deckboard completely separated from the center stringer.

The average cumulative load-deflection values throughout the test ranges from 0 to 2000 lb. and from 0 to 6000 lb. for the quintuplicate pallets of conventional and improved designs are presented in Table 12.

During the follow-up stiffness tests, the deflection of the pallets within the 0 to 2000-lb. test range was higher and, therefore, the stiffness of the pallets was lower than the corresponding values observed during the initial stiffness tests, as is indicated in Table 13.

The pallets of both conventional and improved designs appear to have been equally effective, with the average test values having been only 7% and 3%, respectively, lower than those during the initial stiffness despite the performance of the rigidity test, the incline impact deckboard-stringer separation test, and the pallet repair prior to the performance of the follow-up stiffness test.

The stringers of the pallets of improved design appear to have been as effective as those of conventional design during the initial static pallet stiffness tests, with the average test values being 5% stiffer. The stringers of the pallets of improved design were also equally effective as those of conventional design during the follow-up pallet stiffness tests, however, with the average test values being 6% lower.

Whereas the deckboards of the pallets of improved design were 16% stiffer during the initial static stiffness tests than those of conventional design, the deckboards of pallets of improved design were 18% stiffer during the follow-up stiffness tests within the same test range.

Furthermore, although the pallets of improved design were, on the basis of the deflection of the pallet sides, pallet ends, and pallet center, 15% stiffer during the initial static stiffness tests than the pallets of conventional design, the pallets of improved design were 16% stiffer during the follow-up stiffness tests within the same test range.

In the light of these findings, the stiffness of the stevedore pallets of conventional and improved designs were not affected to any great extent by the performance of the rigidity test and incline impact deckboard-stringer separation test prior to the performance of the follow-up stiffness test and may have been compensated for by the limited pallet repair prior to the performance of the follow-up stiffness test.

The analysis of variance of the data for the follow-up static load-deflection tests up to a load of 2000 lb. is presented in Appendix Table 20. On the basis of the data presented in this Table, the following conclusions could be advanced:

- 1) The two pallet designs differed significantly in performance at the 5% significance level, confirming that the reported 15% and 16% increased stiffness of pallets of improved design versus that of pallets of conventional design is indeed a difference.
- 2) The effectiveness of the four nails was significantly different at the 5% significance level. This can be explained by the fact that, during the free-fall drop test and the incline impact test, some of the nails broke, a fact which was of influence on the follow-up stiffness of the pallets.
- 3) No interaction existed between nails and design at the 5% significance level.

5) Pallet Load-Carrying Capacity as Determined by Static Load-Deflection Test

The detailed static ultimate load-carrying capacity of the tested pallets, when supported at their four corners and loaded at the center, is presented in Appendix Table 31.

The average values for the ultimate test loads for the quintuplicate pallets are shown in Table 14.

The test on the static ultimate load-carrying capacity of the pallets was terminated when a major failure occurred or when the pallet could no longer support the test load reached previously.

For almost all the pallets tested, the ultimate load was reached when two or more top or bottom deckboards broke. The exceptions were three pallets of conventional

as well as two of improved designs (Aa2, Aa3, Ad2, Bc1, and Bc2), where the ultimate loads were limited by failure of the center stringer.

The pallets of improved design could, on the average, support an approximately 20% higher ultimate load than the pallets of conventional design, if supported at their four corners and loaded at the center.

The analysis of variance, presented in Appendix Table 32, indicated that

- 1) the static ultimate load-carrying capacity of the pallets of improved design was different at the 5% significance level from that of the pallets of conventional design;
- 2) the four nails did not influence the pallet effectiveness at the 5% significance level;
- 3) no interaction existed between nails and design at the 5% significance level.

When the ultimate test load per pallet was correlated with the pallet weight, the average specific ultimate test load supported by the pallet of improved design was only 7% higher than that of the pallet of conventional design. This observation confirmed the previous experience that density of the pallet shook was of lesser importance on the ultimate load-carrying capacity of a pallet than the shook's knots, grain deviations near knots, cross-grain, etc. (24).

LIMITATION AND APPLICATION OF DATA

Since pallets of designs different from those studied may perform in a significantly different manner, the data presented need to be limited to the two designs investigated.

The pallets tested during this study were assembled with wood of one species group, red oak, which is one of the most common species groups used for pallet assembly in the U.S.A. The performance of red oak is, however, not representative of many of the other wood species used for pallet assembly.

Four nails were selected for the assembly of the pallets under scrutiny, in order to obtain data which provide information on the influence of these nails on pallet performance. The use of similar nails from different production lots and of different nails may result in different pallet performance.

In the light of the above, the application of the presented data to pallets of different designs, made of different woods, and/or assembled with different nails is limited.

The test procedures used in this study yield data which are limited in their application. Some of these test procedures simulate certain field conditions, while others are specifically designed to yield representative data of a fully comparative nature, which are applicable only to given field conditions and not necessarily to others. Therefore, the findings must be used with discretion and should not be considered applicable to any and all situations encountered.

The data obtained during this study provide information which makes it possible to demonstrate how and to what extent stevedore pallets of conventional design and construction may be improved. This is of importance in the light of failures of innumerable stevedore pallets in use or their performance which is so often below justified expectations. Thus, it is demonstrated how and to what extent conventional stevedore pallets can be improved by the introduction of a basic design change and by the use of improved fasteners. Both improvements may, under given conditions, be incorporated to advantage also in pallets of other designs and constructions. Yet, the extent of a given improvement may be different in magnitude and nature under different environmental conditions.

Certain improvements may be achieved by using, for instance, four stringers instead of three, with the two inner stringers possibly of smaller cross-section than the conventional center stringer. Such a step may make it feasible to reduce the

thickness of the deckboards without reducing the pallet performance below expectations, thereby saving lumber at the cost of the use of an increased number of deck-board-stringer fasteners and of labor if the nails are hammer- or gun-driven and not machine-driven. In such a design change, the presented data may be indicative of what might be expected, provided full consideration is given to the nature of the proposed change or changes in design and construction.

SUMMARY

- 1) The tested pallets of both conventional and improved designs were heavy. Their average assembly weights amounted to 217 lb., with a standard deviation of 2.8 lb., in the case of pallets of conventional design; and to 245 lb., with a standard deviation of 4.6 lb., in the case of pallets of improved design. The average weights of these pallets of conventional and improved designs after the performance of all tests were 138 lb., with a standard deviation of 2.2 lb., and 156 lb., with a standard deviation of 3.0 lb., respectively. Consequently, the pallets of conventional and improved designs lost, on the average, 36% of their assembly weight during seasoning.
- 2) The testing of the deckboard-stringer joints indicated that, both during the static deckboard-stringer separation-resistance test and during the static deckboard-stringer shear-resistance test, the 3" threaded hardened-steel nails (d) performed best, the 2½" threaded hardened-steel nails (c) performed second best, the 2½" threaded stiff-stock nails (b) performed third best, and the 2½" fluted stiff-stock nails (a) offered the least resistance to separation and shear forces.
- 3) The testing of the two types of pallets revealed the following:
 - a) The average initial stiffness of the 12% heavier pallets of improved design was 15% higher than that of the pallets of conventional design. Furthermore, the four different nails tested influenced the initial stiffness of the pallets of either design in the same manner.
 - b) The testing of the two types of pallets for their rigidity indicated that those assembled with the 2½" threaded nails (c) were the most rigid; those assembled with the 3" threaded nails (d) performed second best; those assembled with the 2½" threaded nails (b) performed third best; and those assembled with the 2½" fluted nails (a) were the least rigid. In addition, the pallets of conventional design assembled with the 2½" fluted nails (a) were less rigid than all other pallets tested. Specifically, the pallets of conventional design assembled with the 2½" threaded nails (b) and 2½" and 3" threaded nails (c and d) were 8%, 46%, and 42%, respectively, more rigid, and the pallets of improved design assembled with the 2½" fluted nails (a), 2½" threaded nails (b), and 2½" and 3" threaded nails (c and d) were 16%, 24%, 60%, and 55%, respectively, more rigid.

- c) The testing of the pallets for their impact incline deckboard-stringer separation resistance revealed that the pallets of both conventional and improved designs assembled with 3" threaded nails (d) provided optimum resistance; those assembled with 2½" threaded nails (b) were second best; those assembled with 2½" threaded nails (c) were third best; and those assembled with 2½" fluted nails (a) provided least resistance. Using the pallets of conventional design assembled with the 2½" fluted nails (a) as the basis of comparison, the pallets of improved design assembled with the 2½" fluted nails (a), 2½" threaded nails (b), 2½" and 3" threaded nails (c and d) were, on the average, 23, 52, 43, and 66 times, respectively, more effective.
- d) The average follow-up static stiffness of the pallets of improved design was 16% higher than that of the pallets of conventional design within the 0 to 2000-lb. and 0 to 6000-lb. load ranges. In addition, the follow-up stiffness of the stevedore pallets of improved and conventional designs was not affected to any great extent by the performance of the rigidity test and the impact incline deckboard-stringer separation test prior to the performance of the follow-up stiffness test. Furthermore, the four different nails were of same influence on the performance of the pallets of both conventional and improved designs.
- e) The average ultimate static load-carrying capacity of the pallets of improved design was 20% higher than that of the pallets of conventional design. During this test, the pallet performance was influenced in the same manner by the four nails tested.

Hence, based on all tests performed, the pallets of improved design were superior to those of conventional design. Based on the rigidity test, the pallets of improved design assembled with the 2½" threaded hardened-steel nails (c) used in the U.S.A., were the best pallets and based on the deckboard-stringer separation test the pallets of improved design assembled with the 3" threaded hardened-steel nails (d) were better than all the pallets tested.

On the average, in comparison with the pallets of conventional design, the pallets of improved design were one-sixth stiffer during the initial and follow-up stiffness tests, one-fifth more rigid during the drop test, one-fifth stronger during the deflection test, and eleven times as strong in resisting deckboard-stringer separation.

The two hypotheses were fully substantiated that the pallets of improved design and the pallets assembled with improved nails would perform better than the pallets of conventional design assembled with the fluted nail commonly used in Brazil.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1) Since peroba and eucalyptus as well as mixed hardwoods from the Brazilian coastal rain forests are readily available in Brazil, comparative laboratory tests on improved pallets, assembled with these woods and Brazilian nails, would yield valuable information. The performance of comparative tests is recommended.
- 2) The Brazilian helically threaded nails (b) could be improved considerably by providing them with a less steep thread angle and with four, instead of three, improved thread flutes in the light of past experience covering the use of threaded nails in building construction and assembly. The effectiveness of these nails could also be improved if their length and head diameters were increased. To meet the MIBANT criteria adopted in the U.S.A. for pallet nails, those to be used for the assembly of stevedore pallets will have to be hardened-steel nails. This requirement is of special importance in the light of the large size and weight of the stevedore pallets. Therefore, it is recommended that preference be given to the use of such improved nails for the assembly of stevedore pallets.
- 3) It is desirable that comparative field tests on non-treated and preservatively treated stevedore pallets of improved design be conducted at the docks of Santos in the State of Sao Paulo, Brazil. A tentative outline of such field tests is presented in Table 15.
- 4) To reduce the weight of the improved stevedore pallets and to save lumber, it is suggested that the use be investigated of four, instead of three, stringers combined with the appropriate corresponding reduction in deckboard thickness, as justified on the basis of the following calculations:

According to previous studies, the deflection of pallets supported along their sides and loaded at their center can be determined by the following equation:

$$d = ky \frac{W}{A} \frac{s^4}{h^3} \frac{1}{Eg} \quad (27, 29)$$

If similar pallets with three and four stringers are to serve the same purpose, and are to be equally stiff, that is, deflect the same amount under load, then

$$k_1 y \frac{W}{A} \frac{s^4}{h_1^3} \frac{1}{Eg} = k_2 y \frac{W}{A} \frac{s^4}{h_2^3} \frac{1}{Eg}$$

and

$$k_1/h_1^3 = k_2/h_2^3$$

- a) From the tables (29) presented for flush pallets assembled with hardened-steel nails,

$$k_1 = \frac{1.94}{32} \quad \text{and} \quad k_2 = \frac{1.25}{32}$$

If $h_1 = 1.000$ ", then the deckboard thickness, $h_2 = 0.866$ ".

- b) From the tables (27) presented for flush pallets assembled with hardened-steel nails,

$$k_1 = 0.15225 \, y^{-1} \quad \text{and} \quad k_2 = 0.109375 \, y^{-1}$$

If $h_1 = 1.000$ ", then the deckboard thickness, $h_2 = 0.888$ ".

Consequently, a three-stringer pallet with deckboards of 1" thickness can be replaced by a four-stringer pallet with deckboards of $\frac{7}{8}$ " thickness, if the pallets are alike otherwise.

In the instance of pallets of improved design with four stringers (two outer $2\frac{3}{8}$ " x 4" and two inner $1\frac{7}{8}$ " x 4" stringers) and $\frac{7}{8}$ " deckboards, the amount of lumber required is 5%, by weight and volume, less than that for pallets with three $2\frac{3}{8}$ " x 4" stringers and 1" deckboards. On the other hand, the number of nails required for the four-stringer pallets (184 or 1.5 lb.) is 33% more than that for the three-stringer pallets (138 or 1.2 lb.). Despite this, the weight of the four-stringer pallets (233 lb. when green and 149 lb. when seasoned) should be approximately 5% less than that of the three-stringer pallets (245 lb. when green and 156 lb. when seasoned).

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FIGURES

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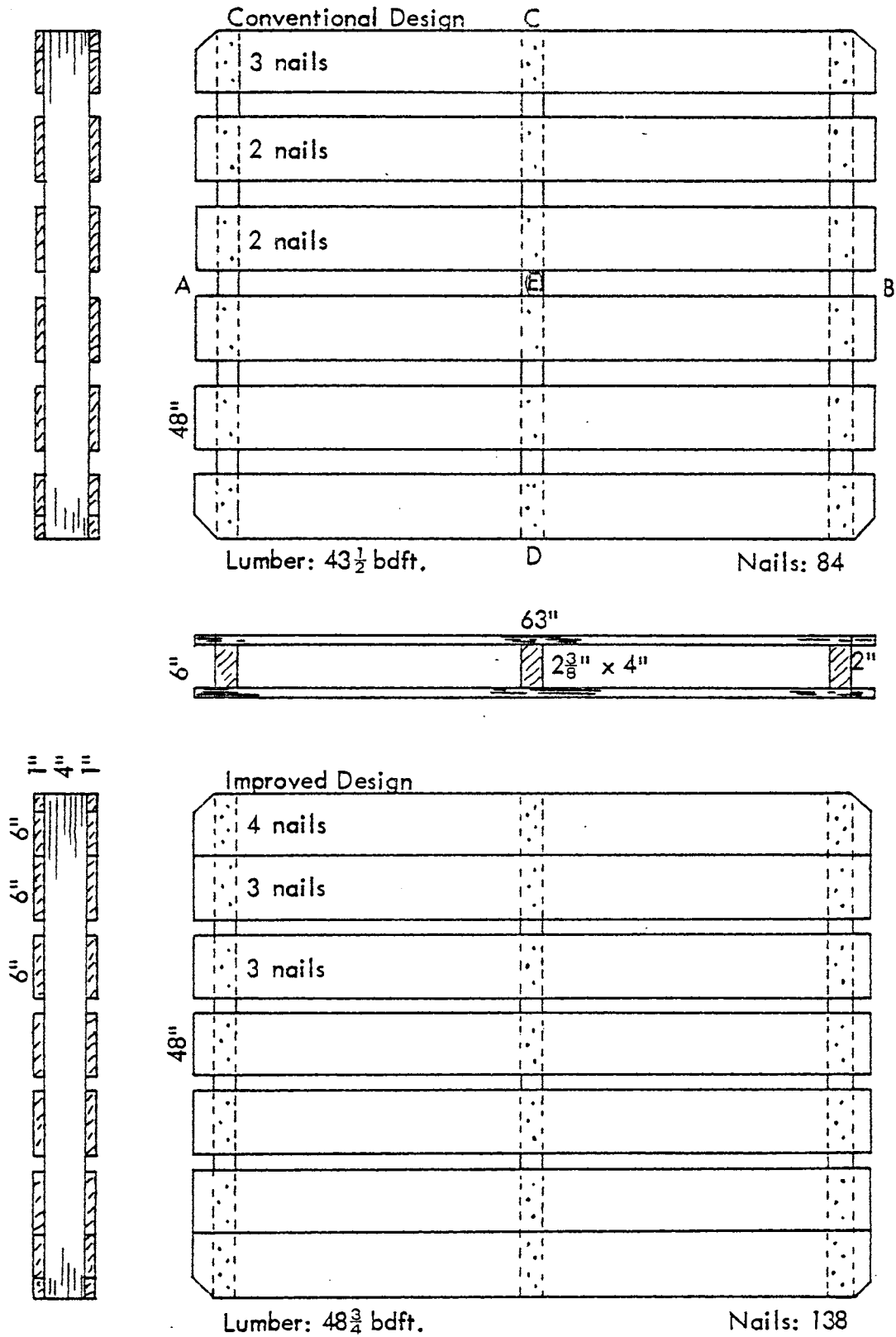


Fig.1.- Stevedore pallets of conventional and improved designs, with locations of deflection sensors A, B, C, D, and E shown.

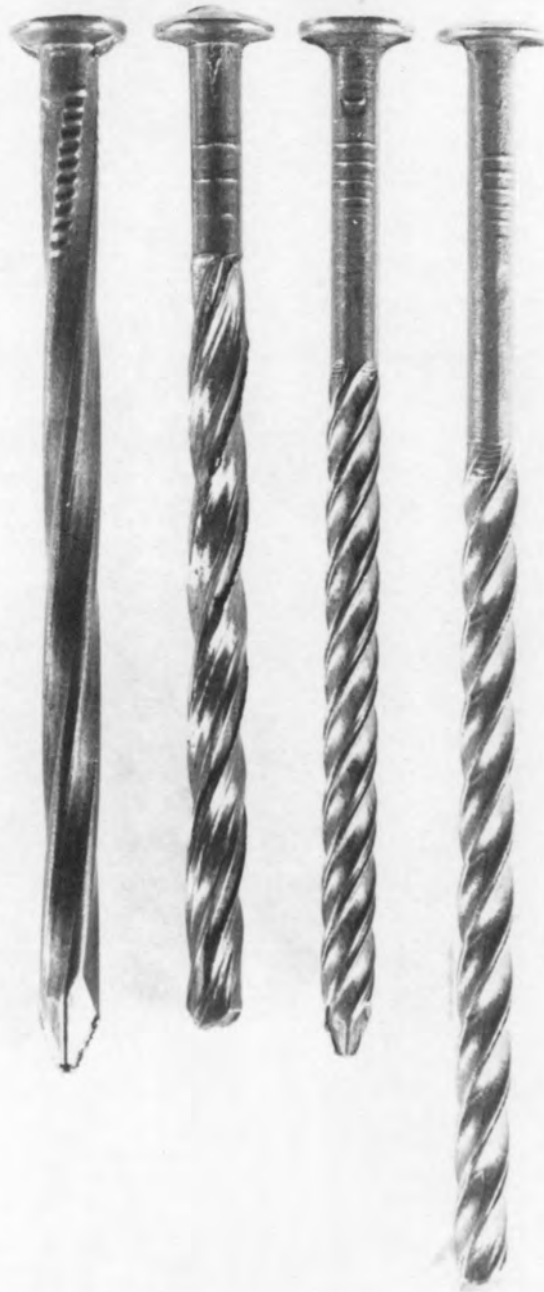
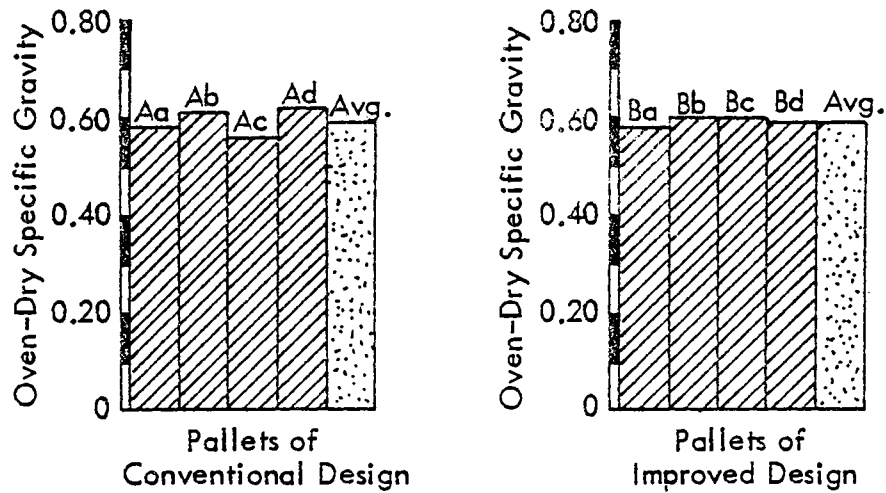


Fig. 2.- From left to right,
Nail (a) $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 0.143" Brazilian helically fluted nail (No. 2017);
Nail (b) $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 0.127" Brazilian helically threaded nail (No. 2018);
Nail (c) $2\frac{9}{16}$ " x 0.119" helically threaded pallet nail (No. 1999A);
Nail (d) 3" x 0.120" helically threaded pallet nail (No. 1785).

Deckboards



Note.- A) Conventional design
 B) Improved design
 a) 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " fluted nail as used in Brazil
 b) 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " threaded nail as used in Brazil
 c) 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " threaded nail as used in U.S.A.
 d) 3" threaded nail as used in U.S.A.

Stringers

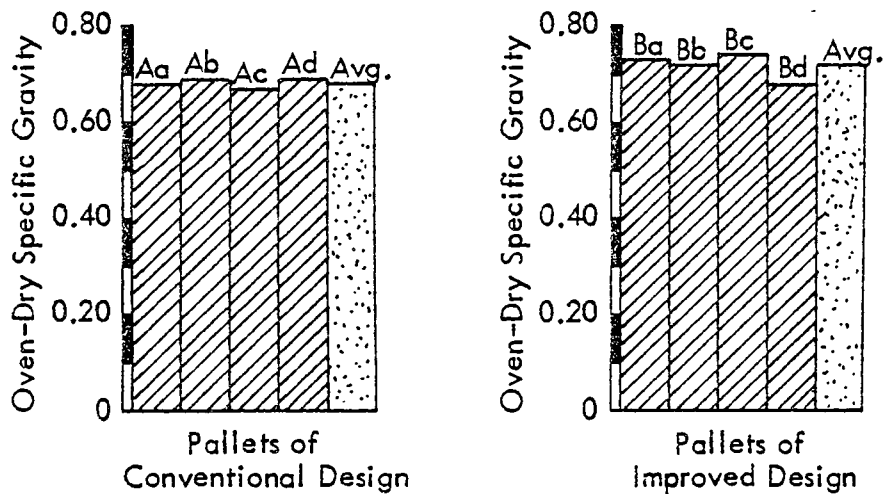


Fig.3.- Average oven-dry specific gravity of deckboards and stringers of pallets of conventional and improved designs.



Fig. 4a.- Sequential tests on reversible, double-face, wing-type, two-way, three-stringer, nailed red-oak, 48" x 63", stevedore pallets:

- a) Initial static stiffness as determined by computerized static load deflection test (bottom right);
- b) Pallet rigidity as determined by impact free-fall cornerwise drop test (bottom left), followed by pallet weighing on platform scale (center left);
- c) Resistance of pallet to forces exerted by forklift truck as determined by impact incline deck-board-stringer separation test (center), followed by pallet repair (center right);
- d) Follow-up pallet stiffness as determined by computerized follow-up static load-deflection test (bottom right);
- e) Pallet load-carrying capacity as determined by static load-deflection test (bottom right).

Note: The four pallets shown in the referenced locations in the foreground are pallets of improved design. The numerous pallets in the background are experimental red-oak pallets with steel-pin reinforced stringers provided with product-retention bars and the 20 pallets in the center back-ground are experimental red-alder pallets.

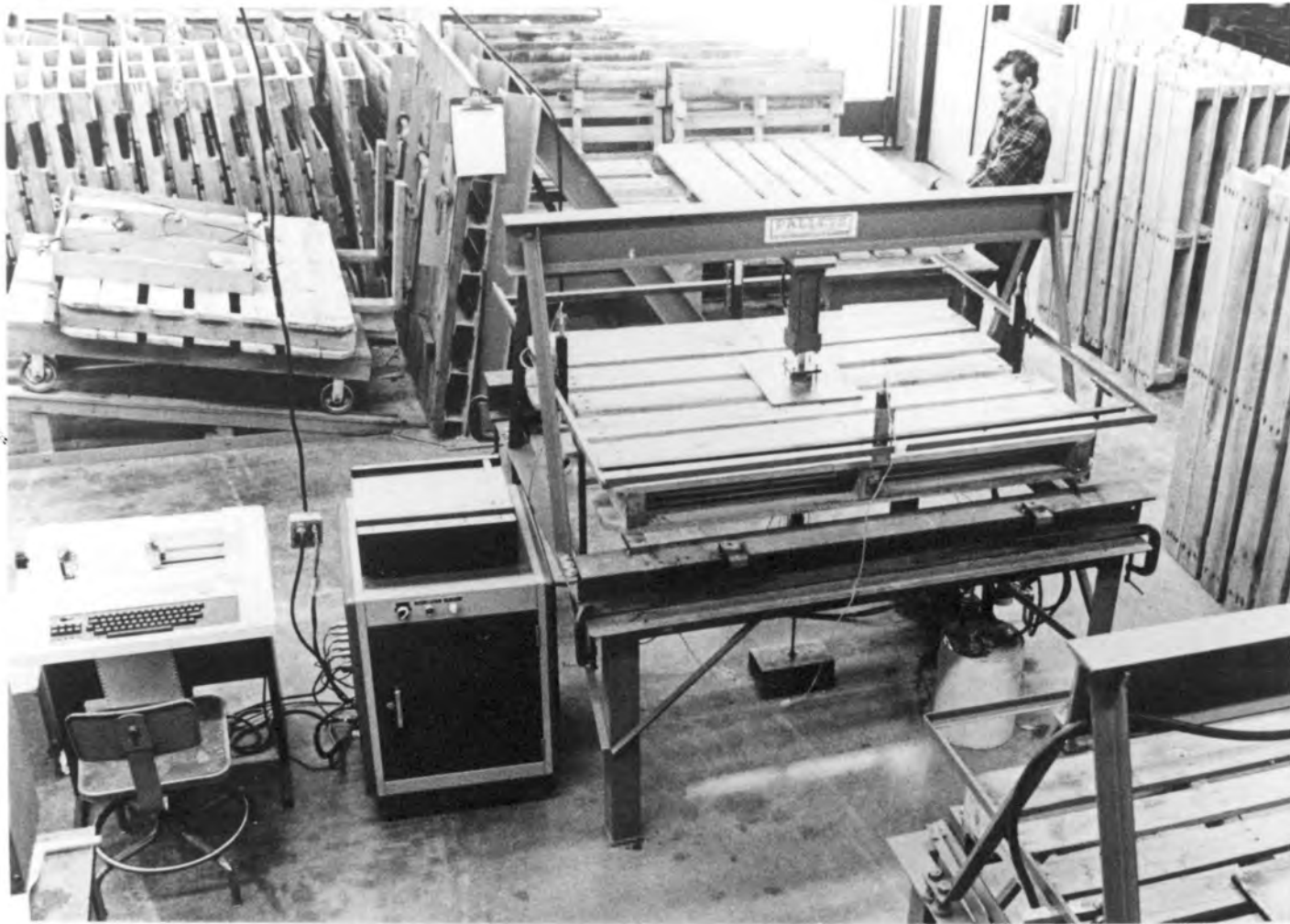


Fig. 4b.- Computerized static load-deflection tester, shown in foreground, with printer (at left), plotter (in center), and test rack with five sensors (at right).



Fig. 4c.- Impact free-fall cornerwise drop test on reversible, double-face, wing-type, two-way, three-stringer, nailed red-oak, stevedore pallet of improved design (held by Nilson Franco).

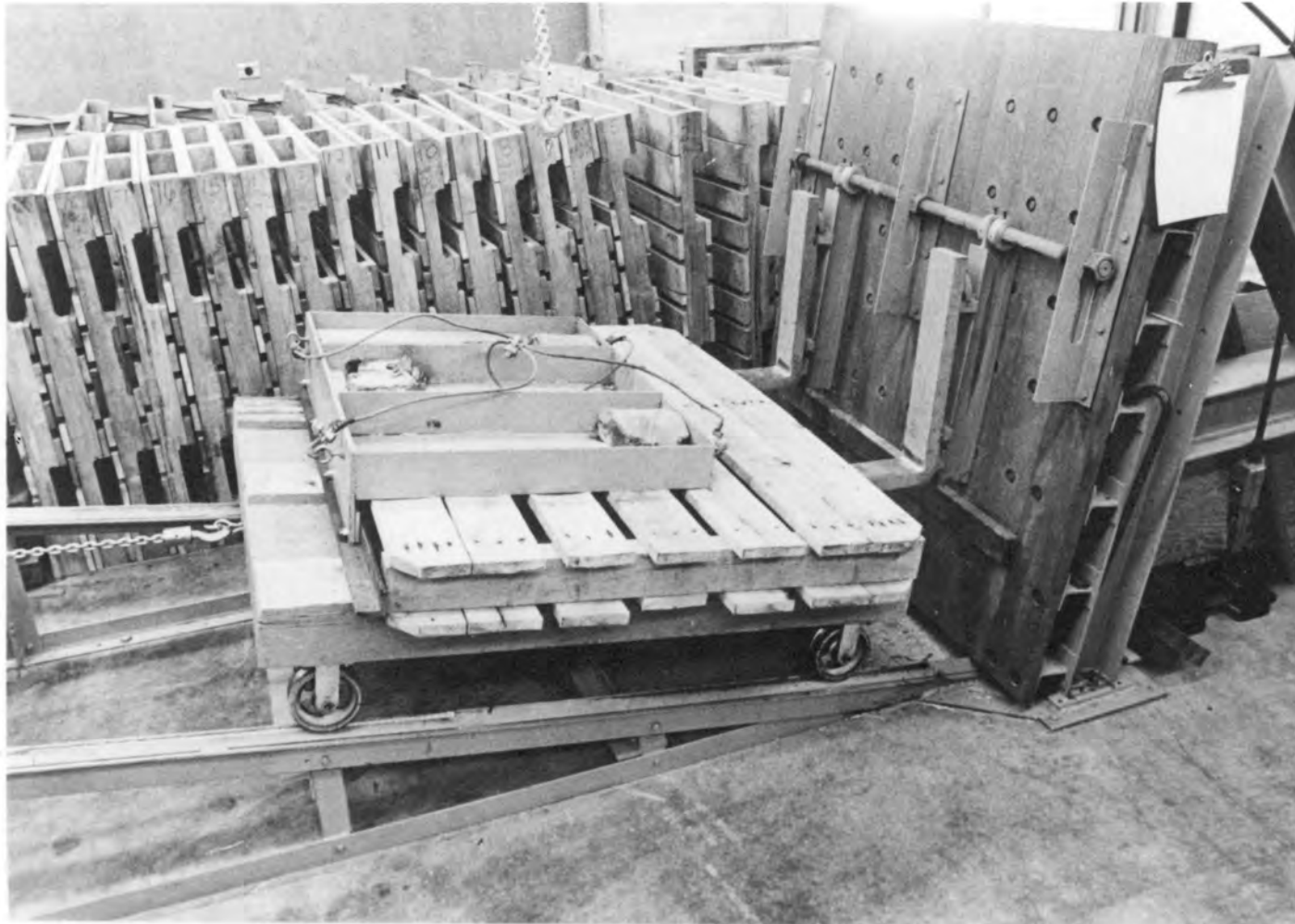


Fig. 4d.- Impact incline deckboard-stringer separation test on loaded, reversible, double-face, wing-type, two-way, three-stringer, nailed red-oak, stevedore pallet of improved design, placed on dolly, with stationary lift-truck forks in front of oak-faced steel rack.

