

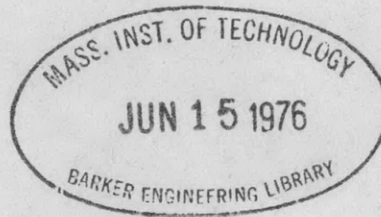
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RESULT OF TESTS OF MODELS  
OF A SHALLOW DRAFT  
RIVER GUNBOAT



U.S. EXPERIMENTAL MODEL BASIN  
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MODELS AND TOWING EXPERIMENTS

Experiments have been carried out with three models for a shallow draft river gunboat. These three models, numbered respectively 2421, 2422 and 2460, were derived as follows: Model 2421 is in accordance with Bureau C&R Plans 006427 and 006439. In general the bow lines are convex. The model has a tunnel stern.

Model 2422 is similar to Model 2421 as to afterbody but the lines of the forebody are altered to give them in general a "V" section. These lines are from C&R Plans 006475 and 006439. Model 2460 has the same bow lines as Model 2421, but the afterbody has been changed as required by the fitting of surface propellers. The lines for the afterbody were developed at the Model Basin.

All of the models have the same displacement, 409 pounds, which corresponds to a fresh water displacement of 532 tons for the full sized ship and a linear ratio of 14.128.

All of the models were towed for the determination of their resistance at speeds between 1 and 5 knots. The towing experiments were conducted both in the full depth of the Basin and also over a shallow bottom in depths corresponding to 10 feet, 15 feet and 20 feet, for the full-sized ship, and in the case of Model 2460, the resistance was also determined for a depth of 52.3 feet. The deep water resistance of Model 2421 was measured with shafts and struts and with three and four rudders respectively and also without rudders. The E.H.P. curves for these resistance runs are shown on Sheets 1, 2 and 3. Sheet 3

also shows the curves of E.H.P. for the three shallow water tests.

Comparison of the resistances of Models 2421 and 2422 at shallow drafts showed a superiority for Model 2421, although not as great as reported upon for deep water in a preliminary report made to the Bureau in July 1922. No E.H.P. calculations were made for Model 2422 from the results of the shallow depth runs.

In the case of Model 2460, no appendages were fitted since the shafts come out at the stern above the waterline and the question of a rudder for this design has not been decided. Model 2421 was towed without rudders in order to permit a direct comparison of the hull performance of these two types of hull.

The curves of E.H.P. from Model 2460 are shown on Sheet 4. Contours of Power plotted on speed and log depth for Models 2421 and 2460 are given respectively on Sheets 5 and 6, and Contours of Speed on Power and Depth for the Models 2460, are given on Sheet 7.

#### SELF PROPULSION EXPERIMENTS

Self Propulsion tests were performed on Models 2421 and 2460. The propellers used in these tests are tabulated below.

No.	Dia. inches	Pitch inches	Pitch Ratio	Mean Width Ratio	No. Blades	Projected Area	Projected Area Ratio
412	6.70	7.00	1.04	0.458	3	20.04	0.568
413	6.70	7.00	1.04	0.461	3	19.91	0.565
458	9.19	8.90	0.968	0.197	4	25.66	0.386
459	9.19	8.90	0.968	0.197	4	25.66	0.386
585	11.34	11.34	1.00	0.250	4	34.47	0.341
586	11.34	11.34	1.00	0.250	4	34.47	0.341

The self propulsion experiments conducted on Model 2421, included one series each in deep water with the Model fitted with three and four rudders respectively, and self propelled runs without rudders, in shallow water in depths corresponding to 10 feet and 20 feet respectively, the model in every case fitted with propellers 412 and 413. Propellers No. 585 and 586 were designed for use as surface propellers with Model 2460. These propellers were tested on this Model in a series of self propulsion tests in depths corresponding to 10 feet, 20 feet and the full depth of the Basin. A series of tests were also made on Model 2460 at full Basin depth using propellers No. 412 and 413 from Model 2421 as well as propellers No. 458 and 459, the latter at two depths of propeller immersion.

The characteristics for propellers 412 and 413 and for 585 and 586 in open water are shown on Sheets 8 and 9 respectively.

The results of these self propulsion tests for Model 2421 are shown on Sheets 10 and 11 for deep water with three and four rudders respectively and on sheets 12 and 13 for depths corresponding to 10 and 20 feet respectively.

The corresponding curves of estimated horsepower for the ship, based on these tests, are shown on Sheets 14 to 17 inclusive.

Similarly, the results of the model tests for Model 2460 with propellers 585 and 586 are shown on Sheet 18 for deep water and on Sheets 19 and 20, for depths corresponding to 10 and 20 feet respectively. On Sheets 21, 22 and 23 are given the results of the tests on this Model with propellers 458 and 459, at two shaft levels and with propellers 412 and 413 used as surface propellers.

Estimated curves of power for the ship based on these self-propulsion tests of Model 2460 are given on Sheet 24 for deep water and Sheet 25 for a depth of 20 feet. The data obtained from the Model test at the depth corresponding to 10 feet were not sufficient to permit the estimate of power for this condition, while the results for the Model in the self propelled tests using propellers other than Nos. 585 and 586 showed such unsatisfactory performances that estimates for the ship were unnecessary.

#### ANALYSIS OF RESULTS

There are three items to be considered in an analysis of the results of the tests, namely, the comparison of the two types of vessels, the comparison of the performance of the three pairs of propellers on Model 2460, and the effect of the depth of water on the Model performance. The effective horsepower for the two ships in fresh water is tabulated below (without rudders).

#### Deep Water

Speed	10 knots	16 knots
Tunnel Stern	180	1080
Flat Stern Surface Propeller	160	900

#### 20 feet Depth

Speed	10 knots	12.5 knots
Tunnel Stern	210	490
Flat Stern Surface Propeller	210	560

## 10 feet Depth

Speed	9 knots
Tunnel Stern	340
Flat Stern	380

The above figures show a superiority for the flat stern only in the deep water condition; in the other conditions it seems slightly worse off but the results were hard to obtain and are not as reliable as for the deep water condition.

A comparison of Sheets 14 and 18, in deep water and Sheets 17 and 25, in water of 20 feet depth indicate that the efficiency of propulsion for the flat stern is higher than for the tunnel stern, and this, it is believed, would be found to be true for other depths, particularly so if the propellers are sufficiently large.

In the case of Model 2460 three sets of propellers were tried of varying diameters, but the two smaller pairs broke down at or below a speed corresponding to 16 knots, thus increasing the revolutions a prohibitive amount.

While propellers 585 and 586 proved full large for the model and prevented any break-down occurring within the range tested, it is not certain that the full sized propeller will do likewise for the gunboat. If it can be assumed that the ship propeller will not fail below corresponding velocities, then a smaller propeller, say 12 feet 3 inches working at 150 r.p.m. might be attempted, but with more attendant risk of failure than with the larger propellers.

The following table gives the different data to be found on the several sheets, 1 to 25.

Sheet No.	Model	Depth	Propellers	Shows	Remarks
1	2421	Full		E.H.P. Fresh Water	3 rudders
2	2421	Full		E.H.P. S & F	4 rudders
3	2421	Various		E.H.P. F.W.	No rudders
4	2460	Various		E.H.P. F.W.	No rudders
5	2421	Various		Contours E.H.P.	No rudders
6	2460	Various		Contours E.H.P.	No rudders
7	2460	Various		Contours Knots	No rudders
8			412 & 413	Characteristic Curves	
9			585 & 586	Surface Propellers	
10	2421	Full	412 & 413	Self Propelled Model	3 rudders
11	2421	Full	412 & 413	Self Propelled Model	4 rudders
12	2421	10 feet	412 & 413	Self Propelled Model	No rudders
13	2421	20 feet	412 & 413	Self Propelled Model	No rudders
14	2421	Full	412 & 413	Self Propelled (Ship)	3 rudders
15	2421	Full	412 & 413	Self Propelled (Ship)	4 rudders
16	2421	10 feet	412 & 413	Self Propelled (Ship)	No rudders
17	2421	20 feet	412 & 413	Self Propelled (Ship)	No rudders
18	2460	Full	585 & 586	Self Propelled Model	No rudders
19	2460	10 feet	585 & 586	Self Propelled Model	No rudders
20	2460	20 feet	585 & 586	Self Propelled Model	No rudders
21	2460	Full	458 & 459	Self Propelled Model	No rudders CL 4.86 up
22	2460	Full	458 & 459	Self Propelled Model	No rudders CL 5.92 up
23	2460	Full	412 & 413	Self Propelled Model	No rudders CL 4.86 up
24	2460	Full	585 & 586	Self Propelled (Ship)	No rudders as des.
25	2460	20 feet	485 & 685	Self Propelled (Ship)	No rudders as des.

**EFFECTIVE HORSE POWER CURVES**

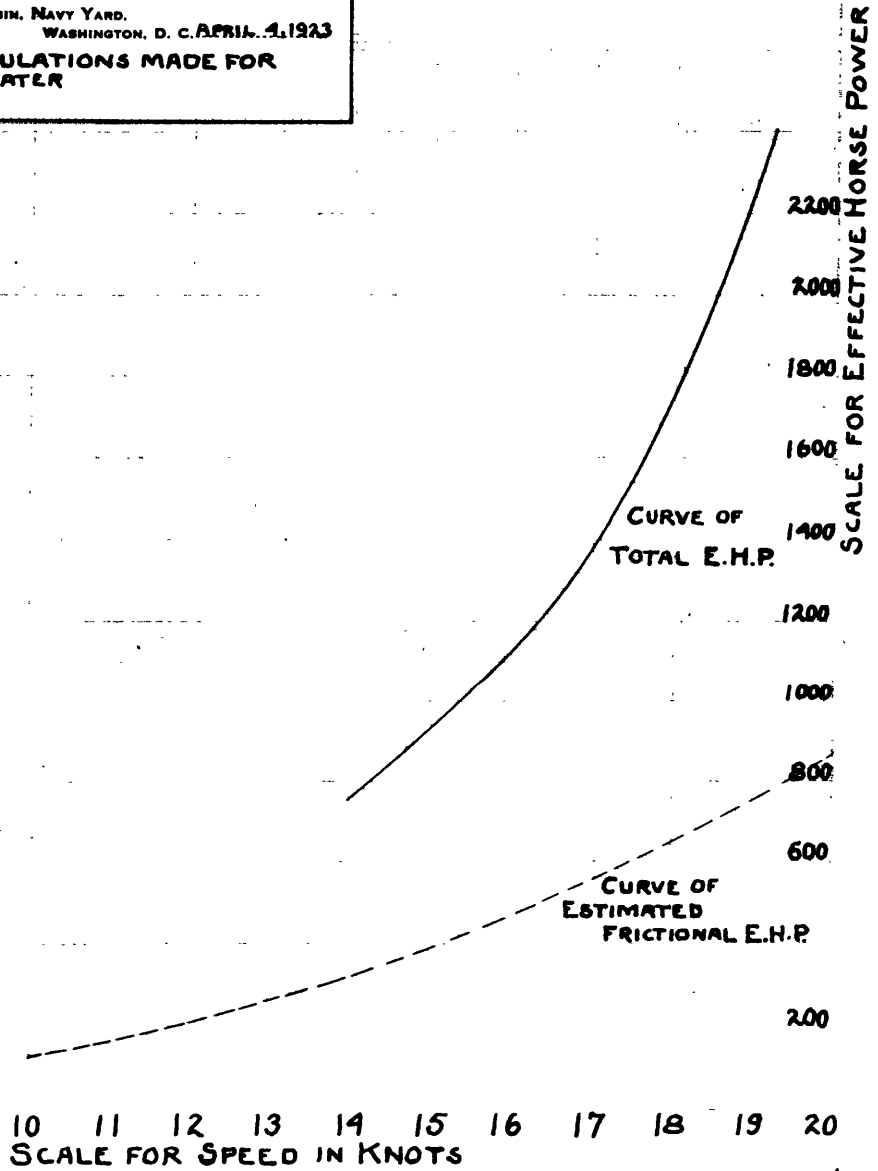
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**RIVER GUNBOAT 1922**  
**SPRON BOW-TUNNEL STERN**  
 ESTIMATED FROM RESULTS OF TESTS WITH  
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**228439**  
 PREPARED BY  
**BUREAU OF CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR**  
 CORRESPONDENCE FILE No. **R.G.B. No. 1**

**CONDITIONS:**

TEST	WETTED SURFACE	DISPLACEMENT TONS	DRAFT			APPENDAGES:
			FOR'D	AFT	MEAN	
1	6384	532	4.5	4.5	4.5	SHAFTS AND STRUTS AND THREE RUDDERS

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NOTE:— E.H.P. CALCULATIONS MADE FOR  
 VESSEL IN FRESH WATER



**EFFECTIVE HORSE POWER CURVES**

FOR  
**RIVER GUNBOAT-1922**

(Spoon Bow)

