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ABSTRACT

This investigation was carried on by the Bureau of Standards in cooperation with the Cotton Duck Association through its technical committee.

A study of various samples of numbered duck, ranging for the medium texture from 2/0 to 6, and for the hard texture from 2/0 to 12 was made. The various test methods are shown. For breaking strength, the strip and three types of grab methods were used, 1 by 1 by 3 inches, 1 by 2 by 3 inches, and 1 by 1 by 1 inch. The 1 by 1 by 3 inch grab method was selected for the standard breaking-strength method of test. The results are listed in construction and breaking-strength tables with various graphs to illustrate the significance of the data. The study of the results shows how the specifications were formulated. There is given the final specification for numbered cotton duck.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Numbered duck may be defined as a mechanical cotton fabric, plain weave, made from heavy plied yarns.¹ The number of the duck is based on the following computation:²

Number of duck = 19 - (Weight per linear yard 22 inches wide in ounces)

¹ This definition is given as an aid to the reader, and may or may not coincide with the final agreement on a definition for this material by a joint committee from the Cotton Duck Association and the National Association of Tent and Awning Manufacturers.

² When the weight per linear yard exceeds 19 this number is indicated as follows: 19 ounces per linear yard is numbered 1/0, 20 ounces is 2/0, etc.

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Numbered duck is commercially designated as either soft, medium, or hard texture. The texture of the duck is dependent on the number of filling threads per inch, the hard texture having more threads than the medium or soft, and the medium more threads than the soft.

While numbered ducks are manufactured ranging in weights from 11 to 49 ounces per square yard (7 to 30 per linear yard 22 inches wide), those most commonly used, especially by the Government departments, range from 11 to 33 for the hard texture and 21 to 33 ounces per square yard for the medium texture.

Numbered duck has a great variety of uses. Some idea of the importance of this fabric may be had by considering the following list, which includes some of the more important uses in the Government services: Covers for pontoons; tarpaulins; cots; parts of tents, such as flaps, ventilators, etc.; wind sails; canopies; winch covers; hammocks; coaling bags; clothes bags; awnings; canvas bands for flags, etc. It lends itself easily to waterproofing on account of its close texture. In addition, it has unusual wearing qualities, probably because of this close texture and comparatively heavy weight.

REASONS FOR THE INVESTIGATION

Notwithstanding the fact that the term "numbered duck" has been definitely established in the industry to mean a certain type of fabric, there have been at various times numerous different specifications used to cover the qualities of this material. Especially was this a fact in the Government service. It was this state of affairs which led the Cotton Duck Association to request this bureau to investigate the characteristics of the commercial numbered ducks for the purpose of establishing specifications which would be acceptable to manufacturer and consumer. These specifications would be the standard throughout the cottonduck industry, since they would be the product of the cooperative efforts of the Cotton Duck Association representing the manufacturers, and the representatives of various Government departments representing the users. The Bureau of Standards obtained and collated the technical data as set forth in this paper.

II. PURPOSE OF THE INVESTIGATION

The purpose of the investigation was to study various commercial numbered ducks in order to formulate and establish specifications for numbered cotton duck for adoption both for Government use and by the industry.

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III. COLLECTION OF SAMPLES AND AVAILABLE DATA

This investigation was begun with a conference of representatives from the Cotton Duck Association, Quartermaster Corps of the War Department, Bureau of Construction and Repair of the Navy Department, Panama Canal, and Bureau of Standards in August, 1921, at which time there was submitted a proposed draft of specifications based on available information and some tests on commercial fabrics. At this meeting plans were made for the submission of samples and other data by the members of the Cotton Duck Association, and a review of the existing specifications. The only method of test on which there seemed to be no definite agreement was the one on breaking strength. To arrive definitely at some decision it was planned to study the results obtained using several different methods.

IV. TEST METHODS

A room equipped with an automatically controlled humidifying and dehumidifying system was used in the conditioning of all samples preparatory to tests. All tests for weight, strength, thread count, twist, etc., were made upon material having a normal moisture content by exposure for at least four hours to an atmosphere of 65 per cent relative humidity at 70° F. temperature. The following test methods were used in this investigation:

1. WEAVE

The determination of the weave is a visual one. This material offered no difficulties, since these fabrics are all plain weave—that is, one up and one down.

2. THREAD COUNT

The number of threads in warp and filling were counted over a space of 3 inches for each sample in five different places. An ordinary thread counter with low-power magnifying glass was used. In counting the warp threads, the spaces were taken equally between the selvages, in no case approaching nearer than I inch to the selvage. In counting the filling, the places counted were spaced equally over the entire length of the sample. The thread count for each system was taken as the average of the five separate determinations, calculated on a basis of threads per inch.

3. YARN SIZE

The yarn size of the material was not determined.

4. TWIST AND PLY

Ten threads over 10 inches long were taken from warp and filling, respectively, of each sample. The turns per 10 inches were determined by means of an apparatus which untwists the specimen. This figure was reduced to twists per inch. The average of the 10 determinations was obtained for each system. The ply was determined by counting the individual single yarns.

5. WIDTH

Each sample was laid out flat and measured in three different places as far apart as the sample would permit at right angles to the warp threads by means of a steel tape to the nearest one-sixteenth of an inch. The arithmetical average of these three determinations was taken as the width of the respective sample.

6. WEIGHT

Five specimens, each 2 by 2 inches, were cut from each sample by means of a steel die. Their positions were equally spaced between the selvages, in no case approaching nearer than 1 inch to the selvage, and were staggered along the warp as far as the length of the sample would permit. Each of these specimens was then weighed on a torsional balance, which with a 2 by 2 inch specimen is calibrated to read the weight in ounces per square yard. These five determinations were averaged.

7. BREAKING STRENGTH

There were several methods suggested for breaking strength. Two of these, the I by I by 3 inch grab method and the I by 3 inch strip method, have since been adopted as standard for testing textile materials.³ In addition to these two, tests were made according to the I by I by I inch and the I by 2 by 3 inch grab methods. These methods are as follows.

(a) BREAKING STRENGTH, STRIP METHOD.—Ten test specimens approximately 6 inches long by $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches wide were cut, five in the direction of the warp and five in the direction of the filling, respectively. In the warp direction, the locations of the specimens were spaced equally on each side of the center line running lengthwise; in the filling direction the locations of the

⁸ These methods are now included in "Standard Textile Test Methods" as issued by the Bureau of Standards. These have been approved by the textiles committee of the Federal Specifications Board, the Joint Committee on Research and Standardization for the Wool Industry, and the Joint Committee on Standardization and Specifications for the Cotton Industry.

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specimens were distributed and staggered as much as the length of the sample would permit. (See fig. 1.) Each specimen was raveled to exactly 1 inch by taking from each side approximately the same number of threads. Care was taken that no two test specimens included the same threads, except for retest as specified below.

The machine used was of the inclination balance type. The capacity of the machine was 800 pounds. The pulling jaw traveled at a uniform rate of 12 inches per minute under no load.