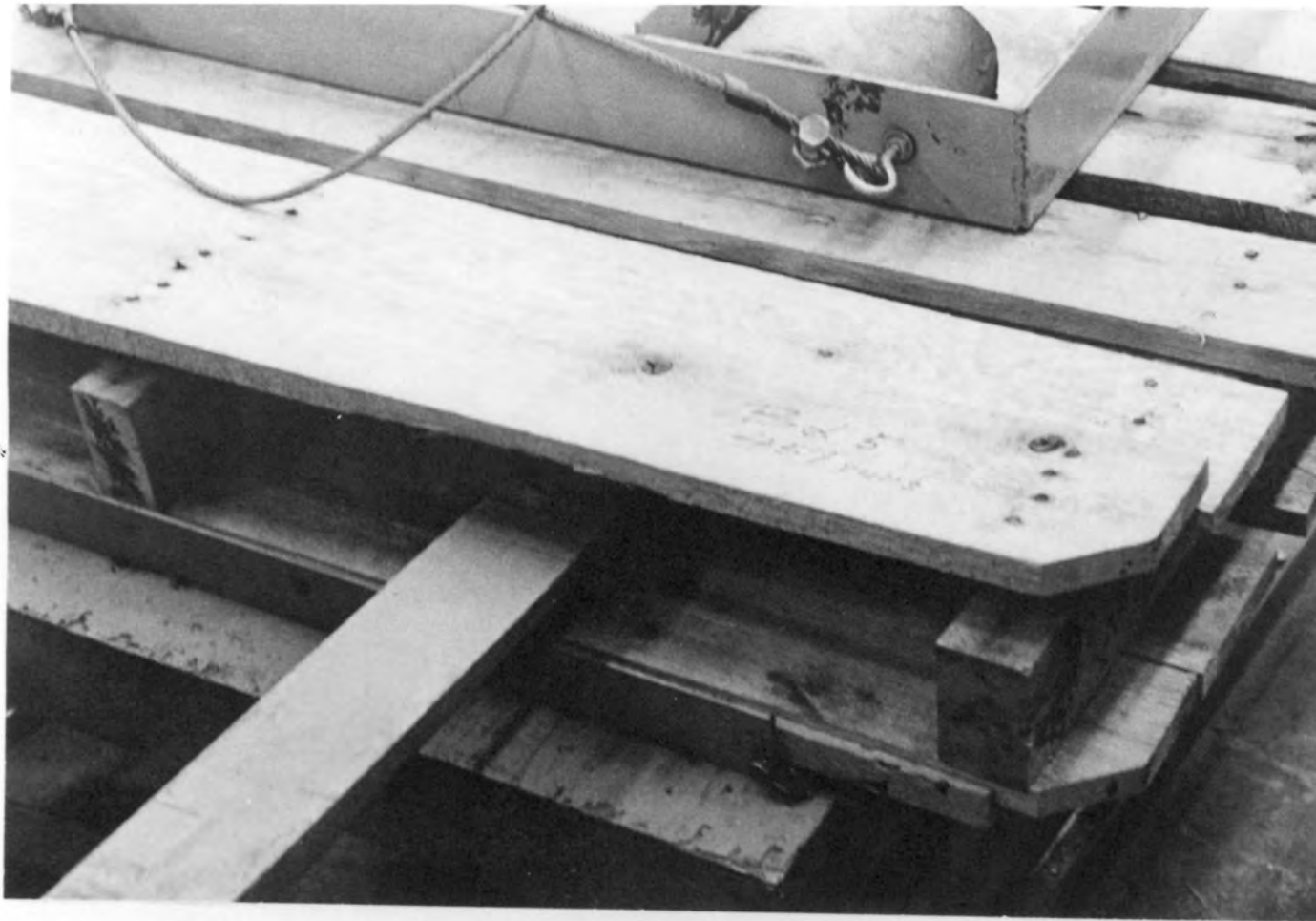


Fig. 4e.- Failure of stevedore pallet of improved design (Bd5), assembled with 3" x 0.120" helically threaded, hardened-steel pallet nails, after 451 runs during impact incline deckboard-stringer separation test, with impacted leading-edge deckboard fully separated from two stringers.

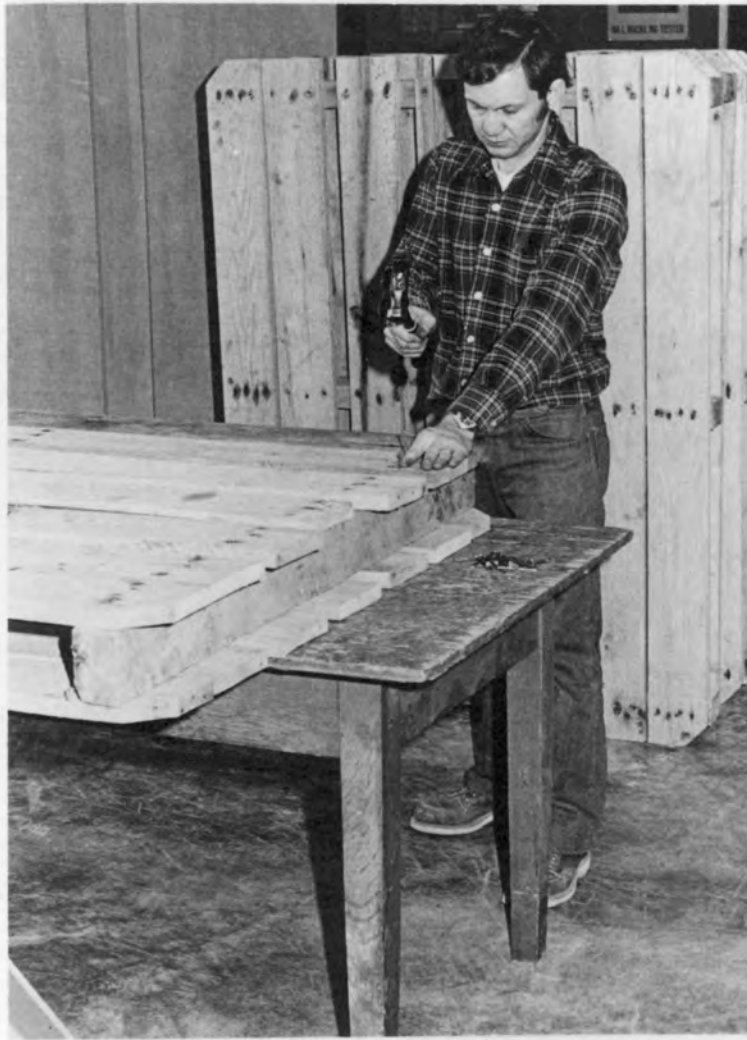


Fig. 4f.- Repair of pallet previously tested for initial static stiffness, impact rigidity, and impact resistance to forces exerted by forklift truck, when front top leading-edge deckboard was pried off stringers (renailed by James W. Akers).

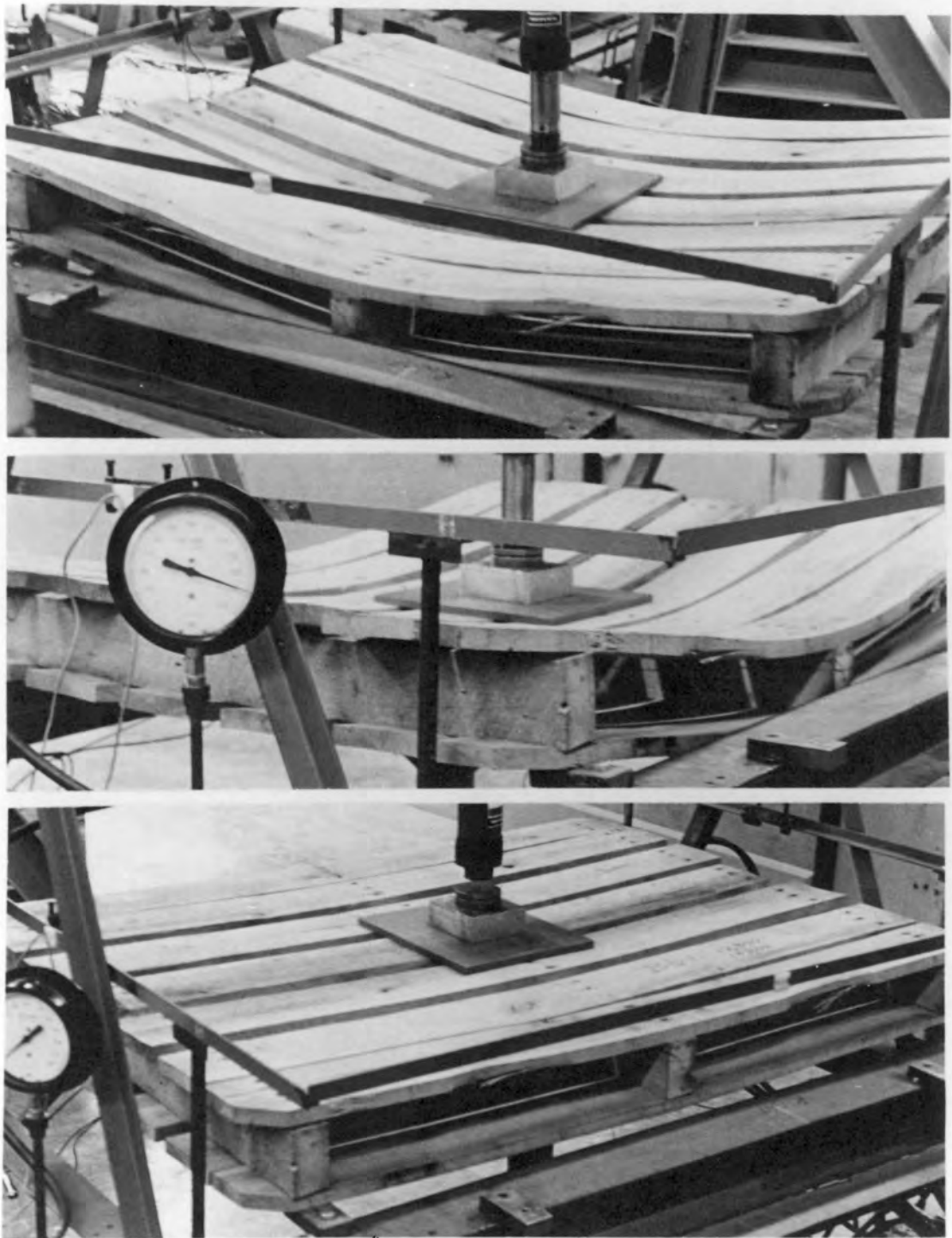


Fig. 4g.- Improved stevedore pallet Bb1 in test rig at ultimate test load of 13800 lb. (top and center) and after release of this load (bottom).

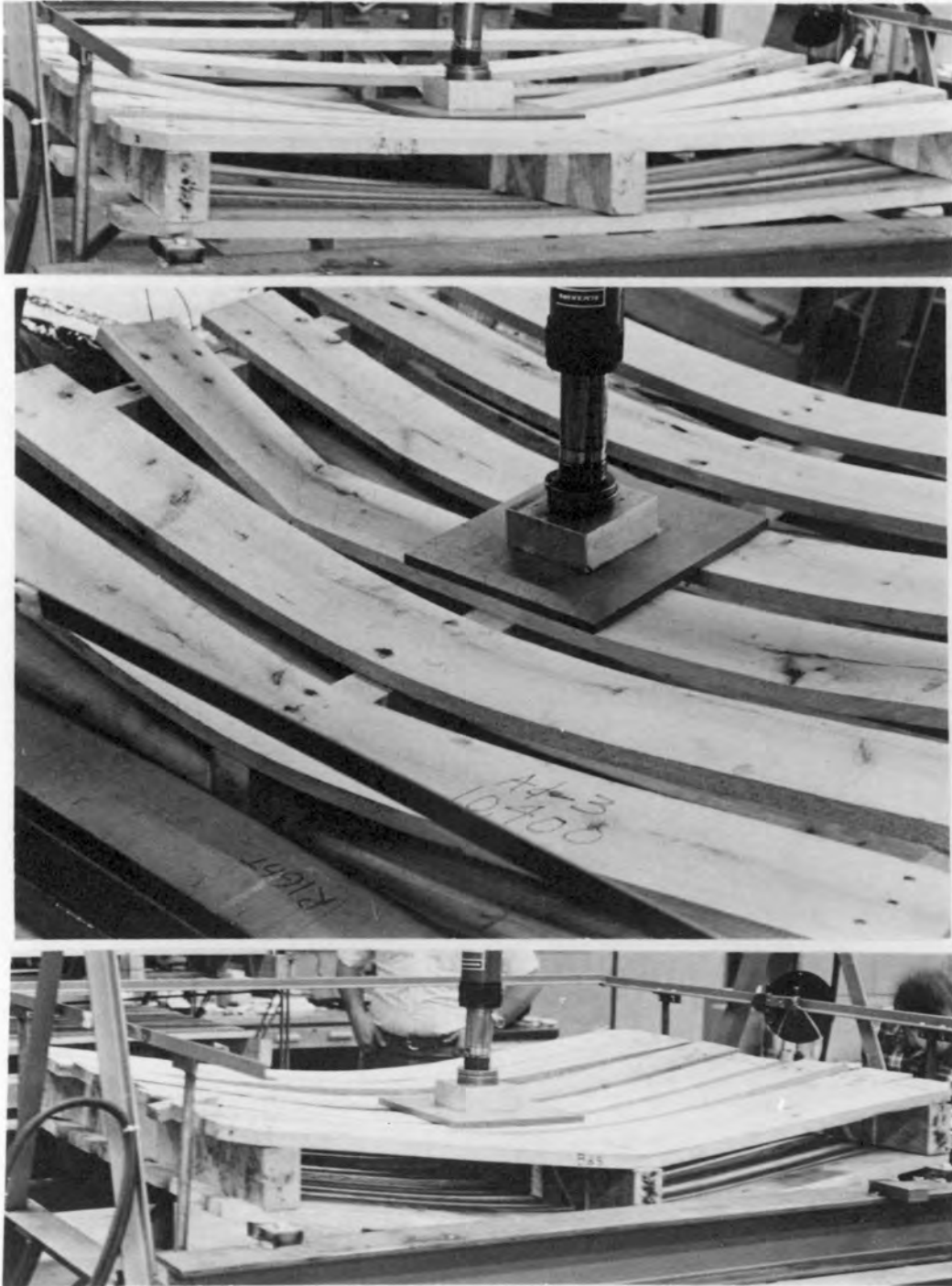


Fig. 4h.- Failures of stevedore pallets in test rig at ultimate test loads:
 Top, conventional pallet Aa2 at 8800 lb., with two top deckboards separated from broken center stringer.
 Center, conventional pallet Ad3 at 10400 lb., with near-center top deckboard broken at knots.
 Bottom, improved pallet Bd5 at 12000 lb., with compression failure of front top leading edge deckboard and minor failure of inner top deckboard at knot near end.

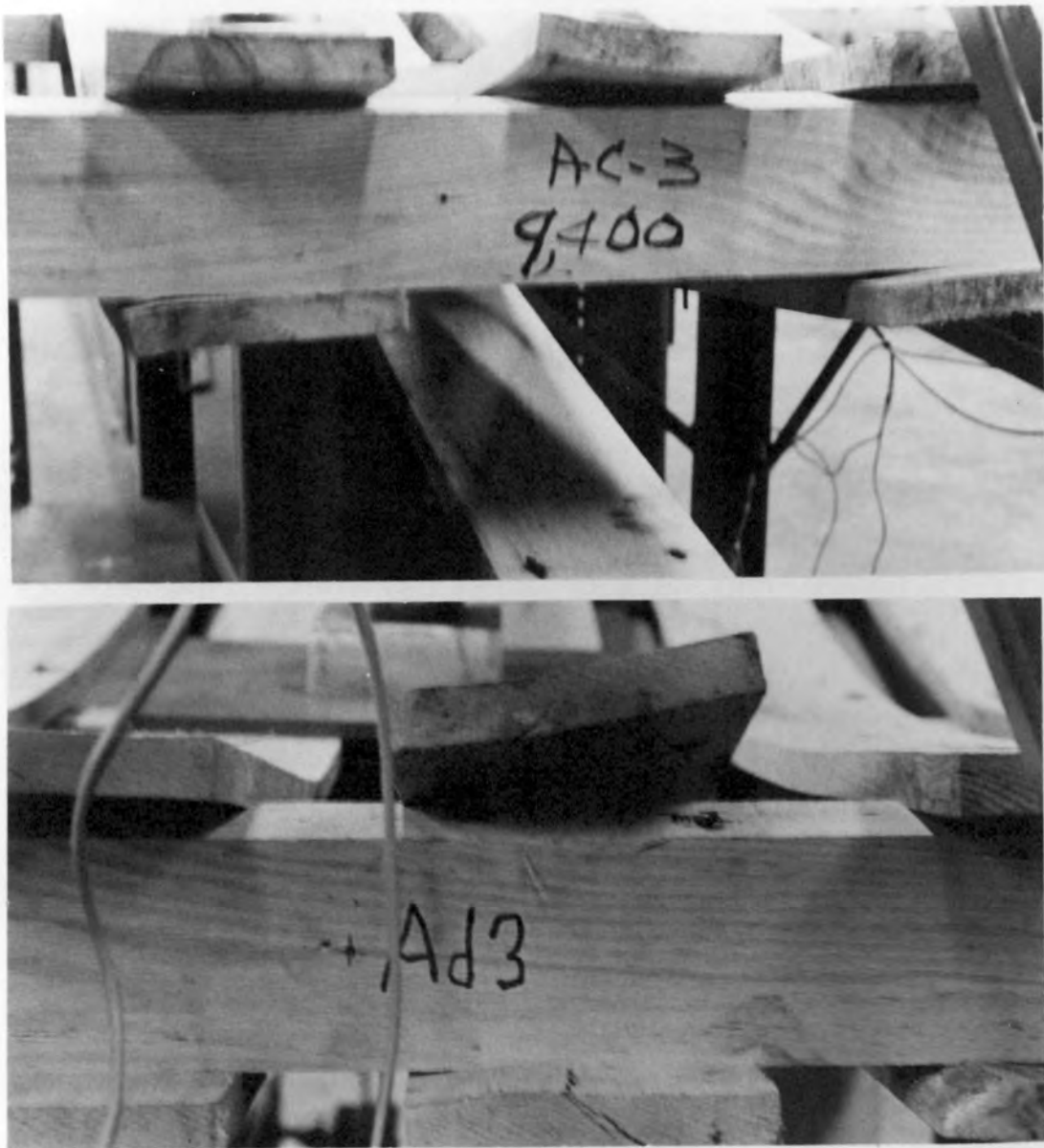


Fig 4i.- Failures of stevedore pallets in test rig at ultimate test loads:

Top, conventional pallet Ac3 at 9400 lb., with near-center bottom deckboard separated from outer stringer (nail failure).

Bottom, conventional pallet Ad3 at 10400 lb., with near-center top deckboard, broken at knot, separated from outer stringer (nail failure).

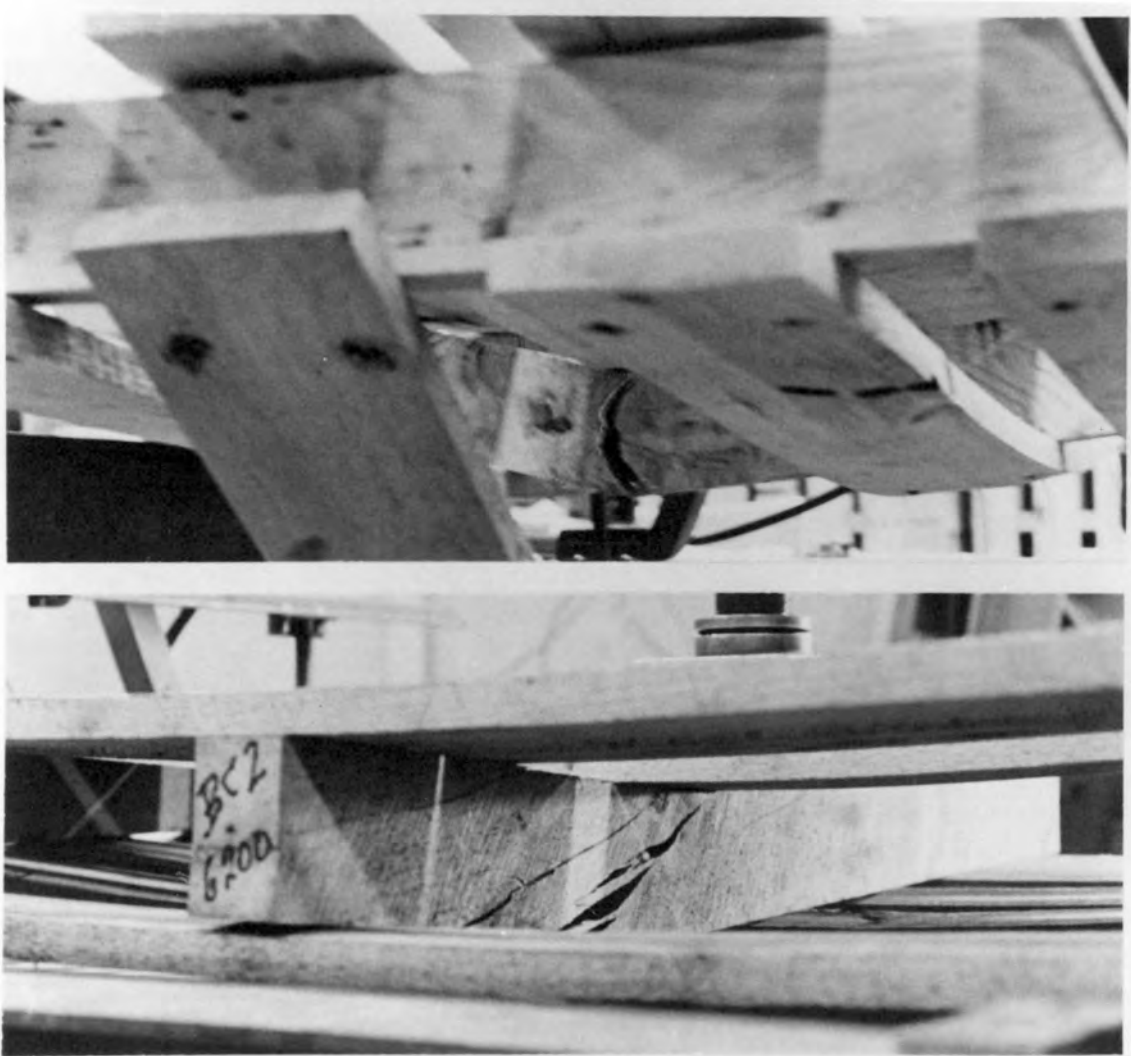


Fig. 4j.- Failures of stevedore pallets in test rig at ultimate test loads:
Top, conventional pallet Aa2 at 8800 lb., and bottom, improved pallet Bc2 at 6200 lb., with cross-grain of center stringer being the reason for early failures.

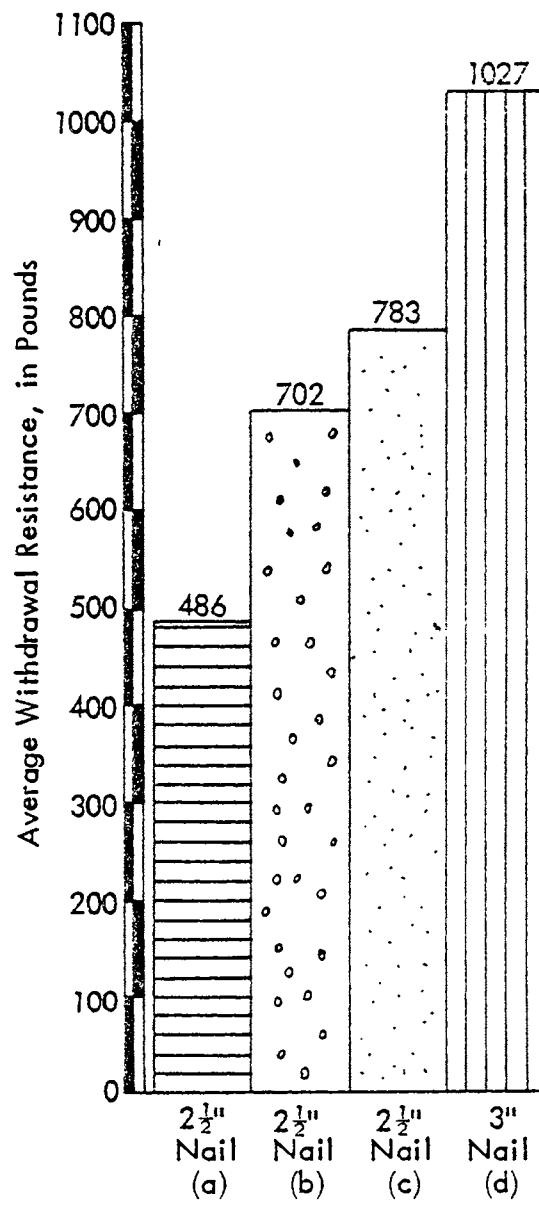


Fig.5.- Average nail-withdrawal resistance, in pounds.

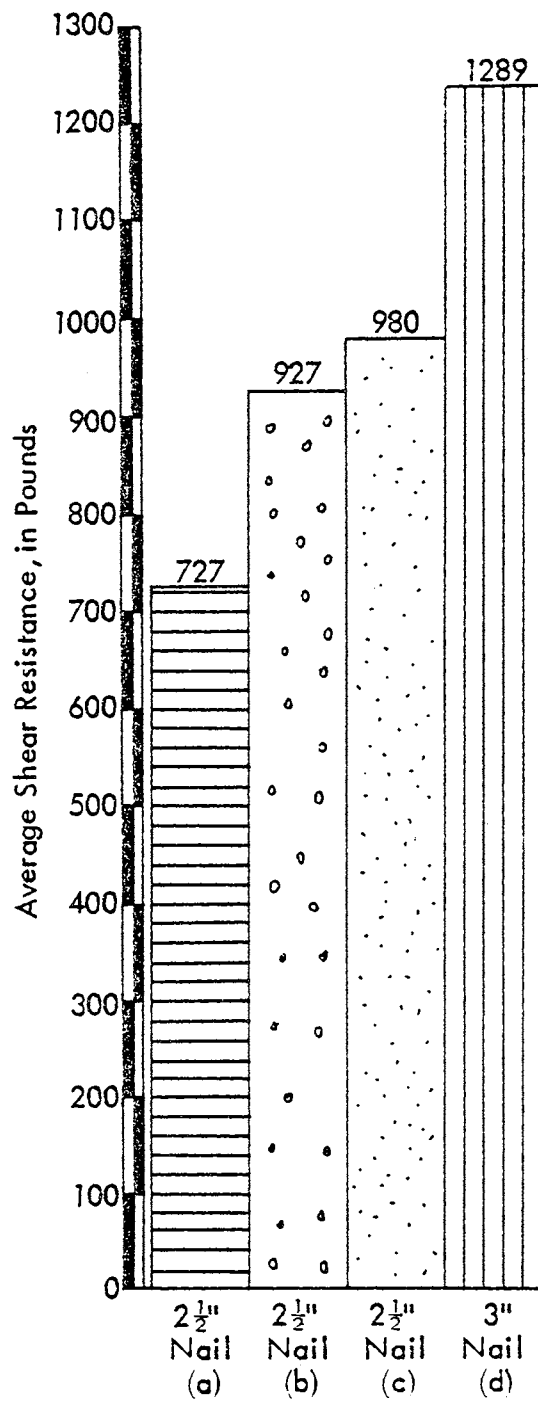


Fig.6.- Average nail-shear resistance, in pounds.

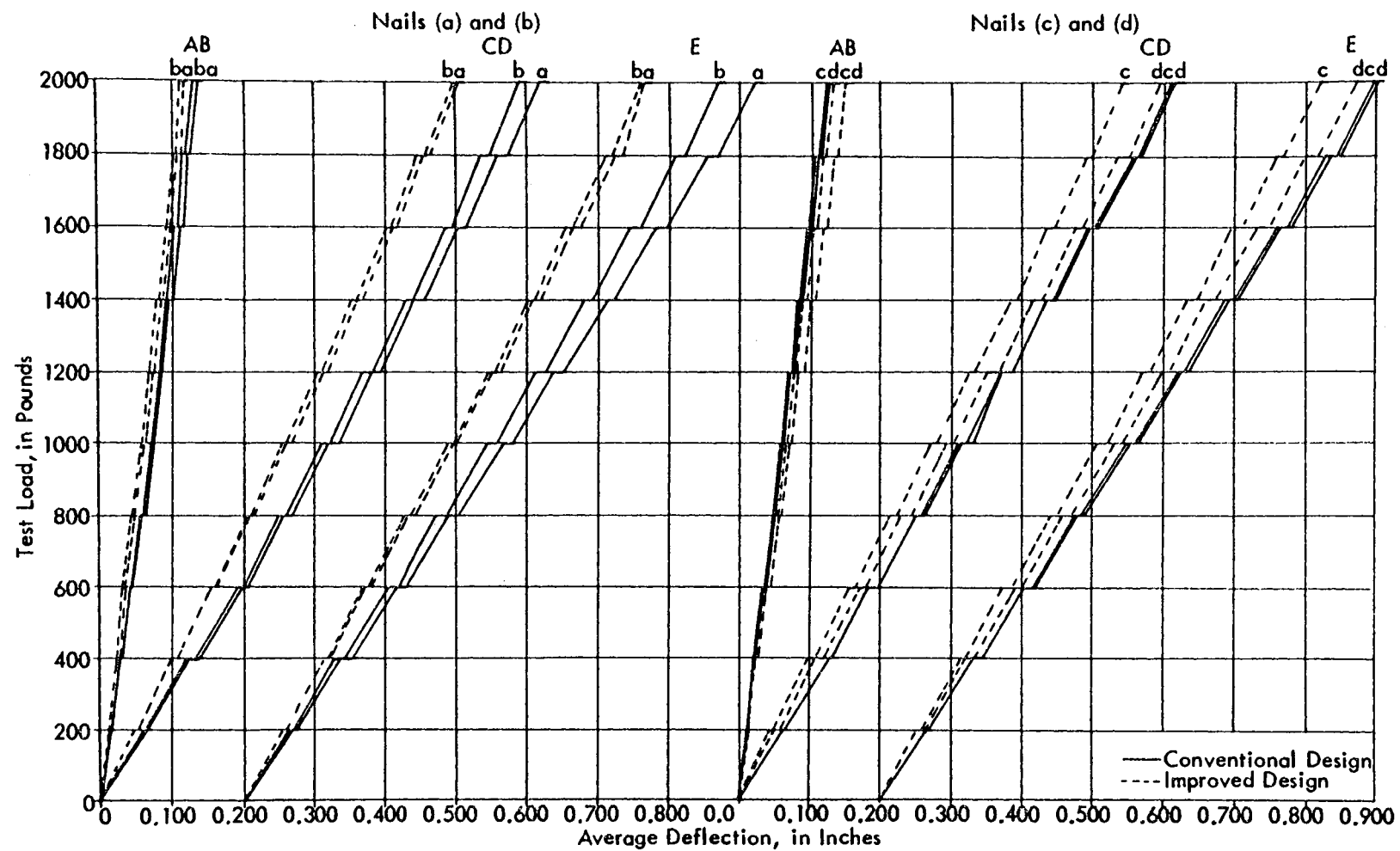


Fig.7.- Average load-deflection curves for initial stiffness tests on pallets of conventional and improved designs, with E curves off-set by 0.200 inches

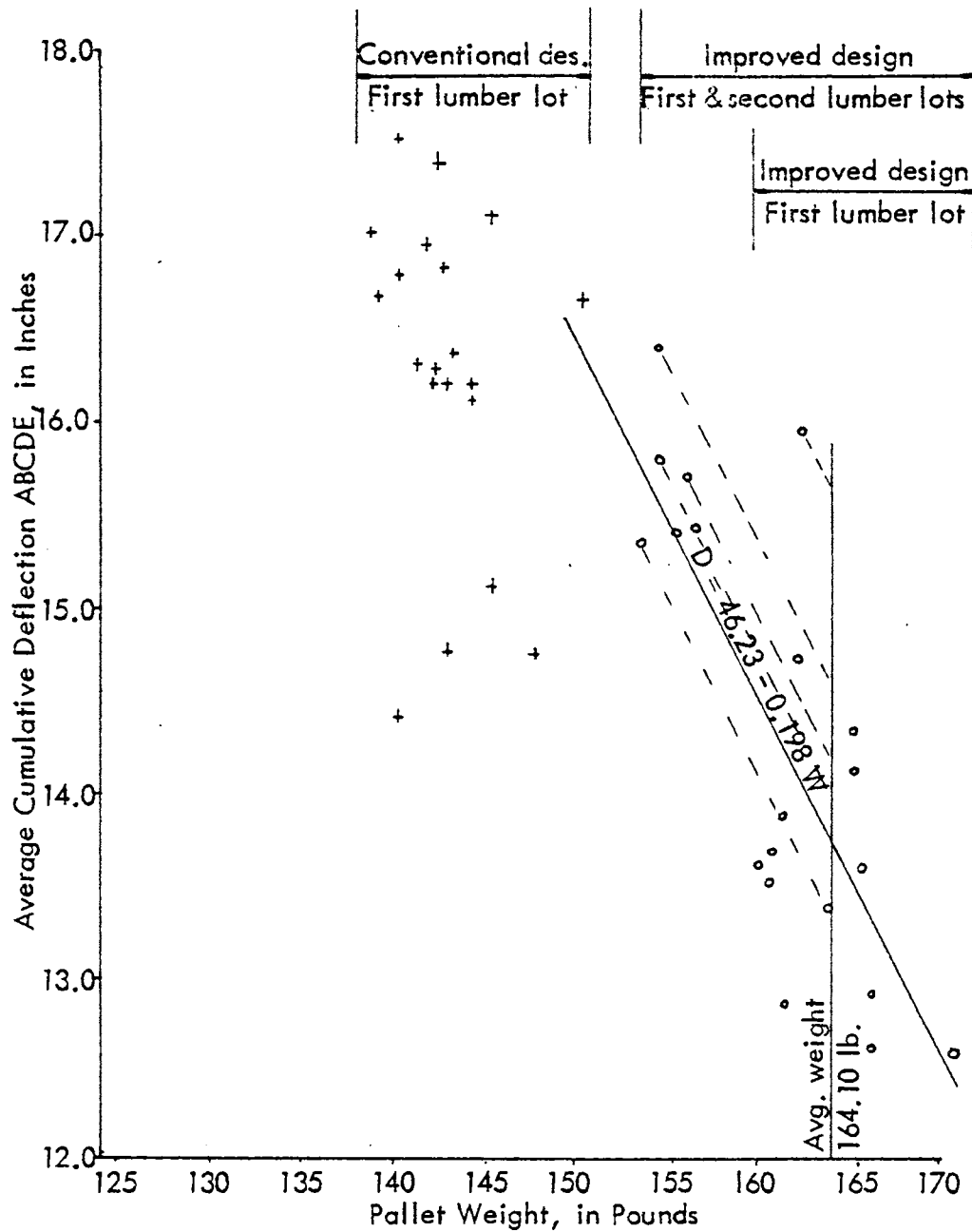


Fig.8.- Regression line showing relationship between weight and cumulative deflection of pallets of improved design.