(TUNNEL STERN)  
ESTIMATED FROM RESULTS OF TESTS WITH

MODEL No. 2421  
C. & R. 006427-BOW  
LINES No. 026439-STERN

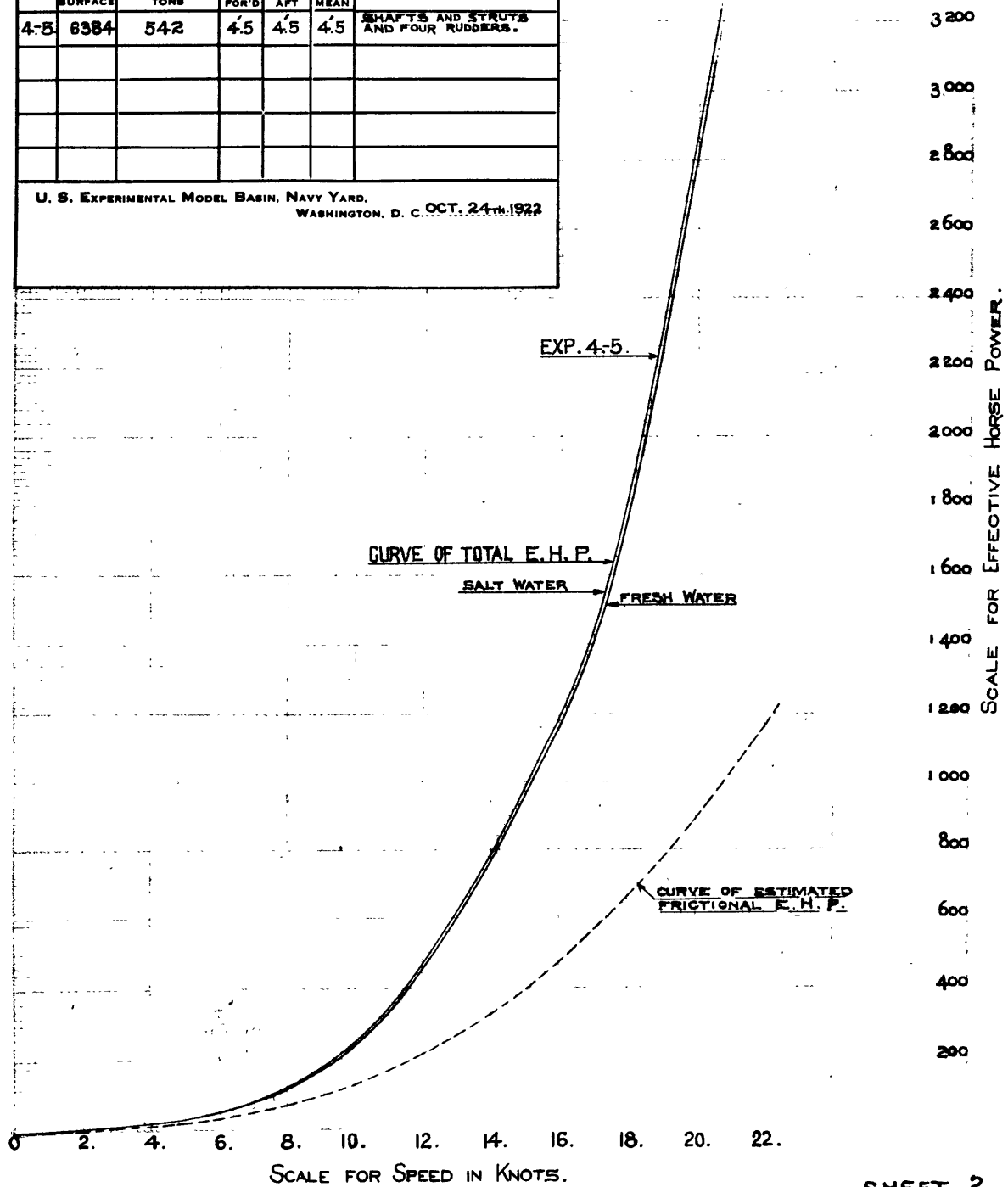
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			FOR'D	AFT	MEAN	
4-5	6384	542	4.5	4.5	4.5	SHAFTS AND STRUTS AND FOUR RUDDERS.

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**EFFECTIVE HORSE POWER CURVES**  
**FOR**  
**RIVER GUNBOAT 1922**  
**SPOON BOW-TUNNEL STERN**  
 ESTIMATED FROM RESULTS OF TESTS WITH  
 MODEL No. 2421  
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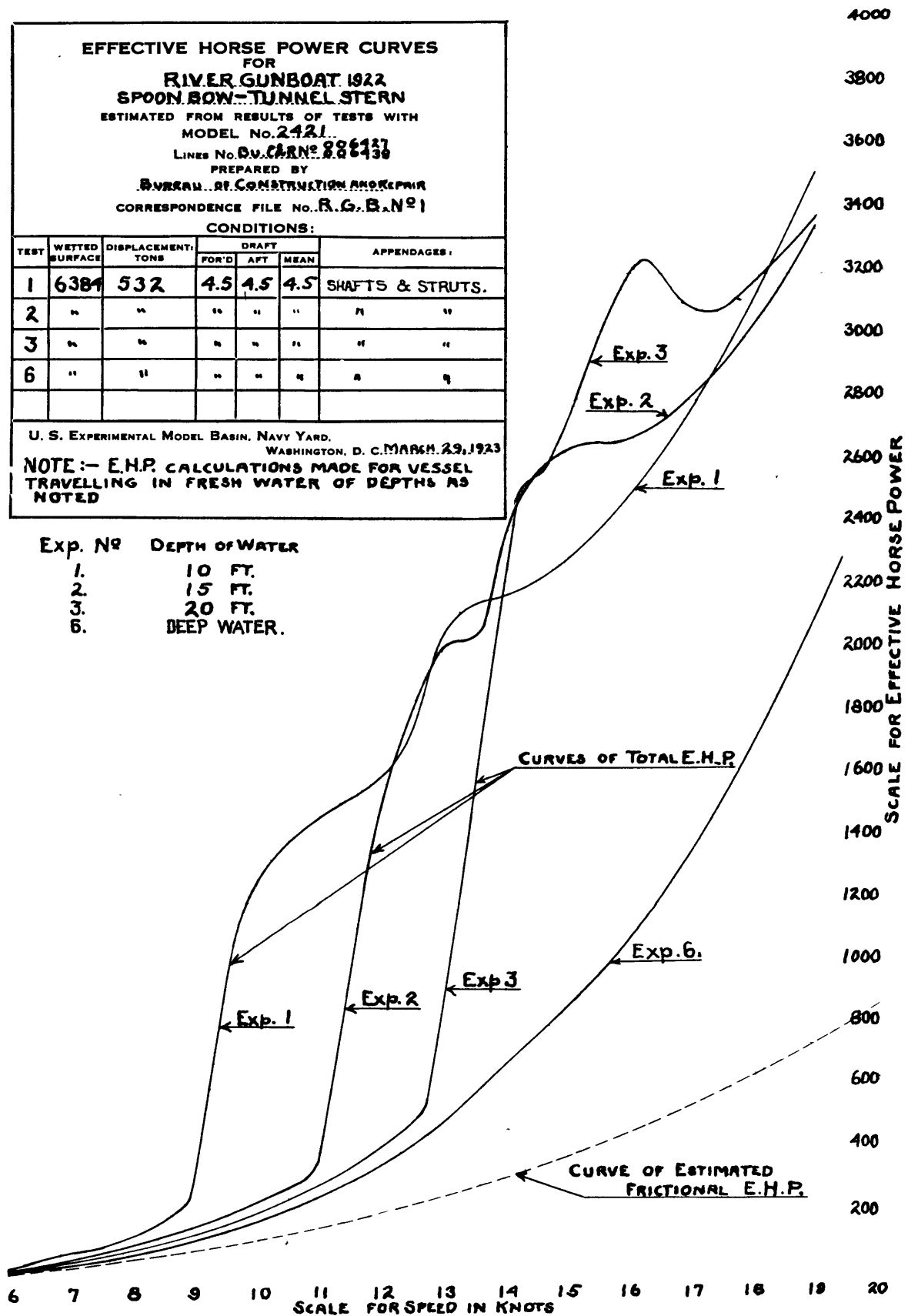
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TEST	WETTED SURFACE	DISPLACEMENT TONS	DRAFT			APPENDAGES
			FOR'D	AFT	MEAN	
1	6384	532	4.5	4.5	4.5	SHAFTS & STRUTS.
2	"	"	"	"	"	" "
3	"	"	"	"	"	" "
6	"	"	"	"	"	" "

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 WASHINGTON, D. C. MARCH 29, 1923

**NOTE:— E.H.P. CALCULATIONS MADE FOR VESSEL TRAVELLING IN FRESH WATER OF DEPTHS AS NOTED**

Exp. No	DEPTH OF WATER
1.	10 FT.
2.	15 FT.
3.	20 FT.
6.	DEEP WATER.



**EFFECTIVE HORSE POWER CURVES  
FOR  
RIVER GUNBOAT-1922.**

(SPOON BOW)  
(FLAT STERN)  
ESTIMATED FROM RESULTS OF TESTS WITH  
MODEL No. 2460  
BY C. & R. 006427-BOW  
LINES No. 101 MODEL. BOWIN-STERN  
PREPARED BY  
BU. OF C. AND R. AND EXP. MODEL BASIN  
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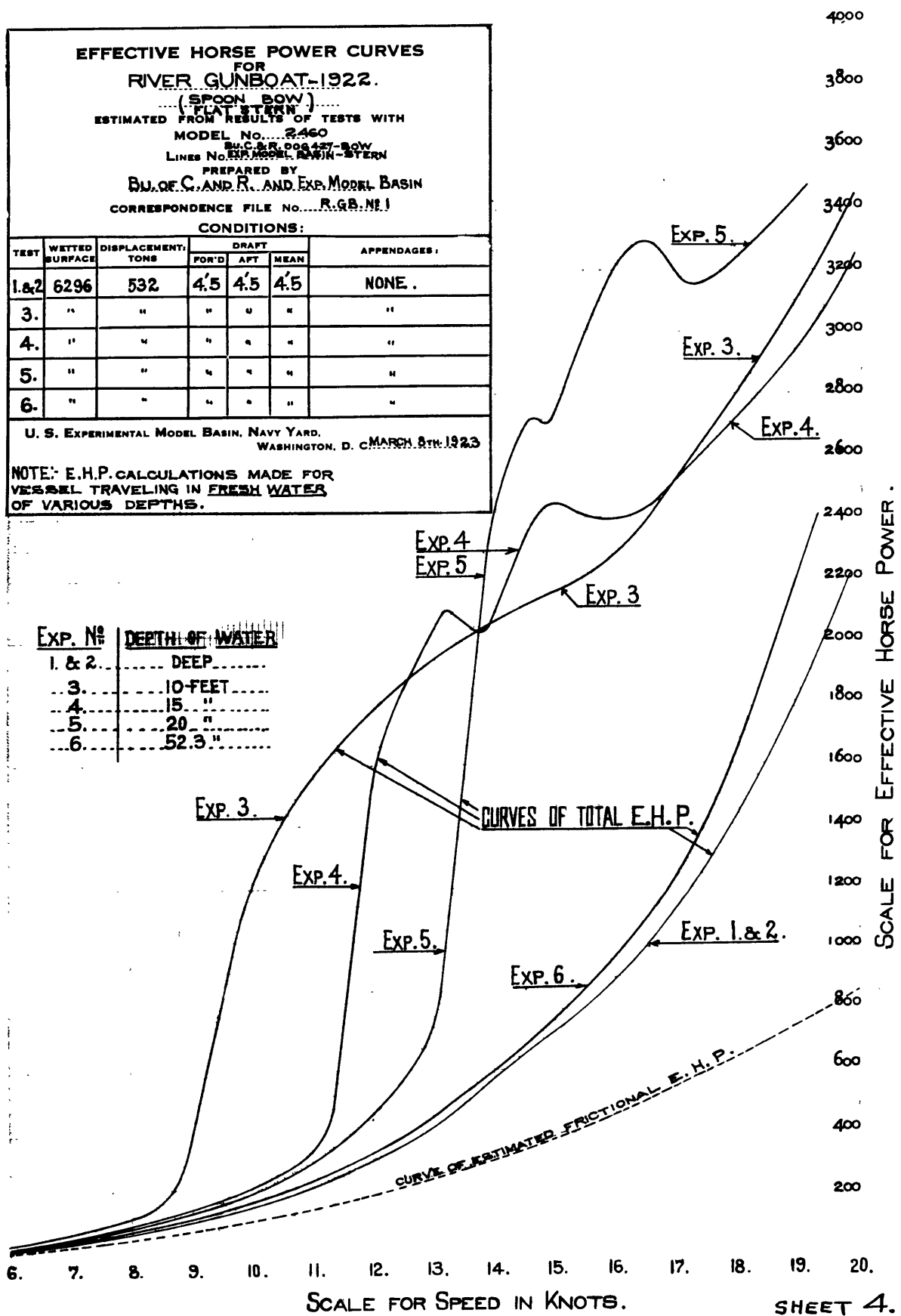
CONDITIONS:

TEST	WETTED SURFACE	DISPLACEMENT, TONS	DRAFT			APPENDAGES
			FOR'D	AFT	MEAN	
1.&2	6296	532	4'5"	4'5"	4'5"	NONE.
3.	"	"	"	"	"	"
4.	"	"	"	"	"	"
5.	"	"	"	"	"	"
6.	"	"	"	"	"	"

