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SUBJECT: SHOOTER VARIATION TEST

In December 1948, a test was made to determine the individual characteristics of targeters with respect to point-of-impact. It was found that a wide variation in point-of-impact existed between targeters when shooting the same gun. As a result of this information an individual specification for point-of-impact was established for each targeter.

Since it is quite possible that targeters may optically vary from time-to-time, it appears advisable to recheck on the individual characteristics and re-establish specifications accordingly. The following test is designed for this purpose.

Scope of Test:

1. All high power rifle targeters and bore sighters to participate in test.
2. Gun N/721 - .30/06 Cal.
3. Gun N/722 - .257 Cal.
4. Test to be extended over 5 days.

Procedure:

1. Select test guns (good groupers).
2. Use standard range ammunition.

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Procedure (cont'd)

3. Clean and wire brush guns before each target.
4. Shoot one warmer shot off target.
5. Each shooter to shoot one 5 shot target each gun at the beginning and end of the shift.
6. Targets to be retained and identified as to date, beginning or end of shift, caliber and shooter.

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