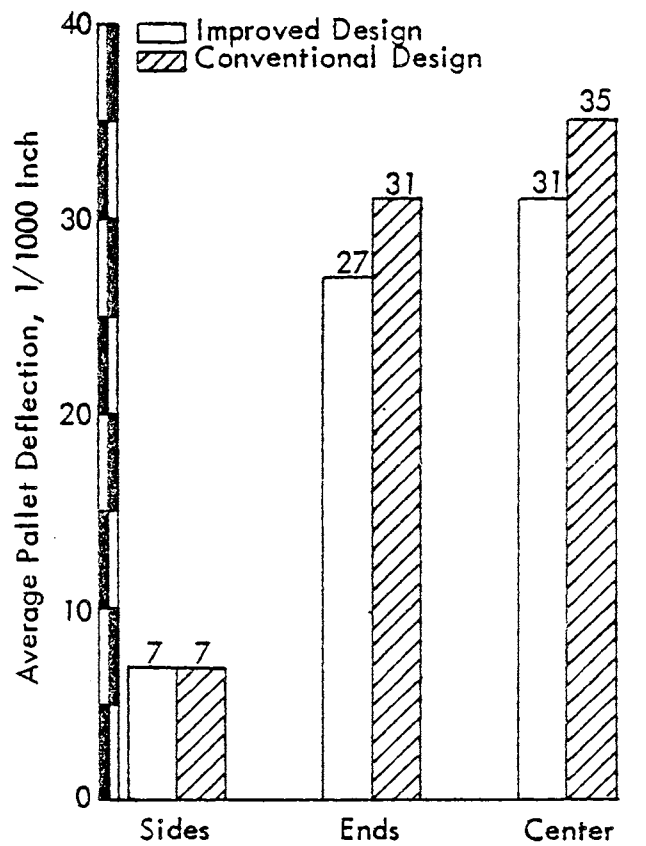


Fig.9.- Average deflection of pallets of conventional and improved designs, per 100 lb. of static load applied at center of pallet.

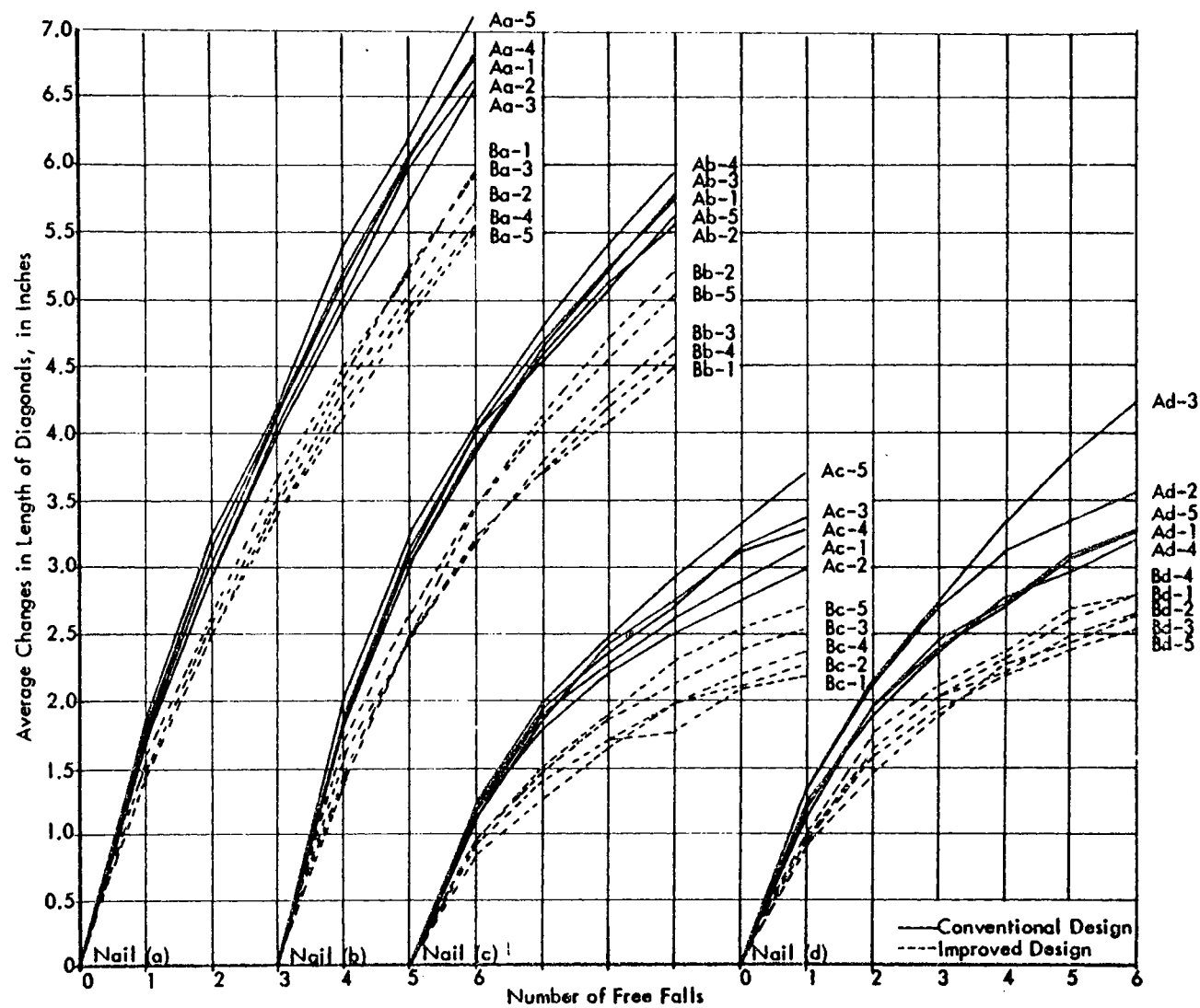


Fig.10.-Average changes in length of diagonals, in inches, during six free-fall cornerwise drops of pallets, with curves of nails (b) and (c) off-set.

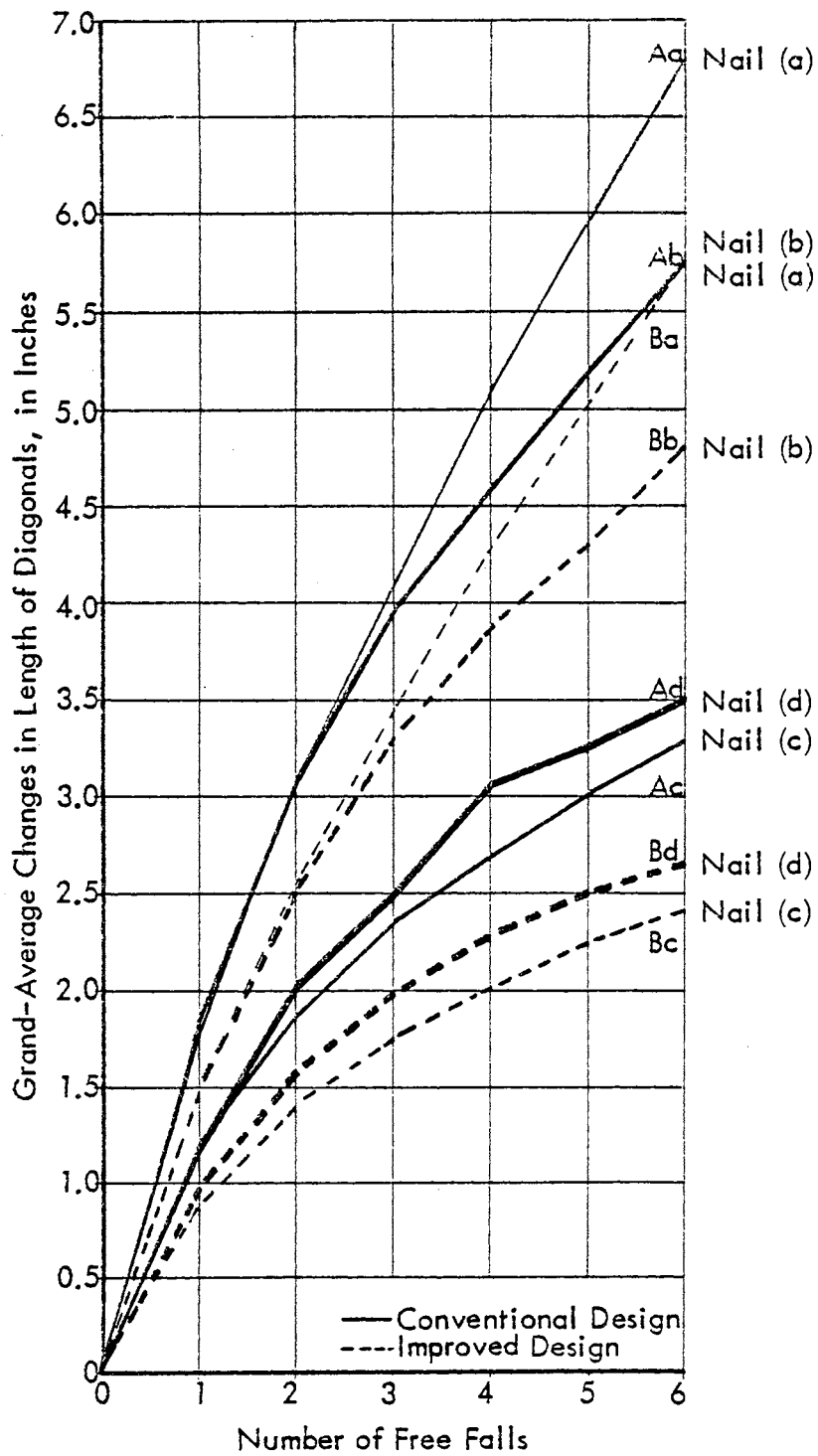


Fig.11.- Grand-average changes in length of diagonals, in inches, during six free-fall cornerwise drops of pallets.

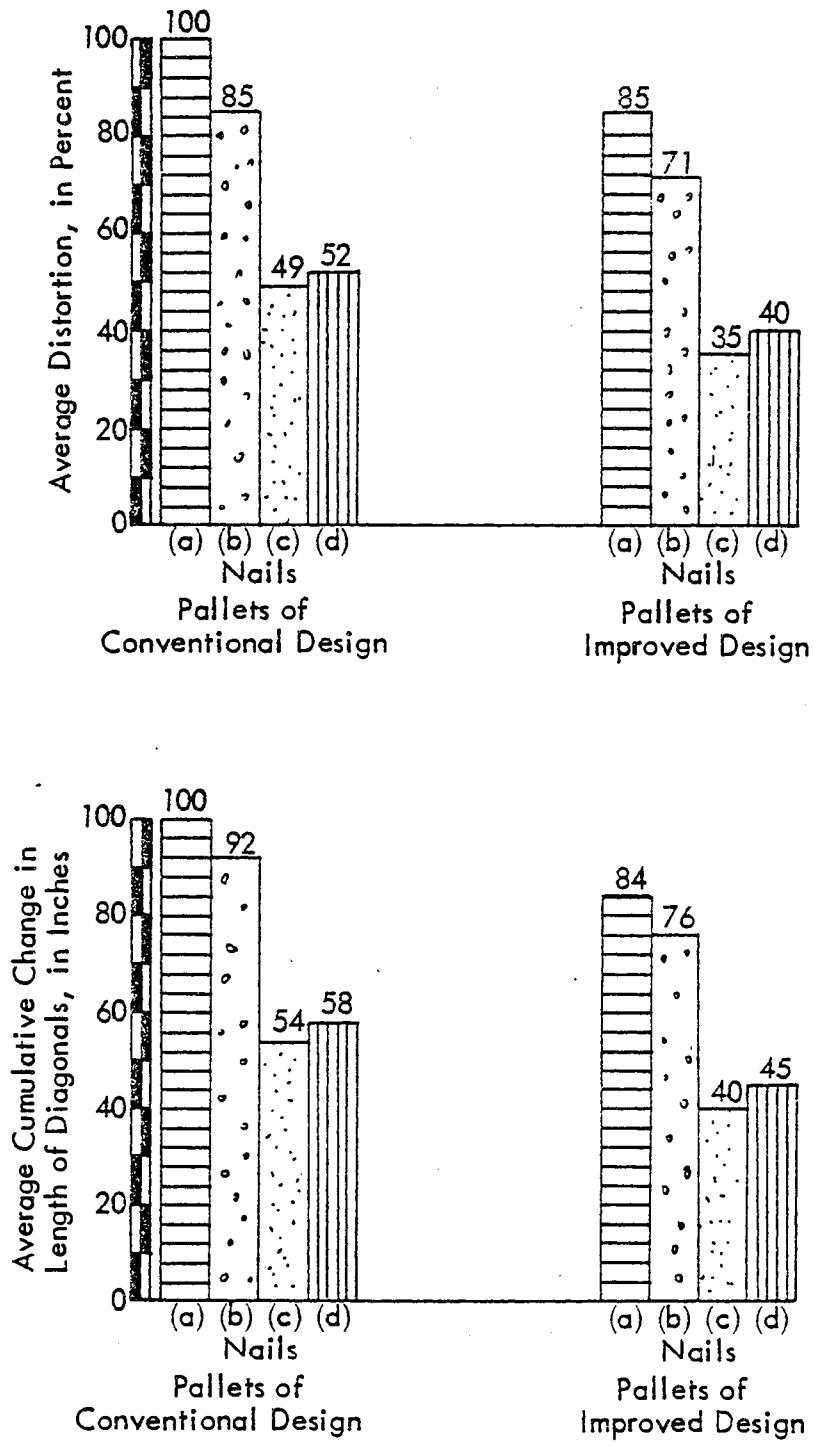


Fig.12.— Average percentile distortions and cumulative average changes in length, in inches, of diagonals of pallets of conventional and improved designs up to and including 6th drop.

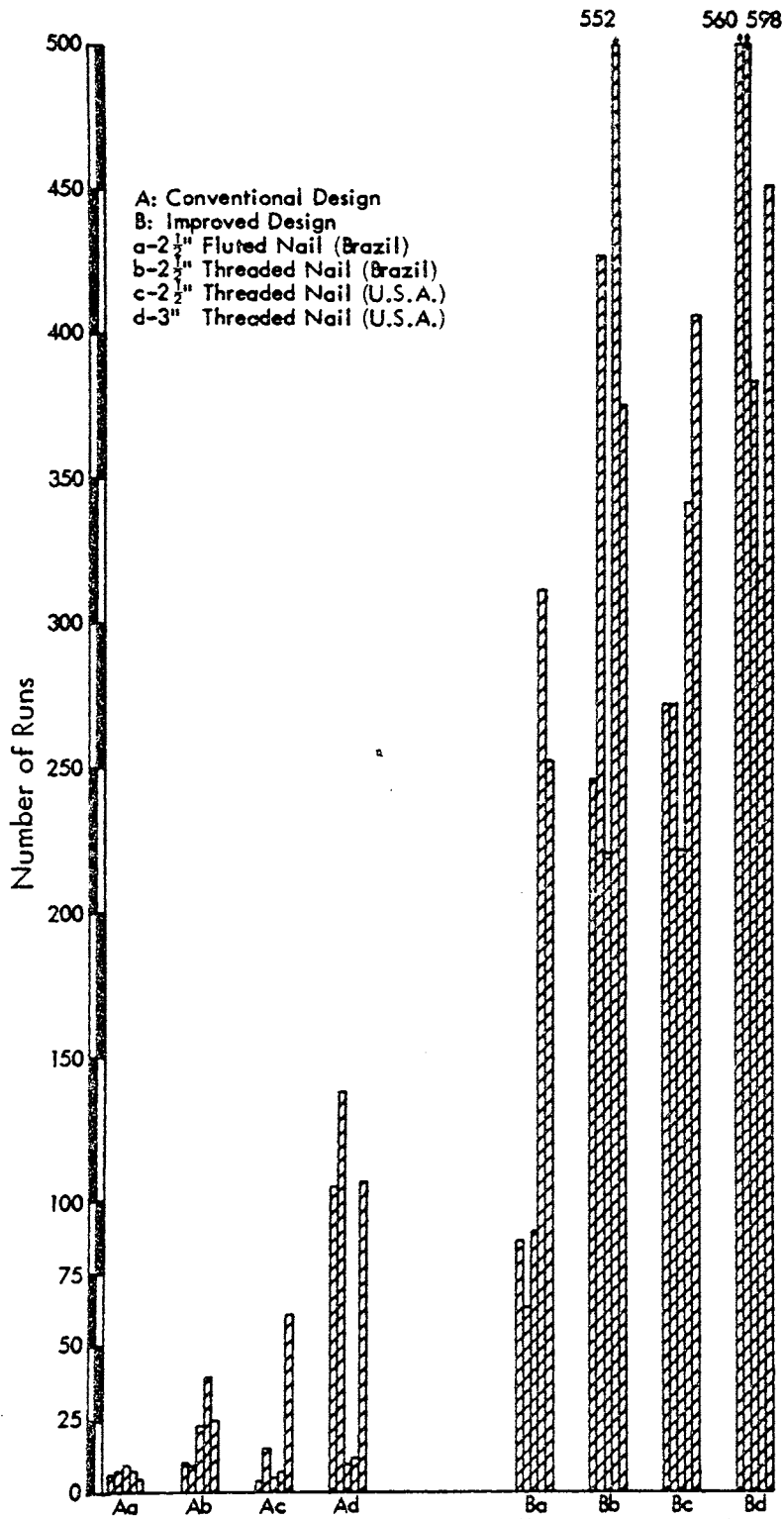


Fig.13.- Number of runs during incline impact tests on pallets of conventional and improved designs.

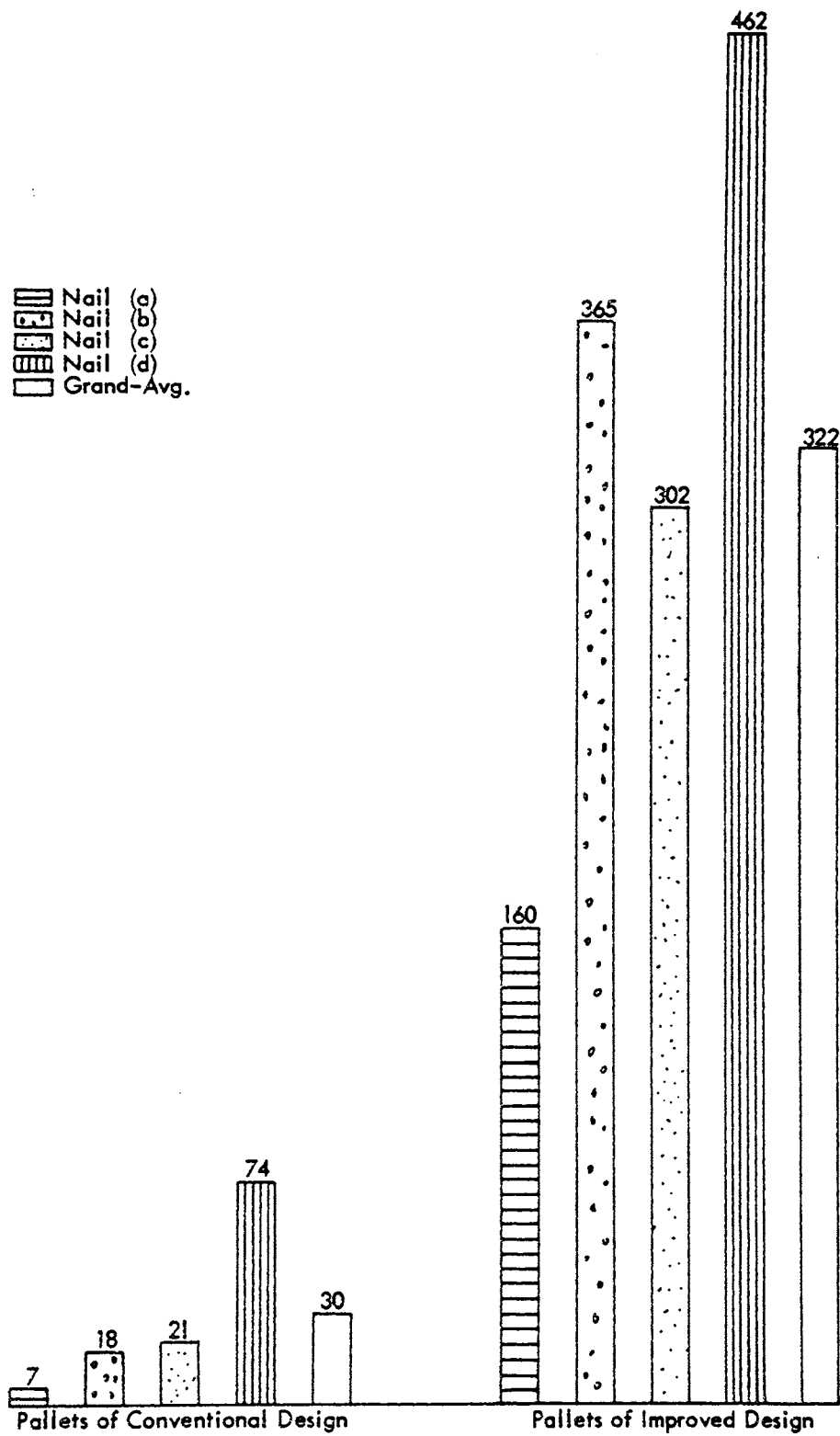


Fig. 14.- Average and grand-average numbers of runs of pallets of conventional and improved designs.

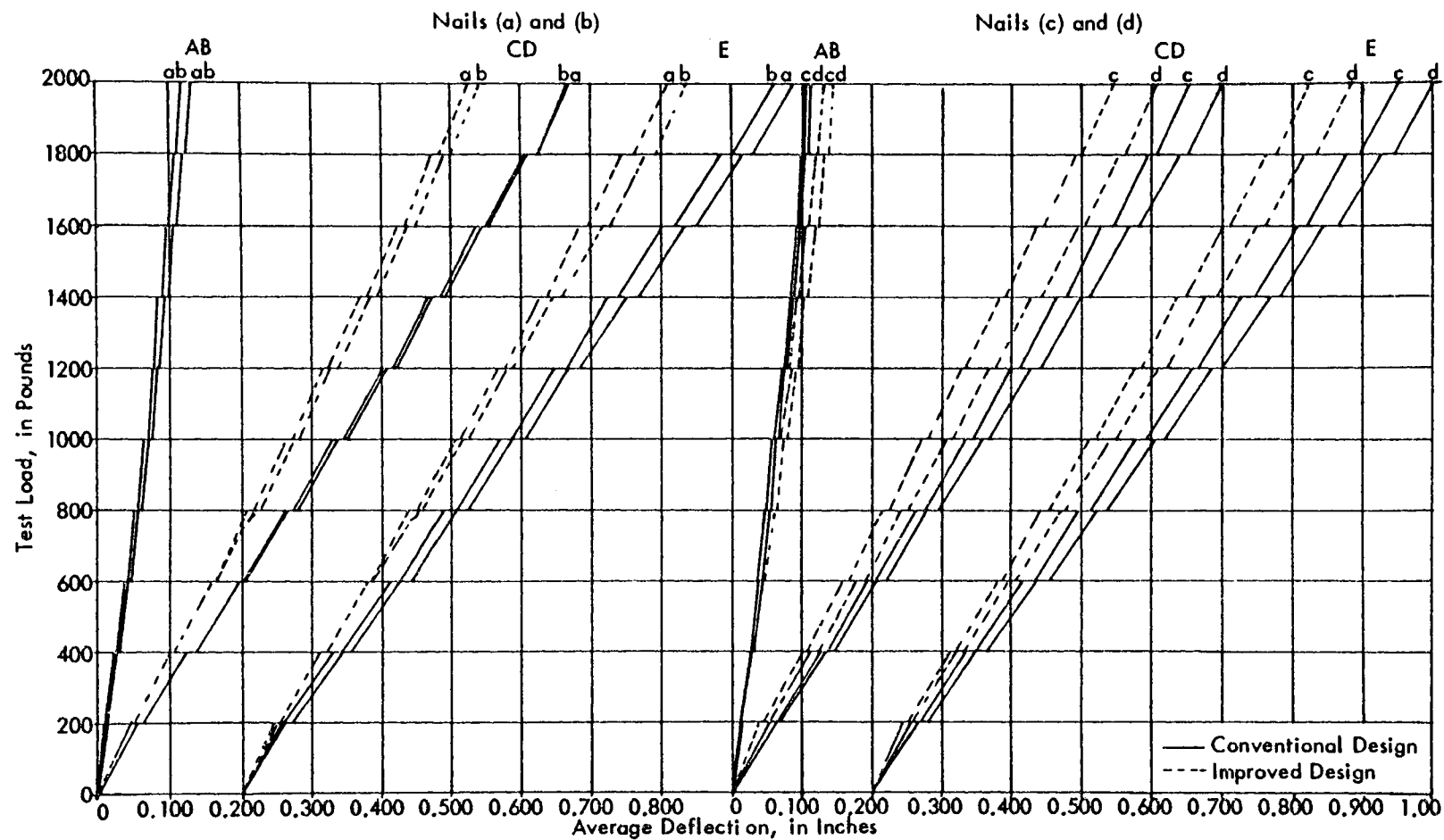


Fig.15a.- Average load-deflection curves for follow-up stiffness on pallets of conventional and improved designs, with E curves off-set by 0.200 inches.

Fig. 15b.- Average load-deflection curves for follow-up stiffness of pallets of conventional and improved designs, with E curves off-set by 0.200 inches.

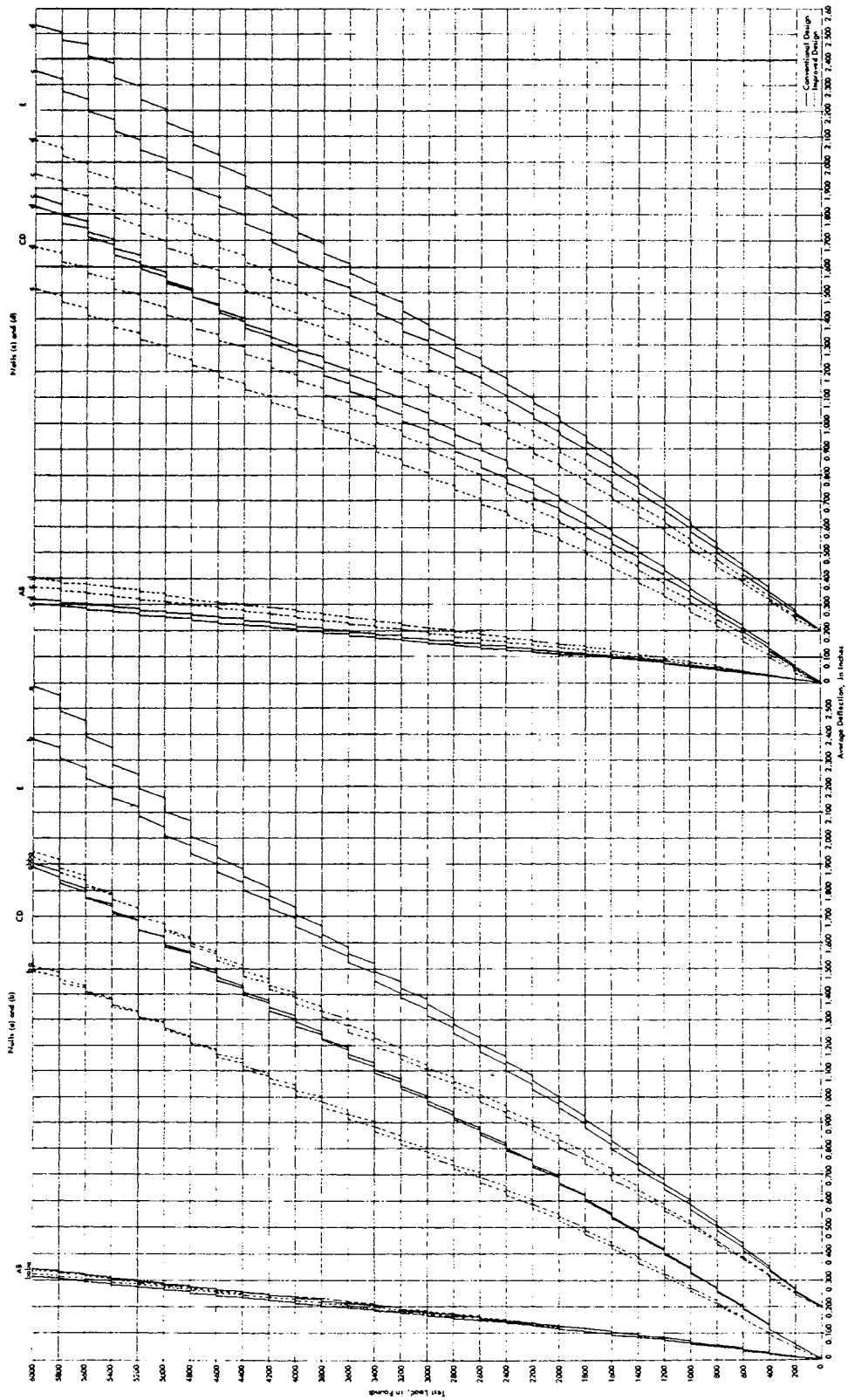


Fig. 15b.—Average load-deflection curves for various girders of various stiffness of girders and improved design.

TABLES

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In all Tables, 100% serves as basis of comparison.

TABLE 1

Production of Pallets in U.S.A.