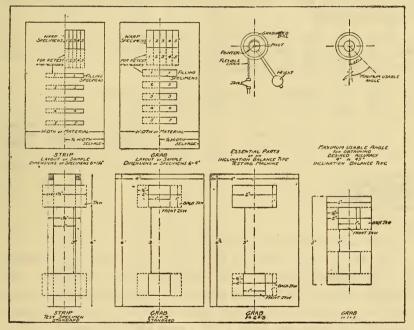


FIG. 1.—Layout of sample and bosition of jaws on breaking strength test specimens for all tests used

Essential parts and limits of use of inclination balance type of machine is shown (upper right). Specimens of the present standard strip and grab methods are indicated.

The distance between jaws was 3 inches at the start of the test. The width of the jaws was $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches or more. The jaws had a smooth, flat surface with edges slightly rounded to prevent cutting. The results of the tests for each direction were averaged. When a specimen slipped in the jaw, broke in the jaw, broke at the edge of the jaw, or for any reason due to faulty operation the result fell markedly below the general average, the result was disregarded, another specimen taken from the same threads, and the results of this break included in the average.

(b) BREAKING STRENGTH, I BY I BY 3 INCH GRAB METHOD.— Ten test specimens 6 inches long by 4 inches wide were cut, five in the direction of the warp and five in the direction of the filling, respectively. Care was taken that no two test specimens included the same threads, except for retest as specified below. The locations of the specimens were determined as in the strip method. (See fig. 1.)

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The machine used was similar to that used in determining the breaking strength by the strip method, except that the bottom half of the jaw was 2 inches or more in width and the other half I inch in width.

The I by 2 by 3 inch grab method and the I by I by I inch grab method were performed essentially as the I by I by 3 inch grab method with the following variations:

TABLE 1.-Variations in Grab Methods

Width of jaws	1 by 1 by 3	1 by 2 by 3	1 by 1 by 1
	inch grab	inch grab	inch grab
	method	method	method
Fixed jaw, top Fixed jaw, bottom. Pulling jaw, top. Pulling jaw, botom. Distance between jaws.	Inches 1 2 1 2 3	Inches 2 2 1 2 3	Inches 1 2 1 2 1 2

These are illustrated in Figure 1.

The size of the sample of the I by I by I inch grab method is 5 by 2 inches instead of 6 by 4 as in the other two cases. This method was not tried in the general investigation, but was used later in a special run to compare results from it with those obtained from the strip and the I by I by J inch grab methods.

V. RESULTS OF TESTS

TABLE 2.-Construction Table for Medium-Texture Duck

Number of duck	Code mark	Width	Weight	Weight	р	1y	Twist o	f ply per ch		ds per ch
duck	COULD THE T		square yard	linear yard ¹	Warp	Filling	Warp	Filling	Warp	Filling
2/0	{AM1 BM1 DM1	Inches $22\frac{1}{8}$ $22\frac{1}{4}$ $14\frac{9}{16}$	Ounces 32. 1 30. 8 32. 9	Ounces 19. 6 18. 8 20. 1	556	8 8 8	4, 64 4, 84 4, 08	2.73 2.15 3.98	30 30½ 26	$16\frac{1}{2}$ $16\frac{1}{2}$ $16\frac{1}{2}$
1/0	(AM2 BM2 DM2 EM1 FM1	$\begin{array}{c} 22\frac{3}{16} \\ 22\frac{1}{4} \\ 14\frac{7}{16} \\ 22\frac{1}{16} \\ 36\frac{1}{4} \end{array}$	30. 4 29. 5 30. 7 30. 4 30. 3	18.6 18.0 18.8 18.6 18.5	5 5 6 5 5	7 7 7 7 7	4.42 4.73 4.11 4.90 4.80	1.30 3.06 3.17 2.80 2.90	30 30 26 32 ¹ ⁄2 32	$17\\16^{1}_{2}\\17^{1}_{2}\\16^{1}_{2}\\16^{1}_{2}\\17$
1	(AM3. BM3. DM3. EM2. FM2.	221/8 221/4 221/8 221/8 221/4 361/8	29. 1 28. 1 28. 7 28. 6 29. 0	17.8 17.2 17.5 17.5 17.5	55555	6 6 6 6	4. 36 4. 51 4. 89 4. 90 4. 70	2.31 3.20 3.71 3.00 2.80	30 30 29 31 31	$171_{2} \\ 171_{2} \\ 18 \\ 171_{2} \\ 18 \\ 171_{2} \\ 18 \\ 18 \\ 171_{2} \\ 18 \\ 18 \\ 18 \\ 18 \\ 18 \\ 18 \\ 18 \\ 1$
2	AM4. BM4. DM4. EM3. FM3.	$\begin{array}{r} 22\frac{1}{4} \\ 22\frac{5}{16} \\ 22^{3} \\ 22\frac{3}{16} \\ 36\frac{1}{4} \end{array}$	27.3 26.9 26.9 27.1 27.5	16.7 16.4 16.4 16.6 16.8	55555	6 6 5 6	4.63 4.88 4.93 4.90 4.60	2. 26 3. 33 3. 79 2. 80 3. 40	281/2 281/2 261/2 28 28 28	$ \begin{array}{r} 16\frac{1}{2} \\ 17\frac{1}{2} \\ 18 \\ 17 \\ 18 \\ 17 \\ 18 \end{array} $
3	AM5 BM5 DM5 EM4 FM4	$\begin{array}{r} 22\frac{1}{8}\\ 22\frac{3}{16}\\ 22\frac{5}{16}\\ 22\frac{1}{4}\\ 36\frac{5}{16}\end{array}$	26. 1 25. 5 25. 9 25. 5 25. 3	15.9 15.6 15.8 15.6 15.5	44544 44	6 6 5 6 6	5.34 5.22 4.82 5.90 3.50	2.09 3.07 4.33 2.80 2.60	30½ 30½ 26½ 29 29	18 ¹ ⁄2 17 19 19 19
4	(AM6 BM6 DM6 EM5	$\begin{array}{c} 22\frac{1}{16} \\ 22\frac{1}{16} \\ 14\frac{3}{16} \\ 22\frac{1}{4} \end{array}$	24. 7 24. 2 24. 9 24. 0	15. 1 14. 8 15. 2 14. 7	4 4 4 4	5 5 5 5 5	5. 31 5. 25 4. 97 5. 70	2. 29 3. 27 4. 51 2. 80	$30\frac{1}{2}$ 31 29 29 $\frac{1}{2}$	19 19 21 21
5	AM7 BM7 DM7 EM6 FM5	$\begin{array}{r} 22\frac{1}{4} \\ 22\frac{5}{18} \\ 14\frac{1}{8} \\ 22\frac{1}{8} \\ 36\frac{3}{16} \end{array}$	23. 0 23. 6 22. 7 22. 5 22. 5	14. 1 14. 4 13. 9 13. 8 13. 8	3 3 4 3 3	55455	6.63 7.00 5.16 7.80 7.60	2. 69 3. 33 6. 07 2. 90 2. 70	36 36 29 ¹ ⁄2 36 35 ¹ ⁄2	21 20½ 21 21 20
6	AM8 BM8 DM8 EM7 FM6	$\begin{array}{c} 22\frac{3}{16} \\ 22\frac{1}{4} \\ 1378 \\ 22 \\ 36\frac{1}{4} \end{array}$	21.7 20.9 20.6 20.8 21.6	13. 3 12. 8 12. 6 12. 7 13. 2	33333	444 33	6.60 7.14 6.52 7.60 7.50	3. 67 3. 87 6. 15 3. 40 7. 10	$35\frac{1}{2}$ 36 34 36 35 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 21 22 26 ¹ ⁄2 26 ¹ ⁄2

¹ Based on 22-inch width.