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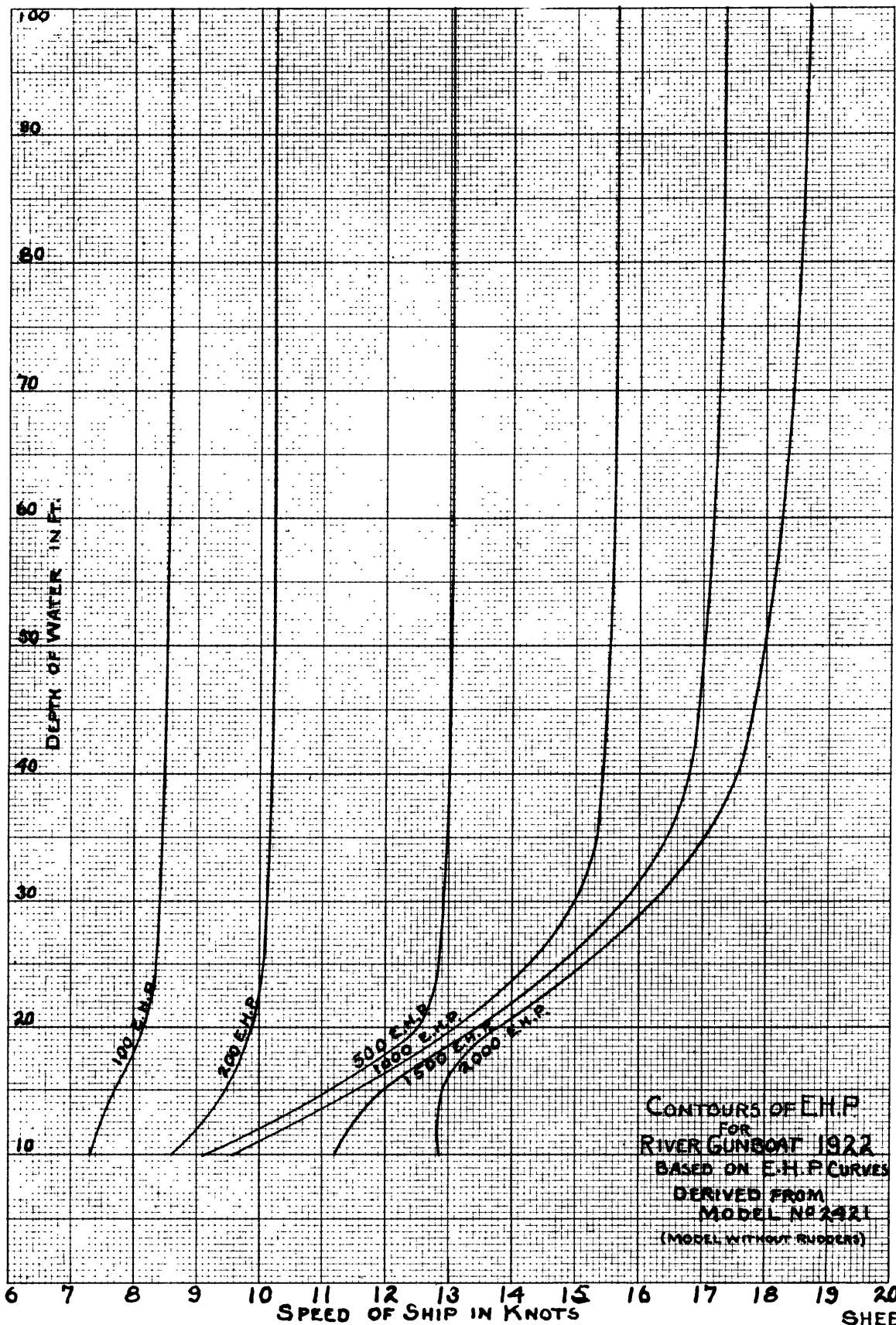
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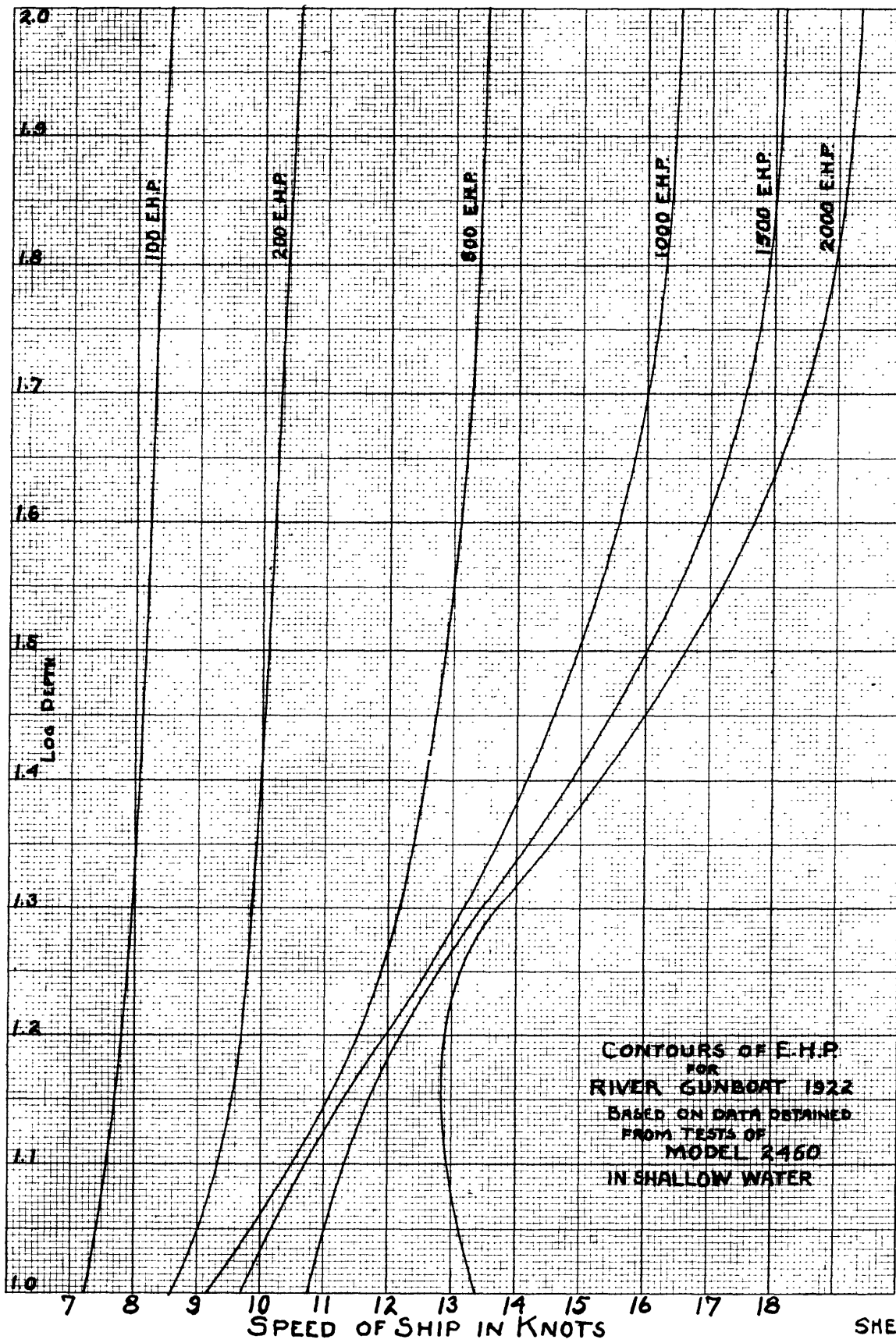
EXP. No	DEPTH OF WATER
1. & 2.	DEEP
3.	10 FEET
4.	15 "
5.	20 "
6.	52.3 "

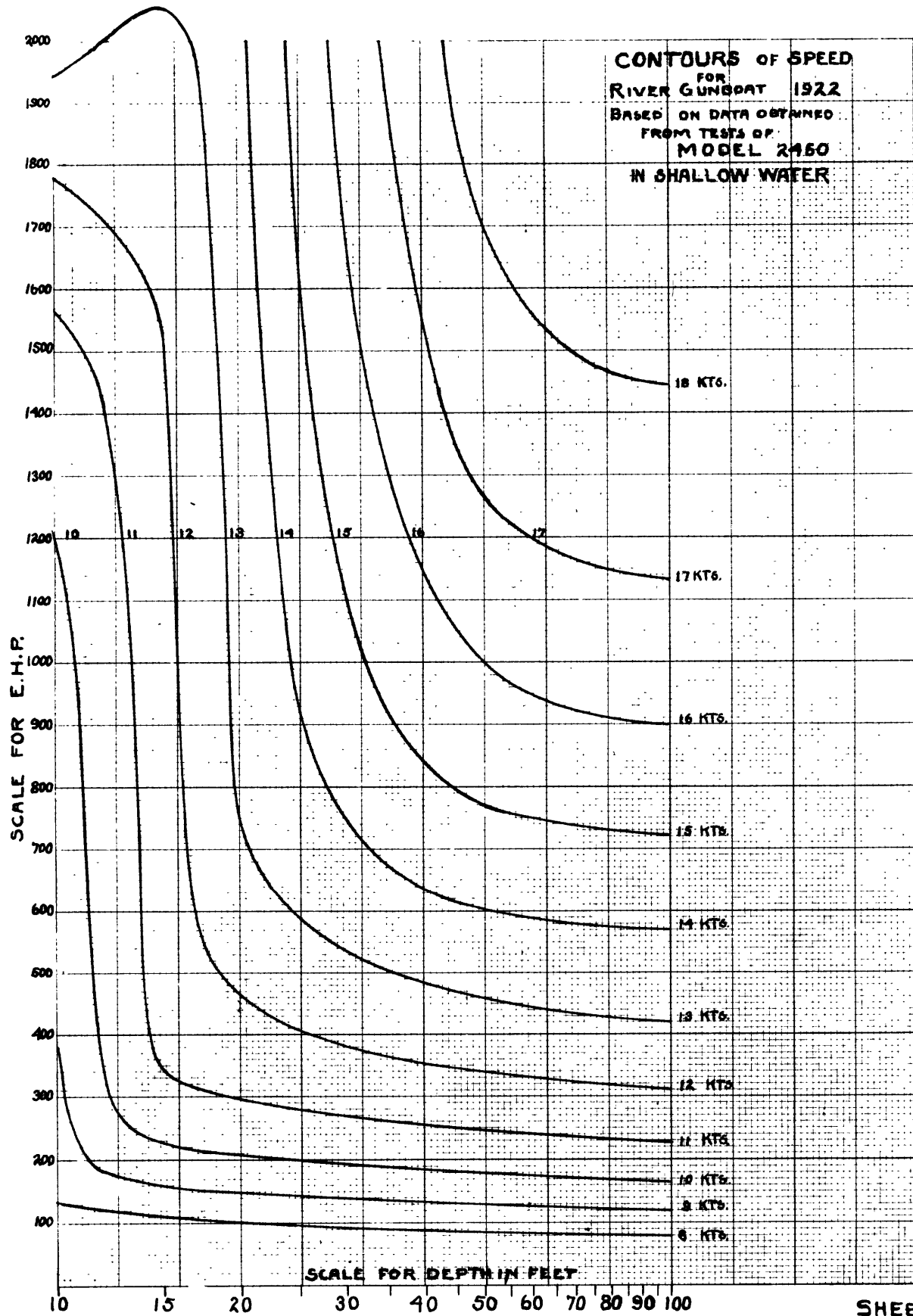


SCALE FOR SPEED IN KNOTS.

SHEET 4.







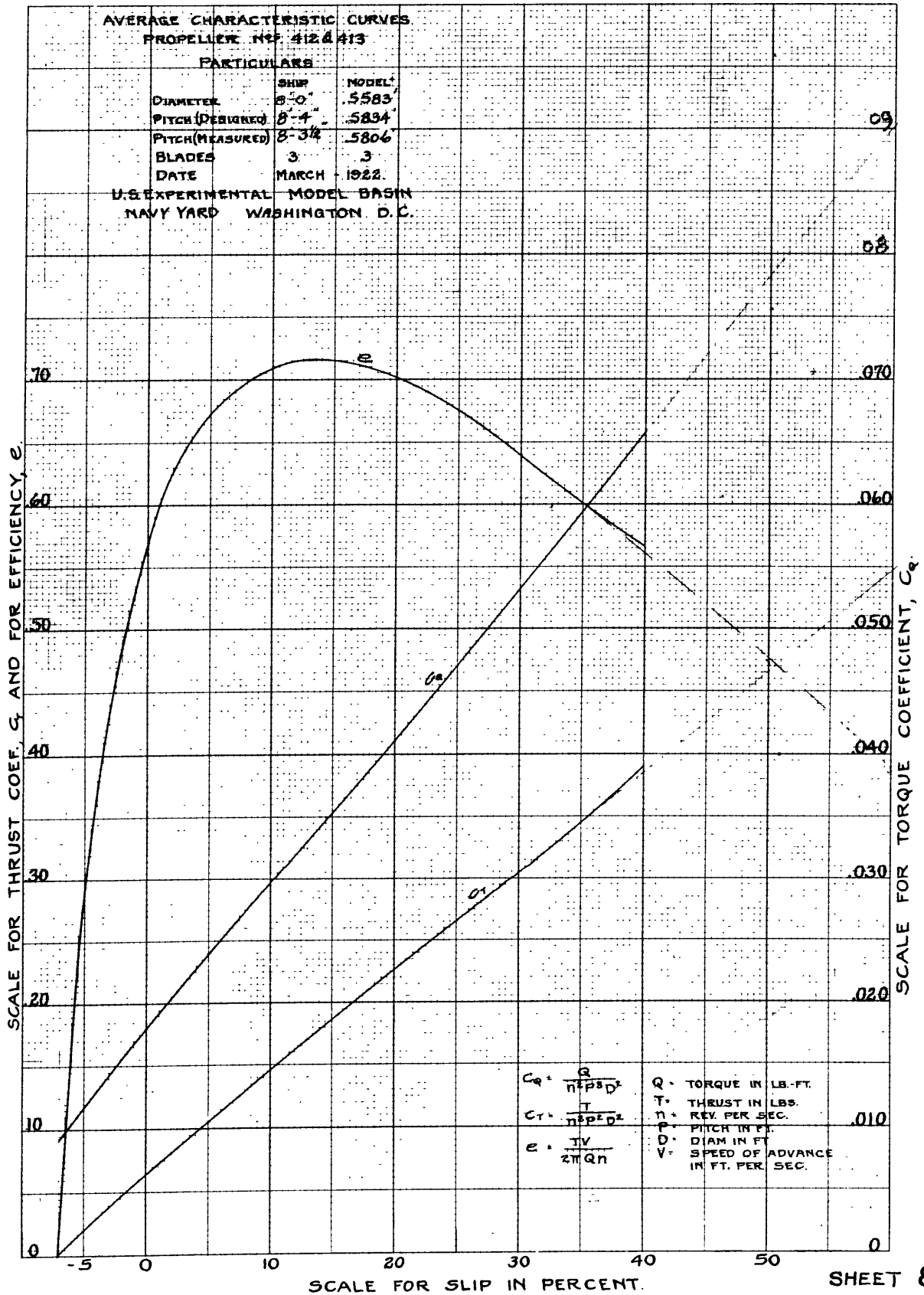
AVERAGE CHARACTERISTIC CURVES

PROPELLER NPS 412 & 413

PARTICULARS

DIAMETER	SHIP	MODEL
PITCH (DESIGNED)	8-0"	.5583
PITCH (MEASURED)	8-3/4"	.5806
BLADES	3	3
DATE	MARCH 1922.	