Year	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977
Pallet Units (in millions):	87.7	103.8	104.3	115.0	133.7	126.3	138.0	154.7	185.4	205.1	159.3	195.7	235.9
U.S. Dollar Volume (in millions):	259	348	361	407	495	484	530	623	970	1206	1018	1117	1411
Percentage of National Lum- ber Production:	6.2	6.9	7.3	8.0	9.1	8.6	9.7	10.0	12.0	14.9	12.7	13	15

TABLE 2
Estimated Production of Pallets in Selected Countries During 1976

Country	Millions
Brazil	0.5
France	20
Italy	7
Japan	30
United Kingdom	14
U.S.A.	196
West Germany	25

TABLE 3

Material Requirements for Pallet Assembly

Design	Item	Quantity	Size	Amount
Conventional	Deckboards	12	1"x6"x63" (25x150x1600 mm)	43½ bdft. (94cm ³)
	Stringers	3	2⅜"x4"x48" (60x100x1200 mm)	
	Nails	84	
Improved	Deckboards	14	1"x6"x63" (25x150x1600 mm)	48¾ bdft. (106 cm ³)
	Stringers	3	2⅜"x4"x48" (60x100x1200 mm)	
	Nails	138	

TABLE 4a

Inspection Record of Conventional Red-Oak Stevedore Pallets

Pallet Nails	Pallet No.	Assembly Weight, in Lb.	During Init. Stiff. Test	Test Weight, in Lb.					Moist. Cont. After Testing Dkbd. Stringer	Oven-Dry Sp. Grav.		Count of Nails	Deckboard End Split		Stringer End Split		Cup-ping	Center Stringer Height, in.	Top Center Deckboard Width, in.
				During Rigidity Test	During Incline Test	During Fol.-Up St. Test	During Ult. Load Test	Dkbd.		Stringer	Nails		Other	Nails	Other				
2 1/2" Nail (a)	Aa1	220.14	139.50	138.34	136.98	136.98	135.06	9.6	17.4	0.52	0.68	84	1	4	0	0	7	3.87	5.73
	Aa2	220.48	143.50	141.62	139.89	139.89	137.95	9.3	22.5	0.61	0.66	84	1	5	0	1	6	3.87	5.58
	Aa3	218.00	141.00	138.62	137.45	137.45	135.47	9.3	25.2	0.56	0.62	84	1	7	0	0	3	3.83	5.49
	Aa4	212.88	142.47	139.53	138.19	138.19	136.44	9.9	27.6	0.68	0.70	84	2	3	0	1	3	3.93	5.65
	Aa5	217.95	142.00	139.28	137.91	137.91	136.62	9.9	24.7	0.55	0.75	84	1	4	0	1	7	3.90	5.62
	Avg.	217.85	141.69	139.48	138.08	138.08	136.31	9.6	23.4	0.58	0.68	84	1	5	0	1	5	3.88	5.61
2 1/2" Nail (b)	Ab1	215.00	145.38	143.50	141.98	141.98	139.89	9.3	24.7	0.60	0.69	84	0	4	0	1	7	3.94	5.54
	Ab2	216.81	143.47	141.16	139.50	139.50	137.42	10.3	17.6	0.68	0.73	84	0	6	0	1	7	3.86	5.62
	Ab3	212.25	145.86	142.70	141.81	141.81	139.69	9.7	16.8	0.62	0.74	84	0	1	0	0	7	3.80	5.63
	Ab4	215.19	146.12	142.62	141.19	141.19	139.42	9.8	24.7	0.64	0.64	84	0	5	0	1	8	3.91	5.58
	Ab5	211.06	143.69	139.81	138.53	141.78	136.53	10.0	17.3	0.50	0.65	84	0	3	0	1	5	3.88	5.60
	Avg.	214.06	144.90	141.96	140.60	141.25	138.59	9.8	20.2	0.61	0.69	84	0	4	0	1	7	3.88	5.59
2 1/2" Nail (c)	Ac1	217.81	143.00	140.59	138.70	138.70	136.75	9.8	22.7	0.50	0.71	84	0	6	0	0	5	3.93	5.69
	Ac2	216.31	142.97	140.56	139.59	139.59	137.67	9.8	19.6	0.56	0.60	84	1	3	0	0	6	3.84	5.68
	Ac3	215.56	139.88	137.44	136.26	139.33	134.56	9.7	22.9	0.62	0.68	84	0	4	0	0	5	3.83	5.57
	Ac4	216.50	143.28	140.03	139.25	142.31	137.53	9.6	22.5	0.58	0.68	84	0	3	0	2	5	3.75	5.64
	Ac5	219.62	140.86	138.16	136.75	141.36	135.81	10.0	22.5	0.54	0.70	84	0	4	0	1	8	3.88	5.57
	Avg.	217.16	142.00	139.36	138.11	140.26	136.46	9.8	22.0	0.56	0.67	84	0	4	0	1	6	3.85	5.63
3" Nail (d)	Ad1	220.69	148.31	145.86	143.80	143.80	142.88	9.7	21.4	0.59	0.68	84	0	5	0	1	9	3.87	5.54
	Ad2	220.38	150.88	148.28	147.06	147.06	140.28	9.8	14.8	0.59	0.78	84	0	3	1	2	7	3.81	5.56
	Ad3	215.12	144.06	142.30	141.06	141.06	139.44	9.7	23.7	0.66	0.64	84	0	5	0	0	5	3.95	5.65
	Ad4	217.56	141.23	139.41	138.02	142.12	137.55	10.7	17.6	0.66	0.67	84	0	6	0	1	5	3.83	5.65
	Ad5	216.86	144.76	142.76	141.95	147.42	141.25	9.7	23.6	0.62	0.66	84	0	2	1	1	6	3.94	5.57
	Avg.	218.12	145.85	143.72	142.38	144.29	140.28	9.9	20.8	0.62	0.69	84	0	4	0	1	6	3.88	5.59
Grand	Avg.	216.80	143.61	141.13	139.79	140.97	137.91	9.8	21.6	0.59	0.68	84	0	4	0	1	6	3.87	5.61

TABLE 4b

Inspection Record of Improved Red-Oak Stevedore Pallets

Pallet Nails	Pallet Nos.	Assembly Weight, in Lb.	Prior to Init. Stiff. Test	Test Weight, in Lb.				During Ult. Load Test	Moist. Cont. After Testing Dkbd. Stringer		Oven-Dry Sp. Grav. Dkbd. Stringer		Count of Nails	Deckboard End Split Nails Other		Stringer End Split Nails Other		Cup-ping	Center Stringer Height, in.	Top Center Deckboard Width, in.
				During Init. Stiff. Test	During Rigidity Test	During Incline Test	During Fol.-Up St. Test													
2 1/2" Nail (a)	Ba1	251.25	167.00	166.45	164.34	161.48	161.48	158.81	10.0	26.6	0.52	0.68	138	1	6	0	0	6	3.93	5.61
	Ba2	252.52	166.38	165.83	163.88	160.50	160.50	158.75	10.7	27.3	0.61	0.75	138	0	7	1	0	6	3.82	5.65
	Ba3	248.86	167.17	166.62	163.03	160.12	160.12	158.58	9.9	18.6	0.62	0.76	138	0	6	1	0	5	3.85	5.63
	Ba4	249.00	163.20	162.65	158.69	155.86	161.44	156.19	9.7	12.9	0.47	0.67	138	3	5	0	2	4	3.92	5.67
	Ba5	248.81	164.67	164.12	161.26	159.61	159.61	158.62	9.5	20.8	0.56	0.77	138	4	2	3	0	6	3.85	5.62
	Avg.	250.09	165.68	165.13	162.24	159.51	160.63	158.19	10.0	21.2	0.56	0.73	138	2	5	1	0	5	3.87	5.64
2 1/2" Nail (b)	Bb1	241.00	162.25	161.70	159.12	157.20	157.20	154.66	10.4	23.8	0.64	0.68	138	2	3	0	1	7	3.91	5.66
	Bb2	246.00	171.66	171.11	167.81	162.53	168.31	161.72	10.4	20.6	0.61	0.68	138	1	5	0	0	9	3.87	5.64
	Bb3	244.75	166.55	166.00	161.33	158.16	158.16	157.00	11.1	24.8	0.57	0.68	138	0	7	0	0	3	3.91	5.63
	Bb4	246.12	161.22	160.67	158.33	156.48	156.48	155.72	10.4	17.8	0.62	0.78	138	0	1	0	1	8	3.88	5.58
	Bb5	242.00	161.55	161.00	158.59	156.92	156.92	156.06	10.4	19.3	0.55	0.78	138	0	3	0	1	3	3.89	5.56
	Avg.	243.97	164.65	164.10	161.04	158.26	159.41	157.03	10.5	21.3	0.60	0.72	138	1	4	0	1	6	3.89	5.61
2 1/2" Nail (c)	Bc1	245.44	161.19	160.64	158.59	156.44	156.44	153.88	9.9	18.6	0.64	0.76	138	0	6	0	3	9	3.86	5.62
	Bc2	247.56	166.38	165.83	162.50	160.00	160.00	158.83	10.7	18.6	0.58	0.81	138	0	4	0	1	11	3.88	5.73
	Bc3	245.56	162.25	161.70	158.26	156.95	156.95	156.14	10.2	28.9	0.54	0.67	138	4	5	0	0	9	3.91	5.59
	Bc4	233.25	157.00	156.45	154.92	153.25	153.25	152.62	10.2	23.8	0.60	0.74	138	1	2	0	0	6	3.80	5.64
	Bc5	244.75	156.75	156.20	154.64	152.47	152.47	151.91	10.1	20.3	0.62	0.73	138	1	3	0	0	11	3.90	5.62
	Avg.	243.31	160.71	160.16	157.78	155.82	155.82	154.68	10.2	22.0	0.60	0.74	138	1	4	0	1	9	3.87	5.66
3" Nail (d)	Bd1	238.30	155.69	155.14	153.56	152.67	152.67	150.47	10.1	18.7	0.58	0.65	138	1	4	0	0	10	3.88	5.57
	Bd2	244.31	155.66	154.19	153.78	152.39	152.39	151.34	10.5	17.7	0.56	0.70	138	0	0	1	0	6	3.95	5.59
	Bd3	245.61	155.52	155.11	154.44	152.26	160.97	154.58	9.6	16.7	0.56	0.67	138	4	2	0	2	12	3.91	5.65
	Bd4	249.50	163.55	162.89	162.25	159.50	159.50	158.94	11.2	24.7	0.63	0.67	138	3	2	0	1	9	3.91	5.75
	Bd5	240.75	157.61	156.97	156.52	154.06	154.06	153.84	10.7	25.9	0.62	0.70	138	0	2	0	0	8	3.97	5.82
	Avg.	243.69	157.61	156.86	156.11	154.18	155.92	153.83	10.4	20.7	0.59	0.68	138	2	2	0	1	9	3.92	5.68
Grand	Avg.	245.27	162.16	161.56	159.29	156.94	157.95	155.93	10.3	21.3	0.59	0.72	138	2	4	0	1	7	3.89	5.64

TABLE 5

Average Assembly and Test Weights, in Pounds, of Pallets of
Conventional and Improved Designs

Pallet Design	Assembly Weights		In. Stiffness Test		Test Weights* During				Fol.-Up Stiff. Test		Ult. Load Test	
	Avg.	s	Avg.	s	Avg.	s	Avg.	s	Avg.	s	Avg.	s
Conventional	216.80	2.76	143.61	2.78	141.13	2.69	139.79	2.65	140.97	2.82	137.91	2.18
Improved	245.27	4.57	161.56	4.71	159.29	3.97	156.94	3.27	157.95	3.94	155.93	3.02
Difference	+13%		+12%		+13%		+12%		+12%		+13%	

*Prior to testing the pallets of improved design, both wings of the top center deckboards were cut off to facilitate installation of the deflection sensors. This reduced the pallet weights, on the average, 0.60 lb.

TABLE 6
 Statistical Design Used for Quintuplicate Pallets
 of Conventional and Improved Designs Assembled
 with Four Different Nails

Source of Variation	Degrees of Freedom
Designs (2-1).....	1
Nails (4-1).....	3
Interaction (2-1)×(4-1).....	3
Error (40-7-1).....	<u>32</u>
Total.....	39

TABLE 7

Static Deckboard-Stringer Separation Resistance in Direction of Nail Axis and Shear Resistance

Test Property	2½" Fluted Nail (a)	2½" Threaded Nail (b)	2½" Threaded Nail (c)	3" Threaded Nail (d)
Withdr. Resistance, in Pounds	486 (<u>100%</u>)	702 (144%)	783 (161%)	1027 (211%)
Withdr. Res., in Pounds/Inch of Shank Penetration into Stringer	324 (<u>100%</u>)	468 (144%)	522 (161%)	514 (159%)
Shear Resistance, in Pounds	727 (<u>100%</u>)	927 (126%)	980 (135%)	1239 (170%)

TABLE 8

Evaluation of Initial Static Stiffness of Pallets

Pallet Design	Pallet Nos.	Avg. Pallet Test Weight, in Lb.	Average Cumulative Deflection Value, in 1/1000 In.				Sum (ABCDE), in Percent
			Sides (AB)	Ends (CD)	Center (E)	Sum (ABCDE)	
Conventional	Aa1 to 5	141.69	1560	7041	8153	16754	103%
	Ab1 to 5	144.90	1482	6779	7602	15863	97%
	Ac1 to 5	142.00	1382	6955	7855	16192	100%
	Ad1 to 5	145.85	1436	6958	7885	16279	100%
	Grand Avg.	143.61	1465	6933	7874	16272	<u>100%</u>
Improved	Ba1 to 5	165.13	1352	5684	6506	13542	95%
	Bb1 to 5	164.10	1281	5604	6346	13431	93%
	Bc1 to 5	160.16	1492	6064	6910	14466	102%
	Bd1 to 5	156.86	1670	6650	7449	15769	111%
	Grand Avg.	161.56	1449	6001	6802	14252	<u>100%</u>
Difference		+12%	-1%	-13%	-14%	-12%	
Improved with Adjusted Values	Ba1 to 5	165.13	1352	5684	6506	13542	98%
	Bb1 to 5	164.10	1281	5604	6346	13231	96%
	Bc1 to 5	160.16	1438	5846	6660	13944	101%
	Bd1 to 5	156.86	1517	6046	6770	14330	104%
	Grand Avg.	161.56	1397	5794	6571	13762	<u>100%</u>
Difference*		+12%	-5%	-16%	-17%	-15%	

* Adjusted values for improved pallets versus values for conventional pallets.

TABLE 9

Average Deflections, in 1/1000 Inches, of All Pallets of Conventional and Improved Designs Tested, per 100 Lb. of Static Load Applied at Pallet Center, According to Deflections Observed Up to Test Load of 2000 Lb.

Pallet Design	Sides (AB)		Ends (CD)		Center (E)	
	Range	Avg.	Range	Avg.	Range	Avg.
Conventional	6-7	7	30-32	31	34-35	35
Improved	6-8	7	25-31	27	28-34	31

TABLE 10

Evaluation of Pallet Rigidity Data

Pallet Design	Pallet Nos.	Pallet Weight in Lb.		Avg. Percentile Distortion of Diagonals After 6th Drop			Avg. Cumulative Length Change, in In., of Diagonals Up to and Including 6th Drop			
Conventional	Aa1 to 5	139.48	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>	9.23	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>	26.83	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>
	Ab1 to 5	141.96	103%		7.81	85%	85%	24.58	92%	92%
	Ac1 to 5	139.36	101%		4.49	49%	49%	14.44	54%	54%
	Ad1 to 5	143.72	104%		4.78	52%	52%	15.53	58%	58%
Improved	Ba1 to 5	162.24	<u>100%</u>	113%	7.80	<u>100%</u>	85%	22.63	<u>100%</u>	84%
	Bb1 to 5	161.04	99%		6.55	84%	71%	20.44	90%	76%
	Bc1 to 5	157.78	97%		3.27	42%	35%	10.73	48%	40%
	Bd1 to 5	156.11	96%		3.65	47%	40%	12.10	53%	45%

TABLE 11

Evaluation of Impact Incline Pallet Deckboard-Stringer Separation Data

Pallet Design	Pallet Nos.	Avg. Pallet Test Weight, in Lb.	Range of Numbers of Runs Prior to End of Test	Average Numbers of Runs Prior to End of Test
Conventional	Aa1 to 5	138.08	4 to 9	7
	Ab1 to 5	140.60	9 to 38	21
	Ac1 to 5	138.11	5 to 60	18
	Ad1 to 5	142.38	10 to 137	74
Improved	Ba1 to 5	159.51	62 to 312	160
	Bb1 to 5	158.26	220 to 552	365
	Bc1 to 5	155.82	221 to 406	302
	Bd1 to 5	154.18	319 to 598	462

TABLE 12

Evaluation of Follow-Up Static Stiffness of Pallets

Pallet Design	Pallet Nos.	Avg. Pallet Weight, in Lb.	Avg. Cumulative Deflection Value from 0 to 2000 Lb., in 1/1000 In.					Avg. Cumulative Deflection Value from 0 to 6000 Lb., in 1/1000 In.				
			Sides (AB)	Ends (CD)	Center (E)	Sum (ABCDE)	Sum (ABCDE), in Pct.	Sides (AB)	Ends (CD)	Center (E)	Sum (ABCDE)	Sum (ABCDE), in Pct.
Conventional	Aa1 to 5	138.08	1522	7470	8707	17699	101%	11221	60441	72495	144157	102%
	Ab1 to 5	141.25	1359	7434	8271	17064	98%	10277	60824	68893	139994	99%
	Ac1 to 5	140.26	1266	7328	8314	16908	97%	9572	59025	67666	136263	97%
	Ad1 to 5	144.29	1404	7822	8941	18167	104%	10382	60434	73549	144365	102%
	Grand Avg.	140.97	1388	7514	8558	17460	<u>100%</u>	10363	60181	70651	141195	<u>100%</u>
Improved	Ba1 to 5	160.63	1334	5826	6715	13875	95%	10595	47851	55164	113610	96%
	Bb1 to 5	159.41	1438	6024	6997	14459	99%	11100	48385	55858	115343	97%
	Bc1 to 5	155.82	1451	5982	6850	14283	98%	11728	48564	56194	116486	98%
	Bd1 to 5	155.92	1664	6762	7513	15939	109%	13001	54425	61034	128460	108%
	Grand Avg.	157.95	1472	6148	7019	14639	<u>100%</u>	11606	49806	57063	118475	<u>100%</u>
Difference		+12%	+6%	-18%	-18%	-16%		+12%	-17%	-19%	-16%	

TABLE 13

Comparison of Initial and Follow-Up Pallet Stiffness Data

Pallet Design	Pallet Nos.	Increase in Average Cumulative Deflection Value, During Follow-Up Stiffness Test			
		Sides (AB)	Ends (CD)	Center (E)	Sum (ABCDE)
Conventional	Aa1 to 5	- 2%	+ 6%	+ 7%	+ 6%
	Ab1 to 5	- 8%	+10%	+ 9%	+ 8%
	Ac1 to 5	- 8%	+ 5%	+ 6%	+ 4%
	Ad1 to 5	- 2%	+12%	+13%	+12%
	Grand Avg.	- 5%	+ 8%	+ 9%	+ 7%
Improved	Ba1 to 5	- 1%	+ 2%	+ 3%	+ 2%
	Bb1 to 5	+12%	+ 7%	+10%	+ 8%
	Bc1 to 5	- 3%	- 1%	- 1%	- 1%
	Bd1 to 5	- 0%	+ 2%	+ 1%	+ 1%
	Grand Avg.	+ 2%	+ 2%	+ 3%	+ 3%

TABLE 14

Average Ultimate Pallet Test Loads

Pallet Design	Pallet Nos.	Avg. Pallet Test Weight, in Lb.	Avg. Ult. Test Load, in Lb.	Avg. Ult. Test Load, in Lb., with Pallets with Stringer Failures Omitted
Conventional	Aa1 to 5	136.31	8480	8800
	Ab1 to 5	138.59	10120	10120
	Ac1 to 5	136.46	9980	9980
	Ad1 to 5	140.28	8920	9650
	Grand Avg.	137.91	9375	9638
Improved	Ba1 to 5	158.19	11360	11360
	Bb1 to 5	157.03	11640	11640
	Bc1 to 5	154.68	10680	11800
	Bd1 to 5	153.83	11600	11600
	Grand Avg.	155.93	11320	11600
Difference		+13%	+21%	+20%

TABLE 15

Tentative Outline of Proposed Field Tests on Stevedore Pallets of Improved Design

- A) All three-stringer pallets of improved design, same size and type, and same construction, with best deckboards used for backing-up deckboards and with best edge of leading-edge deckboard used for outer edge

Pallet Sign (1)	Wood Species (2)	Nail Type (3)	Nail Steel (4)	Number of Nails per End-Deckbd. Joint (5)	Nail Treatment (6)	Pallet Treatment (7)
A(1-100)	Peroba	(a)	--	4	none	none
B	"	(b)	SS	4	none	none
C	"	(b)	HS	4	none	none
D	"	(b)	HS	4	galvanized	dipped
E	Eucalyptus	(a)	--	4	none	none
F	"	(b)	SS	4	none	none
G	"	(b)	HS	4	none	none
H	"	(b)	HS	6	none	none
I	"	(b)	HS	6	galvanized	dipped

9 x 100 = 900 pallets (400 peroba and 500 eucalyptus)

- B) All pallets identical to those above, yet with four, instead of three, stringers, with the inner 2 x 4 (50 x 100 mm) stringers spaced 12" (300 mm) on centers

Pallet Sign (1)	Wood Species (2)	Nail Type (3)	Nail Steel (4)	Number of Nails per End-Deckbd. Joint (5)	Nail Treatment (6)	Pallet Treatment (7)
A(1-100)	Peroba	(b)	HS	4	none	none
B	Eucalyptus	(b)	HS	4	none	none

2 x 100 = 200 pallets (100 peroba and 100 eucalyptus)

SS = Stiff-Stock

HS = Hardened-Steel

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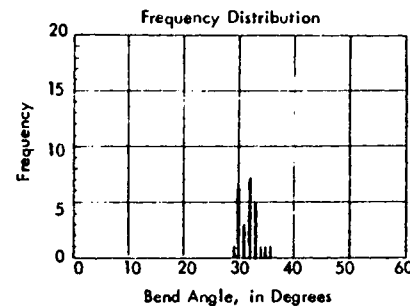
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APPENDIX TABLE 16a

- 1) Nails Submitted by (complete address): INDUSTRIA DE ARAMES CLEIDE
Avenida D. Pedro I, no 790
Santo Andre - Sao Paulo - Brazil
- 2) Nail Description (manufacturer, type, lot, identification):
Same as above, Ardox nail.
- 3) Field Experience with Nails:
- 4) Date of Submission:
- 5) Date of Receipt at VPI: Dec. 19, 1977..... 6) VPI Nail No. 2017.
- 7) Nail Size (length x wire diameter): 2 1/4" x 0.120"
- 8) Nail Type: Low-Carbon-Steel ... Stiff-Stock X. Hardened ... Tempered ...
- 9) Shank Deformation: Annularly Threaded ... Helically Threaded ... Fluted X. Twisted ...
- 10) Thread-Crest Diameter: 0.143" 11) Thread Angle: 80° 12) Number of Flutes: 4
- 13) Appearance:
- 14) MIBANT TEST DATA: Date of Test: Dec. 20, 77 Machine Operator: Nilson Franco...

Test No.	Angle in Degr.	Partial Failure	Complete Failure	Notes and Remarks:
1	35			
2	32			
3	32			
4	30			
5	32			
6	32			
7	32			
8	30			
9	29			
10	30			
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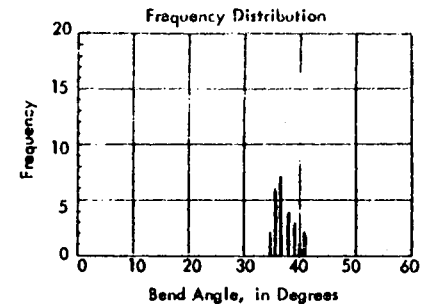
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APPENDIX TABLE 16b

- 1) Nails Submitted by (complete address): AIR-FIX DO BRASIL IND. COM.
LTD. Rua Riachuelo, 201, 6 andar, conjunto A.
Sao Paulo - Sao Paulo - Brazil
- 2) Nail Description (manufacturer, type, lot, identification):
Same as above, Air-Fix Catalogue No. AF-0.07
- 3) Field Experience with Nails:
- 4) Date of Submission:
- 5) Date of Receipt at VPI: Dec. 19, 1977..... 6) VPI Nail No. 2018.
- 7) Nail Size (length x wire diameter): 2 1/4" x 0.127"
- 8) Nail Type: Low-Carbon-Steel ... Stiff-Stock X. Hardened ... Tempered ...
- 9) Shank Deformation: Annularly Threaded ... Helically Threaded X. Fluted ... Twisted ...
- 10) Thread-Crest Diameter: 0.142" 11) Thread Angle: 68° 12) Number of Flutes: 3
- 13) Appearance: Pointless
- 14) MIBANT TEST DATA: Date of Test: Dec. 20, 77 Machine Operator: Nilson Franco...

Test No.	Angle in Degr.	Partial Failure	Complete Failure	Notes and Remarks:
1	36			
2	37			
3	38			
4	36			
5	41			
6	38			
7	38			
8	36			
9	35			
10	37			
11	36			
12	39			
13	37			
14	38			
15	35			
16	37			
17	40			
18	37			
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22	37			
23	36			
24	37			
25	41			

Avg.: 37 Total: 0 Total: 0



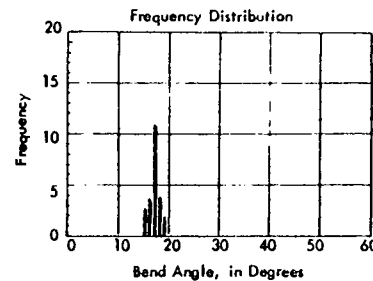
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APPENDIX TABLE 16c

- 1) Nails Submitted by (complete address): Philstone Nail Corporation
Canton, Massachusetts
- 2) Nail Description (manufacturer, type, lot, identification):
- 3) Field Experience with Nails:
- 4) Date of Submission:
- 5) Date of Receipt at VPI: October 4, 1977 6) VPI Nail No.: 1999A
- 7) Nail Size (length x wire diameter): 2.9/16 x 0.119"
- 8) Nail Type: Low-Carbon-Steel ... Stiff-Stock ... Hardened .X. Tempered ...
- 9) Shank Deformation: Annularly Threaded ... Helically Threaded .X. Fluted ... Twisted ...
- 10) Thread-Crest Diameter: 0.138." 11) Thread Angle: 59° 12) Number of Flutes: 4
- 13) Appearance:
- 14) MIBANT TEST DATA: Date of Test: 10/5/77.. Machine Operator: Kenneth Alberl..

Test No.	Angle in Degr.	Partial Failure	Complete Failure	Notes and Remarks
1	15			
2	17			
3	15			
4	16			
5	16			
6	18			
7	17			
8	16			
9	16			
10	17			
11	18			
12	15			
13	17			
14	19			
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16	18			
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23	19			
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Avg.: 17 Total: 0 Total: 1				



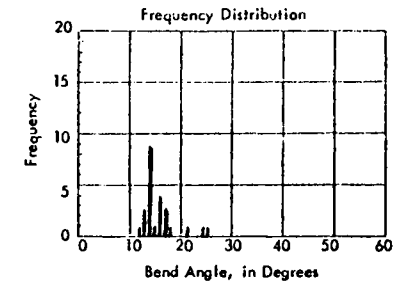
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APPENDIX TABLE 16d

- 1) Nails Submitted by (complete address): Philstone Nail Corporation
P.O. Drawer G, Canton, Massachusetts 02021
- 2) Nail Description (manufacturer, type, lot, identification): Sample of
500-lb. lot
- 3) Field Experience with Nails:
- 4) Date of Submission:
- 5) Date of Receipt at VPI: July 22, 1974 6) VPI Nail No.: 1785
- 7) Nail Size (length x wire diameter): 3.1" x 0.120"
- 8) Nail Type: Low-Carbon-Steel ... Stiff-Stock ... Hardened .X. Tempered ...
- 9) Shank Deformation: Annularly Threaded ... Helically Threaded .X. Fluted ... Twisted ...
- 10) Thread-Crest Diameter: 0.132." 11) Thread Angle: 62° 12) Number of Flutes: 4
- 13) Appearance: Pointless ... Flattened Umbrella Head
- 14) MIBANT TEST DATA: Date of Test: July 26, 1974 Machine Operator: J.W. Akers

Test No.	Angle in Degr.	Partial Failure	Complete Failure	Notes and Remarks
1	14°			
2	14°			
3	13°			
4	24°			
5	15°			
6	14°			
7	12°			
8	14°			
9	21°			
10	17°			
11	16°			
12	14°			
13	25°			
14	17°			
15	16°			
16	13°			
17	14°			
18	14°			
19	17°			
20	14°			
21	18°			
22	15°			
23	14°			
24	16°			
25	16°			
Avg.: 16° Total: 0 Total: 0				



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APPENDIX TABLE 17a

Six-Week Delayed Deckboard-Stringer *Separation* Resistance of Red-Oak Pallet Joints

Nails driven through 1.00"-thick deckboards of 99.8% moisture content and 0.64 oven-dry specific gravity into 2.40"-wide stringers of 70.0% moisture content and 0.67 oven-dry specific gravity.

Nails pulled through deckboard of 9.4% moisture content and/or withdrawn from stringer of 29.8% moisture content.

Oak Stick	Repl-ication	2 ½" Nail (a) (2017)	2 ½" Nail (b) (2018)	2 ½" Nail (c) (1999a)	3" Nail (d) (1785)		
		(b)	(b)	(b)	(a)	(b)	(c)
A	1	433	680	752		975	
A	2	567	715	838		1200	
B	3	434	775	772d	1100-1120	812	
C	4	498	733	830		1065-898	
C	5	478	733	918		1095	
D	6	468	665	728	905-	968-978	
E	7	560	735	695d		888d	
E	8	440	600	680d		872d	
F	9	518	648	835	950-	955-890	
G	10	465	738	785	890-1130	690	
	Avg.	486	702	783		1027	922
	Avg.	100%	144%	161%		211%	190%
	Coefficient of Variation	10.1%	7.5%	9.4%		10.8%	15.4%

(a) Head pull-through resistance. (b) Shank withdrawal resistance.

(c) Head failure. (d) Stringer split at nail location.

APPENDIX TABLE 17b

Six-Week Delayed Deckboard-Stringer *Shear* Resistance of Red-Oak Pallet Joints

Nails driven through 1.02"-thick deckboards of 74.3% moisture content and 0.70 oven-dry specific gravity
into 2.40"-wide stringers of 63.8% moisture content and 0.72 oven-dry specific gravity.

Nails sheared or pulled through deckboards of 10.6% moisture content and/or withdrawn from stringers of 31.3% moisture content.

Oak Stick	Repli- cation	2 ½" Nail (a) (2017)	2 ½" Nail (b) (2018)	2 ½" Nail (c) (1999a)	3" Nail (d) (1785)
A	1	718c	989c	1005c	1328b
B	2	812c	1025c	1070c	1335b
B	3	780c	970c	1100c	1415d
C	4	703c	965c	988c	1288c
D	5	752c	882c	895c	1028c
D	6	690c	833c	895c	1075b
E	7	670ce	935c	938ce	1195b
F	8	745c	915c	1058c	1125b
F	9	690c	945c	832a	1262c
G	10	712c	905c	1022b	1335b
	Avg.	727	927	980	1239
	Avg.	<u>100%</u>	128%	135%	170%
	Coefficient of Variation	6.1%	5.8%	8.9%	10.3%

(a) Nail shank sheared.

(b) Nail pulled through deckboard.

(c) Nail withdrawn from stringer.

(d) Nail head failure.

(e) Stringer split at nail location.