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		Strip method			nethod, y 3 inch		nethod, y 3 inch		1-weight
Number of duck	Code mark	Warp	Filling	Warp	Filling	Warp	Filling	Strip	1 by 1 by 3 inch grab
2/0	{AM1 BM1 DM1	Pounds 267 250 281	Pounds 383 350 338	Pounds 546 442 516	Pounds 471 419 474	Pounds 564 528	Pounds 534 506	20.5 19.5 18.8	31. 7 27. 9 30. 1
1/0	AM2. BM2. DM2. EM1. FM1.	282 263 293 261 275	320 291 318 307 306	517 443 525 540 514	444 578 419 404 419	566 518 526 527	477 434 440 449	19.8 18.8 19.8 18.7 19.0	31.6 27.8 30.7 31.0 30.3
1	AM3. BM3. DM3. EM2. FM2.	290 268 236 265 257	292 274 321 274 315	495 463 469 504 487	366 350 414 375 378	538 518 558 535	403 387 420 432	20. 0 19. 3 19. 4 18. 8 19. 7	29.6 28.9 30.8 32.4 29.8
2	AM4. BM4. DM4. EM3. FM3.	280 259 244 242 246	270 294 308 280 302	466 463 447 464 463	340 341 377 385 392	507 493 495 516	365 377 419 416	20. 2 21. 0 20. 3 19. 3 19. 9	29.5 29.9 30.6 31.3 31.1
3	A M5 BM5 D M5 E M4 F M4	226 250 262 190 211	321 272 265 309 311	376 387 433 390 400	\$ 93 327 354 411 422	435 434 416 462	436 382 473 473	21. 0 20. 7 20. 2 19. 6 20. 3	29, 5 28, 0 30, 4 27, 1 32, 5
4	AM6. BM6. DM6. EM5.	238 251 230 228	278 271 285 265	391 402 425 401	337 311 402 343	442 462 448	356 354 397	20. 9 21. 6 20. 3 20. 5	29.5 29.5 33.2 31.0
5	AM7. BM7. DM7. EM6. FM5.	196 191 243 209 194	285 295 223 300 271	320 322 417 374 359	341 387 \$01 366 372	378 351 	385 401 398 384	20. 9 20. 6 20. 3 22. 6 20. 3	28.7 30.0 31.7 32.9 32.5
6	AM8. BM8. DM8. EM7. FM6.	197 202 192 204 202	238 211 230 300 229	322 309 307 398 369	267 255 289 352 296	355 342 418 413	302 265 343 320	20. 0 19. 7 20. 2 20. 4 20. 0	26.9 27.0 29.0 36.0 30.8

TABLE 3.-Breaking Strength of Medium-Texture Duck

¹ See p. 460 for definition.

TABLE 4.—Construction Table for Hard-Texture Duck

Number of	Code mark	Width	Weight per	Weight	Р	ly	Twist o in	f ply per ch	Threa in	ds per ch
duck		WIGH	square yard	linear yard ¹	Warp	Filling	Warp	Filling	Warp	Filling
2/0	AH1 BH1 DH1	Inches 22 ¹ / ₈ 22 ³ / ₁₆ 17 ³ / ₈	Ounces 31. 5 30. 3 32. 3	Ounces 19. 2 18. 5 19. 7	5 5 6	7 7 7	4. 4 4. 7 4. 1	2.7 3.1 1.6	30 30½ 26	181_{2} 181_{2} 181_{2} 181_{2}
1/0	AH2 BH2 DH2	$22 \\ 22^{1}_{4} \\ 14^{3}_{16}$	30. 8 29. 4 30. 2	18.8 18.0 18.5	5 5 6	6 6 6	4.6 4.8 4.2	3.0 3.1 3.3	30 ¹ ⁄2 30 26	· 191⁄2 19 181⁄2
1	{AH3 BH3 DH3	$\begin{array}{c} 22\frac{1}{16} \\ 22\frac{1}{8} \\ 14\frac{7}{16} \end{array}$	29.3 27.6 28.0	17.9 16.9 17.1	5 5 5	5 5 6	4.6 4.9 5.0	3.5 3.2 4.4	$\begin{array}{r} 30 \frac{1}{2} \\ 31 \frac{1}{2} \\ 26 \frac{1}{2} \end{array}$	201/2 191/2 20
2	AH4 BH4 DH4	$\begin{array}{c} 21\frac{15}{16} \\ 22^{1}4 \\ 14^{3}8 \end{array}$	27. 8 28. 1 26. 2	17.0 17.2 16.0	5 4 5	5 5 5	4.5 4.8 5.1	1.8 3.2 4.6	29 29 27	211/2 221/2 211/2
3	AH5 BH5 DH5	$22 \\ 221/_8 \\ 141/_4$	26. 0 25. 8 25. 2	15. 9 15. 8 15. 4	4 4 4	5 4 5	5.3 5.1 5.2	2.9 3.2 4.5	31 30 ¹ ⁄2 29	22 21 22
4	(AH6 BH6 CH1. DH6 FH1.	$\begin{array}{r} 22^{1} \\ 22^{1} \\ 22^{1} \\ 8 \\ 28^{3} \\ 14^{1} \\ 36^{3} \\ 16 \end{array}$	24. 2 24. 4 29. 3 24. 4 24. 3	14. 8 14. 9 17. 8 14. 9 14. 8	4 3 4 4	4 4 4 4	5.5 5.3 5.5 5.1 5.4	3.7 3.7 5.2 5.4 2.4	31 31 29 29 29 29 ¹ ⁄2	23 22 24 25½ 241/2
5	AH7 BH7 DH7	$\begin{array}{c} 22\frac{1}{8} \\ 22\frac{1}{16} \\ 18\frac{1}{16} \end{array}$	23. 0 22. 4 23. 0	14. 1 13. 7 14. 1	3 3 3	4 3 4	6.5 7.0 6.6	3.0 2.7 5.4	$351/2 \\ 351/2 \\ 34$	241 241 241
б	AH8 BH8 DH8	$\begin{array}{c} 22\frac{1}{8} \\ 22\frac{3}{16} \\ 14\frac{7}{16} \end{array}$	20.5 21.2 20.3	12.5 13.0 12.4	3 3 3	333	6.5 6.9 6.6	3.7 4.5 6.8	36 36 34½	251 251 26
7	(AH9 BH9 DH9 EH1 FH2	$\begin{array}{c} 22\frac{1}{8} \\ 22\frac{3}{8} \\ 17\frac{3}{16} \\ 22\frac{3}{16} \\ 36\frac{1}{16} \end{array}$	19. 1 19. 0 19. 1 19. 6 19. 5	11.7 11.6 11.7 12.0 11.9	3 3 3 3 3	3 3 4 4 4	8.3 8.4 6.5 8.0 7.9	4. 1 4. 6 6. 8 4. 0 3. 6	45 46 36 36 35 ¹ ⁄ ₂	26 26 291 281 28
8	(AH10 BH10 CH2 DH10 EH2 FH3	$\begin{array}{c} 22\frac{1}{4} \\ 22\frac{5}{18} \\ 25\frac{18}{14} \\ 14\frac{1}{2} \\ 22\frac{1}{8} \\ 36\frac{1}{8} \end{array}$	18. 3 17. 8 18. 4 17. 8 17. 9 17. 9	11. 3 10. 9 11. 2 10. 9 10. 9 10. 9	3 3 3 3 4 3	3 4 4 3 4 4	8. 1 8. 6 7. 0 6. 3 7. 8 7. 6	3.9 3.2 5.9 8.9 3.9 3.8	$\begin{array}{c c} 441_{2} \\ 451_{2} \\ 341_{2} \\ 341_{2} \\ 44 \\ 331_{2} \end{array}$	25 25 27 29 29 29 28 ¹ /2
9	(AH11 BH11 CH3 DH11 EH3 FH4	$\begin{array}{c} 22\frac{1}{8} \\ 22\frac{1}{2} \\ 40\frac{1}{2} \\ 14\frac{1}{8} \\ 22\frac{3}{16} \\ 36\frac{5}{16} \end{array}$	16. 6 15. 7 16. 1 17. 1 16. 6 16. 1	10. 1 9. 6 9. 8 10. 4 10. 1 9. 8	3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	4 4 4 4 4 4	9.5 9.4 8.7 8.0 8.7 8.2	4.8 3.3 3.6 7.2 3.4 3.2	50 49 46 45 ¹ ⁄ ₂ 45 45	26 251 31 30 301 31
10	(AH12 BH12 DH12 EH4 FH5	$\begin{array}{c} 22\frac{1}{16} \\ 22\frac{5}{16} \\ 14\frac{1}{8} \\ 22\frac{1}{4} \\ 36\frac{5}{16} \end{array}$	15. 1 14. 9 14. 9 14. 8 14. 7	9.2 9.1 9.1 9.0 9.0	3 3 3 3 3	3 3 3 3 3 3	9.4 9.9 8.6 8.3 8.6	6.3 5.8 8.8 3.4 3.4	49 ¹ /2 49 46 ¹ /2 45 45	32 32 31 ¹ / 30 ¹ / 30
11	AH13 BH13 DH13 EH5 FH6		13. 2 13. 4 13. 5 13. 0 12. 8	8.1 8.2 8.2 7.9 7.8	3 3 3 3 3	2 2 2 2 2 2	9.6 9.4 8.5 8.4 8.2	8. 2 7. 0 14. 3 4. 5 4. 3	49 ¹ ⁄ ₂ 49 ¹ ⁄ ₂ 44 45 45	34 341 351 321 32
12	AH14 BH14 DH14 EH6 FH7	$\begin{array}{c} 22\frac{1}{16} \\ 22\frac{3}{16} \\ 22 \end{array}$	11.8 11.3 12.1 11.5 11.7	7.2 6.9 7.4 7.0 7.2	2 2 2 2 2 2	2 2 2 2 2 2	13. 9 14. 7 14. 9 13. 7 13. 1	7.9 3.7 14.1 4.8 4.6	$\begin{array}{c} 60 \\ 61 \\ 52^{1}\!\!\!/_{2} \\ 50^{1}\!\!\!/_{2} \\ 50 \end{array}$	361/ 36 37 381/ 34