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**PROPELLERS N° 585 & 586**

**AVERAGE COEFFICIENTS AND EFFICIENCY**

DIAMETER = 11.34" MEAN WIDTH RATIO = .20

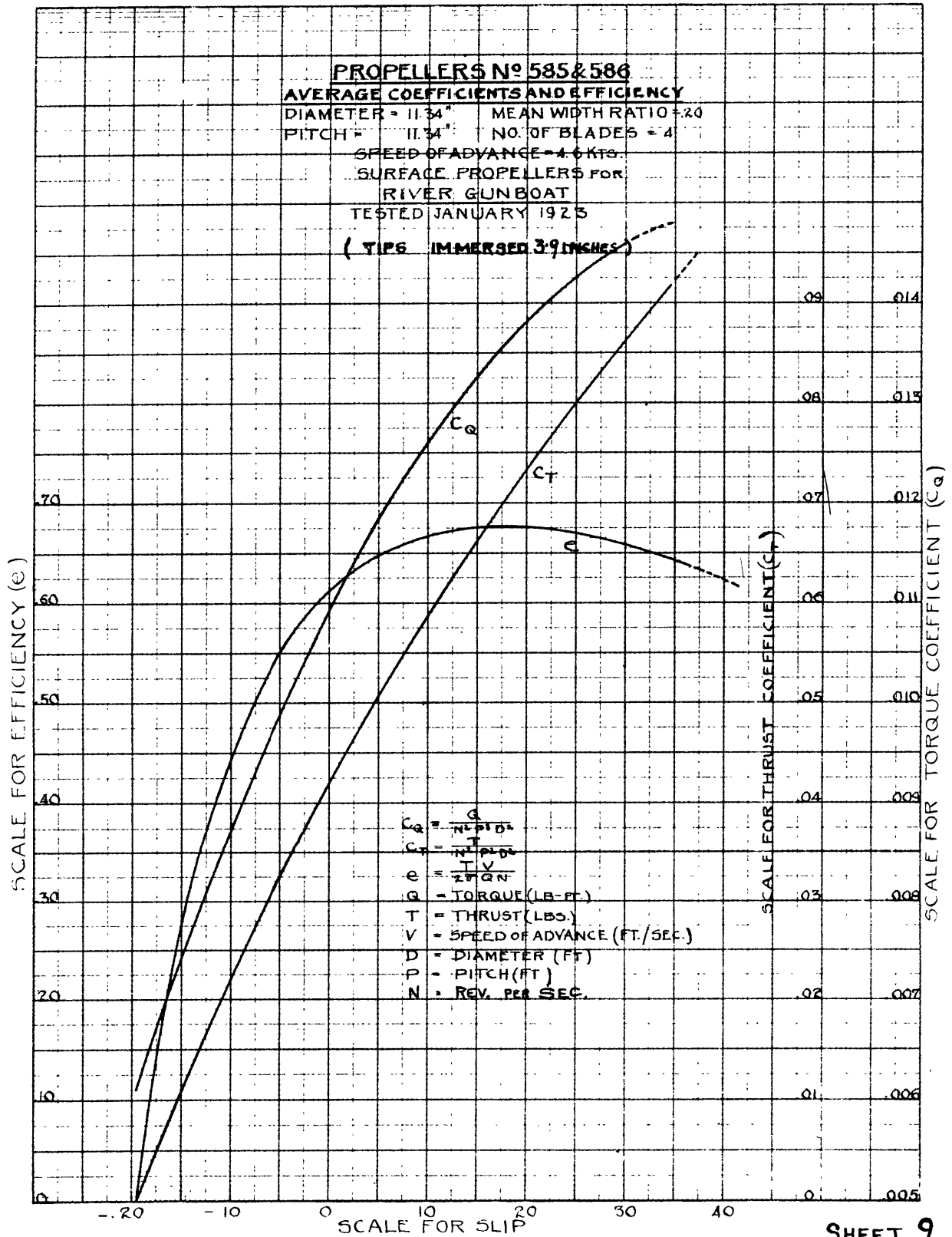
PITCH = 11.34" NO. OF BLADES = 4

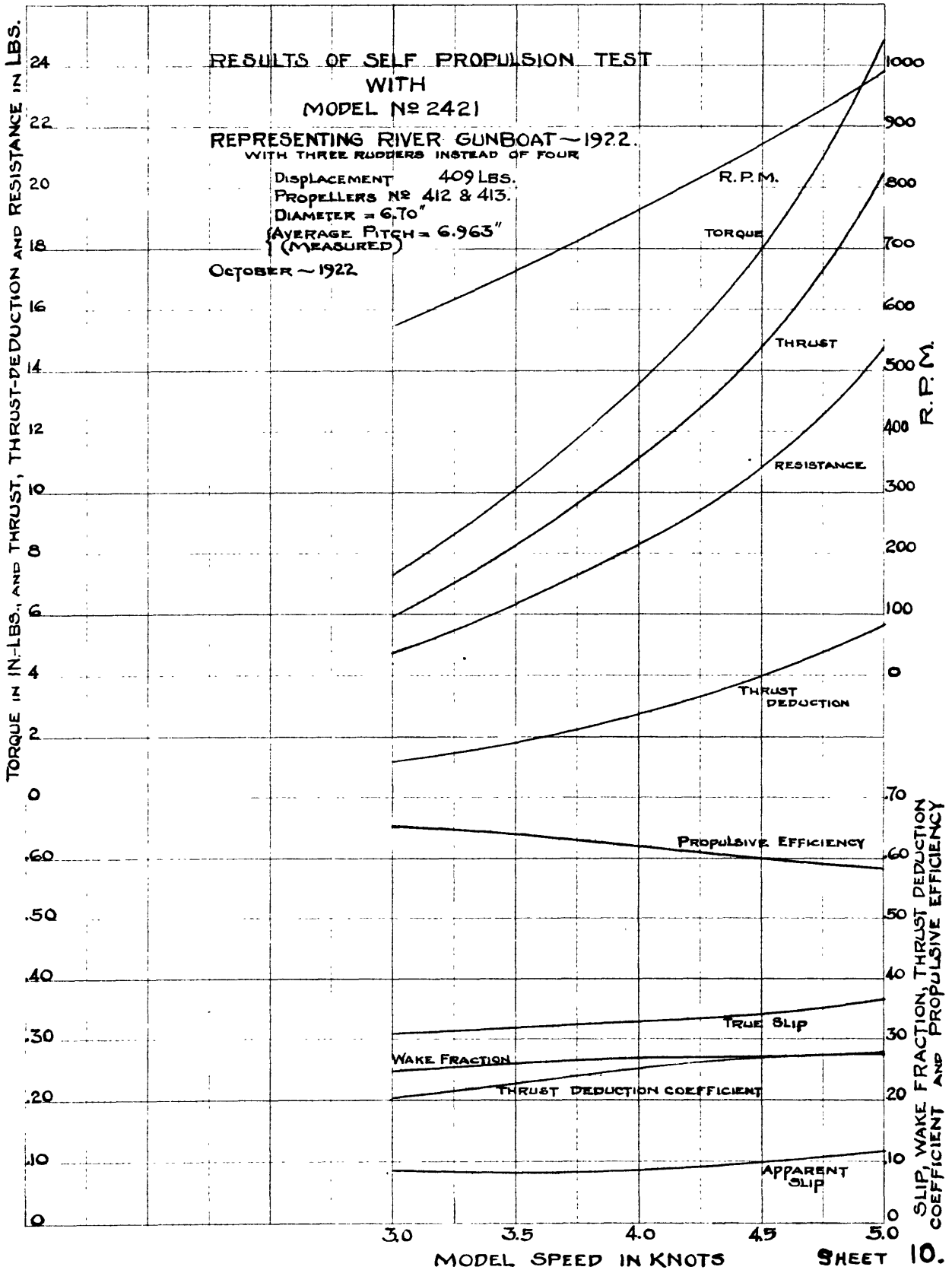
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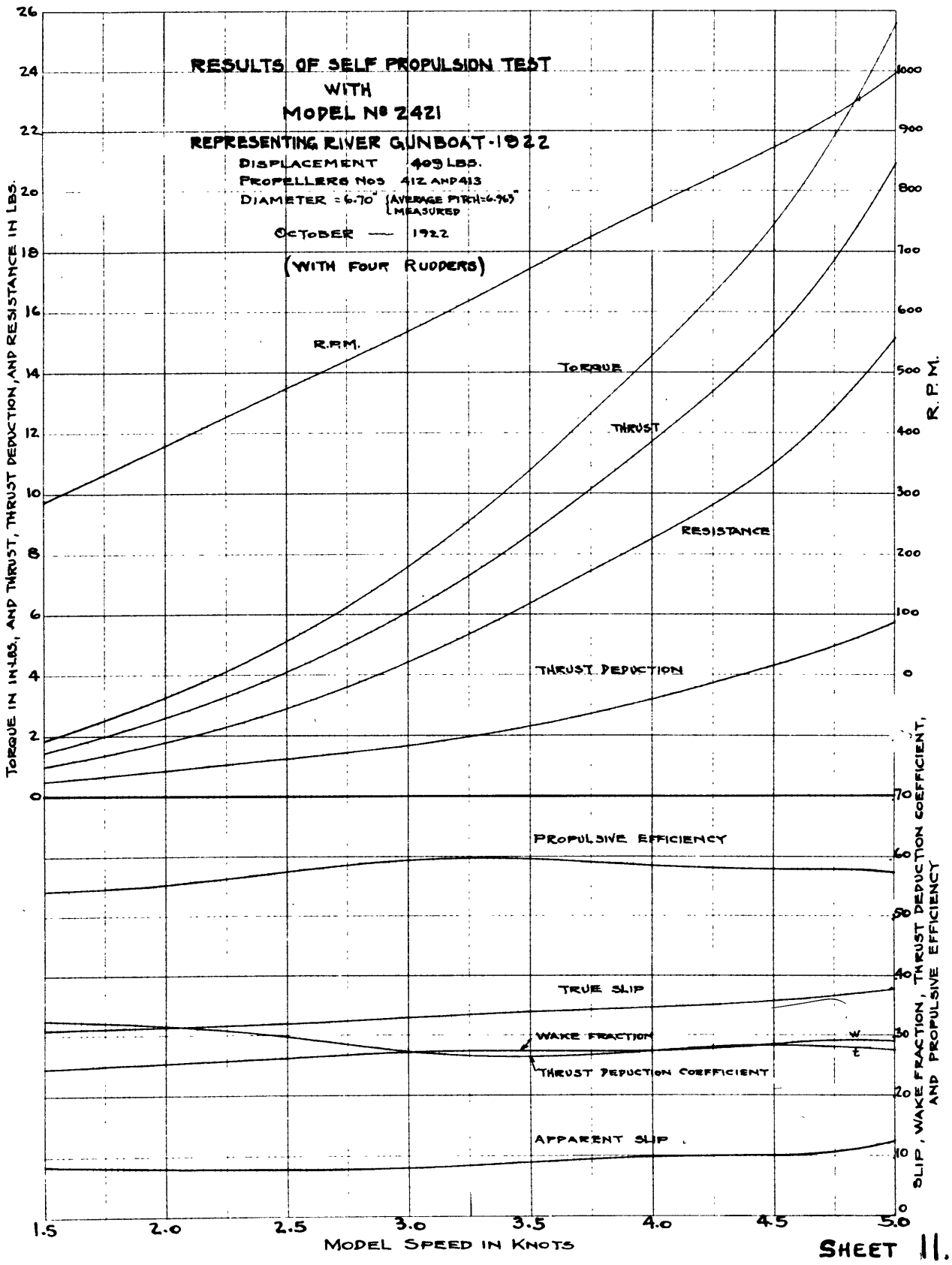
SURFACE PROPELLERS FOR RIVER GUN BOAT

TESTED JANUARY 1923

(TIPS IMMERSED 3.9 INCHES)

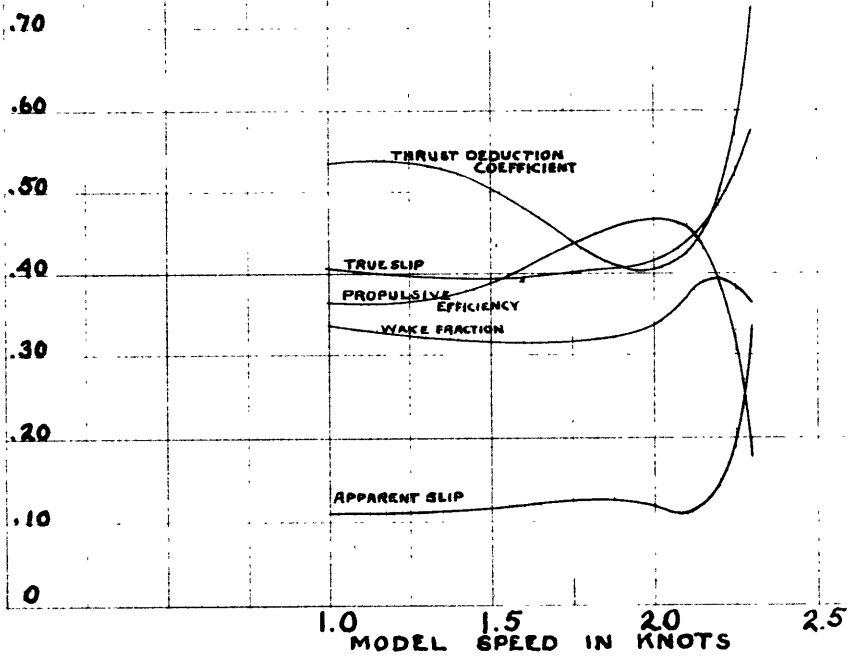
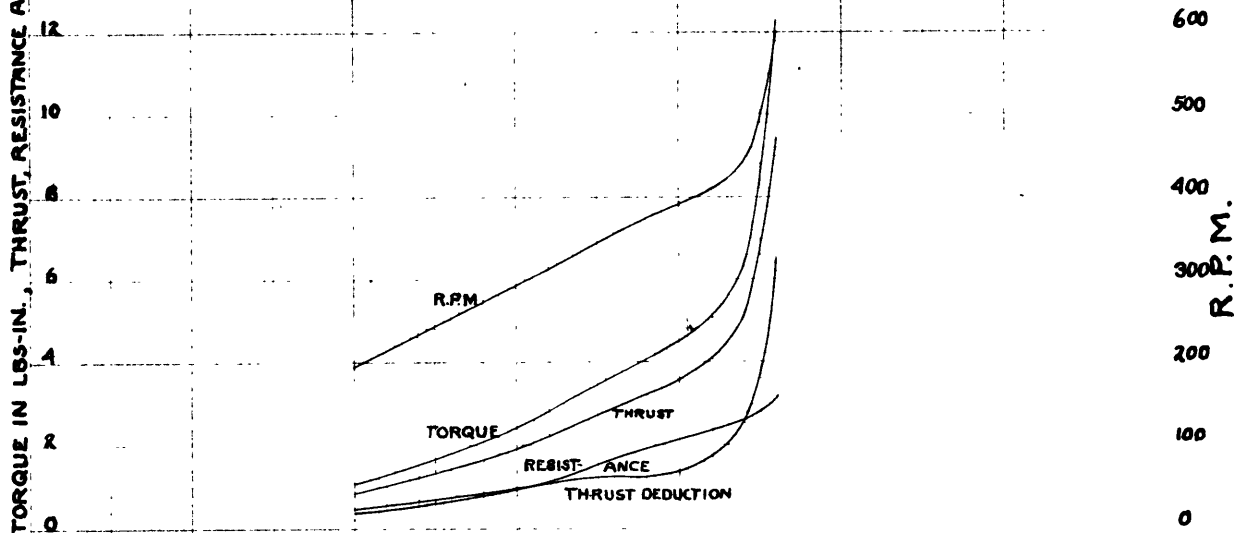