APPENDIX TABLE 18a

Detailed Load-Deflection Data, in Lb. and 1/1000 in.
Pallets of Conventional Design

Test Load	Pallet No. Aa1					Pallet No. Aa2					Pallet No. Aa3					Pallet No. Aa4					Pallet No. Aa5				
	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E
0	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000
200	09	13	55	63	63	13	16	60	54	66	10	11	57	54	63	15	06	63	63	68	16	12	71	57	71
400	23	29	122	132	138	30	33	123	120	142	27	25	121	118	137	32	12	130	129	142	32	25	138	117	141
600	38	44	188	201	216	46	50	186	186	223	41	39	184	186	213	49	19	202	198	222	50	39	203	181	216
800	52	63	252	266	290	63	65	244	249	301	57	52	246	253	289	65	27	273	262	299	65	53	265	239	286
1000	67	82	316	329	365	79	78	301	310	375	75	64	311	322	367	79	37	344	328	374	82	66	328	298	355
1200	82	101	380	394	438	93	92	359	371	450	90	76	372	388	443	92	47	411	394	448	98	76	387	350	418
1400	84	106	395	407	455	95	95	371	383	466	94	80	386	402	460	95	51	424	410	464	102	80	401	363	433
1600	96	114	443	457	510	106	106	416	433	524	106	89	432	457	520	106	57	473	457	519	114	87	447	405	484
1800	100	119	460	471	528	109	109	428	446	540	109	92	446	471	536	109	62	487	473	534	117	90	460	420	499
2000	112	126	508	515	585	120	119	472	494	600	122	101	490	522	595	118	68	534	517	589	129	97	502	462	548
	115	131	528	531	605	123	123	486	507	618	125	105	505	536	611	121	73	547	533	607	133	101	515	477	566
	126	139	574	575	660	133	133	527	551	675	136	113	549	584	666	131	79	591	579	660	146	107	558	518	617
	131	144	596	591	682	136	136	542	564	694	141	117	564	599	684	134	85	607	599	680	150	112	572	536	636
	144	150	641	635	734	146	144	581	607	747	151	125	606	642	735	144	91	648	643	730	160	119	611	577	683
	148	153	662	654	756	150	146	596	619	766	156	130	624	656	753	147	95	661	663	748	164	123	626	596	702
Test Load	Pallet No. Ab1					Pallet No. Ab2					Pallet No. Ab3					Pallet No. Ab4					Pallet No. Ab5				
	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E
0	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000
200	13	16	61	68	68	09	10	60	62	66	12	10	58	59	65	09	00	30	30	30	13	08	63	58	65
400	27	31	111	128	130	25	23	122	127	138	28	25	126	131	142	37	21	115	103	109	30	16	126	124	136
600	46	54	168	198	201	39	35	184	193	214	43	42	195	206	224	53	34	176	172	182	45	25	186	189	207
800	65	77	222	267	271	52	48	243	259	286	57	57	260	279	300	66	45	231	235	249	57	35	237	248	272
1000	86	71	276	336	342	66	61	303	324	357	69	73	325	347	375	81	56	287	298	320	68	46	284	304	334
1200	104	86	326	405	410	80	73	361	391	427	80	89	391	418	449	95	65	343	360	386	79	56	334	355	392
1400	112	91	341	424	429	82	76	373	406	442	83	93	404	433	464	99	67	356	373	400	81	58	344	366	404
1600	123	100	378	474	479	91	84	417	454	495	91	101	451	484	519	110	76	402	426	456	89	66	381	407	449
1800	143	112	429	539	545	107	94	472	514	564	102	114	508	544	587	124	84	457	488	521	100	75	428	457	507
2000	151	117	444	558	564	109	98	484	530	580	104	118	521	558	603	128	85	473	503	538	102	77	437	467	519
	161	125	481	602	613	117	103	523	573	630	112	126	564	602	654	138	92	512	546	588	110	84	473	504	564
	169	131	495	620	633	121	106	534	590	646	114	130	577	618	670	142	94	528	561	605	112	87	482	513	575
	180	139	531	662	679	135	112	575	635	696	121	139	615	662	718	151	100	566	600	652	120	93	517	549	619
	186	144	544	679	696	139	114	585	652	711	123	142	628	678	734	156	101	580	613	667	123	95	527	559	632
Test Load	Pallet No. Ac1					Pallet No. Ac2					Pallet No. Ac3					Pallet No. Ac4					Pallet No. Ac5				
	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E
0	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000
200	12	08	60	54	63	09	10	67	54	67	05	15	67	66	70	11	14	73	57	69	08	12	62	49	61
400	27	16	121	117	133	20	19	131	112	136	15	30	133	129	142	24	30	144	117	140	16	24	122	101	123
600	44	25	186	184	208	33	32	199	175	210	24	47	202	197	219	39	45	217	181	218	27	35	181	153	187
800	60	34	245	246	279	44	46	265	235	285	33	63	271	262	295	54	60	287	242	292	35	47	236	205	249
1000	76	43	307	311	353	58	60	331	295	358	42	77	338	323	368	67	74	360	300	364	47	57	293	256	313
1200	93	50	369	376	426	71	73	396	355	431	54	92	403	386	440	85	90	437	359	440	62	72	353	307	379
1400	109	57	430	444	498	81	85	458	416	501	63	104	463	447	509	101	101	510	416	511	75	81	412	354	440
1600	115	59	445	458	515	83	89	470	429	517	65	107	476	461	523	111	105	533	429	532	79	83	425	362	453
1800	127	64	490	508	572	95	96	516	480	575	74	117	520	510	578	128	117	592	476	593	90	90	471	402	502
2000	132	66	506	522	591	96	100	528	496	591	76	120	532	525	594	138	121	615	490	614	95	93	485	413	517
	142	72	550	568	645	106	108	575	544	648	86	129	576	572	648	150	127	668	531	668	103	101	527	450	563
	147	74	566	583	662	109	112	590	559	665	88	131	588	587	664	161	131	693	547	691	107	103	542	462	578
	158	80	608	627	714	115	120	634	607	717	97	139	630	629	714	172	139	739	585	740	118	117	584	505	629
	164	83	625	643	733	117	123	648	621	733	98	142	645	644	731	177	143	762	602	761	121	120	602	519	646
Test Load	Pallet No. Ad1					Pallet No. Ad2					Pallet No. Ad3					Pallet No. Ad4					Pallet No. Ad5				
	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E
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200	12	12	64	49	61	16	15	60	61	69	15	10	61	55	63	05	17	63	70	73	10	08	57	54	60
400	24	22	128	95	123	27	29	121	118	137	34	18	125	114	131	13	32	125	141	146	21	18	117	116	126
600	38	33	192	147	191	38	44	191	181	215	54	28	192	177	207	23	50	190	214	225	33	31	184	183	202
800	50	44	254	197	257	51	58	261	240	290	71	38	257	238	279	34	66	257	283	301	46	42	244	258	274
1000	62	55	318	245	322	63	71	331	298	366	88	47	323	297	351	46	83	323	353	375	59	53	311	314	348
1200	74	66	379	292	384	76	86	399	358	440	106	57	390	355	423	60	99	391	426	451	72	65	375	380	421

APPENDIX TABLE 18b

Detailed Load-Deflection Data, in Lb. and 1/1000 in.
Pallets of Improved Design

Test Load	Pallet No. Ba1					Pallet No. Ba2					Pallet No. Ba3					Pallet No. Ba4					Pallet No. Ba5				
	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E
0	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000
200	14	06	49	40	50	11	11	49	46	52	12	10	51	45	55	08	18	49	40	63	08	06	48	46	51
400	16	07	52	43	54	12	12	53	49	56	13	11	54	48	59	10	21	55	64	68	09	08	53	51	55
600	31	13	99	83	103	25	24	99	94	107	24	21	101	93	111	23	29	103	115	122	20	14	100	99	109
800	34	14	107	90	112	28	27	106	103	117	27	23	109	101	120	24	32	112	124	132	22	16	108	108	119
1000	48	20	151	131	160	41	38	150	149	168	36	32	150	143	169	28	39	157	172	187	33	23	153	154	172
1200	51	21	160	139	170	45	41	159	160	180	41	32	159	152	180	42	41	168	183	200	35	25	161	164	183
1400	63	27	201	176	216	59	53	202	204	230	49	41	199	192	226	54	48	211	228	251	45	32	202	208	233
1600	67	30	212	186	227	63	57	213	216	243	53	43	208	202	238	58	51	224	241	265	47	35	211	218	245
1800	79	35	253	221	272	75	68	254	256	293	62	51	248	241	284	71	57	271	286	316	57	43	252	261	295
2000	82	38	264	230	284	80	73	267	270	307	65	53	258	251	296	75	60	284	299	331	59	46	262	271	306
2200	93	43	306	265	328	92	84	309	312	355	73	60	295	290	339	87	66	328	343	380	68	53	302	314	353
2400	96	46	317	274	340	98	91	320	325	369	78	63	306	299	350	92	69	342	356	394	71	56	311	323	365
2600	107	51	355	308	380	107	102	362	366	418	86	70	342	336	392	103	75	387	399	443	80	63	351	363	412
2800	111	54	366	318	393	114	106	375	380	433	90	72	352	347	405	109	79	402	413	460	82	66	360	373	424
3000	122	60	404	350	434	134	117	420	424	484	98	79	387	384	446	120	84	443	453	506	92	74	401	413	471
3200	125	63	416	360	447	136	122	433	437	501	101	82	398	395	458	125	87	457	465	522	94	76	412	424	483
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3800	152	78	498	433	538	158	146	525	522	608	119	98	474	476	551	150	101	547	547	624	116	94	498	507	588
4000	156	80	512	445	552	161	150	541	536	625	122	101	487	489	566	153	104	562	560	640	118	98	511	520	602
4200	160	82	524	457	566	165	153	553	548	642	125	103	498	499	582	156	106	574	572	654	120	100	523	532	614
4400	164	84	536	469	576	169	155	565	560	660	128	105	509	510	595	159	108	586	584	676	122	102	535	544	626
4600	168	86	548	481	586	173	157	577	572	678	131	107	520	521	608	162	110	598	596	688	124	104	547	556	638
4800	172	88	560	493	596	177	159	589	584	696	134	109	531	532	620	165	112	610	608	700	126	106	559	568	650
5000	176	90	572	505	606	181	161	601	596	714	137	111	542	543	632	168	114	622	620	712	128	108	571	580	662
5200	180	92	584	517	616	185	163	613	608	732	140	113	553	554	644	171	116	634	632	724	130	110	583	592	674
5400	184	94	596	529	626	189	165	625	620	750	143	115	564	565	656	174	118	646	644	736	132	112	595	604	686
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6000	196	100	632	565	656	201	171	661	656	804	152	121	597	598	692	183	124	682	680	772	138	118	631	640	722
6200	200	102	644	577	666	205	173	673	668	822	155	123	608	609	704	186	126	694	692	784	140	120	643	652	734
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6600	208	106	668	601	686	213	177	697	692	858	161	127	630	631	728	192	130	718	716	808	144	124	667	676	758
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7200	220	112	704	637	716	225	183	733	728	912	170	133	663	664	764	201	136	754	752	844	150	130	703	712	794
7400	224	114	716	649	726	229	185	745	740	930	173	135	674	675	776	204	138	766	764	856	152	132	715	724	806
7600	228	116	728	661	736	233	187	757	752	948	176	137	685	686	788	207	140	778	776	868	154	134	727	736	818
7800	232	118	740	673	746	237	189	769	764	966	179	139	696	697	800	210	142	790	788	880	156	136	739	748	830
8000	236	120	752	685	756	241	191	781	776	984	182	141	707	708	812	213	144	802	800	892	158	138	751	760	842
8200	240	122	764	697	766	245	193	793	788	1002	185	143	718	719	824	216	146	814	812	904	160	140	763	772	854
8400	244	124	776	709	776	249	195	805	799	1020	188	145	729	730	836	219	148	826	824	916	162	142	775	784	866
8600	248	126	788	721	786	253	197	817	811	1038	191	147	740	741	848	222	150	838	836	928	164	144	787	796	878
8800	252	128	800	733	796	257	199	829	823	1056	194	149	751	752	860	225	152	850	848	940	166	146	799	808	890
9000	256	130	812	745	806	261	201	841	835	1074	197	151	762	763	872	228	154	862	860	952	168	148	811	820	902
9200	260	132	824	757	816	265	203	853	847	1092	200	153	773	774	884	231	156	874	872	964	170	150	823	832	914
9400	264	134	836	769	826	269	205	865	859	1110	203	155	784	785	896	234	158	886	884	976	172	152	835	844	926
9600	268	136	848	781	836	273	207	877	871	1128	206	157	795	796	908	237	160	898	896	988	174	154	847	856	938
9800	272	138	860	793	846	277	209	889	883	1146	209	159	806	807	920	240	162	910	908	1000	176	156	859	868	950
10000	276	140	872	805	856	281	211	901	895	1164	212	161	817	818	932	243	164	922	920	1012	178	158	871	880	962

APPENDIX TABLE 19

Average Load-Deflection Value, in Lb. and 1/1000 in.

Test Load	Pallet Area	Deflections AB					Deflections CD					Deflection E					Pallet Area	Deflections AB					Deflections CD					Deflection E				
		1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5		1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
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200	11	15	11	11	14	12	59	57	56	63	64	60	63	66	63	68	71	66	63	66	64	68	71	66	63	66	64	68	71	66	63	
400	13	16	13	12	15	14	67	63	62	68	68	66	72	73	70	74	76	73	72	75	72	76	77	73	72	75	72	76	77	73	72	
600	26	32	26	22	29	26	127	122	120	130	128	125	138	142	137	142	141	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	
800	30	36	29	24	32	30	141	133	130	142	139	137	153	157	149	156	153	154	154	154	154	154	154	154	154	154	154	154	154	154	154	
1000	41	48	40	34	45	42	195	186	185	200	192	192	216	223	213	222	216	218	218	218	218	218	218	218	218	218	218	218	218	218	218	
1200	44	51	43	37	48	45	207	197	198	212	203	203	230	237	227	236	228	232	232	232	232	232	232	232	232	232	232	232	232	232	232	
1400	58	64	55	46	52	55	259	247	250	268	252	255	290	301	289	299	286	293	293	293	293	293	293	293	293	293	293	293	293	293	293	
1600	61	68	57	49	63	59	272	258	263	283	268	268	306	315	304	315	300	308	308	308	308	308	308	308	308	308	308	308	308	308	308	
1800	75	79	70	58	74	71	323	306	317	336	313	319	363	375	367	374	355	368	368	368	368	368	368	368	368	368	368	368	368	368	368	
2000	78	82	73	61	77	74	357	338	359	381	356	362	400	412	402	409	389	402	402	402	402	402	402	402	402	402	402	402	402	402	402	
2200	92	95	83	70	87	83	387	365	380	403	369	381	438	450	443	448	418	439	439	439	439	439	439	439	439	439	439	439	439	439	439	
2400	95	95	87	73	91	88	401	377	394	417	382	394	455	466	460	464	434	456	456	456	456	456	456	456	456	456	456	456	456	456	456	
2600	105	106	98	82	101	98	450	425	445	465	426	442	510	524	520	519	484	511	511	511	511	511	511	511	511	511	511	511	511	511	511	
2800	110	109	101	86	104	102	466	437	459	480	440	456	528	540	536	534	499	527	527	527	527	527	527	527	527	527	527	527	527	527	527	
3000	119	120	112	97	113	111	512	483	506	526	482	502	585	600	595	589	548	583	583	583	583	583	583	583	583	583	583	583	583	583	583	
3200	123	123	115	97	113	115	530	497	521	540	496	517	605	618	611	607	566	601	601	601	601	601	601	601	601	601	601	601	601	601	601	
3400	133	133	125	105	127	125	575	539	567	585	538	560	660	675	666	660	617	656	656	656	656	656	656	656	656	656	656	656	656	656	656	
3600	138	136	129	110	131	129	594	553	582	603	554	577	682	694	684	680	635	675	675	675	675	675	675	675	675	675	675	675	675	675	675	
3800	147	145	138	118	140	138	638	594	624	646	594	619	734	747	738	734	687	728	728	728	728	728	728	728	728	728	728	728	728	728	728	
4000	151	148	143	121	144	141	658	608	640	662	611	636	756	766	757	748	702	745	745	745	745	745	745	745	745	745	745	745	745	745	745	

Test Load	Ab	Deflections AB					Deflections CD					Deflection E					Bb	Deflections AB					Deflections CD					Deflection E				
		1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5		1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
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200	10	14	10	11	05	11	10	61	59	55	61	61	63	66	65	68	65	62	65	65	68	65	62	65	65	68	65	62	65	65	62	
400	15	11	14	16	11	13	63	65	65	61	65	62	68	71	72	73	69	63	65	65	68	65	62	65	65	68	65	62	65	65	62	
600	24	27	27	29	23	26	120	125	129	109	125	127	130	138	142	137	136	131	131	131	131	131	131	131	131	131	131	131	131	131	131	
800	31	27	30	32	25	29	143	140	140	121	135	135	147	152	154	147	147	147	147	147	147	147	147	147	147	147	147	147	147	147	147	
1000	40	40	46	46	37	43	196	201	212	186	197	198	215	227	237	219	218	218	218	218	218	218	218	218	218	218	218	218	218	218	218	
1200	61	50	57	56	46	54	245	251	270	233	243	248	271	286	300	249	277	276	276	276	276	276	276	276	276	276	276	276	276	276	276	
1400	66	53	61	58	47	57	258	263	282	245	255	260	286	307	315	262	283	289	289	289	289	289	289	289	289	289	289	289	289	289	289	
1600	85	67	74	71	59	67	308	314	336	275	295	300	326	340	348	304	346	346	346	346	346	346	346	346	346	346	346	346	346	346	346	
1800	95	77	85	80	68	81	346	376	405	339	365	369	410	427	449	384	392	413	413	413	413	413	413	413	413	413	413	413	413	413	413	
2000	102	79	88	83	70	84	384	399	429	365	355	382	429	442	464	400	404	428	428	428	428	428	428	428	428	428	428	428	428	428	428	
2200	112	88	96	93	78	93	426	436	468	414	394	428	479	495	519	456	469	490	490	490	490	490	490	490	490	490	490	490	490	490	490	
2400	120	96	104	101	86	101	468	469	498	450	450	487	518	549	568	501	507	545	545	545	545	545	545	545	545	545	545	545	545	545	545	
2600	128	101	108	104	88	106	484	493	526	472	463	484	545	564	582	521	507	545	545	545	545	545	545	545	545	545	545	545	545	545	545	
2800	134	104	111	107	90	109	501	507	540	488	452	498	564	580	603	538	519	561	561	561	561	561	561	561	561	561	561	561	561	561	561	
3000	140	110	119	115	97	117	542	548	583	528	499	528	613	630	654	588	564	611	611	611	611	611	611	611	611	611	611	611	611	611	611	
3200	150	124	122	118	100	121	538	562	595	545	498	532	633	646	670	605	635	626	626	626	626	626	626	626	626	626	626	626	626	626	626	
3400	160	130	132	125	105	127	582	610	625	632	562	605	698	716	739	677	678	678	678	678	678	678	678	678	678	678	678	678	678	678	678	
3600	165	127	133	129	109	133	612	619	643	597	543	605	698	716	739	677	678	678	678	678	678	678	678	678	678	678	678	678	678	678	678	

Test Load	Ac	Deflections AB					Deflections CD					Deflection E					Cc	Deflections AB					Deflections CD					Deflection E				
		1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5		1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
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APPENDIX TABLE 20

Summary of Linear Regression Analysis for Parameters
of $D = A + BW$ for Pallets of Improved Design

Intercept (1/1000 in.)	Slope (1/1000 in./Lb.)	r	r ²
46227	-198	0.76	0.58

D = Cumulative deflections (ABCDE)

W = Weight of pallets

Adjusted Values Based on Slope of Regression Line

Design	Nail			
	a	b	c	d
Conventional	17010	16192	16185	14750
	16817	16188	16269	16645
	16778	17082	16672	16359
	16940	15075	17372	17544
	16229	14753	14391	16098
Improved	12585	12841	13613	<u>14605</u>
	14126	12553	14269	<u>13363</u>
	12900	13573	13863	<u>13982</u>
	14698	13660	<u>14161</u>	<u>15697</u>
	13352	13514	<u>13812</u>	<u>14002</u>

APPENDIX TABLE 21

Two-Factorial Analysis of Variance of Initial Stiffness Test Data
for Pallets of Two Designs, Assembled with Four Different Nails

a. for unadjusted values

Source of Variation	Sum of Squares	Degrees of Freedom	Mean Square	Computed f	Critical f	
Design	39.86 E6	1	39.86 E6	60.58	4.15	S
Nail	11.19 E6	3	3.73 E6	5.67	2.90	S
Interaction	10.60 E6	3	3.53 E6	5.36	2.90	S
Error	21.05 E6	32	0.66 E6			
Total	82.70 E6	39				

b. for adjusted values

Source of Variation	Sum of Squares	Degrees of Freedom	Mean Square	Computed f	Critical f	
Design	62.95 E6	1	62.95 E6	98.98	4.15	S
Nail	3.25 E6	3	1.08 E6	1.70	2.90	NS
Interaction	2.28 E6	3	0.76 E6	1.20	2.90	NS
Error	20.35 E6	32	0.64 E6			
Total	88.83 E6	39				

APPENDIX TABLE 22a

Detailed Test Data for Free-Fall Drop Tests from 33½" Height
of Conventional Stevedore Pallets

Pallet Number	Test Condition	Length of Diagonals, in In.				Change in Length, in In.				Average Change
		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	
Aa1	Prior to test	73.86	73.59	74.03	73.31	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	72.04	75.37	72.16	75.11	1.82	1.78	1.87	1.80	1.82
	After 2nd Drop	70.67	76.62	70.77	76.39	3.19	3.03	3.26	3.08	3.14
	After 3rd Drop	69.49	77.67	69.63	77.42	4.37	4.08	4.40	4.11	4.24
	After 4th Drop	68.50	78.54	68.61	78.30	5.36	4.95	5.42	4.99	5.18
	After 5th Drop	67.62	79.28	67.72	79.21	6.24	5.69	6.31	5.90	6.04
	After 6th Drop	66.75	79.98	66.86	79.75	7.11	6.39	7.17	6.44	6.78
Total Distortion, in Percent:						9.63	8.68	9.69	8.78	
Avg. Distortion, in Percent:							9.20			
Aa2	Prior to test	73.39	73.80	73.45	73.69	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	71.61	75.49	71.56	75.41	1.78	1.69	1.89	1.72	1.77
	After 2nd Drop	70.31	76.67	70.21	76.61	3.08	2.87	3.24	2.92	3.03
	After 3rd Drop	69.25	77.61	69.11	77.55	4.14	3.81	4.34	3.86	4.04
	After 4th Drop	68.23	78.48	68.11	78.41	5.16	4.68	5.34	4.72	4.98
	After 5th Drop	67.22	79.32	67.11	79.23	6.17	5.52	6.34	5.54	5.89
	After 6th Drop	66.38	80.02	66.21	79.95	7.01	6.22	7.24	6.26	6.68
Total Distortion, in Percent:						9.55	8.43	9.86	8.50	
Avg. Distortion, in Percent:							9.09			
Aa3	Prior to test	73.45	73.89	73.51	73.74	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	71.70	75.54	71.78	75.37	1.75	1.65	1.73	1.63	1.69
	After 2nd Drop	70.44	76.70	70.50	76.53	3.01	2.81	3.01	2.79	2.91
	After 3rd Drop	69.30	77.71	69.40	77.51	4.15	3.82	4.11	3.77	3.96
	After 4th Drop	68.26	78.59	68.39	78.38	5.19	4.70	5.12	4.64	4.91
	After 5th Drop	67.40	79.31	67.50	79.12	6.05	5.42	6.01	5.38	5.72
	After 6th Drop	66.47	80.07	66.55	79.86	6.98	6.18	6.96	6.12	6.56
Total Distortion, in Percent:						9.50	8.36	9.42	8.30	
Avg. Distortion, in Percent:							8.90			
Aa4	Prior to test	73.47	73.77	73.52	73.71	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	71.72	75.40	71.78	75.37	1.75	1.63	1.74	1.66	1.70
	After 2nd Drop	70.35	76.68	70.37	76.63	3.12	2.91	3.15	2.92	3.03
	After 3rd Drop	69.18	77.70	69.21	77.66	4.29	3.93	4.31	3.95	4.12
	After 4th Drop	68.10	78.62	68.15	78.54	5.37	4.85	5.37	4.83	5.11
	After 5th Drop	67.08	79.48	67.14	79.40	6.39	5.71	6.38	5.69	6.04
	After 6th Drop	66.18	80.17	66.29	80.10	7.29	6.40	7.23	6.39	6.83
Total Distortion, in Percent:						9.89	8.68	9.83	8.67	
Avg. Distortion, in Percent:							9.27			
Aa5	Prior to test	73.50	73.70	73.91	73.28	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	71.61	75.50	72.02	75.11	1.89	1.80	1.89	1.83	1.85
	After 2nd Drop	70.22	76.76	70.54	76.41	3.28	3.06	3.37	3.13	3.21
	After 3rd Drop	69.18	77.67	69.51	77.32	4.32	3.97	4.40	4.04	4.18
	After 4th Drop	67.89	78.78	68.19	78.44	5.61	5.08	5.72	5.16	5.39
	After 5th Drop	66.98	79.53	67.34	79.16	6.52	5.83	6.57	5.88	6.20
	After 6th Drop	65.98	80.33	66.28	80.00	7.52	6.63	7.63	6.72	7.13
Total Distortion, in Percent:						10.23	9.00	10.32	9.17	
Avg. Distortion, in Percent:							9.68			

APPENDIX TABLE 22b

Detailed Test Data for Free-Fall Drop Tests from 33½" Height
of Conventional Stevedore Pallets

Pallet Number	Test Condition	Length of Diagonals, in In.				Change in Length, in In.				Average Change
		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	
Ab1	Prior to test	73.54	73.57	73.63	73.53	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	71.64	75.37	71.70	75.36	1.90	1.80	1.93	1.83	1.87
	After 2nd Drop	70.37	76.55	70.40	76.53	3.17	2.98	3.23	3.00	3.10
	After 3rd Drop	69.38	77.40	69.44	77.40	4.16	3.83	4.19	3.87	4.01
	After 4th Drop	68.66	78.10	68.74	78.00	4.88	4.53	4.89	4.47	4.69
	After 5th Drop	68.04	78.53	68.14	78.50	5.50	4.96	5.49	4.97	5.23
	After 6th Drop	67.50	79.00	67.60	78.98	6.04	5.43	6.03	5.45	5.74
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					8.21	7.38	8.19	7.41	
	Avg. Distortion, in Percent:						7.80			
Ab2	Prior to test	73.58	73.66	73.57	73.64	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	71.72	75.44	71.66	75.45	1.86	1.78	1.91	1.81	1.84
	After 2nd Drop	70.47	76.57	70.39	76.60	3.11	2.91	3.18	2.96	3.04
	After 3rd Drop	69.60	77.34	69.49	77.39	3.98	3.68	4.08	3.75	3.87
	After 4th Drop	68.85	77.99	68.73	78.03	4.73	4.33	4.84	4.39	4.57
	After 5th Drop	68.26	78.50	68.15	78.54	5.32	4.84	5.42	4.90	5.12
	After 6th Drop	67.71	78.96	67.57	79.02	5.87	5.30	6.00	5.38	5.64
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					7.98	7.20	8.16	7.31	
	Avg. Distortion, in Percent:						7.66			
Ab3	Prior to test	73.60	73.49	73.74	73.50	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	71.77	75.24	71.80	75.30	1.83	1.75	1.94	1.80	1.83
	After 2nd Drop	70.51	76.37	70.56	76.43	3.09	2.88	3.18	2.93	3.02
	After 3rd Drop	69.57	77.10	69.61	77.26	4.03	3.61	4.13	3.76	3.88
	After 4th Drop	68.78	77.87	68.85	77.93	4.82	4.38	4.89	4.43	4.63
	After 5th Drop	68.16	78.42	68.19	78.48	5.44	4.93	5.55	4.98	5.23
	After 6th Drop	67.53	78.93	67.57	79.00	6.07	5.44	6.17	5.50	5.80
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					8.25	7.40	8.37	7.48	
	Avg. Distortion, in Percent:						7.88			
Ab4	Prior to test	73.77	73.58	73.78	73.59	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	71.65	75.50	71.75	75.54	2.12	1.92	2.03	1.95	2.01
	After 2nd Drop	70.34	76.69	70.46	76.72	3.43	3.11	3.32	3.13	3.25
	After 3rd Drop	69.44	77.48	69.58	77.50	4.33	3.90	4.20	3.91	4.09
	After 4th Drop	68.70	78.10	68.81	78.17	5.07	4.52	4.97	4.58	4.79
	After 5th Drop	68.03	78.68	68.14	78.74	5.74	5.10	5.64	5.15	5.41
	After 6th Drop	67.46	79.16	67.52	79.25	6.31	5.58	6.26	5.66	5.95
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					8.55	7.58	8.48	7.69	
	Avg. Distortion, in Percent:						8.08			
Ab5	Prior to test	73.69	73.69	73.75	73.60	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	71.78	75.51	71.75	75.46	1.91	1.82	2.00	1.86	1.90
	After 2nd Drop	70.43	76.71	70.45	76.64	3.26	3.02	3.30	3.04	3.16
	After 3rd Drop	69.50	77.53	69.53	77.45	4.19	3.84	4.22	3.85	4.03
	After 4th Drop	69.01	77.97	68.99	77.91	4.68	4.28	4.76	4.31	4.51
	After 5th Drop	68.41	78.47	68.37	78.43	5.28	4.78	5.38	4.83	5.07
	After 6th Drop	67.78	78.99	67.76	78.93	5.91	5.30	5.99	5.33	5.63
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					8.02	7.19	8.12	7.24	
	Avg. Distortion, in Percent:						7.64			

APPENDIX TABLE 22c

Detailed Test Data for Free-Fall Drop Tests from 33½" Height
of Conventional Stevedore Pallets

Pallet Number	Test Condition	Length of Diagonals, in in.				Change in Length, in in.				Average Change
		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	
Ac1	Prior to test	73.58	73.64	73.78	73.46	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	72.34	74.81	72.54	74.62	1.24	1.17	1.24	1.16	1.20
	After 2nd Drop	71.66	75.47	71.82	75.30	1.92	1.83	1.96	1.84	1.89
	After 3rd Drop	71.26	75.83	71.46	75.66	2.32	2.19	2.32	2.20	2.26
	After 4th Drop	70.90	76.10	71.08	76.00	2.68	2.50	2.70	2.54	2.61
	After 5th Drop	70.60	76.42	70.80	76.24	2.98	2.78	2.98	2.78	2.88
	After 6th Drop	70.30	76.70	70.50	76.51	3.28	3.06	3.28	3.05	3.17
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					4.46	4.16	4.45	4.15	
	Avg. Distortion, in Percent:						4.31			
Ac2	Prior to test	73.79	73.57	73.73	73.50	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	72.57	74.71	72.53	74.67	1.22	1.14	1.20	1.17	1.18
	After 2nd Drop	71.98	75.30	71.91	75.26	1.81	1.73	1.82	1.76	1.78
	After 3rd Drop	71.50	75.71	71.46	75.65	2.29	2.14	2.27	2.15	2.21
	After 4th Drop	71.21	76.00	71.18	75.93	2.58	2.43	2.55	2.43	2.50
	After 5th Drop	70.97	76.22	70.90	76.18	2.82	2.65	2.83	2.68	2.75
	After 6th Drop	70.70	76.46	70.65	76.40	3.09	2.89	3.08	2.90	2.99
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					4.19	3.93	4.18	3.95	
	Avg. Distortion, in Percent:						4.06			
Ac3	Prior to test	73.47	73.93	73.43	73.75	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	72.25	75.06	72.26	74.89	1.22	1.13	1.17	1.14	1.17
	After 2nd Drop	71.55	75.77	71.50	75.59	1.92	1.84	1.93	1.84	1.91
	After 3rd Drop	71.07	76.23	71.00	76.02	2.40	2.30	2.43	2.27	2.35
	After 4th Drop	70.68	76.60	70.63	76.37	2.79	2.67	2.80	2.62	2.72
	After 5th Drop	70.23	77.00	70.17	76.80	3.24	3.07	3.26	3.05	3.16
	After 6th Drop	69.98	77.23	69.94	77.00	3.49	3.30	3.49	3.25	3.38
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					4.75	4.46	4.75	4.41	
	Avg. Distortion, in Percent:						4.59			
Ac4	Prior to test	73.60	73.74	73.49	73.40	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	72.48	74.88	72.36	74.50	1.12	1.14	1.13	1.10	1.12
	After 2nd Drop	71.74	75.59	71.61	75.19	1.86	1.85	1.88	1.79	1.85
	After 3rd Drop	71.12	76.14	71.00	75.75	2.48	2.40	2.49	2.35	2.43
	After 4th Drop	70.80	76.44	70.67	76.06	2.80	2.70	2.82	2.66	2.75
	After 5th Drop	70.43	76.77	70.29	76.40	3.17	3.03	3.20	3.00	3.10
	After 6th Drop	70.24	76.93	70.10	76.58	3.36	3.19	3.39	3.18	3.28
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					4.57	4.33	4.61	4.33	
	Avg. Distortion, in Percent:						4.46			
Ac5	Prior to test	73.22	73.89	73.53	73.79	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	71.95	75.10	72.29	75.00	1.27	1.21	1.24	1.21	1.23
	After 2nd Drop	71.24	75.78	71.58	75.66	1.98	1.89	1.95	1.87	1.92
	After 3rd Drop	70.66	76.30	70.99	76.20	2.56	2.41	2.54	2.41	2.48
	After 4th Drop	70.21	76.72	70.53	76.61	3.01	2.83	3.00	2.82	2.92
	After 5th Drop	69.79	77.10	70.11	76.97	3.43	3.21	3.42	3.18	3.31
	After 6th Drop	69.37	77.48	69.69	77.34	3.85	3.59	3.84	3.55	3.71
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					5.26	4.86	5.22	4.81	
	Avg. Distortion, in Percent:						5.04			

APPENDIX TABLE 22d

Detailed Test Data for Free-Fall Drop Tests from 33½" Height
of Conventional Stevedore Pallets