¹ Based on 22-inch width.

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		Strip n	aethod	Grab n 1 by 1 b	nethod, y 3 inch	Grab n 1 by 2 b	nethod, y 3 inch	Strengtl	n-weight or
Number of duck	Code mark	Warp	Filling	Warp	Filling	Warp	Filling	Strip	1 by 1 by 3 inch grab
2/0	AH1. BH1 DH1.	Pounds 294 221 263	Pounds 395 375 373	Pounds 541 512 513	Pounds 499 483 483	Pounds 568 524	Pounds 551 534	21. 8 19. 8 19. 7	33. 0 32. 5 30. 7
1/0	AH2 BH2 DH2	269 238 281	345 325 309	532 483 528	468 404 416	553 550	481 442	19.9 19.3 19.5	31.8 30.2 31.2
1	{AH3 BH3 DH3	272 263 251	320 312 302	538 492 450	413 369 423	550 564	410 423	20. 0 20. 8 19. 8	32.5 31.2 31.2
2	{AH4 BH4 DH4	280 228 246	323 319 280	536 487 476	428 446 389	568 539	441 506	21. 7 19. 5 20. 1	34.7 33.2 33.0
3	{AH5 BH5 DH5	238 225 218	326 305 308	444 432 409	420 402 427	493 493	438 451	21.7 20.6 20.9	33.2 32.4 33.2
4	AH6 BH6 CH1 DH6 FH1	255 235 220 234 229	272 249 269 286 297	443 429 402 420 460	323 321 344 427 395	477 479 429 477	343 350 402 464	21. 8 19. 8 16. 8 21. 3 21. 6	31. 7 30. 8 25. 5 32. 4 35. 1
5	AH7 BH7 DH7	209 195 196	294 275 258	386 353 348	369 345 330	410 398	381 366	21.9 21.0 19.8	32.8 31.2 29.5
6	AH8 BH8 DH8	213 207 208	214 232 212	378 332 346	249 288 280	421 409	280 323	21. 2 20. 7 20. 2	30. 3 29. 3 30. 8
7	AH9 BH9 DH9 EH1 FH2	186 190 224 208 209	207 224 207 213 212	305 307 338 387 281	265 293 256 257 270	349 359 408 416	272 313 260 281	20. 6 21. 8 22. 6 21. 5 21. 6	29.8 27.5 21.0 32.8 35.1
8	(AH10. BH10. CH2. DH10. EH2. FH3.	190 196 224 225 190 218	182 194 182 151 195 187	304 289 350 330 343 343 346	242 226 193 183 274 230	343 352 361 	256 253 229 285 258	20. 2 21. 9 22. 4 21. 1 21. 5 22. 6	29. 8 28. 9 29. 6 28. 8 34. 4 32. 1
9	(AH11 BH11 CH3. DH11 EH3. FH4.	170 164 155 175 176 169	204 177 197 208 201 205	276 248 257 274 287 289	241 198 244 273 278 246	287 293 284 325 308	254 242 248 300 252	22. 5 21. 7 21. 4 22. 4 22. 7 23. 2	31. 1 28. 4 31. 1 32. 0 34. 0 33. 2
10	AH12 BH12 DH12 EH4 FH5	185 166 187 179 181	144 148 156 138 152	279 250 275 282 281	179 175 193 188 190	318 316 305 315	189 206 192 207	21. 8 20. 8 23. 0 21. 4 22. 6	30. 4 28. 5 31. 4 32. 0 32. 0
11	AH13 BH13 DH13 EH5 FH6	186 168 191 188 180	115 115 123 115 85	281 235 281 273 266	136 125 149 137 128	307 287 309 278	137 139 139 130	23. 0 21. 1 23. 2 23. 3 20. 7	31.7 26.8 31.8 31.5 30.8
12	AH14 BH14 DH14 EH6 FH7	140 143 141 127 125	119 114 126 130 137	208 192 210 195 187	128 141 121 157 158 157	278 227 229 208 198	130 148 141 170 147	20. 7 21. 9 22. 7 22. 3 22. 3 22. 4	29. 6 27. 7 30. 3 30. 7 29. 4

TABLE 5.-Breaking Strength of Hard-Texture Duck

VI. DISCUSSION OF RESULTS

1. WEAVE

Numbered duck is a plain woven fabric. A preliminary determination of the crimp on several of the fabrics showed that the warp crimp ranged from 28 to 34 per cent, while the filling crimp ranged from 3 to 4.5 per cent. This high crimp factor in the warp direction had a decided influence in the selection of the breakingstrength method, as will be shown later.