RESULTS OF SELF-PROPULSION TEST  
 WITH  
 MODEL NR 2421  
 REPRESENTING RIVER GUNBOAT  
 DISPLACEMENT 409 LBS.  
 PROPELLERS NR 412 & 413  
 DIAMETER 6.70  
 AVERAGE PITCH 6.923  
 (measured)  
 DEPTH OF WATER 8 7/8"  
 CORRESPONDING TO 10 FT.  
 (MODEL WITHOUT RUDDERS)

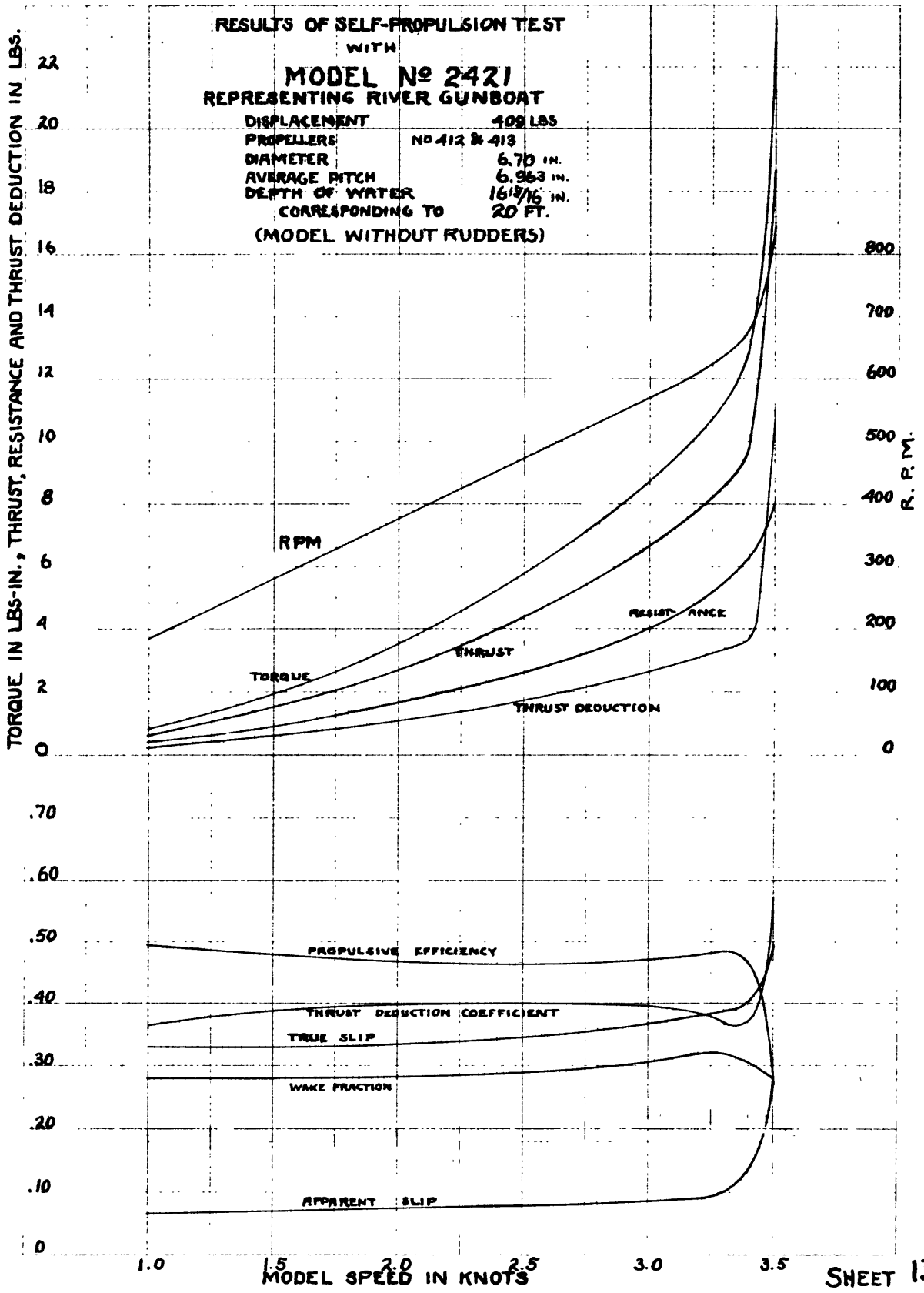
TORQUE IN LBS-IN., THRUST, RESISTANCE AND THRUST DEDUCTION IN LBS.



RESULTS OF SELF-PROPULSION TEST  
 WITH  
**MODEL No 2421**  
 REPRESENTING RIVER GUNBOAT

DISPLACEMENT	408 LBS
PROPELLERS	NO 412 & 413
DIAMETER	6.70 IN.
AVERAGE PITCH	6.963 IN.
DEPTH OF WATER	16 1/16 IN.
CORRESPONDING TO	20 FT.

(MODEL WITHOUT RUDDERS)

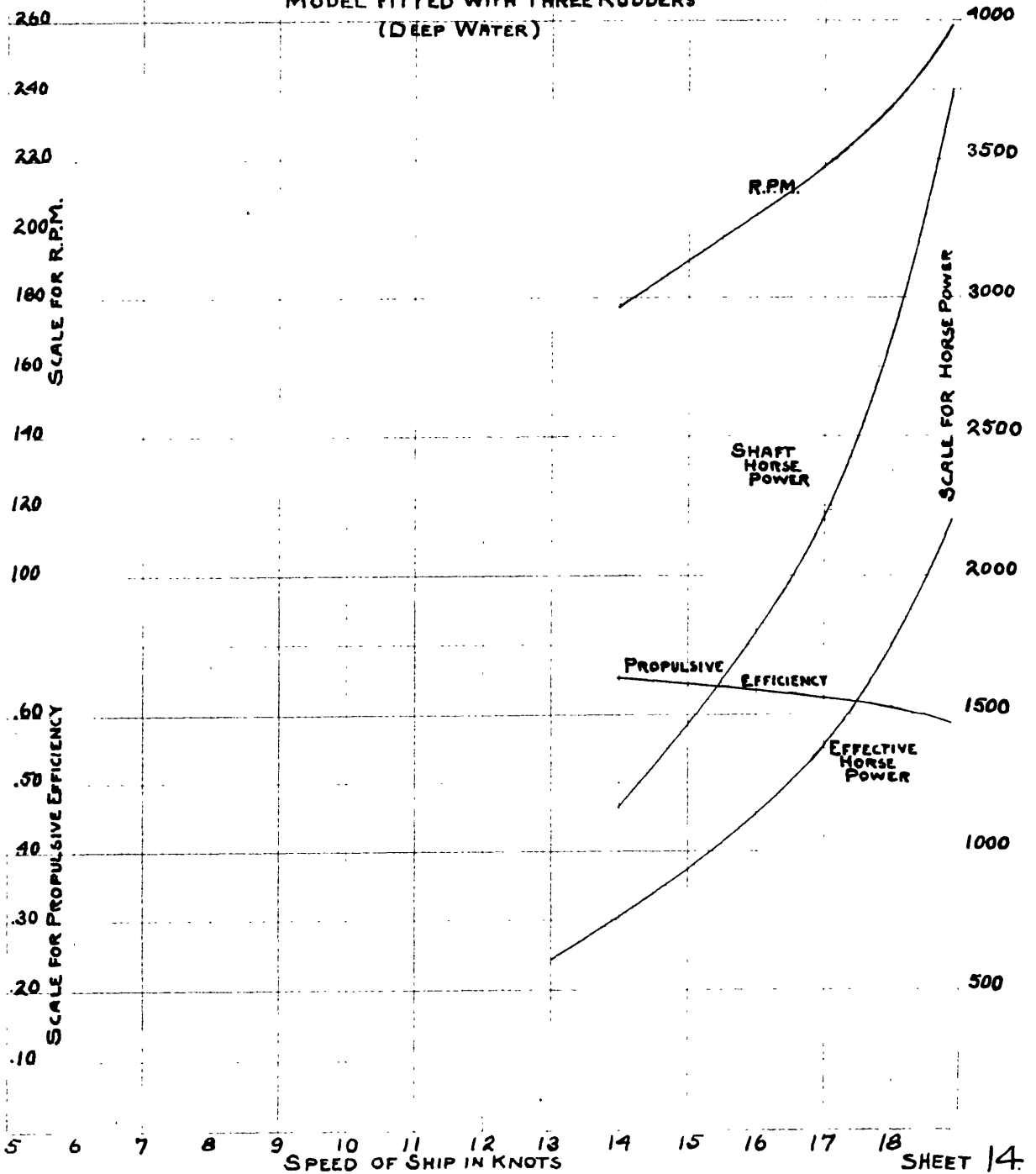


ESTIMATED HORSE POWER, R.P.M. AND PROPULSIVE EFFICIENCY  
FOR  
RIVER GUNBOAT - 1922

LENGTH 200 FT.  
DISPLACEMENT 532 TONS - F.W.  
PROPELLER DIAMETER 8 FT. 0 IN.  
PROPELLER PITCH 8 FT. 4 IN.

BASED ON TESTS WITH MODEL NO. 2421 AND PROPELLERS 412 & 413  
MODEL FITTED WITH THREE RUDDERS

(DEEP WATER)

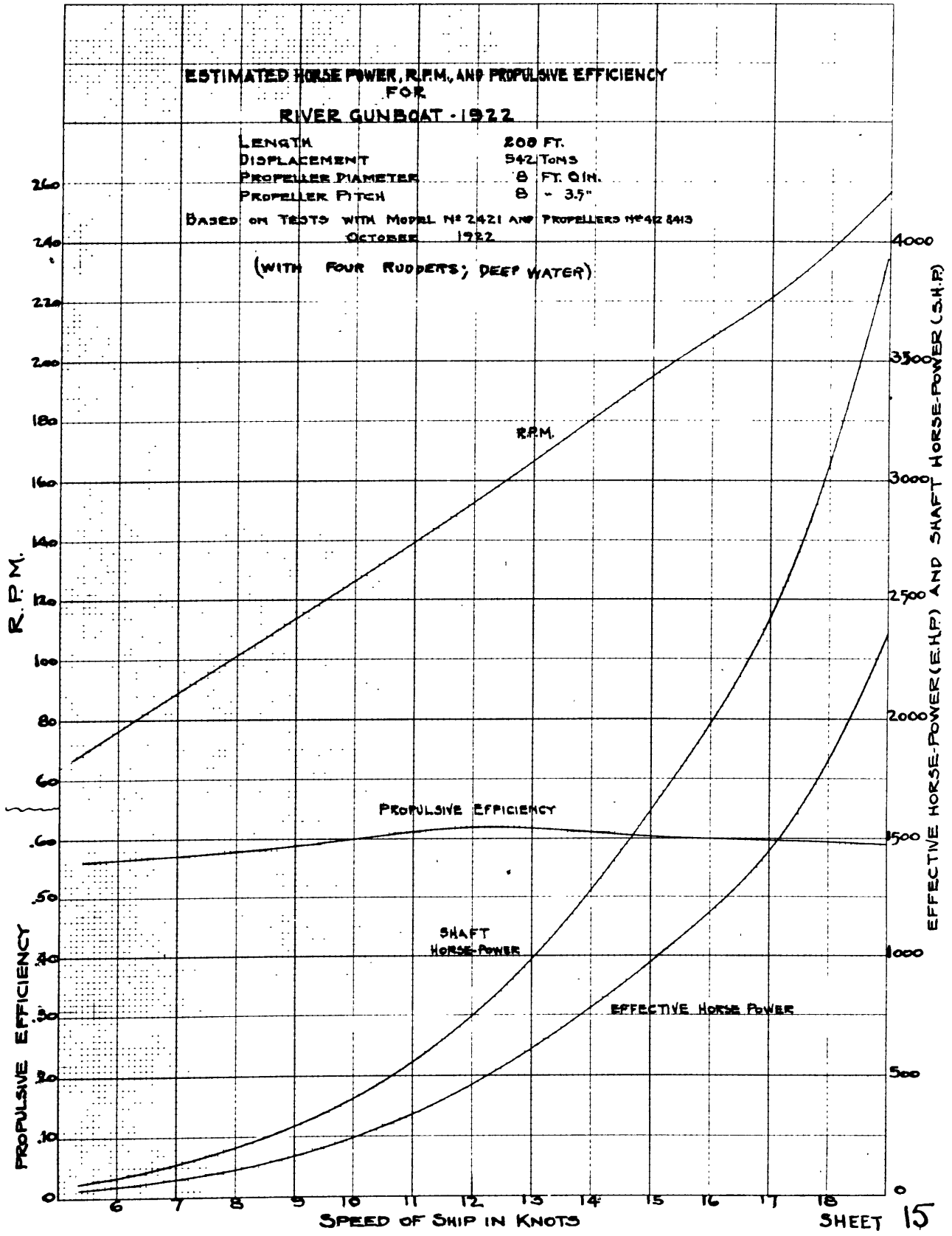


**ESTIMATED HORSE POWER, R.P.M., AND PROPULSIVE EFFICIENCY  
FOR  
RIVER GUNBOAT - 1922**

LENGTH 200 FT.  
DISPLACEMENT 542 TONS  
PROPELLER DIAMETER 8 FT. 0 IN.  
PROPELLER FITCH 8 - 3.5"