Pallet Number	Test Condition	Length of Diagonals, in In.				Change in Length, in In.				Average Change
		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	
Ad1	Prior to test	73.37	73.84	73.37	73.89	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	72.13	75.02	72.11	75.06	1.24	1.18	1.26	1.17	1.21
	After 2nd Drop	71.37	75.73	71.36	75.80	2.00	1.89	2.01	1.91	1.95
	After 3rd Drop	70.89	76.16	70.89	76.22	2.48	2.32	2.48	2.33	2.40
	After 4th Drop	70.58	76.46	70.56	76.51	2.79	2.62	2.81	2.62	2.71
	After 5th Drop	70.19	76.80	70.19	76.86	3.18	2.96	3.18	2.97	3.07
	After 6th Drop	69.98	77.00	69.98	77.02	3.39	3.16	3.39	3.13	3.27
Total Distortion, in Percent:						4.62	4.28	4.62	4.24	
Avg. Distortion, in Percent:							4.44			
Ad2	Prior to test	73.58	73.70	73.45	73.51	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	72.21	75.00	72.11	74.81	1.37	1.30	1.34	1.30	1.33
	After 2nd Drop	71.35	75.80	71.24	75.62	2.23	2.10	2.21	2.11	2.16
	After 3rd Drop	70.79	76.31	70.67	76.13	2.79	2.61	2.78	2.62	2.70
	After 4th Drop	70.34	76.72	70.22	76.55	3.24	3.02	3.23	3.04	3.13
	After 5th Drop	70.09	76.93	69.98	76.76	3.49	3.23	3.47	3.25	3.36
	After 6th Drop	69.89	77.12	69.75	76.97	3.69	3.42	3.70	3.46	3.57
Total Distortion, in Percent:						5.01	4.64	5.04	4.71	
Avg. Distortion, in Percent:							4.85			
Ad3	Prior to test	73.79	73.57	73.85	73.36	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	72.45	74.84	72.54	74.64	1.34	1.27	1.31	1.28	1.29
	After 2nd Drop	71.60	75.66	71.68	75.46	2.19	2.09	2.17	2.10	2.14
	After 3rd Drop	70.96	76.25	71.04	76.05	2.83	2.68	2.81	2.69	2.75
	After 4th Drop	70.33	76.83	70.46	76.59	3.46	3.26	3.39	3.23	3.34
	After 5th Drop	69.79	77.30	69.91	77.07	4.00	3.73	3.94	3.71	3.85
	After 6th Drop	69.37	77.67	69.48	77.46	4.42	4.10	4.37	4.10	4.25
Total Distortion, in Percent:						5.99	5.57	5.92	5.59	
Avg. Distortion, in Percent:							5.77			
Ad4	Prior to test	73.43	73.78	73.44	73.61	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	72.17	75.00	72.18	74.82	1.26	1.22	1.26	1.21	1.24
	After 2nd Drop	71.50	75.61	71.52	75.46	1.93	1.83	1.92	1.85	1.88
	After 3rd Drop	71.00	76.10	71.02	75.91	2.43	2.32	2.42	2.30	2.37
	After 4th Drop	70.55	76.50	70.60	76.30	2.88	2.72	2.84	2.69	2.78
	After 5th Drop	70.35	76.70	70.39	76.49	3.08	2.92	3.05	2.88	2.98
	After 6th Drop	70.09	76.94	70.14	76.70	3.34	3.16	3.30	3.09	3.22
Total Distortion, in Percent:						4.55	4.28	4.49	4.20	
Avg. Distortion, in Percent:							4.38			
Ad5	Prior to test	73.31	73.84	73.45	73.80	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	72.11	75.00	72.23	74.98	1.20	1.16	1.22	1.18	1.19
	After 2nd Drop	71.29	75.74	71.42	75.71	2.02	1.90	2.03	1.91	1.97
	After 3rd Drop	70.80	76.20	70.92	76.19	2.51	2.36	2.53	2.39	2.45
	After 4th Drop	70.51	76.48	70.62	76.43	2.80	2.64	2.82	2.63	2.73
	After 5th Drop	70.15	76.80	70.27	76.77	3.16	2.96	3.18	2.97	3.07
	After 6th Drop	69.92	77.00	70.04	76.98	3.39	3.16	3.41	3.18	3.29
Total Distortion, in Percent:						4.62	4.28	4.64	4.31	
Avg. Distortion, in Percent:							4.46			

APPENDIX TABLE 22e

Detailed Test Data for Free-Fall Drop Tests from 33½" Height
of Improved Stevedore Pallets

Pallet Number	Test Condition	Length of Diagonals, in In.				Change in Length, in In.				Average Change
		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	
Ba1	Prior to test	73.29	73.91	73.42	73.98	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	71.82	75.41	71.92	75.39	1.47	1.50	1.50	1.41	1.47
	After 2nd Drop	70.63	76.38	70.73	76.47	2.66	2.47	2.69	2.49	2.58
	After 3rd Drop	69.65	77.23	69.74	77.34	3.64	3.32	3.68	3.36	3.50
	After 4th Drop	68.66	78.10	68.75	78.19	4.63	4.19	4.67	4.21	4.43
	After 5th Drop	67.85	78.80	67.90	78.91	5.44	4.89	5.52	4.93	5.20
	After 6th Drop	66.96	79.53	67.21	79.60	6.33	5.62	6.21	5.62	5.95
Total Distortion, in Percent:						8.64	7.60	8.46	7.60	
Avg. Distortion, in Percent:						8.08				
Ba2	Prior to test	73.31	73.75	73.97	73.84	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	71.87	75.13	71.95	75.24	1.44	1.38	1.52	1.40	1.44
	After 2nd Drop	70.78	76.14	70.85	76.25	2.53	2.39	2.62	2.41	2.49
	After 3rd Drop	69.79	77.05	69.85	77.16	3.52	3.30	3.62	3.32	3.44
	After 4th Drop	68.91	77.81	68.96	77.93	4.40	4.06	4.51	4.09	4.27
	After 5th Drop	68.10	78.52	68.14	78.64	5.21	4.77	5.33	4.80	5.03
	After 6th Drop	67.33	79.17	67.37	79.28	5.98	5.42	6.10	5.44	5.74
Total Distortion, in Percent:						8.16	7.35	8.30	7.37	
Avg. Distortion, in Percent:						7.80				
Ba3	Prior to test	73.41	73.86	73.48	73.77	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	71.78	75.36	71.87	75.30	1.63	1.50	1.61	1.53	1.57
	After 2nd Drop	70.64	76.43	70.64	76.34	2.77	2.57	2.74	2.57	2.66
	After 3rd Drop	69.63	77.33	69.72	77.26	3.78	3.47	3.76	3.49	3.63
	After 4th Drop	68.72	78.13	68.80	78.05	4.69	4.27	4.68	4.28	4.48
	After 5th Drop	67.92	78.81	68.01	78.73	5.49	4.95	5.47	4.96	5.22
	After 6th Drop	67.14	79.46	67.25	79.39	6.27	5.60	6.23	5.62	5.93
Total Distortion, in Percent:						8.54	7.58	8.48	7.62	
Avg. Distortion, in Percent:						8.06				
Ba4	Prior to test	73.45	73.72	73.63	73.67	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	71.98	75.14	72.15	75.09	1.47	1.42	1.48	1.42	1.45
	After 2nd Drop	70.93	76.12	71.07	76.09	2.52	2.40	2.56	2.42	2.48
	After 3rd Drop	69.94	77.00	70.10	76.97	3.51	3.28	3.53	3.30	3.41
	After 4th Drop	69.07	77.77	69.23	77.73	4.38	4.05	4.40	4.06	4.22
	After 5th Drop	68.29	78.45	68.46	78.40	5.16	4.73	5.17	4.73	4.95
	After 6th Drop	67.62	79.01	67.78	78.97	5.83	5.29	5.85	5.30	5.57
Total Distortion, in Percent:						7.94	7.18	7.95	7.19	
Avg. Distortion, in Percent:						7.57				
Ba5	Prior to test	73.32	73.95	73.38	73.97	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	71.80	75.41	71.80	75.45	1.52	1.46	1.58	1.48	1.51
	After 2nd Drop	70.67	76.45	70.65	76.49	2.65	2.65	2.73	2.52	2.60
	After 3rd Drop	69.87	77.17	69.83	77.23	3.45	3.22	3.55	3.26	3.37
	After 4th Drop	68.97	77.97	68.94	78.01	4.35	4.02	4.44	4.04	4.21
	After 5th Drop	68.27	78.56	68.25	78.60	5.05	4.61	5.13	4.63	4.86
	After 6th Drop	67.56	79.16	67.55	79.18	5.76	5.21	5.83	5.21	5.50
Total Distortion, in Percent:						7.86	7.05	7.94	7.04	
Avg. Distortion, in Percent:						7.47				

APPENDIX TABLE 22f

Detailed Test Data for Free-Fall Drop Tests from 33½" Height
of Improved Stevedore Pallets

Pallet Number	Test Condition	Length of Diagonals, in in.				Change in Length, in in.				Average Change
		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	
Bb1	Prior to test	73.20	74.00	73.70	73.81	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	71.79	75.32	72.21	75.19	1.41	1.32	1.49	1.38	1.40
	After 2nd Drop	70.66	76.46	71.10	76.23	2.54	2.46	2.60	2.42	2.51
	After 3rd Drop	69.84	77.10	70.30	76.96	3.36	3.10	3.40	3.15	3.25
	After 4th Drop	69.35	77.52	69.83	77.36	3.85	3.52	3.87	3.55	3.70
	After 5th Drop	68.97	77.90	69.41	77.73	4.23	3.90	4.29	3.92	4.09
	After 6th Drop	68.51	78.26	68.98	78.12	4.69	4.26	4.72	4.31	4.50
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					6.41	5.76	6.40	5.84	
Bb2	Prior to test	73.66	73.58	73.84	73.49	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	72.03	73.15	72.19	75.06	1.63	1.55	1.65	1.57	1.60
	After 2nd Drop	71.17	75.96	71.24	75.93	2.49	2.38	2.60	2.44	2.48
	After 3rd Drop	70.17	76.86	70.29	76.80	3.49	3.28	3.55	3.31	3.41
	After 4th Drop	69.36	77.57	69.51	77.48	4.30	3.99	4.33	3.99	4.15
	After 5th Drop	68.78	78.08	68.91	78.00	4.88	4.50	4.93	4.51	4.71
	After 6th Drop	68.22	78.58	68.35	78.49	5.44	5.00	5.49	5.00	5.23
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					7.39	6.80	7.43	6.80	
Bb3	Prior to test	73.34	73.97	73.46	73.74	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	71.84	75.39	71.98	75.21	1.50	1.42	1.48	1.47	1.47
	After 2nd Drop	70.75	76.39	70.92	76.20	2.59	2.42	2.54	2.46	2.50
	After 3rd Drop	70.02	77.03	70.18	76.85	3.32	3.06	3.28	3.11	3.19
	After 4th Drop	69.39	77.59	69.54	77.43	3.95	3.62	3.92	3.69	3.80
	After 5th Drop	68.85	78.06	69.02	77.90	4.49	4.09	4.44	4.16	4.30
	After 6th Drop	68.39	78.48	68.55	78.30	4.95	4.51	4.91	4.56	4.73
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					6.75	6.10	6.68	6.18	
Bb4	Prior to test	73.67	73.53	73.81	73.26	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	72.22	74.94	72.26	74.72	1.45	1.41	1.55	1.46	1.47
	After 2nd Drop	71.16	75.91	71.22	75.71	2.51	2.38	2.59	2.45	2.48
	After 3rd Drop	70.43	76.58	70.47	76.40	3.24	3.05	3.34	3.14	3.19
	After 4th Drop	69.87	77.08	69.91	76.90	3.80	3.55	3.90	3.64	3.72
	After 5th Drop	69.35	77.53	69.41	77.33	4.32	4.00	4.40	4.07	4.20
	After 6th Drop	68.93	77.90	68.98	77.71	4.74	4.37	4.83	4.45	4.60
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					6.43	5.94	6.54	6.07	
Bb5	Prior to test	73.73	73.43	73.87	73.31	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	71.98	75.12	72.13	74.99	1.75	1.69	1.74	1.68	1.72
	After 2nd Drop	71.01	76.02	71.14	75.92	2.72	2.59	2.73	2.61	2.66
	After 3rd Drop	70.17	76.87	70.29	76.69	3.56	3.35	3.58	3.38	3.47
	After 4th Drop	69.53	77.35	69.65	77.26	4.20	3.92	4.22	3.95	4.07
	After 5th Drop	69.01	77.80	69.13	77.73	4.72	4.37	4.74	4.42	4.56
	After 6th Drop	68.49	78.25	68.61	78.17	5.24	4.82	5.26	4.86	5.05
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					7.11	6.56	7.12	6.63	
Avg. Distortion, in Percent:						6.86				

APPENDIX TABLE 22g

Detailed Test Data for Free-Fall Drop Tests from 33½" Height
of Improved Stevedore Pallets

Pallet Number	Test Condition	Length of Diagonals, in. In.				Change in Length, in. In.				Average Change
		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	
Bc1	Prior to test	73.31	73.84	73.55	73.76	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	72.40	74.82	72.69	74.62	0.91	0.98	0.86	0.86	0.90
	After 2nd Drop	71.90	75.23	72.18	75.10	1.41	1.39	1.37	1.34	1.38
	After 3rd Drop	71.58	75.54	71.82	75.40	1.73	1.70	1.73	1.64	1.70
	After 4th Drop	71.48	75.59	71.76	75.48	1.83	1.75	1.79	1.72	1.77
	After 5th Drop	71.17	75.90	71.46	75.77	2.14	2.06	2.09	2.01	2.08
	After 6th Drop	71.10	75.96	71.33	75.86	2.21	2.12	2.22	2.10	2.16
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					3.01	2.87	3.02	2.85	
Bc2	Prior to test	73.32	73.65	73.61	73.69	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	72.49	74.46	72.75	74.49	0.83	0.81	0.86	0.80	0.83
	After 2nd Drop	72.03	74.87	72.31	74.93	1.29	1.22	1.30	1.24	1.26
	After 3rd Drop	71.64	75.23	71.93	75.29	1.68	1.58	1.68	1.60	1.64
	After 4th Drop	71.38	75.49	71.64	75.53	1.94	1.84	1.97	1.84	1.98
	After 5th Drop	71.16	75.68	71.45	75.73	2.16	2.03	2.16	2.04	2.10
	After 6th Drop	71.00	75.84	71.28	75.90	2.32	2.19	2.33	2.21	2.26
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					3.16	2.97	3.17	3.00	
Bc3	Prior to test	73.69	73.65	73.72	73.58	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	72.74	74.55	72.79	74.49	0.95	0.90	0.93	0.91	0.92
	After 2nd Drop	72.17	75.01	72.21	75.04	1.52	1.36	1.51	1.47	1.46
	After 3rd Drop	71.81	75.45	71.82	75.40	1.88	1.80	1.90	1.82	1.85
	After 4th Drop	71.51	75.71	71.53	75.67	2.18	2.06	2.19	2.09	2.13
	After 5th Drop	71.27	75.95	71.29	75.90	2.42	2.30	2.43	2.32	2.37
	After 6th Drop	71.09	76.12	71.13	76.04	2.60	2.47	2.59	2.46	2.53
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					3.53	3.35	3.51	3.34	
Bc4	Prior to test	73.35	73.93	73.67	73.61	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	72.52	74.75	72.80	74.47	0.83	0.82	0.87	0.86	0.85
	After 2nd Drop	71.98	75.26	72.26	75.00	1.37	1.33	1.41	1.38	1.38
	After 3rd Drop	71.65	75.56	71.92	75.29	1.70	1.63	1.75	1.68	1.69
	After 4th Drop	71.36	75.82	71.62	75.58	1.99	1.89	2.05	1.97	1.98
	After 5th Drop	71.13	76.04	71.41	75.80	2.22	2.11	2.26	2.19	2.20
	After 6th Drop	71.95	76.20	71.21	75.97	2.40	2.27	2.46	2.36	2.37
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					3.27	3.07	3.34	3.21	
Bc5	Prior to test	73.29	73.76	73.43	73.68	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	72.35	74.70	72.47	74.59	0.94	0.94	0.96	0.91	0.94
	After 2nd Drop	71.77	75.23	71.87	75.14	1.52	1.47	1.56	1.46	1.50
	After 3rd Drop	71.35	75.61	71.46	75.52	1.94	1.85	1.97	1.84	1.90
	After 4th Drop	70.95	76.00	71.08	75.89	2.34	2.24	2.36	2.21	2.29
	After 5th Drop	70.69	76.23	70.83	76.12	2.60	2.47	2.60	2.44	2.53
	After 6th Drop	70.50	76.40	70.64	76.28	2.79	2.64	2.79	2.60	2.71
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					3.81	3.58	3.80	3.52	
Avg. Distortion, in Percent:						3.68				

APPENDIX TABLE 22h

Detailed Test Data for Free-Fall Drop Tests from 33½" Height
of Improved Stevedore Pallets

Pallet Number	Test Condition	Length of Diagonals, in In.				Change in Length, in In.				Average Change
		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	
Bd1	Prior to test	73.34	73.92	73.44	73.75	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	72.36	74.86	72.42	74.70	0.98	0.94	1.02	0.95	0.97
	After 2nd Drop	71.67	75.50	71.72	75.35	1.67	1.58	1.72	1.60	1.64
	After 3rd Drop	71.26	75.87	71.30	75.74	20.8	1.95	2.74	1.99	2.04
	After 4th Drop	70.95	76.16	71.00	76.02	2.39	2.24	2.44	2.27	2.34
	After 5th Drop	70.67	76.43	70.72	76.29	2.67	2.51	2.72	2.54	2.61
	After 6th Drop	70.48	76.60	70.52	76.47	2.86	2.68	2.92	2.72	2.80
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					3.90	3.63	3.98	3.59	
	Avg. Distortion, in Percent:						3.77			
Bd2	Prior to test	73.68	73.38	73.84	73.40	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	72.69	74.33	72.84	74.33	0.99	0.95	1.00	0.93	0.97
	After 2nd Drop	72.01	74.98	72.16	75.00	1.67	1.60	1.68	1.60	1.64
	After 3rd Drop	71.63	75.34	71.74	75.39	2.05	1.96	2.10	1.99	2.03
	After 4th Drop	71.43	75.54	71.55	75.58	2.25	2.16	2.29	2.18	2.22
	After 5th Drop	71.14	75.80	71.26	75.84	2.54	2.42	2.58	2.44	2.50
	After 6th Drop	70.97	75.97	71.08	76.00	2.71	2.59	2.76	2.60	2.67
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					3.68	3.53	3.74	3.54	
	Avg. Distortion, in Percent:						3.62			
Bd3	Prior to test	73.81	73.44	73.77	73.47	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	72.87	74.35	72.84	74.39	0.94	0.91	0.93	0.92	0.93
	After 2nd Drop	72.27	74.90	72.45	84.93	1.54	1.46	1.32	1.46	1.45
	After 3rd Drop	71.89	75.28	71.86	75.30	1.92	1.84	1.91	1.83	1.88
	After 4th Drop	71.53	75.60	71.52	75.63	2.28	2.16	2.25	2.16	2.28
	After 5th Drop	71.28	75.84	71.25	75.90	2.53	2.40	2.52	2.43	2.47
	After 6th Drop	71.08	76.02	71.05	76.06	2.73	2.58	2.72	2.59	2.66
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					3.70	3.51	3.69	3.53	
	Avg. Distortion, in Percent:						3.61			
Bd4	Prior to test	73.85	73.32	73.80	73.39	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	72.77	74.34	72.76	74.40	1.08	1.02	1.04	1.01	1.04
	After 2nd Drop	72.04	75.05	72.03	75.11	1.81	1.72	1.77	1.72	1.76
	After 3rd Drop	71.66	75.39	71.65	75.47	2.19	2.07	2.15	2.08	2.12
	After 4th Drop	71.40	75.63	71.39	75.70	2.45	2.31	2.41	2.31	2.37
	After 5th Drop	71.05	75.93	71.06	76.02	2.80	2.61	2.74	2.63	2.70
	After 6th Drop	70.96	76.02	70.95	76.11	2.89	2.70	2.85	2.72	2.79
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					3.91	3.68	3.86	3.71	
	Avg. Distortion, in Percent:						3.79			
Bd5	Prior to test	73.41	73.95	73.60	73.86	—	—	—	—	—
	After 1st Drop	72.42	74.90	72.61	74.83	0.99	0.95	0.99	0.97	0.98
	After 2nd Drop	71.80	75.49	71.99	75.41	1.61	1.54	1.61	1.55	1.58
	After 3rd Drop	71.41	75.83	71.62	75.76	2.00	1.88	1.98	1.90	1.94
	After 4th Drop	71.15	76.09	71.35	76.00	2.26	2.14	2.25	2.14	2.20
	After 5th Drop	70.96	76.25	71.14	76.19	2.45	2.30	2.46	2.33	2.39
	After 6th Drop	70.79	76.42	70.98	76.36	2.62	2.47	2.62	2.50	2.55
	Total Distortion, in Percent:					3.57	3.34	3.56	3.38	
	Avg. Distortion, in Percent:						3.46			

APPENDIX TABLE 23

Average Data for Free-Fall Drop Tests from 33½" Height of
Conventional and Improved Stevedore Pallets

Pallet Design	Pallet No.	Test Weight in Lb.	Average Changes in Length of Diagonals, in In., After Given Free-Fall Drop						Average Distortion After 6th Drop, In Pct.	Sum of Average Change in Length of Diag., in In., After 6th Drop
			1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th		
Conventional	Aa1	138.34	1.82	3.14	4.24	5.18	6.04	6.78	9.20	27.20
	Aa2	141.62	1.77	3.03	4.04	4.98	5.89	6.68	9.09	26.39
	Aa3	138.62	1.69	2.91	3.96	4.91	5.72	6.56	8.90	25.75
	Aa4	139.53	1.70	3.03	4.12	5.11	6.04	6.83	9.27	26.83
	Aa5	139.28	1.85	3.21	4.18	5.39	6.20	7.13	9.68	27.97
	Avg.	139.48	1.77	3.06	4.11	5.11	5.98	6.80	9.23	26.83
	Ab1	143.50	1.87	3.10	4.01	4.69	5.23	5.74	7.80	24.64
	Ab2	141.16	1.84	3.04	3.87	4.57	5.12	5.64	7.66	24.08
	Ab3	142.70	1.83	3.02	3.88	4.63	5.23	5.80	7.88	24.39
	Ab4	142.62	2.01	3.25	4.09	4.79	5.41	5.95	8.08	25.50
	Ab5	139.81	1.90	3.16	4.03	4.51	5.07	5.63	7.64	24.30
	Avg.	141.96	1.89	3.11	3.98	4.64	5.21	5.75	7.81	24.58
	Ac1	140.59	1.20	1.89	2.26	2.61	2.88	3.17	4.31	14.01
	Ac2	140.56	1.18	1.78	2.21	2.50	2.75	2.99	4.06	13.41
	Ac3	137.44	1.17	1.91	2.35	2.72	3.16	3.38	4.59	14.69
	Ac4	140.03	1.12	1.85	2.43	2.75	3.10	3.28	4.46	14.53
	Ac5	138.16	1.23	1.92	2.48	2.92	3.31	3.71	5.04	15.57
	Avg.	139.36	1.18	1.87	2.35	2.70	3.04	3.31	4.49	14.44
	Ad1	145.86	1.21	1.95	2.40	2.71	3.07	3.27	4.44	14.61
	Ad2	148.28	1.33	2.16	2.70	3.13	3.36	3.57	4.85	16.25
	Ad3	142.30	1.29	2.14	2.75	3.34	3.85	4.25	5.77	17.62
	Ad4	139.41	1.24	1.88	2.37	2.78	2.98	3.22	4.38	14.47
	Ad5	142.76	1.19	1.97	2.45	3.73	3.07	3.29	4.46	14.70
	Avg.	143.72	1.25	2.02	2.53	3.14	3.27	3.52	4.78	15.53
Improved	Ba1	164.34	1.47	2.58	3.50	4.43	5.20	5.95	8.08	23.13
	Ba2	163.88	1.44	2.49	3.44	4.27	5.03	5.74	7.80	22.41
	Ba3	163.03	1.57	2.66	3.63	4.48	5.22	5.93	8.06	23.49
	Ba4	158.69	1.45	2.48	3.41	4.22	4.95	5.57	7.57	22.08
	Ba5	161.26	1.51	2.60	3.37	4.21	4.86	5.50	7.47	22.05
	Avg.	162.24	1.49	2.56	3.47	4.32	5.05	5.74	7.80	22.63
	Bb1	159.12	1.40	2.51	3.25	3.70	4.09	4.50	6.10	19.45
	Bb2	167.81	1.60	2.48	3.41	4.15	4.71	5.23	7.11	21.58
	Bb3	161.33	1.47	2.50	3.19	3.80	4.30	4.73	6.43	19.99
	Bb4	158.33	1.47	2.48	3.19	3.72	4.20	4.60	6.25	19.66
	Bb5	158.59	1.72	2.66	3.47	4.07	4.56	5.05	6.86	21.53
	Avg.	161.04	1.53	2.53	3.30	3.89	4.37	4.82	6.55	20.44
	Bc1	158.59	0.90	1.38	1.70	1.77	2.08	2.16	2.94	9.99
	Bc2	162.50	0.83	1.26	1.64	1.98	2.10	2.26	3.08	10.07
	Bc3	158.26	0.92	1.46	1.85	2.13	2.37	2.52	3.43	11.26
	Bc4	154.92	0.85	1.38	1.69	1.98	2.20	2.37	3.22	10.47
	Bc5	154.64	0.94	1.50	1.90	2.29	2.53	2.71	3.68	11.87
	Avg.	157.78	0.89	1.40	1.76	2.03	2.26	2.40	3.27	10.73
	Bd1	153.56	0.97	1.64	2.04	2.34	2.61	2.80	3.77	12.40
	Bd2	153.78	0.97	1.64	2.03	2.22	2.50	2.67	3.62	12.03
	Bd3	154.44	0.93	1.45	1.88	2.28	2.47	2.66	3.61	11.67
	Bd4	162.25	1.04	1.76	2.12	2.37	2.70	2.79	3.79	12.78
	Bd5	156.52	0.98	1.58	1.94	2.20	2.39	2.55	3.46	11.64
	Avg.	156.11	0.98	1.61	2.00	2.28	2.53	2.69	3.65	12.10

APPENDIX TABLE 24

Two-Factorial Analysis of Variance of Free-Fall Drop Test Data
for Pallets of Two Designs, Assembled with Four Different Nails

Source of Variation	Sum of Squares	Degrees of Freedom	Mean Square	Computed f	Critical f	
Design	149.61	1	149.61	202.01	4.15	S
Nail	1117.72	3	372.53	503.47	2.90	S
Interaction	1.00	3	0.33	0.45	2.90	NS
Error	23.70	32	0.74			
Total	1292.03	39				

Duncan's Multiple Range Test on Average Cumulative
Length Changes of Diagonals After 6th Drop

p	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
rp	2.882	3.029	3.125	3.193	3.245	3.285	3.318
Rp	1.11	1.17	1.20	1.23	1.25	1.26	1.28

Avg.	Differences						
10.73							
12.10	1.37						
14.44	2.34	3.71					
15.53	1.09	3.43	4.80				
20.44	4.91	6.00	8.34	9.71			
22.63	2.19	7.10	8.19	10.53	11.90		
24.58	1.95	4.14	9.05	10.14	12.48	13.85	
26.83	2.25	4.20	6.39	11.30	12.39	14.73	16.10

Bc	Bd	Ac	Ad	Bb	Ba	Ab	Aa
<u>10.73</u>	<u>12.10</u>	<u>14.44</u>	<u>15.53</u>	<u>20.44</u>	<u>22.63</u>	<u>24.58</u>	<u>26.83</u>
(60%)	(55%)	(46%)	(42%)	(24%)	(15%)	(8%)	

APPENDIX TABLE 25

Detailed Deckboard-Stringer Separation Data for Pallets of Conventional Design

Pallet Nails	Pallet No.	Pallet Test Weight, in Lb.	Failure of Leading-Edge Deckboard	Number of Runs Prior to End of Test
2 1/2" Nail (a)	Aa1	136.98	Splitting (6); first deckboard off two stringers (6); six nails withdrawn.	6
	Aa2	139.89	Splitting (5); first deckboard off two stringers (7); six nails withdrawn.	7
	Aa3	137.45	First deckboard off two stringers (9); six nails withdrawn.	9
	Aa4	138.19	Splitting (1); first deckboard off two stringers (7); six nails withdrawn and one nail pulled through at split.	7
	Aa5	137.91	First deckboard off two stringers (4); six nails withdrawn.	4
	Avg.	138.08		7
2 1/2" Nail (b)	Ab1	141.91	First deckboard off two stringers (10); one nail broken and five nails withdrawn.	10
	Ab2	139.50	Splitting (2, 5); first deckboard off two stringers (9); one nail broken, two nails pulled through, and three nails withdrawn.	9
	Ab3	141.81	First deckboard off two stringers (22); one nail broken and five nails withdrawn.	22
	Ab4	141.19	First deckboard off two stringers (38); six nails withdrawn.	38
	Ab5	138.53	Splitting (3, 8, 10); first deckboard off two stringers (24); five nails withdrawn and one nail pulled through at split; first deckboard destroyed.	24
	Avg.	140.60		21
2 1/2" Nail (c)	Ac1	138.70	First deckboard off two stringers (3); two nails broken and four nails withdrawn.	3
	Ac2	139.59	Splitting (6, 13, 14); first deckboard off two stringers (14); one nail broken, two nails pulled through, and two nails withdrawn.	14
	Ac3	136.26	Splitting (1, 1); first deckboard off two stringers (5); one broken nail, two nails pulled through, and three nails withdrawn; first deckboard destroyed.	5
	Ac4	139.25	Splitting (4, 5, 6); first deckboard off two stringers (7); four nails withdrawn, two nails pulled through, and one nail broken; first deckboard destroyed.	7
	Ac5	136.75	Splitting (32); first deckboard off two stringers (60); two nails broken, three nails withdrawn, and one nail pulled through at split; first deckboard destroyed (60).	60
	Avg.	138.11		18
3" Nail (d)	Ad1	143.80	Splitting (71, 97); first deckboard off two stringers (100); four nails broken, one nail pulled through, and two nails withdrawn.	104
	Ad2	147.06	Splitting (5, 129, 131, 132); first deckboard off two stringers (137); three nails broken and two nails pulled through.	137
	Ad3	141.06	Splitting (4); first deckboard off two stringers (10); two nails broken, two nails pulled through, and two nails withdrawn.	10
	Ad4	138.02	Splitting (6, 11, 11); first deckboard off two stringers (12); one nail broken, three nails withdrawn, and two pulled through at splits; first deckboard destroyed (12).	12
	Ad5	141.95	Splitting (6, 35, 48, 106); first deckboard off central stringer (106); first deckboard destroyed (106).	106
	Avg.	142.38		74

APPENDIX TABLE 26

Detailed Deckboard-Stringer Separation Data for Pallets of Improved Design

Pallet Nails	Pallet No.	Pallet Test Weight, in Lb.	Failure of End Deckboard	Number of Runs Prior to End of Test
2½" Nail (a)	Ba1	161.48	First deckboard off two stringers (85); eight nails withdrawn; second deckboard off one stringer; three nails withdrawn (85).	85
	Ba2	160.50	First and second deckboards off two stringers (62); eight and six nails withdrawn.	62
	Ba3	160.12	First deckboard off two stringers (88); eight nails withdrawn; second deckboard off one stringer (88); three nails withdrawn.	88
	Ba4	155.86	Splitting (222, 227, 292); first deckboard off two stringers (312); seven nails withdrawn and one nail pulled through; second deckboard off two stringers (312); one nail broken and five nails withdrawn.	312
	Ba5	159.61	Splitting (199); first deckboard off two stringers (252); eight nails withdrawn; second deckboard off one outer stringer (252); two nails withdrawn and one nail pulled through.	252
	Avg.	159.51		160
2½" Nail (b)	Bb1	157.20	Splitting (47); first and second deckboards off two stringers (245); three nails broken and five nails withdrawn; two nails broken and three nails withdrawn (one nail for the second deckboard was a shiner.)	245
	Bb2	162.53	Splitting (432); first and second deckboards off two stringers (434); seven nails broken and two nails withdrawn; four nails broken and one nail pulled through.	434
	Bb3	158.16	Splitting (4); first deckboard off center stringer and one-half of first deckboard, split in two, off one outer stringer (220); two nails broken and four nails withdrawn.	220
	Bb4	156.48	First deckboard off two stringers (552); five nails broken and three nails withdrawn; second deckboard off center stringer (552); three nails broken	552
	Bb5	156.92	Splitting (373); first and second deckboards off two stringers (375); four nails broken and four nails withdrawn; three nails broken and three nails withdrawn.	375
	Avg.	158.26		365
2½" Nail (c)	Bc1	156.44	First deckboard off two stringers (271); seven nails broken and one nail withdrawn.	271
	Bc2	160.00	First and second deckboards off two stringers (271); six nails broken and two nails withdrawn; six nails broken.	271
	Bc3	156.95	First and second deckboards off two stringers (221); five nails broken and three nails withdrawn; three nails broken and three nails withdrawn.	221
	Bc4	153.25	Splitting (3); first deckboard off two stringers (341); five nails broken and three nails withdrawn; four nails broken.	341
	Bc5	152.47	First deckboard off two stringers (406); eight nails broken; one nail broken and two nails withdrawn at center stringer.	406
	Avg.	155.82		302
3" Nail (d)	Bd1	152.67	Splitting of leading deckboard (498) and of second deckboard (521); first deckboard off two stringers (560); eleven nails broken; four nails broken.	560
	Bd2	152.39	Splitting of second deckboard (551); first deckboard off two stringers (598); ten nails broken; second deckboard off one stringer (598); three nails broken.	598
	Bd3	152.26	First and second deckboards off two stringers (383); six nails broken, one nail withdrawn, and one nail pulled through at split; four nails broken and two nails pulled through at split; first and second deckboards destroyed (383).	383
	Bd4	159.50	Splitting (316); first and second deckboards off two stringers (319); seven nails broken and one nail pulled through at split; five nails broken and one nail withdrawn.	319
	Bd5	154.06	First deckboard off two stringers (451); eight nails broken; five nails broken.	451
	Avg.	156.94		462

APPENDIX TABLE 27

Two-Factorial Analysis of Variance of Incline Impact Test Data
for Pallets of Two Designs, Assembled with Four Different Nails

Source of Variation	Sum of Squares	Degrees of Freedom	Mean Square	Computed f	Critical f	
Design	856.15 E3	1	856.15 E3	124.72	4.15	S
Nail	176.21 E3	3	58.74 E3	8.56	2.90	S
Interaction	78.46 E3	3	26.15 E3	3.81*	2.90	S
Error	219.67 E3	32	6.86 E3			
Total	1330.49 E3	39				

*not significant at 1% level of significance.