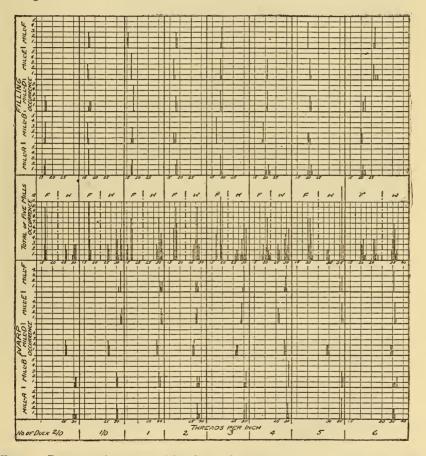
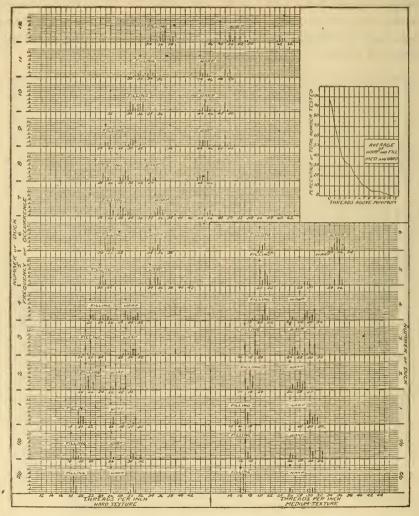
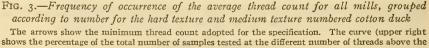


FIG. 2.—Frequency of occurrence of thread count determinations for various medium texture numbered duck grouped according to mills, separately and combined

2. THREAD COUNT

Figure 2 shows the frequency of occurrence of the various thread counts for the fabrics of the different mills. It shows that although the thread count for any mill does not vary more than I or 2 threads, yet the different mills vary in their construction of fabric having the same number. Figure 3 shows a study of the thread counts for each number of duck. A gradual trend toward a higher thread count is shown as the number of the duck rises. The range for each number is also illustrated on this graph.





specified minimum.

From the results illustrated in Figure 3 the minimum thread count was fixed for the specification. It has been placed for convenient comparison on this graph as indicated by arrows. The curve (upper right) shows that 98 per cent of the duck tested con-

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form to this specified minimum thread count. It also shows the various percentages which are 1 or more, 2 or more, 3 or more, etc., threads above the minimum. This method of fixing a minimum permits any manufacturer to exceed it as he desires. However, it is desirable to fix the allowable variation from the manufacturer's established standard. This was ascertained by reference to Figure 2 and similar calculations. It was found that the

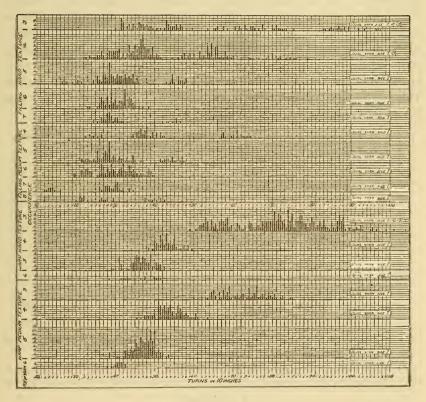


FIG. 4.—Frequency of occurrence of the ply twist in 10 inches for medium and hard texture numbered duck

variations in the fabric from the average thread count ranged from 1 to 2 threads.

3. TWIST AND PLY

These data were determined for general information, for it was not thought advisable to hold the manufacturer very strictly to these features, although the minimum ply was put into the final specification. This minimum may be exceeded at the manufacturer's discretion.

Figure 4 shows the ply twist per inch. It indicates a large range of twists with a tendency toward a higher twist as the ply decreased. The wide range was partly due to the different yarn sizes used, especially in the case of the 3-ply. The warp twist was higher than the filling.

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4. WIDTH

This material is made in a number of different widths, although the number of the duck has been based on the 22-inch width. All of the fabrics tested in this investigation were 36 inches or under. In Figure 5 is shown the variation from the marked The graphs indicate that 80 per cent of the fabrics measwidth. ured would comply with the specification of plus or minus onefourth inch variation on materials up to and including 36 inches. The frequency for both hard and medium combined shows that the most frequent variation (mode) is at one-eighth inch.

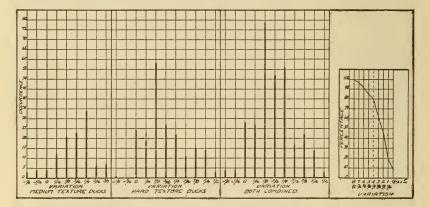


FIG. 5.—Frequency of occurrence of variations from the marked width of numbered duck for medium texture, hard texture, and both combined

Curve at right shows the percentage of the total occurring at each point of variation. This graph includes widths up to and including 36 inches for which the tolerance of plus or minus one-fourth inch was fixed.

5. WEIGHT

The weights given in the specification were based entirely on the following calculations:

Weight per linear yard 22 inches wide = 19 - number of duck.

Weight (oz.) per linear yard $\times 36$ = weight (oz.) per square yard.

Both weights per linear yard and per square yard are given in the specification, but the base used is on the linear-yard figures. This accounts for the figures in the square-yard column in the final specifications given at the end of this paper being expressed to the second decimal place. They have been carried out thus far to take care of the calculations on the allowable tolerances.

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This tolerance, which has been fixed at $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent, is the result of considering the variations in the manufacture of these and other mechanical textile materials. It will be observed by reference to Figure 6 that about 60 per cent of the fabrics studied comply with this requirement. Of the ducks which do not comply, 30 per cent exceed the weight by over $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent and 70 per cent are underweight.

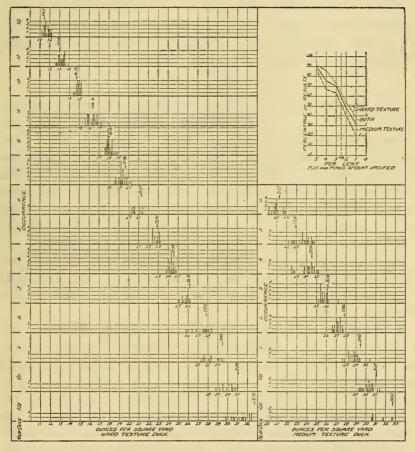


FIG. 6.—Frequency of occurrence of various weights (ounces per square yard) of hard and medium texture numbered duck

The percentage of the total occurrence at the various per cent variations from the amount specified is shown.