BASED ON TESTS WITH MODEL NO 2421 AND PROPELLERS NO 42 & 43  
OCTOBER 1922

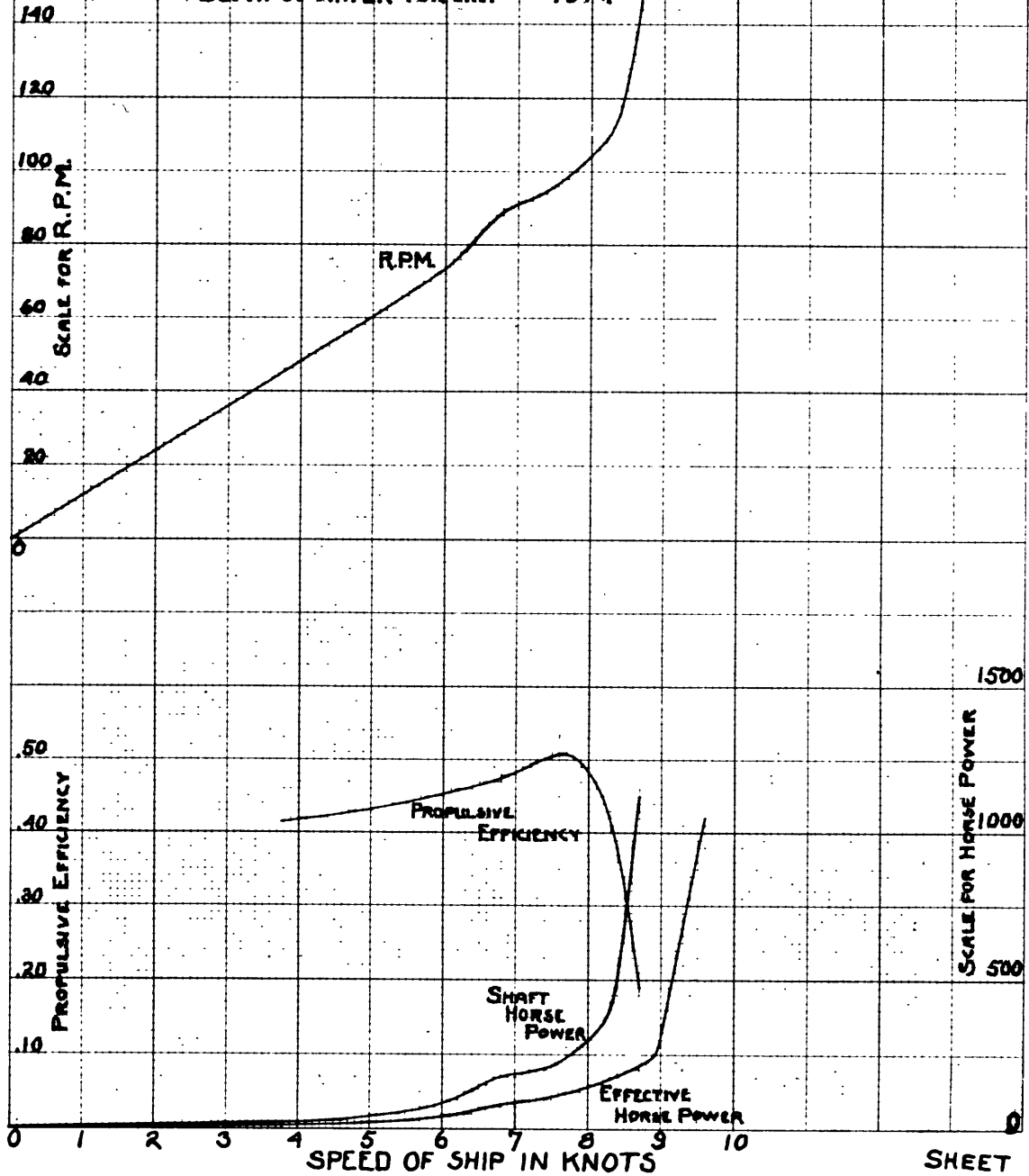
(WITH FOUR RUDDERS; DEEP WATER)



ESTIMATED HORSE POWER, R.P.M., AND PROPULSIVE EFFICIENCY  
FOR

RIVER GUNBOAT-1922

LENGTH 200 FT  
 DISPLACEMENT 537 TONS E.W.  
 PROPELLER DIAMETER 8 FT. 0 IN.  
 PROPELLER PITCH 8 FT. 4 IN.  
 BASED ON TESTS WITH MODEL R-121 (WITHOUT RUDDERS)  
 AND PROPELLERS NO 412 & 413  
 JANUARY 1923  
 DEPTH OF WATER FOR SHIP 10 FT.



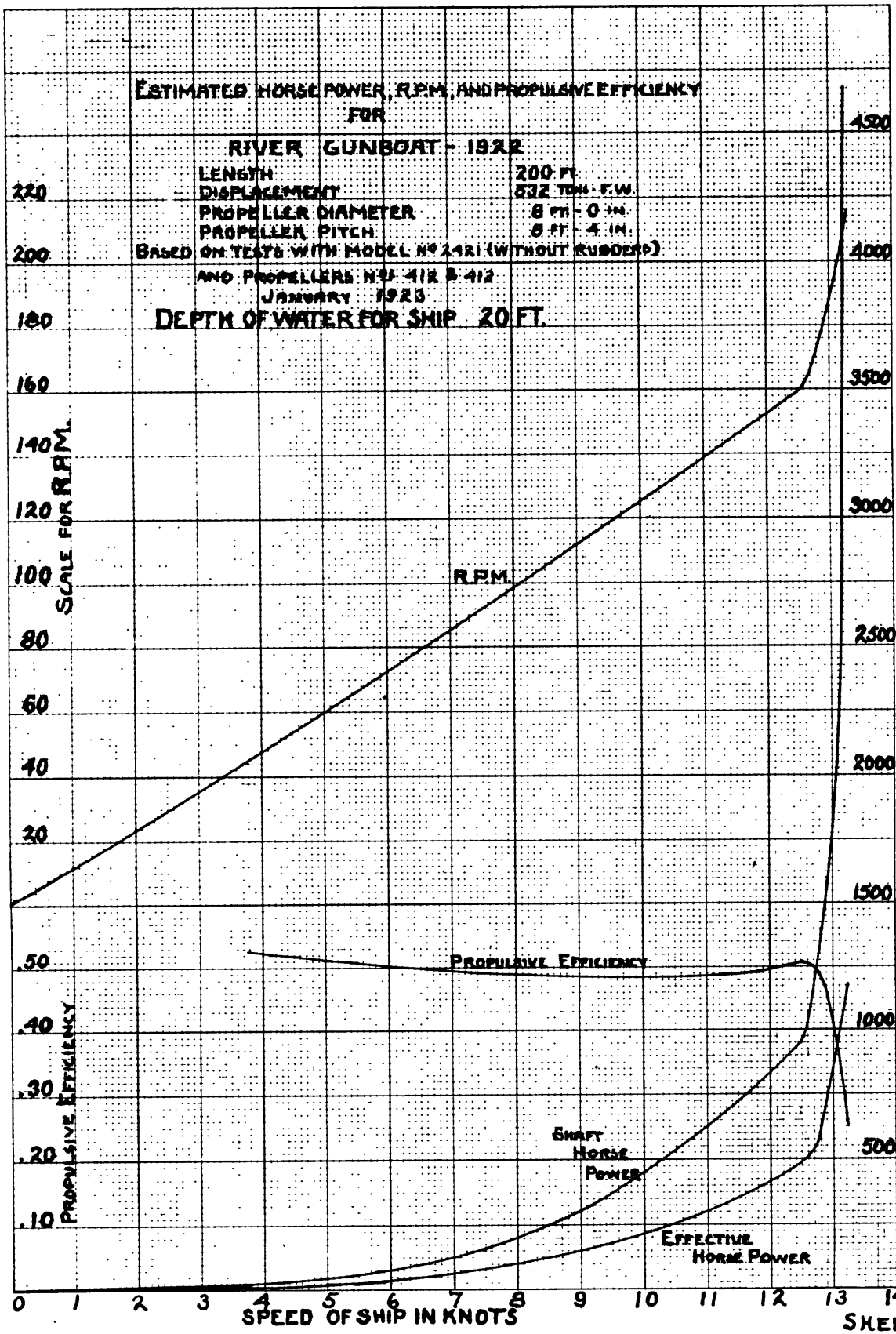
ESTIMATED HORSE POWER, R.P.M., AND PROPULSIVE EFFICIENCY  
FOR

RIVER GUNBOAT - 1922

LENGTH 200 FT.  
DISPLACEMENT 532 TON. F.W.  
PROPELLER DIAMETER 8 FT. 0 IN.  
PROPELLER PITCH 8 FT. 4 IN.

BASED ON TESTS WITH MODEL NO. 2121 (WITHOUT RUDDERS)  
AND PROPELLERS NO. 412 & 412  
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DEPTH OF WATER FOR SHIP 20 FT.

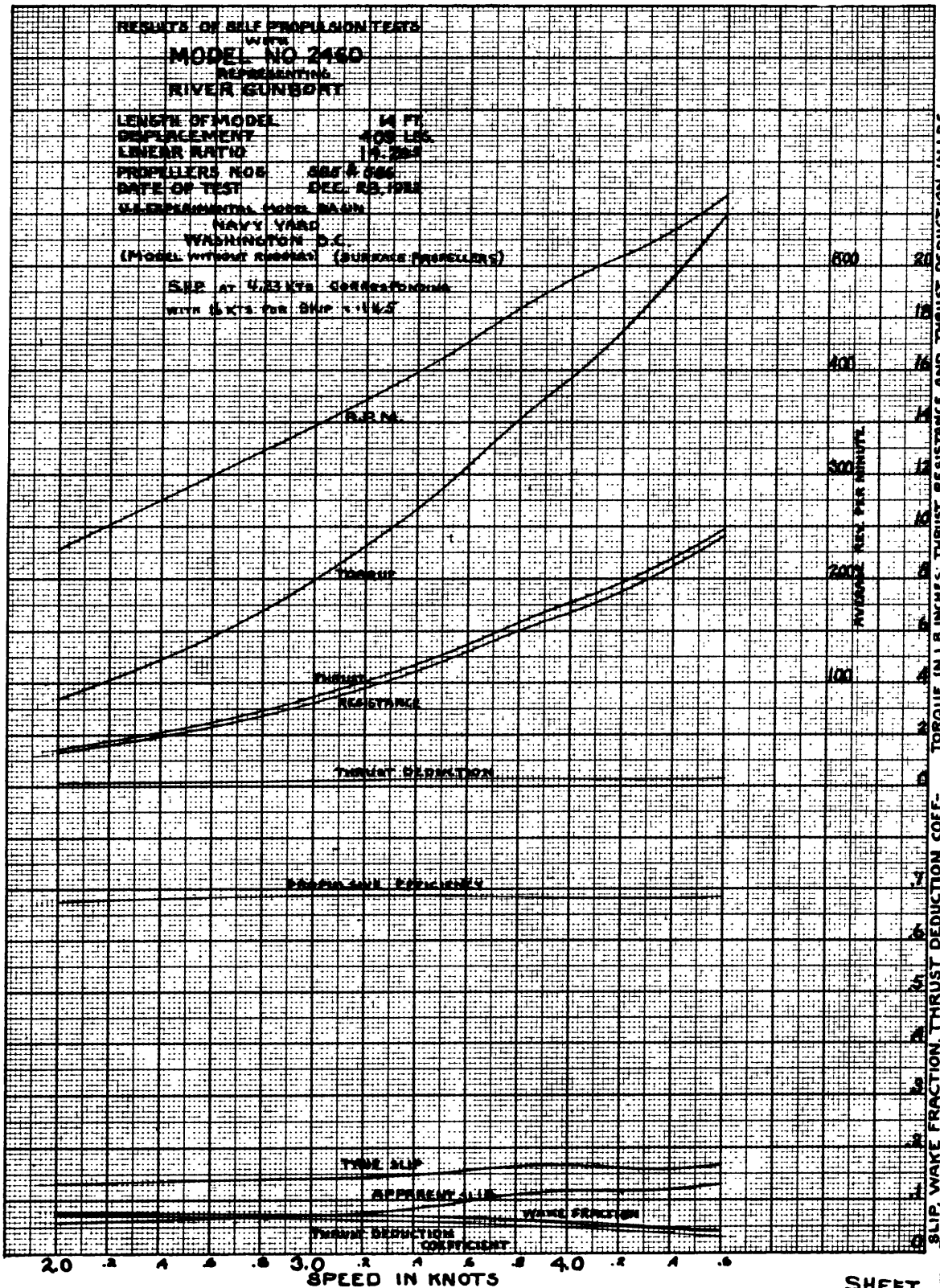


RESULTS OF SELF PROPELLION TESTS  
 WITH  
**MODEL NO 2460**  
 REPRESENTING  
 RIVER GUNBOAT

LENGTH OF MODEL 14 FT  
 DISPLACEMENT 400 LBS  
 LINEAR RATIO 14.254  
 PROPELLERS NOS 885 & 886  
 DATE OF TEST DEC. 25, 1918

EXPERIMENTAL MODEL BUILT  
 NAVY YARD  
 WASHINGTON D.C.  
 (MODEL WITHOUT PROPELLERS) (SURFACE PROPELLERS)

SLIP AT 4.23 KTS CORRESPONDING  
 WITH 8 KTS FOR SHIP 114.5



TORQUE IN LB-INCHES: THRUST, RESISTANCE AND THRUST DEDUCTION IN LBS.  
 SLIP WAKE FRACTION THRUST DEDUCTION COEF- FICIENT AND EFFICIENCY