Duncan's Multiple Range Test on Average Number of Runs
during Incline Impact Test

p	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
rp	2.882	3.029	3.125	3.193	3.245	3.285	3.318
Rp	107	112	116	118	120	122	123

Avg.	Differences						
7							
18	11						
21	3	14					
74	53	56	67	153			
160	86	139	142	284	295	358	
302	142	228	281	344	347	444	455
365	63	205	291	388	441		
462	97	160	302				

Aa	Ac	Ab	Ad	Ba	Bc	Bb	Bd
7	18	21	74	160	302	365	462

APPENDIX TABLE 28a

Detailed Follow-Up Load-Deflection Data, in Lb. and 1/1000 In.
Pallets of Conventional Design

Test Load	Pallet No. Aa1					Pallet No. Aa2					Pallet No. Aa3					Pallet No. Aa4					Pallet No. Aa5				
	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E
0	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000
200	15	09	38	68	67	14	07	41	32	50	10	08	38	57	53	07	09	48	55	57	13	13	52	66	65
	17	10	46	78	76	20	09	52	46	66	16	13	49	68	64	09	13	64	73	76	15	15	59	74	74
400	32	20	106	145	149	45	17	107	112	136	30	21	100	126	128	18	27	128	148	152	30	27	116	145	145
	35	22	121	158	164	51	18	119	122	150	38	30	112	140	139	21	32	139	163	167	33	29	126	156	157
600	47	32	180	220	237	71	27	175	175	219	54	39	163	198	202	30	47	198	241	245	49	38	180	227	229
	51	34	196	235	254	75	28	188	186	235	60	47	175	211	215	32	52	208	258	261	52	40	194	241	244
800	61	45	249	298	323	88	36	235	234	296	73	54	221	268	275	39	65	262	329	333	65	47	244	303	310
	65	47	263	315	340	92	39	249	244	312	82	60	239	282	292	43	68	273	345	348	69	49	259	321	327
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	80	59	331	402	427	106	49	310	303	391	102	70	299	353	368	51	82	339	429	430	85	58	331	400	409
1200	90	68	380	466	492	117	60	358	350	452	113	76	347	405	428	57	93	391	494	496	95	65	380	463	472
	95	70	398	481	511	120	62	370	363	470	120	79	363	422	446	60	95	405	513	514	99	67	395	482	490
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	109	77	478	551	598	135	73	429	424	547	142	87	428	492	524	68	106	470	593	598	109	76	457	556	567
1600	120	84	527	607	663	145	81	475	473	608	152	92	479	543	585	75	113	520	656	665	117	83	506	615	632
	123	86	540	621	683	149	83	488	487	626	167	96	498	560	605	78	116	534	674	684	120	87	522	632	650
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	136	95	604	690	761	161	93	544	547	705	184	104	565	630	690	91	125	599	756	767	129	96	587	704	729
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	180	120	808	898	996	200	124	711	724	936	224	125	744	820	915	123	152	775	991	1001	161	123	777	903	953
2600	187	125	851	944	1048	211	137	751	768	990	232	132	784	862	966	131	156	822	1042	1053	167	130	818	947	1003
	193	127	871	962	1069	214	139	765	785	1012	235	135	802	881	988	134	159	840	1064	1077	170	132	840	967	1022
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	208	135	934	1025	1142	227	147	819	840	1086	246	142	858	941	1060	145	169	900	1134	1153	179	139	895	1024	1091
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	223	142	996	1084	1213	239	165	877	898	1164	257	150	915	1004	1133	156	177	961	1203	1227	191	150	971	1089	1168
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	238	151	1059	1144	1283	250	177	929	954	1237	268	160	970	1065	1206	166	186	1026	1273	1300	199	159	1027	1152	1236
3400	245	156	1096	1182	1326	257	182	958	986	1278	275	166	1004	1100	1246	175	191	1064	1311	1344	203	166	1060	1187	1278
	254	158	1127	1204	1353	260	186	977	1008	1307	279	170	1027	1124	1276	179	194	1091	1341	1375	207	170	1086	1215	1305
3600	262	164	1163	1240	1396	270	191	1010	1040	1350	284	174	1060	1162	1317	186	200	1127	1379	1417	215	176	1124	1252	1348
	269	166	1193	1264	1425	273	196	1032	1062	1382	289	179	1084	1186	1349	190	203	1155	1409	1450	217	180	1150	1280	1375
3800	279	172	1229	1300	1467	281	210	1068	1094	1424	296	184	1116	1217	1387	197	207	1194	1446	1492	222	186	1180	1314	1415
	288	175	1261	1327	1497	286	218	1092	1121	1461	303	187	1143	1246	1417	202	212	1223	1477	1524	225	190	1205	1341	1442
4000	295	180	1294	1360	1538	293	223	1119	1148	1497	309	191	1172	1275	1455	209	217	1256	1514	1564	232	197	1241	1373	1481
	303	183	1327	1387	1570	296	227	1144	1173	1533	320	196	1199	1306	1488	213	221	1283	1546	1597	235	201	1265	1398	1509
4200	310	188	1359	1423	1612	305	232	1175	1200	1571	326	198	1231	1343	1532	219	227	1315	1582	1637	240	207	1292	1434	1546
	322	190	1398	1457	1650	309	243	1200	1224	1608	336	202	1259	1373	1565	224	230	1344	1615	1671	237	210	1325	1472	1587
4400	328	196	1429	1493	1691	314	252	1233	1250	1646	342	207	1287	1404	1604	231	236	1376	1650	1711	245	217	1361	1504	1627
	336	200	1467	1520	1727	319	256	1258	1277	1686	350	211	1312	1436	1641	236	240	1408	1683	1746	248	221	1390	1530	1658
4600	342	204	1498	1555	1767	324	260	1281	1302	1720	355	215	1339	1464	1677	242	246	1437	1716	1784	255	227	1424	1561	1697
	348	208	1534	1585	1803	329	263	1305	1330	1759	362	222	1335	1478	1735	248	249	1470	1752	1822	258	232	1452	1590	1728
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	359	216	1602	1650	1881	338	272	1363	1399	1849	379	226	1369	1698	1926	262	259	1535	1823	1901	266	244	1509	1656	1799
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	369	226	1671	1719	1963	348	282	1413	1459	1931	390	235	1407	1765	2023	276	268	1601	1900	1985	276	255	1580	1724	1881
5200	375	231	1700	1751	2001	353	287	1442	1490	1972	395	238	1433	1795	2063	284	273	1632							

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Pallets of Conventional Design

Test Load	Pallet No. Ab1					Pallet No. Ab2					Pallet No. Ab3					Pallet No. Ab4					Pallet No. Ab5				
	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E
0	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000
200	09	13	52	37	58	08	11	49	54	56	08	11	55	59	61	08	09	50	60	58	06	11	59	54	38
	10	15	57	43	65	10	13	54	60	63	10	13	63	65	69	12	11	58	68	68	08	15	69	62	48
400	18	32	108	105	125	25	21	112	122	128	24	23	131	127	142	22	21	115	134	136	13	27	134	121	117
	22	36	118	118	139	29	24	123	134	141	27	25	145	135	153	26	24	125	145	149	15	31	149	133	132
600	30	54	170	182	205	43	32	177	196	206	39	35	210	195	221	35	32	180	216	218	21	43	209	191	197
	33	59	184	201	224	45	35	187	208	218	42	37	221	206	234	38	35	190	227	232	23	46	222	202	210
800	43	79	238	265	290	56	42	239	268	283	53	46	281	267	302	45	44	240	291	296	29	57	278	256	276
	46	84	249	283	307	63	43	254	283	298	56	49	293	279	315	47	46	251	303	309	21	60	293	268	289
1000	54	103	298	345	372	73	50	306	342	364	65	58	352	339	382	55	54	299	364	372	38	69	344	323	349
	60	106	311	365	390	86	53	324	362	382	68	60	364	353	396	57	57	311	375	385	41	72	359	339	365
1200	67	116	357	425	451	94	60	380	416	444	79	69	423	414	464	64	65	358	432	445	47	80	409	393	424
	71	120	369	442	468	97	63	395	427	460	81	69	437	429	478	65	67	370	445	459	49	83	421	406	438
1400	76	130	415	499	527	109	69	457	484	525	91	78	497	490	544	72	74	415	500	516	57	92	471	462	498
	82	133	427	517	544	111	73	473	498	542	95	87	514	506	561	73	76	430	513	532	59	94	484	473	512
1600	87	142	473	572	604	118	80	528	550	605	106	95	578	566	633	82	83	479	566	591	66	103	536	525	570
	91	145	488	591	621	120	83	544	565	624	108	100	593	582	651	83	85	492	579	608	70	106	553	540	586
1800	100	167	547	646	690	128	90	597	615	686	114	108	650	637	714	92	91	547	629	670	77	112	602	588	644
	103	171	564	665	711	131	95	613	632	705	117	112	668	655	735	94	93	564	656	689	82	114	624	608	664
2000	107	177	607	714	763	142	104	669	684	768	125	121	719	708	796	100	99	605	692	741	88	120	671	652	720
	111	180	622	734	783	144	107	684	700	787	127	125	735	724	814	104	103	623	709	762	93	122	693	670	739
2200	115	187	665	783	835	150	113	733	747	843	136	134	788	778	875	111	109	666	757	814	99	128	741	713	793
	120	189	679	803	853	151	117	749	768	863	137	138	806	796	894	114	111	684	774	833	101	131	763	731	813
2400	123	207	724	859	910	162	125	802	818	922	145	146	855	846	951	119	117	725	819	883	108	136	808	771	862
	127	208	739	879	930	166	128	822	840	942	146	150	873	864	971	123	120	743	837	902	111	139	832	791	884
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	135	216	794	942	997	180	137	887	906	1017	156	161	937	933	1048	130	128	804	898	969	120	148	898	846	955
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	146	224	848	1009	1066	193	148	955	976	1094	165	171	1001	1000	1124	137	137	863	958	1037	129	159	969	904	1027
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	154	242	903	1079	1141	201	157	1016	1040	1167	175	180	1065	1067	1198	147	145	925	1018	1108	139	168	1038	958	1097
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	162	248	954	1138	1204	213	169	1086	1108	1242	186	191	1131	1135	1271	155	154	983	1078	1177	148	177	1108	1013	1171
3400	169	254	985	1172	1243	220	175	1124	1146	1286	194	196	1169	1177	1316	162	160	1023	1114	1220	154	183	1147	1045	1210
	174	256	1002	1198	1270	223	177	1148	1170	1313	196	200	1196	1201	1344	165	162	1047	1138	1245	158	188	1181	1069	1241
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	184	264	1065	1255	1334	233	187	1211	1231	1385	204	210	1264	1265	1417	174	170	1105	1196	1311	168	198	1249	1119	1310
3800	189	268	1095	1289	1371	241	195	1249	1269	1428	211	217	1302	1305	1462	180	176	1140	1229	1350	175	203	1286	1146	1346
	193	271	1120	1314	1399	244	198	1273	1292	1456	213	221	1330	1330	1491	183	179	1166	1253	1377	178	207	1318	1171	1379
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	202	292	1182	1387	1475	254	207	1333	1354	1527	226	230	1396	1395	1566	191	188	1226	1311	1443	188	218	1385	1221	1447
4200	207	295	1213	1414	1510	262	215	1368	1390	1568	232	234	1430	1433	1609	197	195	1259	1341	1481	194	223	1419	1248	1483
	210	298	1237	1438	1538	265	217	1393	1414	1597	235	238	1457	1460	1639	200	198	1285	1371	1513	198	227	1454	1274	1517
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4600	226	309	1315	1522	1635	282	234	1489	1508	1708	254	250	1561	1563	1755	213	214	1376	1461	1619	216	243	1559	1352	1622
	231	312	1341	1552	1667	287	237	1516	1535	1740	257	254	1590	1590	1788	216	218	1404	1488	1650	221	248	1596	1379	1659
4800	238	330	1371	1601	1711	293	243	1552	1569	1779	265	257	1628	1625	1830	221	224	1437	1519	1687	227	254	1628	1402	1694
	241	331	1398	1631	1746	297	246	1580	1596	1812	268	260	1657	1653	1864	223	229	1464	1548	1721	234	259	1668	1432	1734
5000	248	336	1430	1653	1779	304	254	1615	1629	1853	276	265	1693	1686	1905	230	235	1498	1576	1757	239	265	1697	1457	1767
	251	338	1456	1680	1812	309	257	1645	1658	1887	279	268	1723	1716	1940	233	239	1529	1607	1793	245	270	1737	1489	1807
5200	259	342	1485	1702	1843	314	262	1679	1691	1928	286	272	1758	1747	1979	240	246	1561	1636	1828	24				

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Pallets of Conventional Design

Test Load	Pallet No. Ac1					Pallet No. Ac2					Pallet No. Ac3					Pallet No. Ac4					Pallet No. Ac5				
	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E
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	09	12	59	67	68	09	09	56	63	66	09	10	65	68	72	19	16	63	79	74	09	09	49	43	54
400	19	24	119	132	137	18	18	113	120	131	21	19	129	137	145	36	27	131	145	147	23	21	104	95	114
	21	27	128	142	148	21	21	123	132	143	24	22	143	150	159	42	31	147	158	164	27	22	116	105	126
600	30	39	186	203	216	30	28	176	191	208	33	29	204	214	232	55	42	212	233	240	38	32	168	157	186
	32	42	196	214	229	32	30	188	205	222	37	31	218	226	247	61	44	227	246	257	41	35	180	166	198
800	38	54	251	276	296	41	37	238	260	284	47	38	279	284	317	72	54	289	309	328	51	45	230	216	257
	39	58	260	287	309	43	40	249	273	299	49	41	294	297	333	76	56	306	322	343	54	46	242	226	270
1000	44	71	315	350	375	49	45	298	328	361	60	46	354	353	399	84	68	364	381	409	63	57	290	273	327
	46	74	325	361	388	51	47	309	343	375	63	48	371	365	415	89	71	382	397	427	65	60	304	283	341
1200	52	87	380	421	451	57	54	361	397	437	72	54	429	420	481	96	81	438	458	492	73	70	350	330	394
	53	90	391	432	466	62	56	375	410	452	75	56	446	432	496	98	84	457	476	511	75	71	364	340	407
1400	58	101	443	489	529	68	60	423	463	510	84	62	501	485	559	106	93	510	533	575	82	79	406	383	459
	59	104	454	501	543	76	63	438	480	528	87	63	517	497	575	109	95	530	552	594	83	82	420	394	473
1600	65	114	505	555	607	82	67	487	529	586	96	68	572	549	640	116	103	582	603	657	90	88	462	439	523
	67	117	515	566	621	83	68	500	544	603	99	71	588	560	658	120	107	602	625	677	92	90	475	450	536
1800	73	125	562	616	678	88	73	545	590	660	107	76	641	610	718	127	115	653	680	737	98	97	514	493	586
	75	128	572	629	692	90	75	559	605	678	109	78	660	622	736	131	119	674	698	758	101	98	529	505	602
2000	80	138	619	677	747	95	80	604	651	733	117	83	708	670	794	137	126	720	750	813	107	104	566	547	652
	82	141	630	690	761	98	82	619	667	750	120	86	726	684	812	142	130	745	771	835	110	106	582	561	668
2200	87	149	675	735	814	103	87	665	713	804	126	92	772	730	866	149	136	795	819	890	117	112	621	599	716
	89	149	692	750	829	106	89	681	730	824	129	95	792	746	886	154	142	822	840	914	120	114	635	612	733
2400	94	156	731	793	878	112	95	722	774	876	136	100	836	790	938	160	147	869	887	966	127	120	673	650	777
	97	159	746	809	893	114	96	739	793	895	139	103	856	807	958	166	151	899	908	991	129	121	688	663	794
2600	102	166	785	849	940	120	101	781	835	944	145	109	896	848	1008	172	158	943	952	1042	136	128	723	703	837
	105	170	800	865	958	123	103	799	854	966	148	112	917	867	1029	177	162	970	976	1068	138	130	740	716	855
2800	111	177	840	904	1002	128	109	837	895	1012	155	117	955	907	1075	183	168	1012	1016	1115	144	136	774	751	895
	113	180	854	920	1021	131	110	857	915	1035	158	120	977	928	1100	188	172	1042	1041	1144	146	138	794	766	914
3000	120	186	892	961	1067	137	115	893	954	1080	165	126	1015	966	1145	194	177	1082	1078	1187	153	143	830	799	954
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	132	200	969	1045	1159	150	125	972	1038	1174	177	139	1099	1050	1240	213	192	1187	1169	1292	164	154	904	866	1037
3400	137	207	1002	1080	1199	156	131	1004	1073	1214	183	145	1133	1087	1281	218	198	1223	1204	1332	169	161	934	895	1074
	142	210	1026	1105	1226	158	134	1029	1097	1241	186	148	1160	1110	1308	224	202	1257	1231	1365	173	163	960	915	1100
3600	147	216	1059	1140	1267	164	138	1063	1132	1281	194	155	1197	1146	1349	230	208	1292	1264	1404	177	169	989	944	1136
	152	219	1086	1168	1296	166	141	1089	1159	1311	197	159	1224	1170	1378	236	213	1327	1294	1439	181	172	1018	964	1163
3800	157	225	1119	1201	1335	172	146	1122	1190	1349	204	164	1260	1205	1418	243	219	1360	1326	1476	187	178	1047	992	1198
	162	229	1144	1228	1365	175	148	1152	1218	1380	207	169	1288	1229	1447	248	224	1396	1355	1512	190	181	1075	1013	1226
4000	167	234	1177	1261	1404	181	153	1186	1250	1418	213	175	1322	1263	1487	253	230	1429	1387	1549	195	186	1103	1040	1259
	172	238	1202	1289	1434	185	156	1214	1278	1450	216	179	1349	1288	1516	259	235	1468	1417	1587	198	191	1133	1064	1288
4200	178	242	1240	1320	1475	190	161	1246	1309	1487	223	185	1382	1321	1554	265	241	1500	1448	1623	204	197	1160	1090	1320
	183	246	1264	1349	1507	193	164	1276	1338	1520	226	189	1412	1347	1585	270	246	1541	1482	1662	207	200	1192	1114	1351
4400	188	251	1294	1381	1545	200	169	1306	1368	1555	232	195	1447	1377	1624	276	251	1571	1513	1697	213	205	1219	1139	1383
	194	255	1320	1411	1577	202	172	1335	1397	1590	236	200	1478	1404	1656	282	257	1612	1547	1738	221	207	1257	1166	1415
4600	199	260	1348	1441	1612	208	177	1364	1426	1625	242	205	1511	1434	1694	287	263	1643	1576	1772	226	212	1283	1191	1447
	205	264	1374	1472	1646	210	180	1395	1456	1660	245	210	1544	1463	1728	293	268	1687	1612	1816	238	216	1318	1216	1481
4800	210	268	1401	1501	1681	217	185	1423	1485	1695	252	216	1576	1493	1763	299	273	1717	1639	1850	242	221	1343	1242	1513
	216	272	1430	1533	1717	221	188	1457	1516	1731	255	220	1612	1524	1801	304	279	1761	1677	1896	253	224	1378	1270	1548
5000	221	277	1458	1561	1752	227	193	1485	1543	1765	262	225	1642	1552	1836	309	285	1790	1705	1930	257	229	1404	1294	1579
	227	282	1488	1596	1789	230	197	1519	1577	1804	266	230	1682	1582	1875	314	290	1836	1743	1976	263	232	1442	1322	1617
5200	232	286	1515	1623	1825	236	201	1548	1604	1839	273	236	1712	1610	1911	320	296	1865	1768	2009	268	238	1469	1346	1648
	238	290	1545	1657	1862	246	204	1589	1642	1880	277	241	1752	1642	1953	326	302	1914	1807	2058	274	241	1507	1375	1684
5400	242	294	1571	1683	1896	251	208	1615	1667	1913	284	246	1780	1669	1987	331	307	1942	1834	2090	279	247	1535	1398	1716
	248	298	1602	1718	1935	261	212	1653	1705	1957	288	251	1822	1701	2029	337	313	1993	1873	2140	284	251	1575	1427	1755

APPENDIX TABLE 28d

Detailed Follow-Up Load-Deflection Data, in Lb. and 1/1000 in.
Pallets of Conventional Design

Test Load	Pallet No. Ad1					Pallet No. Ad2					Pallet No. Ad3					Pallet No. Ad4					Pallet No. Ad5				
	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E
0	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000
200	12	06	22	36	67	32	13	79	58	75	10	16	57	69	67	13	07	60	57	62	09	05	41	68	59
	13	08	25	41	73	34	14	88	66	84	12	27	70	83	82	15	08	68	66	71	12	08	53	86	74
400	25	15	79	109	139	43	26	150	133	158	24	39	133	154	154	32	22	135	139	148	21	16	108	164	147
	30	16	90	120	152	45	28	160	145	170	27	48	147	170	169	43	30	151	155	166	24	18	121	179	161
600	42	24	141	183	216	54	40	219	213	245	40	57	205	238	242	57	38	210	221	237	33	25	173	252	233
	48	26	154	200	233	57	42	230	225	260	43	62	219	251	257	64	45	227	238	256	35	27	184	268	248
800	56	33	201	260	295	65	53	284	290	331	55	71	273	317	328	75	52	282	296	320	43	35	236	340	319
	62	35	213	274	312	67	57	297	304	347	57	75	287	333	344	79	57	299	314	341	46	36	252	358	333
1000	71	42	258	333	373	73	67	349	368	415	68	83	340	397	410	87	65	353	373	402	52	44	306	425	402
	74	44	272	348	388	76	71	364	381	431	70	87	356	414	427	89	68	369	388	419	54	46	321	443	421
1200	83	51	318	406	449	83	80	412	446	498	81	97	408	484	495	99	75	421	447	483	60	54	375	512	487
	87	54	330	423	466	85	84	425	460	514	84	100	423	500	511	101	78	443	463	502	63	56	391	531	506
1400	94	60	375	479	525	93	93	474	523	580	94	107	472	561	577	110	84	492	528	565	68	62	442	600	572
	97	63	380	498	537	95	97	487	537	596	97	111	489	578	595	113	89	509	544	584	71	64	457	620	591
1600	104	71	427	555	599	103	105	531	596	662	108	118	538	638	662	121	94	558	595	643	76	71	511	684	660
	109	73	441	571	616	104	109	546	612	680	111	122	551	654	678	125	98	576	611	663	79	73	526	703	678
1800	115	80	489	624	676	112	117	590	670	742	121	130	600	714	743	132	103	626	660	720	84	79	579	763	742
	119	84	503	637	694	114	120	605	686	760	125	134	615	732	761	136	106	655	676	743	87	82	597	785	762
2000	127	90	547	690	751	122	130	650	744	821	134	142	661	789	821	143	112	701	720	795	93	89	647	843	822
	131	93	563	705	769	123	133	664	760	838	139	145	674	806	839	147	115	720	739	814	95	92	667	865	844
2200	136	99	603	753	821	128	142	707	815	897	147	153	719	861	898	153	120	766	784	866	101	97	714	918	901
	139	102	626	769	841	130	146	725	835	917	152	156	734	879	917	157	124	786	805	886	103	99	732	938	922
2400	144	109	665	814	890	136	155	767	887	974	161	164	779	931	972	164	129	832	847	936	109	104	782	992	980
	147	111	682	831	910	136	166	814	913	1005	164	166	794	949	992	167	133	854	867	957	112	106	802	1012	1001
2600	161	117	724	877	960	141	174	851	959	1057	173	174	836	996	1043	174	138	897	908	1005	117	111	846	1060	1052
	163	121	742	896	983	143	178	866	979	1080	177	177	852	1018	1066	177	142	918	928	1026	121	114	868	1083	1077
2800	166	127	776	937	1027	153	185	905	1021	1132	185	184	888	1062	1115	183	147	959	965	1073	126	118	908	1129	1127
	168	131	792	956	1048	155	188	920	1042	1155	188	186	907	1084	1138	186	150	983	986	1096	131	122	933	1155	1153
3000	172	136	826	995	1092	165	195	958	1086	1204	197	194	942	1125	1185	193	156	1024	1021	1141	136	126	972	1198	1200
	174	141	846	1018	1115	167	199	974	1105	1228	200	197	961	1149	1209	196	159	1053	1045	1166	139	130	1000	1226	1229
3200	185	147	884	1057	1163	175	205	1011	1144	1274	208	205	995	1187	1252	202	165	1093	1079	1209	144	134	1038	1267	1272
	186	150	903	1079	1187	179	208	1013	1156	1309	212	208	1015	1241	1319	205	168	1120	1102	1234	148	139	1067	1297	1303
3400	190	156	933	1117	1228	186	214	1043	1192	1354	219	215	1048	1249	1319	212	173	1158	1135	1275	153	143	1101	1334	1344
	191	160	950	1140	1251	190	219	1044	1204	1387	223	217	1073	1278	1345	215	178	1188	1157	1301	156	147	1132	1365	1378
3600	201	166	988	1177	1295	200	224	1075	1241	1437	230	224	1105	1313	1386	221	183	1228	1191	1343	161	151	1166	1402	1417
	202	169	1006	1200	1320	206	230	1041	1235	1506	235	228	1127	1344	1414	224	186	1257	1212	1370	164	156	1197	1433	1453
3800	206	176	1035	1235	1359	212	236	1064	1267	1552	242	235	1161	1380	1456	231	191	1296	1242	1409	168	161	1229	1469	1491
	208	179	1055	1259	1385	218	241	1053	1273	1606	246	239	1182	1409	1484	234	194	1324	1264	1437	172	164	1261	1501	1528
4000	219	186	1092	1294	1426	222	248	1075	1305	1652	252	246	1215	1445	1524	241	200	1361	1295	1476	175	170	1291	1535	1565
	220	189	1112	1319	1454	239	262	947	1242	1850	257	249	1240	1475	1553	244	202	1389	1316	1503	179	175	1322	1570	1603
4200	225	195	1141	1354	1492	246	270	967	1268	1899	263	256	1271	1510	1593	251	207	1428	1344	1542	183	179	1352	1604	1639
	227	200	1163	1381	1522	252	276	963	1275	1957	267	259	1296	1539	1624	256	210	1459	1367	1571	188	185	1387	1638	1679
4400	236	205	1199	1413	1561	262	281	983	1303	2004	273	266	1324	1571	1662	263	215	1495	1395	1608	191	190	1417	1672	1716
	238	208	1222	1441	1591	270	287	981	1312	2063	276	271	1352	1602	1697	267	218	1528	1418	1639	194	195	1455	1709	1755
4600	241	213	1248	1472	1627	276	292	999	1337	2107	283	276	1381	1633	1732	273	224	1564	1444	1675	197	200	1485	1741	1790
	242	217	1271	1502	1648	283	299	990	1342	2178	288	280	1407	1663	1765	276	228	1598	1469	1707	200	205	1524	1779	1834
4800	251	222	1308	1533	1698	290	305	1007	1367	2227	295	287	1437	1694	1803	282	233	1632	1494	1741	205	209	1553	1809	1869
	252	225	1331	1564	1732	298	313	987	1366	2313	301	292	1466	1726	1838	285	235	1672	1524	1774	208	215	1592	1849	1914
5000	256	230	1355	1593	1765	304	318	1004	1390	2361	307	298	1495	1756	1874	292	241	1708	1551	1809	213	220	1620	1878	1950
	257	232	1379	1625	1798	314	327	987	1390	2457	312	302	1527	1792	1913	295	243	1743	1578	1845	216	225	1660	1917	1995
5200	265	238	1417	1652	1837	320	332	1002	1411	2504	319	309	1552	1820	1949	301	249	1776	1602	1880	220	230	1689	1946	2030
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Detailed Follow-Up Load-Deflection Data, in Lb. and 1/1000 In.
Pallets of Improved Design

Test Load	Pallet No. Ba1					Pallet No. Ba2					Pallet No. Ba3					Pallet No. Ba4					Pallet No. Ba5				
	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E
0	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000
200	10	07	39	42	47	10	14	40	42	46	00	06	38	35	41	10	09	39	55	51	08	05	36	37	40
	11	08	45	47	54	12	16	46	46	52	00	12	58	49	61	11	10	46	63	59	09	06	44	45	49
400	21	18	92	92	107	24	39	98	90	107	08	20	103	97	113	25	24	94	128	122	21	14	93	96	105
	24	20	99	99	116	27	45	109	96	117	09	23	110	104	123	27	26	101	137	131	24	16	101	104	115
600	34	29	146	145	169	40	57	156	135	167	17	30	153	149	172	38	38	142	203	190	36	24	149	157	173
	35	31	156	152	178	43	60	166	142	176	19	33	163	157	183	41	41	151	214	201	38	25	158	166	182
800	46	41	199	194	230	57	73	212	182	229	28	41	204	198	232	51	52	191	276	261	48	33	200	216	237
	46	43	209	203	242	65	77	225	190	243	31	43	214	207	245	53	55	202	287	273	51	35	209	225	249
1000	57	52	250	245	291	76	89	267	231	292	39	49	255	248	292	64	65	241	350	332	60	42	248	273	301
	57	54	260	254	303	83	94	283	241	308	43	52	266	258	303	68	69	252	362	344	63	43	258	284	313
1200	68	63	300	295	353	93	106	325	279	357	51	58	307	296	350	76	79	290	420	399	73	51	297	332	364
	69	65	310	304	363	99	112	339	289	372	53	60	319	307	362	79	83	301	432	412	76	52	306	342	377
1400	78	75	350	344	410	108	123	379	330	418	62	66	358	346	405	88	93	339	491	465	84	60	343	388	427
	79	79	361	353	421	110	127	396	342	432	65	68	370	358	416	91	97	351	503	479	88	61	353	398	437
1600	89	87	400	391	468	121	142	437	386	482	73	75	411	397	459	100	106	388	556	530	97	68	388	444	487
	91	92	411	402	481	123	146	453	399	498	76	76	422	407	469	103	117	402	575	546	100	69	398	455	501
1800	100	101	449	441	526	134	160	492	445	547	86	82	461	443	511	112	128	438	627	598	109	75	432	497	547
	101	105	461	452	539	134	165	510	458	564	91	85	474	456	524	115	132	454	646	615	112	76	443	508	561
2000	107	113	495	488	583	142	176	551	500	613	98	90	511	489	566	124	140	490	688	663	120	84	476	547	606
	109	118	507	499	596	144	183	571	516	632	103	92	524	502	580	128	143	504	700	678	125	87	487	558	620
2200	118	126	543	536	641	156	197	609	558	682	112	97	561	537	623	136	150	539	744	725	132	92	518	595	662
	120	131	555	547	656	157	202	626	570	699	114	98	576	553	638	141	153	555	756	742	136	93	530	607	676
2400	130	139	591	583	698	164	213	665	610	746	123	103	613	585	680	150	159	591	798	785	143	99	560	641	716
	131	142	604	595	713	167	210	684	626	763	125	106	626	596	694	154	161	610	813	804	148	101	573	654	731
2600	138	149	637	629	752	179	231	719	665	809	134	110	660	628	733	162	169	646	854	846	156	106	604	687	769
	140	153	651	642	766	180	236	738	679	827	139	113	683	642	753	167	172	667	870	866	159	108	617	700	785
2800	149	159	684	674	804	187	246	770	714	867	147	119	715	672	790	175	177	698	906	905	166	119	651	733	822
	150	164	698	689	821	188	252	790	732	888	151	120	731	686	804	179	180	717	922	924	171	118	670	748	838
3000	157	169	729	720	856	194	260	819	766	925	158	125	766	714	840	186	186	747	958	961	177	123	695	782	873
	159	175	745	735	874	199	267	839	785	946	163	127	784	729	859	192	189	769	977	981	180	124	711	796	892
3200	170	180	780	767	911	205	273	867	819	985	171	131	815	756	892	200	196	800	1012	1018	186	128	738	825	924
	172	185	798	785	930	209	279	888	840	1009	175	134	832	776	911	204	197	824	1033	1039	194	131	761	842	946
3400	179	191	825	814	962	215	286	913	871	1042	182	139	860	802	942	210	202	853	1065	1073	200	136	785	868	976
	181	196	843	832	983	219	292	934	891	1064	186	142	880	821	962	215	206	878	1088	1098	203	137	804	887	998
3600	190	202	872	861	1017	225	298	958	921	1099	191	147	908	847	994	221	211	904	1119	1131	208	141	829	912	1029
	192	206	890	882	1039	230	303	981	943	1124	196	150	928	872	1017	227	216	931	1141	1157	216	145	854	933	1056
3800	201	212	920	908	1070	235	312	1006	973	1159	202	156	958	896	1047	232	221	957	1172	1190	221	149	876	956	1084
	203	216	940	931	1094	245	317	1035	996	1187	207	158	985	915	1071	238	224	985	1195	1215	226	151	898	978	1108
4000	210	222	963	957	1124	251	322	1058	1023	1219	214	163	1010	938	1099	245	229	1010	1223	1246	231	155	920	1001	1135
	212	227	985	980	1149	254	328	1084	1045	1246	218	166	1029	961	1124	251	232	1038	1248	1272	237	159	944	1022	1160
4200	221	232	1014	1007	1180	262	333	1112	1077	1281	224	171	1052	985	1151	258	237	1064	1278	1303	243	163	966	1046	1188
	223	238	1038	1030	1206	268	338	1136	1100	1307	229	174	1074	1008	1177	264	241	1091	1302	1329	246	166	987	1067	1214
4400	230	243	1064	1056	1236	274	345	1160	1129	1338	235	179	1098	1030	1203	271	246	1115	1330	1359	251	174	1015	1089	1242
	232	248	1089	1082	1262	279	351	1185	1153	1365	239	183	1122	1053	1228	276	249	1146	1355	1387	254	177	1039	1112	1270
4600	239	253	1114	1105	1291	286	358	1208	1180	1393	245	188	1145	1076	1253	282	255	1170	1385	1417	263	179	1067	1135	1299
	241	258	1139	1131	1318	290	364	1236	1206	1423	250	191	1171	1102	1283	290	257	1207	1410	1450	267	182	1090	1158	1327
4800	249	263	1166	1156	1347	298	369	1258	1231	1453	256	197	1195	1125	1309	296	263	1232	1440	1480	271	186	1110	1180	1354
	251	268	1190	1182	1374	303	375	1287	1258	1485	261	200	1223	1150	1338	302	267	1265	1467	1510	276	189	1133	1205	1381
5000	259	273	1216	1206	1404	310	380	1308	1283	1513	267	203	1247	1170	1367	309	273	1289	1497	1541	284	193	1160	1228	1409
	261	279	1240	1231	1431	314	388	1336	1306	1543	270	207	1272	1195	1403	315	276	1323	1525	1571	287	197	1184	1251	1438
5200	268	284	1265	1256	1460	321	392	1357	1330	1571	276	212	1294	1217	1430	321	282	1346	1554	1602	293	201	1204	1273	1462
	271	289	1289	1282	1489	327	397	1389	1363	1609	280	217	1318	1239	1465										