The results on weight obtained in this investigation, as given in the construction tables, are on the basis of ounces per square yard. The linear results have been calculated.

All Government specifications as they are revised have been and will be on the square-yard basis. The industry has adopted the square-yard basis on all recently developed specifications,

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such as tire duck, airplane-wing fabrics, balloon fabrics, dredging sleeves, etc.

Numbered duck as a particular instance shows the results of the linear-yard system. These ducks are quite numerous, some of them are no longer made as a staple, although they would be made on order. Even of those most generally made, the bulk of the purchases falls on less than half the numbers. While first appearing as a 22-inch width fabric, on which the present numbering system is based, they have come into use in many widths; the number, therefore, is of use only to those who are entirely familiar with the type of material.

6. BREAKING STRENGTH

This test presented the greatest number of considerations. There were in use several different methods of test for determining the breaking strength of duck. This resulted in confusion, for since each method produced different results no means of comparison were offered. Accordingly, it was desirable that one standard method be adopted, and to accomplish this a series of tests were run on the prevailing methods. These were stated to be the strip method, the I by 2 by 3 inch grab method, and the I by I by 3 inch grab method. Later in the investigation the I by I by I inch grab method was introduced and a short study made to compare this with the strip and the I by I by 3 inch grab. The procedure for these methods is described under "Test methods" herein.

A consideration of the methods and results eliminated the I by 2 by 3 inch grab method, for it was found that this was not an exact tensile method, since it was a combination of the tearing and breaking strength. The one jaw holding I inch of fabric pulls against 2 inches in the other jaw. The yarns held in one and not in the other half are subjected to a modified tearing strain. This combination introduced additional factors, and made the results of little value, since they could not be studied with exactitude. Another consideration which discouraged the adoption of this test was that it was the least used of any of the methods. This was probably due to the reasons given above and hence strengthened the decision to eliminate it.

In the main investigation there remained the I by 3 inch strip and the I by I by 3 inch grab methods. These methods are the most generally used in textile testing.⁴

⁴ See footnote 3, p. 446.

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Figure 7 shows a comparison of these two methods on the warp direction of medium texture numbered cotton ducks arranged according to numbers and grouped according to mills. It is apparent on this graph that the range for the eight numbers is much larger for the I by I by 3 inch grab than for the strip. Thus,

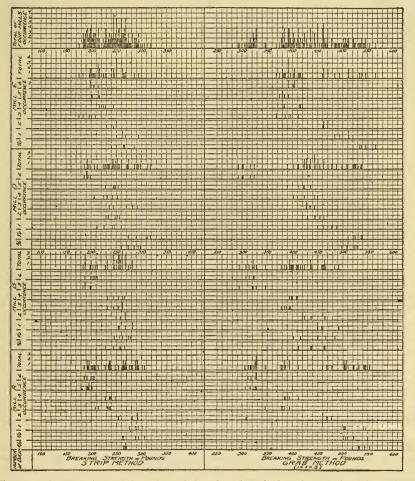


FIG. 7.—A comparison of the strip and the I by I by 3 inch grab methods of determining breaking strength

The frequency of occurrence of results obtained on numbered cotton duck is shown. These two methods are standard breaking-strength methods for woven textile materials.

in the case of the grab method, the results of which range from 270 to 560 pounds, the breaking strength of each of the numbers is more easily defined. The strip method breaks are grouped more closely together and range only from 180 to 320 pounds for the eight numbers of duck shown. In the testing of materials submitted on a contract, or for comparative quality, the more

closely the characteristics can be allocated the more desirable is the test. It is interesting to note in these graphs that the same tendencies are shown by each method; that is, where one of the breaking strengths was low or high in one method a similar tendency was shown by the other method.

Also in the strip method of test it has been found that when the crimp is much higher in one system of threads than the other system, as is the case with numbered ducks, the outside threads

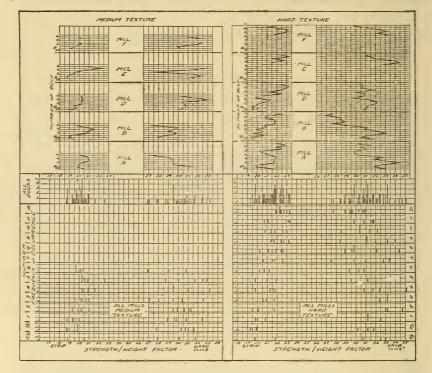


FIG. 8.—A comparison of the strength-weight factor for the strip and the I by I by 3 inch grab methods

The results are grouped for each number and for each mill, for both medium and hard texture numbered duck. A total frequency for all the duck is shown. The strength-weight factor is obtained by dividing the sum of the breaking strengths (in pounds) of the warp and filling by the weight per square yard (in ounces).

of the test specimen of the more highly crimped system straighten out first, causing the inside threads to carry more than their proportionate share of the load and thus lowering the breakingstrength result. In the grab test these conditions are not obtained, for the threads are held in place by the surrounding interlacings.

Consideration should be given to the strength-weight factor in selecting a method of determining breaking strength. This factor is obtained by dividing the sum of the warp and filling breaking strength in pounds by the weight of the material in ounces per square yard.

(Breaking strength warp) + (Breaking strength filling) Weight in ounces per square yard = Strength-weight factor

Figure 8 shows a comparison of the strength-weight factor as determined for the strip and 1 by 1 by 3 inch grab methods on both medium and hard texture ducks. The graph for each mill is shown above. Since numbered duck is manufactured on a

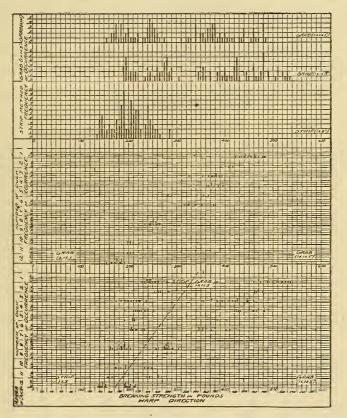


FIG. 9.—A comparison of the strip (I by 3 inch), grab (I by I by 3 inch), and grab (I by I by I inch) methods of determining breaking strength using the results obtained on the warp direction of numbered cotton duck

definite system using the ply of yarns and thread count to increase weight, this increased weight should result in a proportionate increase in strength. The strength-weight factor should remain unchanged for the same texture of duck. However, if by variation of the thread count, yarns, and plies, the texture of the duck is materially altered, a variation in the strength-weight factor would result. This fact accounts for the difference in strengthweight factors for the medium and hard texture ducks.

Late in this investigation an effort was made to ascertain the relation of the I by I by I inch grab method to the strip and the I by I by 3 inch grab methods. A number of ducks which were then available were tested according to these three methods. The results are given in Table 7 and shown in Figure 9. The results show that the I by I by I inch grab method averages lower in strength than the I by I by 3 inch grab method.

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The I by I by I inch grab method has a very objectionable feature in that if the staple length is much over I inch the test becomes a combination of the fiber and the material breaking strength, for some of the fibers will be held at each end by the jaws. The fabric assistance, which is a feature of the grab test, is also more or less limited in this test by the closeness of the jaws.