**RESULTS OF SELF PROPULSION TEST  
WITH MODEL 2460**

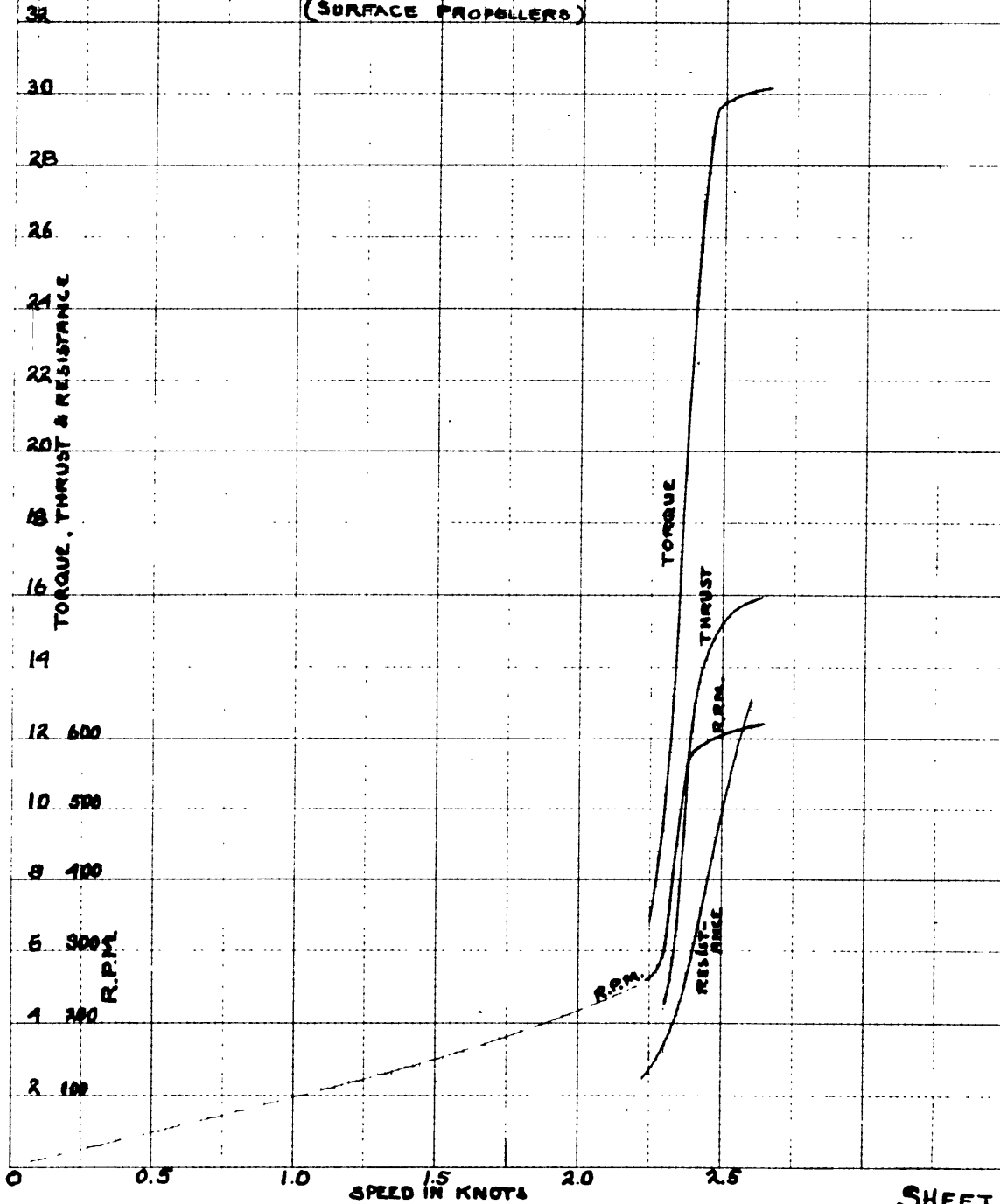
REPRESENTING RIVER GUNBOAT

DISPLACEMENT 408 LBS.  
PROPELLERS Nos 585 & 586

DIAMETER 11.34 IN.  
PITCH 11.34 IN.

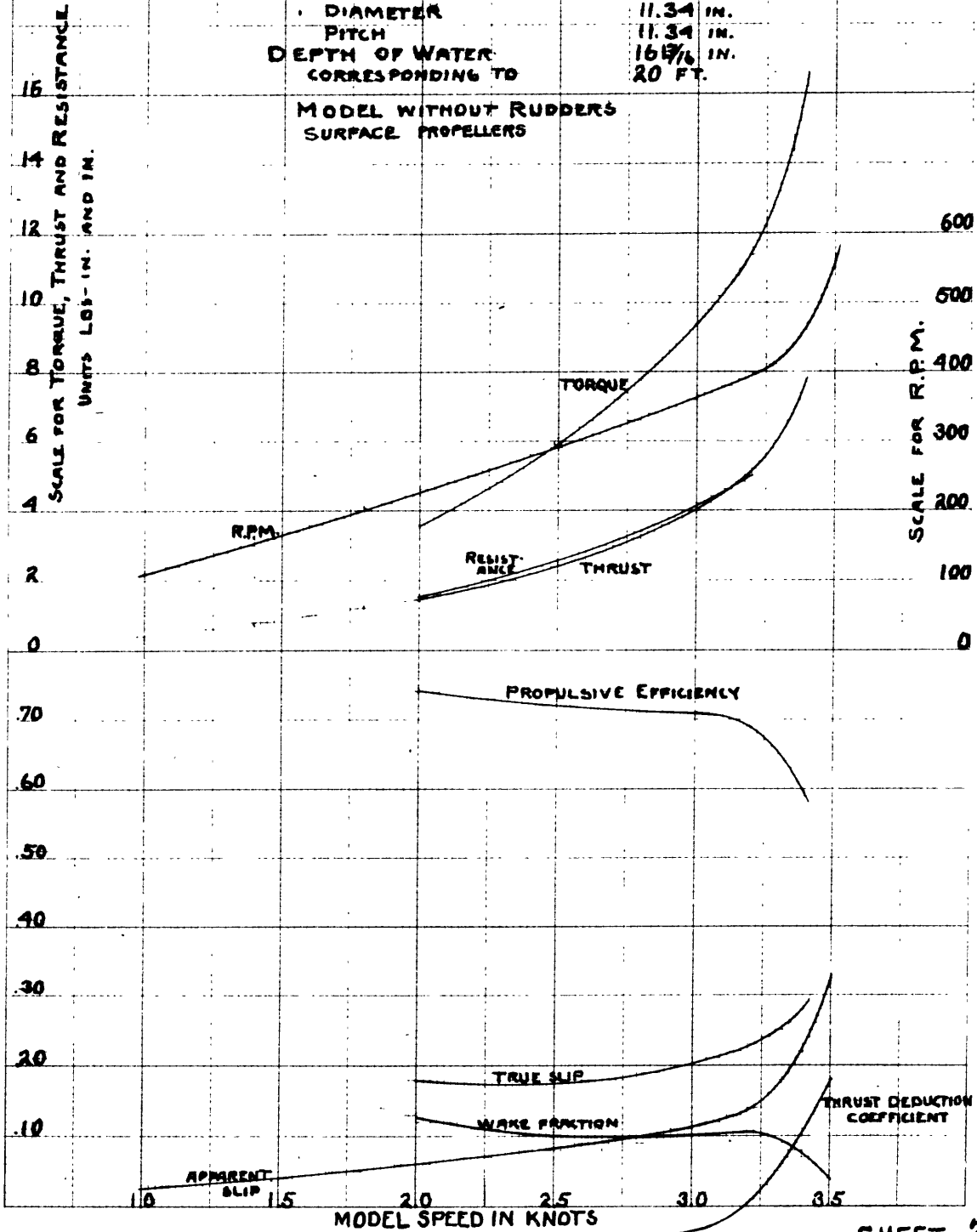
DEPTH OF WATER 8 7/8 IN.  
CORRESPONDING TO 20 FT.

MODEL WITHOUT RUDDERS  
(SURFACE PROPELLERS)



**RESULTS OF SELFPROPULSION TEST  
WITH  
MODEL 2460  
REPRESENTING RIVER GUNBOAT**

DISPLACEMENT 409 LBS.  
 PROPELLERS Nos 585 & 586  
 DIAMETER 11.34 IN.  
 PITCH 11.34 IN.  
 DEPTH OF WATER 16 7/8 IN.  
 CORRESPONDING TO 20 FT.  
 MODEL WITHOUT RUDDERS  
 SURFACE PROPELLERS

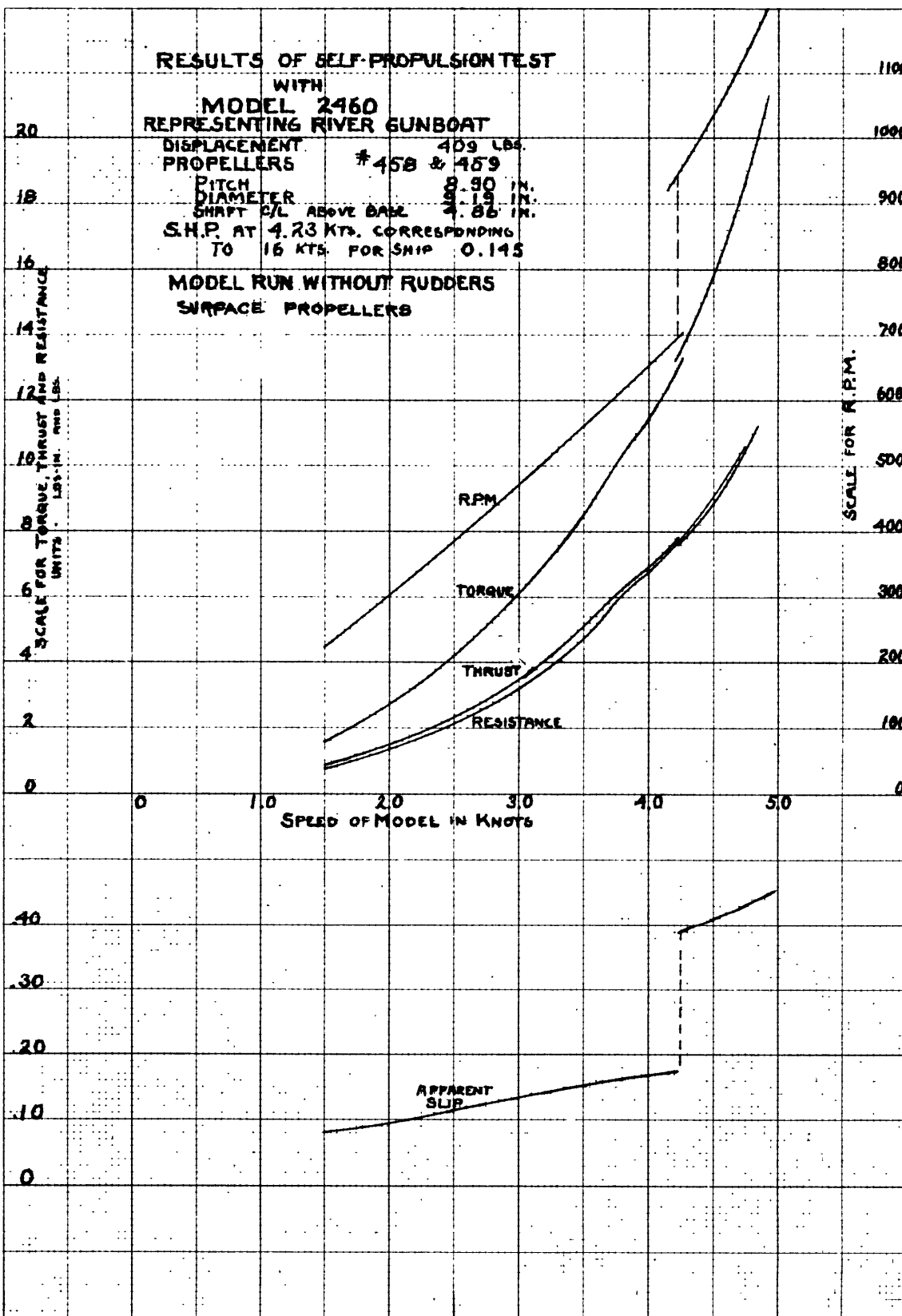


**RESULTS OF SELF-PROPULSION TEST**

WITH  
**MODEL 2460**  
 REPRESENTING RIVER GUNBOAT

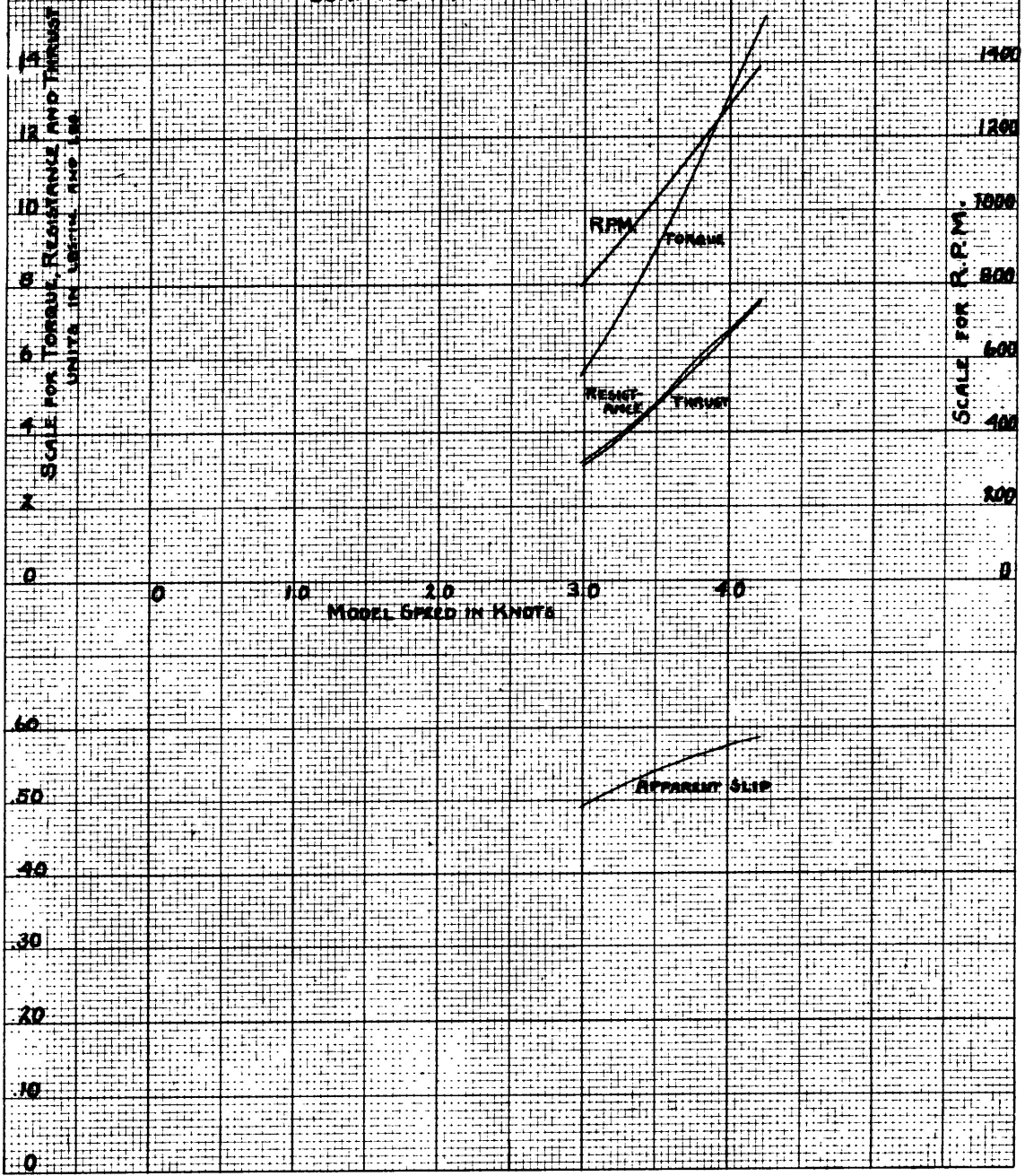
DISPLACEMENT 409 LB.  
 PROPELLERS #458 & 489  
 PITCH 8.90 IN.  
 DIAMETER 4.19 IN.  
 SHAFT C/L ABOVE BALE 4.88 IN.  
 S.H.P. AT 4.23 KTS. CORRESPONDING  
 TO 16 KTS. FOR SHIP 0.145