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Detailed Follow-Up Load-Deflection Data, in Lb. and 1/1000 in.
Pallets of Improved Design

Test Load	Pallet No. Bb1					Pallet No. Bb2					Pallet No. Bb3					Pallet No. Bb4					Pallet No. Bb5				
	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E
0	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000
200	11	13	43	46	40	12	12	39	48	46	13	10	39	54	54	07	07	35	30	35	10	05	49	16	46
400	24	30	98	105	105	26	31	97	117	117	30	23	93	125	125	18	21	94	90	100	26	16	115	69	113
600	40	45	152	167	172	39	46	147	178	184	48	36	147	194	197	30	36	150	148	163	41	27	180	122	179
800	56	58	206	224	238	51	60	197	235	246	62	49	195	257	265	41	49	208	210	230	54	38	241	172	243
1000	77	70	262	280	303	62	73	246	293	306	72	63	240	323	331	52	63	265	271	298	66	49	301	224	309
1200	85	73	274	291	318	65	77	256	304	320	76	65	247	335	342	55	67	279	284	312	71	51	314	235	321
1400	96	82	313	336	364	73	87	295	350	369	83	76	282	386	394	64	76	328	332	369	79	61	364	276	375
1600	103	85	326	347	381	75	93	305	361	381	87	79	290	399	405	66	79	342	343	383	83	63	376	385	386
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2000	120	96	377	405	440	85	108	347	418	535	98	92	335	468	470	76	93	405	403	448	95	73	433	333	445
2200	128	103	411	450	483	93	117	396	462	583	104	103	369	519	520	83	100	451	450	500	104	82	477	371	492
2400	134	107	424	462	498	96	125	408	476	599	108	106	379	533	532	88	103	468	463	514	107	84	489	381	503
2600	142	114	457	503	542	103	135	446	518	645	114	117	412	578	580	95	110	510	511	564	117	94	531	418	550
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4200	189	154	637	696	763	146	185	648	731	876	178	166	594	802	815	136	147	721	727	804	164	134	744	604	780
4400	193	157	651	711	779	149	190	668	747	893	186	169	609	819	831	139	150	737	742	820	169	136	764	616	796
4600	200	164	681	744	815	156	197	700	783	930	196	179	640	855	871	145	155	771	778	859	177	142	799	646	833
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5000	210	175	725	792	867	166	207	748	830	985	212	191	684	907	925	154	164	821	829	914	197	156	858	692	888
5200	214	178	742	809	888	170	211	768	847	1004	224	196	700	927	944	156	167	839	847	932	206	158	880	706	906
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5800	234	194	813	888	972	185	230	848	928	1094	251	216	772	1011	1034	172	181	914	928	1023	224	172	966	776	995
6000	237	199	832	908	998	188	236	871	948	1119	257	220	790	1032	1055	184	183	941	952	1050	227	175	988	792	1017
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6400	247	210	876	957	1050	197	246	922	998	1175	271	231	837	1085	1113	191	192	986	1000	1102	237	186	1045	837	1073
6600	254	216	901	983	1078	201	252	946	1025	1204	278	241	861	1115	1145	196	199	1011	1030	1133	243	191	1073	862	1105
6800	258	221	922	1004	1104	205	258	972	1046	1228	282	243	879	1137	1168	198	202	1032	1050	1156	247	197	1097	880	1128
7000	264	226	945	1022	1130	209	262	995	1073	1256	290	251	904	1164	1201	203	207	1056	1075	1185	253	201	1127	903	1159
7200	268	231	969	1051	1154	212	267	1021	1095	1281	294	254	924	1185	1223	207	211	1078	1098	1207	255	205	1148	920	1182
7400	273	237	991	1075	1182	217	273	1045	1119	1308	299	262	945	1212	1251	213	216	1101	1123	1236	262	213	1179	944	1214
7600	278	241	1012	1097	1207	221	279	1073	1144	1334	303	265	966	1236	1275	216	220	1124	1146	1259	265	216	1201	963	1237
7800	284	248	1034	1124	1235	225	283	1095	1168	1360	312	271	993	1263	1306	221	225	1147	1169	1285	271	221	1227	985	1265
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9000	313	277	1167	1260	1393	251	313	1248	1315	1519	342	301	1119	1407	1467	249	254	1290	1313	1441	301	250	1382	1118	1425
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9400	324	287	1212	1307	1445	259	324	1299	1363	1572	351	312	1158	1456	1520	260	262	1337	1360	1495	312	257	1434	1159	1478
9600	328	293	1237	1329	1477	262	329	1330	1389	1602	355	316	1178	1482	1546	264	267	1362	1385	1522	314	261	1458	1179	1504
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10000	338	303	1278	1374	1524	270	339	1381	1437	1658	368	327	1224	1531	1603	273	276	1408	1432	1575	325	269	1509	1220	1557
10200	343	309	1298	1398	1552	274	344	1401	145																

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Pallets of Improved Design

Test Load	Pallet No. Bc1				Pallet No. Bc2				Pallet No. Bc3				Pallet No. Bc4				Pallet No. Bc5			
	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D
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200	10	08	39	55	00	07	08	43	08	08	32	45	12	06	32	18	10	10	41	49
	11	08	42	59	00	08	15	51	10	11	37	53	17	11	45	30	12	13	50	60
400	23	18	85	114	05	19	65	103	23	24	77	117	32	19	89	87	24	29	101	120
	25	20	93	123	06	21	73	112	26	27	85	126	36	24	100	98	25	31	109	128
600	37	30	132	177	18	32	123	164	38	38	123	186	49	33	141	153	36	47	159	188
	38	31	141	186	23	35	132	175	41	41	132	196	52	37	151	162	38	50	167	197
800	48	41	178	236	38	46	178	226	52	52	171	254	63	45	189	216	49	65	216	255
	50	43	187	247	43	49	189	238	56	54	180	263	67	49	199	227	53	71	226	266
1000	58	52	223	294	61	59	236	292	68	65	217	316	77	57	233	279	65	82	271	325
	60	53	231	304	68	63	248	306	74	70	230	328	82	61	244	290	68	87	281	336
1200	69	62	266	351	82	73	290	356	88	78	267	379	92	69	277	339	79	97	324	393
	71	64	274	362	87	77	301	370	93	82	279	391	96	74	290	352	83	102	334	406
1400	79	72	309	407	98	86	342	415	104	88	314	439	106	82	323	402	93	113	376	462
	82	74	319	419	103	91	353	429	109	90	325	451	111	85	335	416	96	116	386	473
1600	88	82	355	465	117	99	394	474	121	97	362	503	120	93	368	466	107	126	426	523
	90	84	365	479	122	104	407	489	128	101	375	517	126	97	381	482	110	131	436	535
1800	101	92	401	524	131	113	446	531	141	109	411	569	136	105	413	533	122	140	476	582
	103	95	411	536	136	117	459	544	146	111	425	582	141	110	425	550	125	145	487	596
2000	109	101	446	578	145	125	497	586	157	117	460	629	150	117	456	598	134	156	525	639
	112	103	457	590	150	128	509	599	165	121	476	646	156	122	468	613	139	158	536	651
2200	123	110	492	632	161	136	546	640	175	128	506	691	164	128	500	660	150	167	573	691
	125	112	503	645	165	139	561	653	180	131	520	706	168	131	512	678	153	171	582	700
2400	132	118	536	683	175	147	596	691	190	137	553	751	177	140	541	721	165	180	618	741
	134	120	549	698	178	149	611	705	196	140	566	768	180	143	554	737	168	183	630	753
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	147	130	594	752	196	160	666	759	211	151	614	829	193	155	597	794	183	195	678	799
2800	153	136	628	788	204	166	699	793	218	158	644	867	200	161	625	831	191	204	710	832
	156	139	641	801	207	170	715	808	224	162	660	887	205	165	640	848	194	207	725	846
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	165	147	692	852	224	181	769	860	238	172	702	943	216	175	684	900	207	221	774	895
3200	173	154	722	886	231	188	799	891	246	186	735	978	222	181	710	933	215	229	803	928
	175	156	738	904	235	192	819	908	252	189	753	1001	227	186	728	952	221	234	826	948
3400	181	163	765	935	245	199	851	937	260	195	777	1034	234	191	752	982	230	241	853	977
	184	166	782	955	249	202	873	957	266	199	794	1056	238	196	770	1001	235	246	876	999
3600	192	173	812	987	256	209	899	984	273	210	824	1091	244	200	794	1029	245	253	910	1029
	195	176	828	1006	260	214	921	1007	278	213	841	1114	248	205	816	1048	250	258	933	1053
3800	200	183	854	1036	271	221	951	1034	284	218	863	1146	256	210	838	1076	259	268	961	1081
	204	187	876	1057	275	227	973	1056	290	221	881	1168	262	214	860	1097	267	273	988	1104
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	221	195	924	1109	284	237	1016	1103	301	232	923	1221	273	223	900	1146	282	287	1040	1156
4200	229	202	950	1138	295	243	1046	1128	308	238	945	1253	279	228	918	1171	290	295	1066	1183
	239	207	971	1162	298	247	1068	1150	312	241	963	1277	284	232	939	1192	296	301	1092	1207
4400	245	212	995	1188	303	253	1089	1175	319	251	988	1308	291	238	960	1217	304	310	1117	1235
	252	216	1016	1212	308	257	1111	1198	323	254	1007	1332	296	242	980	1239	308	315	1149	1261
4600	258	221	1039	1236	317	263	1139	1220	330	259	1026	1360	303	246	999	1263	316	323	1172	1288
	263	227	1059	1261	322	268	1163	1245	334	262	1046	1384	308	250	1021	1286	321	329	1201	1313
4800	270	232	1084	1286	328	273	1182	1268	342	272	1073	1415	315	254	1040	1310	329	336	1223	1341
	273	237	1105	1311	333	278	1207	1293	347	276	1092	1440	320	259	1062	1333	335	343	1252	1368
5000	279	241	1127	1335	343	283	1234	1313	353	280	1111	1468	327	263	1081	1357	344	350	1275	1395
	283	247	1149	1361	347	288	1259	1339	358	284	1132	1494	333	267	1102	1388	350	358	1304	1423
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	293	255	1196	1407	358	298	1302	1388	371	297	1179	1551	347	276	1146	1437	363	372	1357	1478
5400	299	262	1218	1433	369	304	1331	1409	377	301	1197	1577	354	281	1166	1460	369	380	1378	1503
	303	265	1240	1456	373	311	1355	1434	383	305	1217	1604	359	285	1190	1483	376	387	1409	1533
5600	309	272	1263	1481	379	316	1373	1456	388	314	1242	1631	366	290	1209	1506	383	394	1430	1557
	313	277	1288	1508	385	320	1394	1478	394	317	1265	1659	372	295	1233	1531	390	402	1460	1585
5800	319	282	1309	1533	394	326	1423	1497	400	321	1281	1685	379	299	1253	1554	397	409	1481	1609
	323	286	1334	1560	399	331	1446	1524	406	325	1304	1713	386	304	1278	1581	403	417	1512	1640
6000	329	293	1357	1584	405	336	1464	1546	412	334	1327	1740	393	309	1298	1603	410	424	1533	1664
	332	296	1376	1609	410	342	1488	1572	417	336	1346	1768	397	313	1319	1627	416	432	1563	1694

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Pallens of Improved Design

Test Load	Pallet No. Bd1					Pallet No. Bd2					Pallet No. Bd3					Pallet No. Bd4					Pallet No. Bd5				
	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E
0	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000	000
200	13	07	37	43	45	11	11	41	93	47	13	08	43	47	49	13	09	38	45	43	07	08	41	42	43
	17	08	46	53	56	13	12	47	105	54	16	10	51	54	57	17	15	52	58	56	09	10	51	54	55
400	38	17	97	107	119	27	20	99	164	114	35	23	110	112	124	39	29	109	114	118	18	25	107	117	123
	43	10	109	117	131	30	22	108	174	125	38	25	120	121	134	48	35	125	127	133	21	27	116	125	133
600	60	28	155	169	188	46	30	156	231	184	55	36	175	179	198	62	50	177	186	194	32	40	170	184	197
	64	30	166	178	202	49	32	166	241	196	58	40	188	188	211	68	57	192	195	206	34	42	179	193	207
800	81	38	210	224	255	65	40	214	295	254	75	47	240	243	273	81	73	241	251	266	47	54	235	249	271
	86	40	222	235	268	68	42	225	306	266	79	51	254	254	287	87	81	258	262	281	49	56	246	259	282
1000	101	48	264	280	321	82	49	271	360	323	95	57	306	307	349	98	94	306	315	337	62	68	302	316	347
	104	51	275	291	335	85	52	282	372	336	99	62	323	319	364	102	100	318	325	349	63	70	312	325	357
1200	118	60	316	338	388	101	59	328	426	394	116	68	377	372	425	113	109	363	378	404	74	82	367	381	420
	130	66	331	355	406	104	62	339	437	407	120	73	392	383	439	117	113	374	388	416	76	84	376	390	430
1400	147	73	374	402	460	119	68	386	493	463	135	84	448	438	501	128	123	416	437	468	85	95	427	444	490
	153	81	387	416	476	122	71	397	505	476	141	86	468	452	520	137	125	429	448	482	87	97	437	454	501
1600	171	89	432	467	533	134	78	440	555	528	156	96	522	508	582	142	135	473	501	536	95	107	487	505	561
	172	93	444	481	547	136	79	455	569	543	161	99	540	523	600	147	138	487	514	550	97	109	497	514	572
1800	183	101	484	525	598	152	86	499	517	598	175	103	589	573	660	156	147	528	565	604	104	118	543	563	627
	186	106	496	541	613	158	87	516	633	615	181	108	610	590	679	160	151	542	578	619	106	120	554	572	639
2000	205	115	540	588	668	168	94	557	676	664	194	113	657	638	735	170	160	582	626	670	116	130	599	617	692
	207	119	553	601	682	175	97	574	692	680	199	118	676	654	755	174	170	599	646	689	117	132	608	626	703
2200	225	129	596	647	735	186	103	614	736	728	212	123	723	703	810	183	180	639	692	737	123	141	653	669	753
	228	133	610	660	750	191	105	631	750	744	218	127	745	720	829	187	187	656	708	755	124	142	665	680	766
2400	238	141	649	701	796	204	112	673	794	791	230	132	791	764	880	195	195	692	753	801	131	152	708	722	814
	241	145	665	717	813	207	114	690	812	808	236	136	814	781	900	200	201	711	769	818	136	154	720	733	828
2600	260	155	706	761	864	218	120	728	853	853	249	141	856	822	948	208	210	749	811	864	142	161	760	774	873
	262	158	722	776	883	223	123	747	870	870	257	144	884	843	971	212	216	769	829	883	144	164	770	785	887
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	287	168	806	834	956	238	131	806	925	929	276	154	956	903	1042	224	229	821	882	944	155	174	818	835	944
3000	295	176	839	868	998	248	137	842	961	966	287	159	993	939	1085	232	238	857	921	987	163	180	853	868	984
	299	180	859	887	1021	252	140	860	980	986	296	163	1023	966	1113	237	243	878	940	1010	165	183	865	880	999
3200	308	188	890	920	1059	262	146	893	1014	1023	307	168	1058	999	1155	245	251	911	975	1050	172	191	899	912	1037
	312	193	914	940	1084	266	150	913	1034	1046	316	172	1089	1026	1184	250	257	935	995	1074	175	192	913	925	1052
3400	331	200	953	975	1126	275	155	944	1065	1082	325	177	1122	1059	1222	259	265	967	1029	1111	183	199	945	954	1088
	334	206	977	995	1149	279	158	963	1086	1105	334	182	1155	1086	1252	264	271	993	1050	1136	186	201	958	967	1103
3600	341	213	1006	1026	1185	288	164	994	1116	1139	342	190	1187	1119	1289	271	279	1025	1083	1171	193	207	989	996	1138
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	369	229	1101	1105	1276	306	177	1067	1190	1218	369	205	1287	1198	1382	294	296	1134	1155	1267	205	221	1048	1052	1202
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	427	263	1265	1265	1465	344	209	1219	1339	1385	418	240	1478	1358	1578	331	339	1302	1308	1442	235	250	1174	1175	1344
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4800	458	280	1344	1344	1560	364	225	1299	1413	1470	444	255	1573	1434	1674	350	359	1382	1382	1530	251	265	1238	1234	1416
	463	285	1367	1371	1592	367	230	1321	1436	1497	453	260	1612	1461	1709	355	366	1410	1409	1560	256	270	1254	1252	1437
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	482	303	1430	1423	1659	379	241	1370	1486	1552	471	272	1680	1517	1776	368	380	1465	1458	1619	265	279	1291	1293	1481
5200	489	309	1450	1447	1686	387	246	1398	1510	1582	479	278	1706	1541	1806	374	386	1490	1483	1647	271	283	1322	1311	1510
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Average Follow-Up Load-Deflection Values, in Lb. and 1/1000 in.

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	10	14	06	11	08	10	46	46	54	55	45	49	54	52	61	59	49	55		14	17	13	09	10	13	51	55	53	42	40	48	46	60	61	44	54	53	
400	20	32	14	25	18	22	92	94	100	111	95	98	107	107	113	122	105	111		27	29	27	20	21	25	102	107	109	92	92	100	105	117	125	100	113	112	
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	103	150	88	124	94	112	457	484	465	549	476	486	539	564	524	615	561	561		132	123	122	107	108	119	492	497	511	525	486	502	560	662	596	577	561	591	
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2400	135	189	113	155	121	143	587	638	599	695	601	624	698	746	680	785	716	725		161	153	158	133	139	149	621	637	646	675	625	641	706	820	759	747	725	751	
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	147	208	126	170	134	157	647	709	663	769	659	689	766	827	753	866	785	799		175	170	178	145	153	164	681	708	714	740	690	707	779	893	831	820	796	824	
2800	154	217	133	176	143	165	679	742	694	802	692	722	804	867	790	905	822	838		182	177	188	150	160	171	713	742	748	775	723	740	815	930	871	859	833	862	
	155	220	136	180	145	168	694	761	709	820	709	739	821	888	804	924	838	855		186	181	195	153	169	177	730	757	765	791	742	757	836	949	887	876	850	880	
3000	163	227	142	186	150	174	725	793	740	853	739	770	856	925	840	961	873	891		193	187	202	159	177	184	759	789	796	825	775	789	867	985	925	914	888	916	
	167	233	145	191	152	178	740	812	757	873	754	787	874	946	859	981	892	910		196	191	210	162	182	188	776	808	814	843	793	807	888	1004	944	932	906	935	
3200	175	239	151	198	157	184	774	843	786	906	782	818	911	985	892	1018	924	946		205	197	220	167	189	196	807	838	844	873	824	837	920	1038	981	967	942	970	
	179	244	155	201	163	188	792	864	804	929	802	838	930	1009	911	1039	946	967		209	202	227	171	192	200	825	858	863	893	842	856	944	1061	1001	990	962	992	
3400	185	251	161	206	168	194	820	892	831	959	827	866	962	1042	942	1073	976	999		214	208	234	177	198	206	851	888	892	921	871	865	972	1094	1034	1023	995	1024	
	189	256	164	211	170	198	838	913	851	983	846	886	983	1064	962	1098	998	1021		218	212	239	184	201	211	870	910	911	947	890	906	998	1119	1055	1050	1017	1045	
3600	196	262	169	216	175	204	867	940	878	1012	871	914	1017	1099	994	1131	1029	1054		224	217	246	189	208	217	896	937	941	973	920	933	1026	1150	1090	1081	10510		

APPENDIX TABLE 29d

Average Follow-Up Load-Deflection Values, in Lb. and 1/1000 In.

Load	Pallet Bc	Deflections AB					Deflections CD					Deflection E					Pallet Bd	Deflections AB					Deflections CD					Deflection E									
		1	2	3	4	5	Avg.	1	2	3	4	5	Avg.	1	2	3		4	5	Avg.	1	2	3	4	5	Avg.	1	2	3	4	5	Avg.					
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200	09	04	08	09	10	08	47	26	39	25	45	36	54	44	37	24	49	42	10	10	11	11	11	08	10	40	67	45	42	42	47	45	47	49	43	43	45
	10	04	11	14	13	10	51	33	45	38	55	44	57	52	43	38	60	50	13	13	13	13	16	10	13	50	76	53	55	53	57	56	54	57	56	55	56
400	21	12	24	26	27	22	100	84	97	88	111	96	114	110	100	92	123	108	28	24	29	34	22	27	102	132	111	112	112	114	119	114	124	118	123	120	
	23	14	27	30	28	24	108	93	106	99	119	105	123	120	109	104	134	118	31	26	32	42	24	31	113	141	121	126	121	124	131	125	134	133	133	131	
600	34	25	38	41	42	36	155	144	155	147	174	155	177	177	163	157	197	174	44	38	46	56	36	44	162	194	177	182	177	178	188	184	198	194	197	192	
	35	29	41	45	44	39	164	154	164	157	182	164	187	189	172	168	207	185	47	41	49	63	38	48	172	204	188	194	186	189	202	196	211	206	207	204	
800	45	42	52	54	57	50	207	202	213	203	236	212	239	249	226	218	271	241	60	53	61	77	51	60	217	255	242	246	242	240	255	254	273	266	271	264	
	47	46	55	58	62	54	217	214	222	213	246	222	250	264	235	231	282	252	63	55	65	84	53	64	229	266	254	260	253	252	268	266	287	281	282	277	
1000	55	60	67	67	74	65	259	264	267	256	298	269	300	323	289	282	342	307	75	66	76	96	65	76	272	316	307	311	309	303	321	323	349	337	347	335	
	57	66	72	72	78	69	268	277	279	267	309	280	311	339	301	295	353	320	78	69	81	101	67	79	283	327	321	322	319	314	335	336	364	349	357	348	
1200	66	78	83	81	88	79	309	323	323	308	359	324	360	394	351	344	411	372	89	80	92	111	78	90	327	377	375	371	374	365	388	394	425	404	420	406	
	68	82	88	85	93	83	318	336	335	321	370	336	371	409	364	359	424	385	98	83	97	115	80	95	343	388	388	381	383	377	406	407	439	416	430	420	
1400	76	92	96	94	103	92	358	379	377	363	419	379	419	463	411	409	480	436	110	94	110	126	90	106	388	440	443	427	436	427	460	463	501	468	490	476	
	78	97	100	98	106	96	369	391	388	376	430	301	431	478	424	420	492	449	117	97	114	128	92	110	402	451	460	439	446	440	476	476	520	482	501	491	
1600	85	108	109	107	117	105	410	434	433	417	475	434	478	531	472	468	547	499	130	106	126	139	101	120	450	498	515	487	496	489	533	528	582	536	561	568	
	87	113	115	112	121	110	422	448	446	432	486	447	490	548	485	483	561	508	133	108	130	143	103	123	463	512	532	501	506	503	547	543	600	550	572	562	
1800	97	122	125	121	131	119	463	489	490	473	529	489	539	599	535	530	614	563	142	119	139	152	111	133	505	558	581	547	553	549	598	598	660	604	627	617	
	99	127	129	126	135	123	474	502	504	488	542	502	550	615	548	546	628	577	146	123	145	156	113	137	519	575	600	560	563	563	613	615	679	619	639	633	
2000	105	135	137	134	145	131	512	542	545	527	582	542	596	665	594	590	678	625	160	131	154	165	123	147	564	617	648	604	608	608	668	664	735	670	692	686	
	108	139	143	139	149	136	524	554	561	541	594	555	609	680	611	605	691	639	163	136	159	172	125	151	577	633	665	623	617	623	682	680	755	689	703	702	
2200	117	149	152	146	159	145	562	593	599	580	632	593	657	727	658	653	736	686	177	145	168	182	132	161	622	675	713	666	661	667	735	728	810	737	753	753	
	119	152	156	150	162	148	574	607	613	595	641	606	671	744	674	668	747	701	181	148	173	187	133	164	635	691	733	682	673	683	750	744	829	755	765	769	
2400	125	161	164	159	173	156	610	644	652	631	680	643	714	788	720	712	792	745	190	158	181	195	142	173	675	734	778	723	715	725	756	791	880	801	814	816	
	127	164	168	162	176	159	624	658	667	646	692	657	729	806	736	730	804	761	193	161	186	201	145	177	691	751	798	740	727	741	813	808	900	818	828	833	
2600	136	175	177	169	185	168	660	697	705	680	725	693	773	851	780	769	845	804	208	169	195	209	152	187	734	791	839	780	757	702	864	853	948	854	873	880	
	139	178	181	174	189	172	673	713	722	696	739	709	788	870	797	788	859	820	210	173	201	214	154	190	749	809	854	799	778	800	883	870	971	883	887	899	
2800	145	185	188	184	198	179	708	746	756	728	771	742	827	909	837	826	898	859	219	182	209	222	161	199	785	847	904	836	814	837	923	911	1017	925	929	941	
	148	189	193	185	201	183	721	762	774	744	786	757	843	929	856	845	914	877	228	185	215	227	165	204	820	866	930	852	827	859	956	929	1042	944	944	968	
3000	154	199	200	191	210	191	755	797	804	775	818	790	882	969	894	880	952	915	236	193	223	235	172	212	854	902	966	889	861	894	998	966	1085	987	984	1004	
	156	203	205	196	214	195	772	815	823	792	835	807	900	991	912	900	971	935	240	196	230	240	174	216	873	920	995	909	873	914	1021	986	1113	1010	999	1026	
3200	164	214	216	202	222	203	804	845	857	842	866	839	938	1028	951	933	1008	972	248	204	238	248	182	224	905	954	1029	943	906	947	1059	1023	1155	1050	1037	1065	
	166	214	221	207	228	207	821	864	877	860	887	858	957	1050	972	955	1031	993	253	208	244	254	184	229	927	974	1058	965	919	969	1084	1046	1184	1074	1052	1088	
3400	172	222	228	213	236	214	850	894	906	867	915	886	991	1087	1007	986	1067	1028	266	215	251	262	191	237	964	1005	1091	998	950	1002	1126	1082	1222	1111	1088	1126	
	175	226	233	217	241	218	869	915	925	886	938	907	1011	1111	1027	1007	1091	1049	270	219	258	268	194	242	986	1025	1121	1022	963	1023	1149	1105	1252	1136	1103	1149	
3600	183	233	242	222	249	226	900	942	958	912	970	936	1048	1146	1064	1037	1128	1085	277	226	266	275	200	249	1016	1055	1153	1054	993	1054	1185	1139	1289	1171	1138	1184	
	186	237	246</																																		

APPENDIX TABLE 30

Two-Factorial Analysis of Variance of Follow-Up Stiffness Test Data
for Pallets of Two Designs, Assembled with Four Different Nails

Source of Variation	Sum of Squares	Degrees of Freedom	Mean Square	Computed f	Critical f	
Design	79.25 E6	1	79.25 E6	87.09	4.15	S
Nail	13.61 E6	3	4.54 E6	4.99	2.90	S
Interaction	3.68 E6	3	1.23 E6	1.35	2.90	NS
Error	29.15 E6	32	0.91 E6			
Total	125.69 E6	39				

APPENDIX TABLE 31

Detailed Load-Carrying Capacity Data, in Lb.

Pallet Design	Pallet No.	Pallet Weight	Ultimate Test Load	Pallet No.	Pallet Weight	Ultimate Test Load
Conventional	Aa1	135.06	8800	Ac1	136.75	11000
	Aa2	137.95	8800*	Ac2	137.67	10400
	Aa3	135.47	7200*	Ac3	134.56	9400
	Aa4	136.44	9200	Ac4	137.53	8600
	Aa5	136.62	8400	Ac5	135.81	10500
	Avg.	136.31	8480	Avg.	136.46	9980
	Ab1	139.89	10200	Ad1	142.88	9600
	Ab2	137.42	10800	Ad2	140.28	6000*
	Ab3	139.69	9800	Ad3	139.44	10400
	Ab4	139.42	10400	Ad4	137.55	9800
	Ab5	136.53	9400	Ad5	141.25	8800
	Avg.	138.59	10120	Avg.	140.28	8920
Improved	Ba1	158.81	11800	Bc1	153.88	11800*
	Ba2	158.75	12000	Bc2	158.83	6200*
	Ba3	158.58	11600	Bc3	156.14	11600
	Ba4	156.19	9800	Bc4	152.62	12600
	Ba5	158.62	11600	Bc5	151.91	11200
	Avg.	158.19	11360	Avg.	154.68	10680
	Bb1	154.66	13800	Bd1	150.47	11600
	Bb2	161.72	12400	Bd2	151.34	11400
	Bb3	157.00	10800	Bd3	154.58	11800
	Bb4	155.72	9400	Bd4	158.94	11200
	Bb5	156.06	11800	Bd5	153.84	12000
	Avg.	157.03	11640	Avg.	153.83	11600

*Ultimate test load limited by failure of center stringer.

APPENDIX TABLE 32

Two-Factorial Analysis of Variance for Ultimate Static Load Test Data
for Pallets of Two Designs, Assembled with Four Different Nails

Source of Variation	Sum of Squares	Degrees of Freedom	Mean Square	Computed f	Critical f	
Design	37.83 E6	1	37.83 E6	20.23	4.15	S
Nail	4.74 E6	3	1.58 E6	0.84	2.90	NS
Interaction	7.87 E6	3	2.62 E6	1.40	2.90	NS
Error	59.90 E6	32	1.87 E6			
Total	110.34 E6	39				

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EVALUATION OF THE IMPROVED STEVEDORE PALLET

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(ABSTRACT)

An evaluation was made of the performance of 48" x 63", reversible, double-face, wing-type, two-way entry, nailed red-oak, stevedore pallets of two designs assembled with four different nails. Special consideration was given to Brazilian situations in the light of the interest of the author in the industrial potential of Brazil.

The pallets of improved design had their top and bottom leading-edge deckboards backed up by follow-up deckboards. Furthermore, four nails, instead of three, were used for fastening the leading-edge deckboards and three nails, instead of two, were used for fastening the inner deckboards to each stringer.

The sequence of tests on each pallet started with the initial stiffness test, followed by the rigidity test, the impact-incline deckboard-stringer separation test, and the follow-up static stiffness and load-carrying capacity tests.

The pallets of improved design were better than those of conventional design during all tests performed. The influence of the nails on pallet performance was significantly different only during the performance of the rigidity and impact-incline tests. During the latter test, the pallets of improved design assembled with 3" helically threaded hardened-steel nails were, on the average, 66 times better than the conventional pallets assembled with the Brazilian 2½" helically fluted nails.

Recommendations were advanced, suggesting that the study be continued and that special consideration be given to the wood species available in Brazil for pallet assembly, to the use of improved nails, and to the environmental conditions under which stevedore pallets are exposed.