TABLE 7.—Results of Strip, Grab 1 by 1 by 3 Inch and Grab 1 by 1 by 1 Inch Breaking Strength Methods

		n- weight	(These					:	Breaking	strength	1		
Mark	Duck num- ber		per square	per per square		d count inch	P	ly	Strip 1	nethod		nethod y 1 inch	
		yard	Warp	Filling	Warp	Filling	Warp	Filling	Warp	Filling	Warp	Filling	
1 2 3 4 5	12 12 12 12 10	Ounces 11. 2 11. 5 11. 7 13. 7 15. 2	49 49 49 46 45	33 33 35 33 31	2 2 3 3	2 2 2 3 3	Lbs. 145 141 146 161 175	Lbs. 106 115 123 132 140	Lbs. 178 165 184 210 205	Lbs. 128 133 140 162 169	Lbs. 195 195 211 253 276	Lbs. 125 131 155 154 199	
6	8	17.5	45	25 ¹ ⁄ ₂	3	4	173	159	251	207	289	193	
7	8	17.5	45	25 ¹ ⁄ ₂	3	4	185	161	246	195	276	202	
8	8	17.6	45	25 ¹ ⁄ ₂	3	4	185	164	257	202	273	222	
9	8	17.8	45	26	3	4	191	183	256	210	387	308	
10	6	21. 1	36	27	3	3	209	197	316	246	354	234	
11	6	21. 4	36½	371⁄2	3	3	218	210	361	260	404	278	
12	5	23. 4	36½	27	3	3	207	228	342	289	387	308	
13	4	25. 0	30	23	4	4	229	261	378	332	455	335	
14	4	25. 3	30	24 ¹ ⁄ ₂	4	4	225	255	362	315	450	323	
15	3	25. 8	30	22 ¹ ⁄ ₂	4	5	225	309	385	383	411	415	
16	3	26. 0	30	23	4	5	197	314	371	405	439	416	
17	3	26. 1	30	22	4	5	198	332	353	381	386	394	
18	2	28. 3	29 ¹ ⁄2	21	5	5	270	243	469	281	405	286	
19	1	28. 7	30	21	5	5	244	224	444	370	493	375	
20	1	28. 8	30	21	5	5	248	224	464	355	511	370	
21	1	30. 5	30	21 ¹ ⁄ ₂	5	5	239	281	454	342	520	395	

Considering then the facts brought out in the above discussion, it was decided that the 1 by 1 by 3 inch grab method was the most desirable method for testing the breaking strength of numbered ducks. In selecting the breaking-strength values they were figured on a strength-weight factor basis for hard-texture ducks of 27.5, and for medium-texture ducks on a factor of 26.2.

After a method and basis for the specification of breaking strength had been selected, some attention was given to determin-

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ing how many tests would be necessary to obtain a fair average. The cost of making a test increases with the number of samples necessary to obtain the average, both on account of the extra time involved and the additional materials required.

Provisions had been made, as is customary, for the elimination and substitution for any breaks which for any reason due to operation fall markedly below the general average. The series of 40 test results shown in Table 8 were then obtained.

Break	Reading	Succes- sive sums	Succes- sive averages	Sum of succes- sive 3 breaks	Average of succes- sive 3 breaks	Sum of succes- sive 5 breaks	Average of succes- sive 5 breaks
	Pounds						
1	460	460	460				
2	470	930	465				
3	466	1,396	465	1,396	465		
45	480 440	1,876 2,316	469 463	1,416 1,386	472 462	2,316	46
J	440	2, 510	405	1, 300	404	2, 510	40.
6	440	2,756	469	1,360	453	2, 316	463
7	480	3,236	462	1,360	453	2,306	461
8	469	3,705	463	1, 389	463	2, 309	462
9	468	4, 173	464	1,417	472	2, 297	45
0	457	4, 630	463	1, 394	465	2, 314	46
1	430	5,060	460	1,355	452	2,304	46
2	470	5, 530	461	1,357	452	2, 294	45
3	462	5, 992	461	1,362	454	2,287	45
4	458	6,450	461	1,390	463	2,277	45
5	472	6, 922	461	1, 392	464	2, 292	45
6	458	7,380	461	1,388	462	2,320	464
7	440	7,820	460	1,370	457	2,290	45
8	448	8,268	460	1,346	449	2,228	45
9	461	8,729	460	1,349	450	2, 279	45
.0	473	9, 203	460	1, 382	461	2, 280	45
1	470	9,673	461	1,404	468	2,292	45
2	460	10, 133	461	1,403	468	2,312	46
3	462	10, 595	461	1,392	464	2,326	46
4	460	11,055	461	1, 382	461	2, 325	46
5	460	11, 515	461	1, 382	461	2, 312	46
6	448	11,963	460	1,368	456	2, 290	46
7	470	12, 433	460	1,378	459	2,300	46
8	462	12, 895	461	1,380	460	2,300	46
9	454	13, 349	460	1,386	462	2,294	45
0	478	13, 827	461	1, 394	465	2, 314	46
1	465	14, 292	461	1, 397	466	2, 329	46
2	480	14, 772	462	1, 423	474	2,339	45
3	467	15, 239	462	1, 412	471	2,364	473
4	448	15, 687	461	1,395	465	2,340	46
5	460	16, 147	461	1, 375	458	2, 342	468
6	480	16,627	462	1, 388	463	2,335	46
7	440	17,067	461	1,380	460	2,295	45
8	460	17, 527 17, 982	461	1,380	460	2,288	458
9	465		461	1,365	455	2,305	46
0	455	18, 437	461	1, 380	460	2,300	46

TABLE 8.—Determination of	Number of	Tests to	Obtain	the Average	Breaking
	Stre	ngth			-

Under the heading "successive sums" is shown each break plus all those that preceded it. "Successive averages" show this sum divided by the number of the break, which means that 463 opposite break 10 is an average of the 10 breaks; 461 opposite break

15 is an average of 15 breaks; etc. Under "sum of successive 3 breaks" is given the sum of each break and the 2 immediately preceding it; "sum of successive 5 breaks" is the sum of each break and the 4 immediately preceding it. The "average of successive breaks" show these results divided by 3 and 5, respectively. Figure 10 shows a graph of these results and assuming that the average of 40 breaks (461) is fair, the percentage variation plus or minus is shown. The curve on the right shows how

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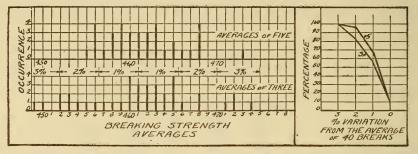


FIG. 10.—A comparison of the averages obtained using groups of three and of five breaking strength results

The curve shows the percentage of these averages which are included within 1 per cent, 2 per cent, and 3 per cent of the average of 40 results.

many of the averages are included in 1, 2, or 3 per cent variation from the fair average. Since over 82 per cent of the averages of 3 breaks are within 2 per cent tolerance of the average of 40 breaks, and all are within a 3 per cent tolerance, it was concluded that 3 breaks would be sufficient.