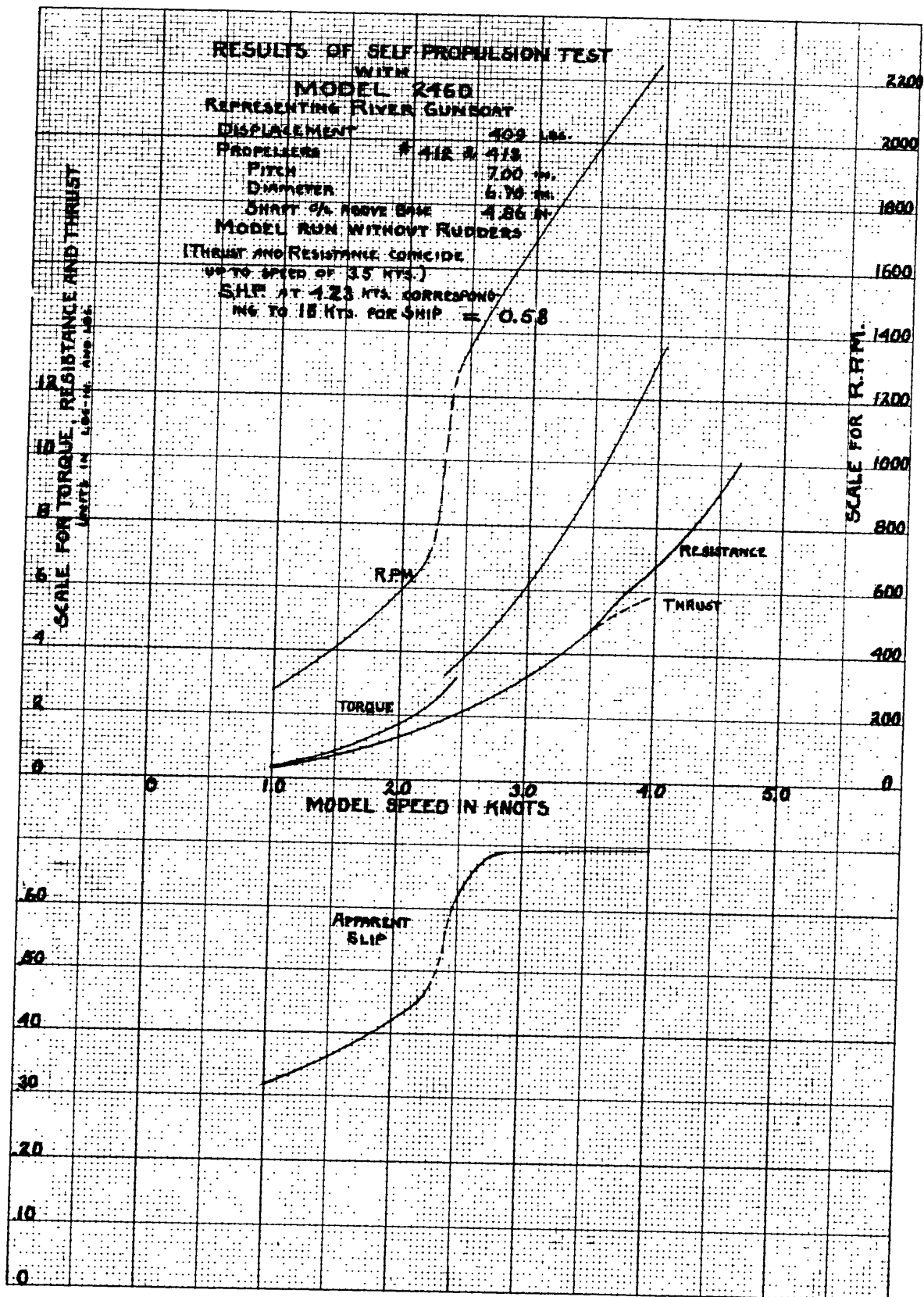
**MODEL RUN WITHOUT RUDDERS**  
 SURFACE PROPELLERS



**RESULTS OF SELFPROPULSION TEST  
WITH MODEL 2160  
REPRESENTING RIVER GUNBOAT**

DISPLACEMENT 409 LBS.  
 PROPELLERS 130 & 159  
 PITCH 8.90 IN.  
 DIAMETER 8.18 IN.  
 SHAFT 9/16 HOYE BALL 5.52 IN.  
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 TO 16 KTS. FOR SHIP 338  
 MODEL RUN WITHOUT RUDDERS  
 SURFACE PROPELLERS



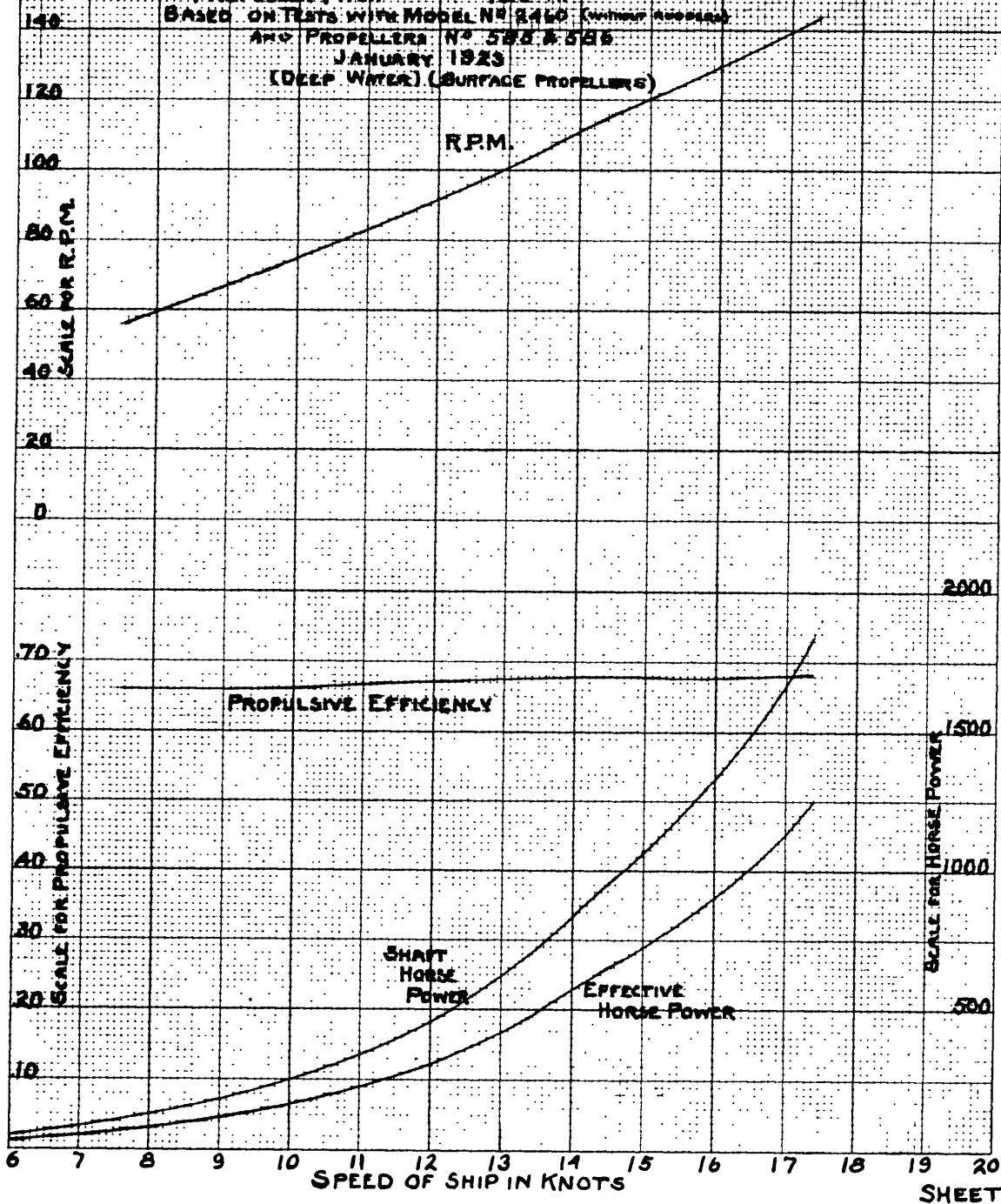


ESTIMATED HORSE POWER, R.P.M. AND PROPULSIVE EFFICIENCY  
FOR

RIVER GUNBOAT - 1922

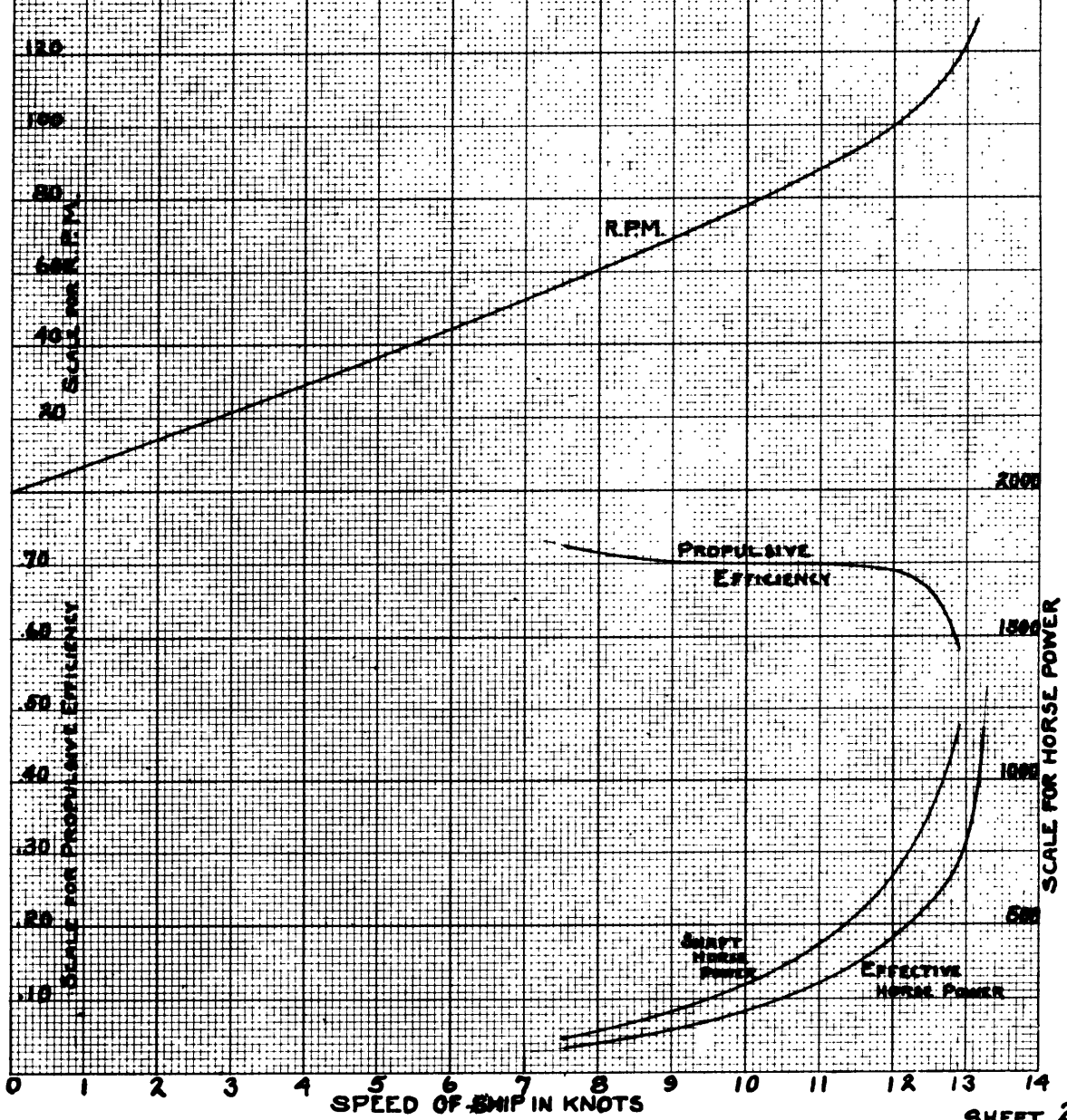
LENGTH 100 ft.  
DISPLACEMENT 532 TONS F.W.  
PROPELLER DIAMETER 13.5 ft.  
PROPELLER PITCH 13.5 ft.

BASED ON TESTS WITH MODEL NO. 2460 (without keel)  
AND PROPELLERS NO. 584 & 585  
JANUARY 1923  
(DEEP WATER) (SURFACE PROPELLERS)



**ESTIMATED HORSEPOWER, RPM, AND PROPULSIVE EFFICIENCY  
FOR  
RIVER GUNBOAT - 1922**

LENGTH: 200 FT.  
 DISPLACEMENT: 532 TONS F.W.  
 PROPELLER DIAMETER: 12 FT. 6 IN.  
 PROPELLER PITCH: 13 FT. 6 IN.  
 BASED ON TESTS WITH MODEL 2460 (WITHOUT RUDDERS)  
 PROPELLERS: 585 & 586  
 PROPELLERS MOUNTED AS SURFACE PROPELLERS  
 DEPTH OF WATER FOR SHIP: 20 FT.



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