VII. SPECIFICATION FOR NUMBERED COTTON DUCK

Note.—The following specification, which was finally drawn up for both Government and commercial use from the data discussed in this paper, is also printed as Bureau of Standards Circular No. 136 (Federal Specifications Board Specification No. 53.) Circular No. 136 may be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C., for 5 cents. 3. WEAVE.

The weave shall be plain.

4. WIDTH.

The average width shall be as specified with the following tolerances:

Widths up to and including—	Inch.
36 inches	$-\frac{1}{4}$ to $+\frac{1}{4}$
37 to 60 inches.	$-\frac{1}{4}$ to $+\frac{3}{8}$
61 to 80 inches.	$-\frac{3}{8}$ to $+\frac{5}{8}$
81 to 120 inches	$-\frac{3}{8}$ to $+\frac{3}{4}$

5. WEIGHT.

The requirements for weight shall be as given in the table below with a tolerance of $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent, plus or minus.

6. CONSTRUCTION AND COUNT.

The number of ply and the count (or number of threads per inch, warp and filling) shall not be uniformly less than shown in the table below. They may be exceeded in the discretion of the manufacturer. The allowable variation from the manufacturers' standard count shall not exceed, within a bolt or roll, for the WARP:

 $\pm i \frac{1}{2}$ threads in fabrics counting not over 40 threads per inch; ± 2 threads in fabrics counting over 40 threads per inch;

and for the FILLING:

 ± 1 thread in fabrics counting not over 25 threads per inch; $\pm 1\frac{1}{2}$ threads in fabrics counting from 25¹/₂ to 32 threads per inch; ± 2 threads in fabrics counting over 32 threads per inch.

The count shall be determined by ascertaining the number of threads in 3 inches, taken consecutively, and reducing to terms of 1 inch. The warp count shall not be taken at less than 8 inches from either selvage for goods 26 inches or more in width; for goods under 26 inches it shall not be taken nearer the selvage than one-fourth of the entire width of the fabric.

7. METHOD OF TESTING.

From each delivery of 1,000 yards or fraction thereof a sample of not more than 2 linear yards shall be cut from any part of at least two rolls for test purposes.

Tests may be made under prevailing atmospheric comditions, except in the settlement of disputes concerning weight and strength. Such tests shall then be made upon material having normal moisture content, obtained by exposure for at least four hours to an atmosphere of 65 per cent relative humidity at 70° F. temperature.

All tests for breaking strength shall be made on an approved type of inclination balance breaking machine. The maximum capacity of the machine shall be 800 pounds.

The I by I by 3 inches grab method of testing shall be used, defined as follows: The lower half of each pair of jaws shall be 2 inches or more in width and the upper half shall be 1 inch in width. Jaws shall be planed smooth and flat with edges slightly rounded to prevent cutting. The initial length of the test pieces between the jaws of the testing machine shall be 3 inches, and the pulling jaw shall travel at a uniform rate of 12 inches per minute. Six test pieces, 6 inches long by 4 inches wide, shall be cut, three in the direction of the warp and three in the direction of the filling. respectively. Care shall be taken that no two test pieces include the same threads. The average result of the tests shall be recorded separately for warp and filling. No sample for testing shall be taken at less than 8 inches from either selvage for goods 26 inches or more in width, or for goods under 26 inches at less than one-fourth of the entire width of the fabric. If the width of the goods does not admit of cutting pieces as stated above, they shall be taken as near the center as possible.

In the case of a break evidently below the general average for the fabric, a second test on the same threads shall be made and this test shall then be used in obtaining the average result.

In the event of a dispute regarding measurements, the material shall be placed under sufficient tension to make it lie flat upon a table, or other plane surface, and exposed to an atmosphere of 65 per cent relative humidity at 70° F. temperature, and when measured under these conditions the yardage delivered shall be not less than the invoiced yardage.

8. CAUSES FOR REJECTION.

In the event of a dispute in regard to width, the average width shall be determined by measuring in not less than five places about equally distant, throughout the length of the bolt or roll. In no place shall the variation in width be more than one-eighth inch greater than the tolerance for average width specified in paragraph entitled "Width."

In the event of a dispute in regard to weight, the weight per square yard shall be determined from the nominal width, the invoiced yardage (verified when necessary), and the actual weight of the entire bolt or roll. The results of tests on 1 or 2 yards for width and weight shall not be used alone as a basis for rejection.

No rolls or bolts running less than 10 per cent under the strength specified shall be rejected, provided the delivery in question shall average up to specifications.

No rolls or bolts shall be rejected, the combined strength of the warp and filling of which shall be equal to the combined strength specified in the table below, provided neither element is more than 10 per cent under the requirements applying to that element.

9. DEFINITION.

The terms "bolts" or "rolls" as used above are hereby defined as meaning continuous lengths averaging from 100 to 110 yards, but a roll or bolt of not less than 85 yards will constitute a good commercial delivery.

	Weight.			Dis- tance of	Minin		thr	mum ead it per	strengt by 3 i	nches	
No. of duck.	Per lin- ear yard	r yord Per		Width.	selvage stripe			linear	inch.	gra	ab.
	22 inch- es wide.	square yard.		from edge.	Warp.	Fill- ing.	Warp.	Filling.	Warp.	Filling.	
Hard texture: 2/0 1/0 2 3	Ounces. 20 19 18 17 16	Ounces. 32.72 31.09 29.45 27.82 26.18	Inches. As specified do dodo	Inches. 2 1 ³ / ₄ 1 ³ / ₄ 1 ¹ / ₂	5 5 5 4	7 6 5 5 5	26 26 26 27 29	18 18 19 21 21	Pounds. 465 450 440 420 390	Pounds. 435 405 370 345 330	
4 5 6 7 8	15 14 13 12 11	24.54 22.90 21.27 19.63 18.00	do do do do do	$1\frac{1}{2}$ $1\frac{1}{2}$ $1\frac{1}{4}$ $1\frac{1}{4}$ $1\frac{1}{8}$	4 3 3 3 3	4 4 3 3 3	29 34 34 35 33	22 24 26 22 23	375 345 335 300 285	300 285 250 240 210	
9 10 11 12	10 9 8 7	16.36 14.72 13.08 11.45	do do do	1 1 1	3 3 {2 3	3 3 2 2 2	38 44 44 48	25 26 32 34	255 245 235	195 160 125 120	
Medium tex- ture: 2/0. 1/0 1 2.	20 19 18 17	32. 72 31. 09 29. 45 27. 82	do do do	2 2 1 ³ / ₄ 1 ³ / ₄	\3 5 5 5 5 5	2 8 6 5 5	40 26 26 26 26	34 16 16 17 16	450 435 425 410	405 380 345 320	
3 4 5 6	16 15 14 13	26.18 24.54 22.90 21.27	do do do do	$ \begin{array}{c} 1\frac{1}{2} \\ 1\frac{1}{2} \\ 1\frac{1}{2} \\ 1\frac{1}{2} \\ 1\frac{1}{4} \end{array} $	4 4 3 3	5 4 4 3	26 28 28 34	17 19 20 20	370 350 315 305	315 290 285 250	

TABLE 1.-Construction, Weight, and Strength.

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