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A MACHINABILITY EVALUATION OF GROUPS XII—XVI OILS  
ON THE MULTIPLE-SPINDLE AUTOMATIC SCREW MACHINE

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## CONCLUSIONS

1. The levels of 175 microinches for turning and 200 microinches for forming appear to be satisfactory in adjudging the tool life (number of pieces per tool grind) when evaluating cutting fluids on the multiple-spindle, automatic screw machine. In some cases, however, visual inspection of the samples was used to supplement the graphical data, as was explained in the "Test Results."

2. In the machining of various steels on a multiple-spindle, automatic screw machine, the 4316 oil shows better characteristics in heat transfer, and the resulting improvement in tool life (indicated by surface roughness as a criterion), than do the other oils, with oils L589 and 4332 running a close second in all-around performance.

3. Feeds of 0.0031 inch/revolution for turning and 0.001 inch/revolution for forming seem to give reasonable tool life on the various steels that are included in this study. The feed of 0.004 inch/revolution which was used on the second forming operation was definitely too heavy and resulted in short tool life in all cases. A cutting speed of 117.5 feet per minute is reasonable on the AISI 1141 and 4145 materials, but should be reduced for production on the 8620 steel to insure a larger number of parts per tool grind.

AN EVALUATION OF OILS NO. L581, L589, 4332, AND 4316 AS APPLIED TO THE  
OPERATION OF A NEW BRITAIN-GRIDLEY, 6-SPINDLE, AUTOMATIC SCREW MACHINE  
IN THE MACHINING OF AISI 1141, 4145, AND 8620 STEELS

Operating Conditions

Machine

A New Britain-Gridley Model 60, 6-spindle, automatic screw machine was used in the testing of three steels and four oils for this series of tests.

Oils

Oils No. L581, L589, 4332, and 4316 as received from the company were used in the above machine. Test samples of each of the first two oils were sent to the laboratory for verification of condition.

Steels

The certification of analysis of each material from the supplier and the Brinell Hardness Number (BHN) are listed as follows:

Steel	C	Mn	P	S	Si	Cr	Mo	Ni	BHN	3000-kg load
1141	.41	1.37	.025	.090	.10					223
4145	.44	1.04	.021	.021	.28	1.05	.13			223
8620	.21	.86	.019	.023	.31	.49	.17	.50		217

The 4145 and 8620 steels were prepared in an annealed and cold-drawn condition and the 1141 in a cold-finished state. All materials were 13/16 inch outside diameter and from 10 to 12 feet in length.

Cutting Tools

Turning.—The turning tools were M-3-D High-Speed Steel (Universal Cyclops) of 6% Mo, 4% Cr, 2.4% V, and 6% W. The tools were ground to the following signatures:

Oil	1st turn	2nd turn
L581	17,2,8,8,6,0,1/64	17,2,8,8,6,0,1/64
L589	17,2,8,8,6,0,1/64	17,2,8,8,6,0,1/64
4332	17,2,8,8,6,0,1/64	8,15,8,8,6,0,1/64
4316	17,2,8,8,6,0,1/64	8,15,8,8,6,0,1/64

The signature was held constant on the first turning tool for all tests. However, the tool signature was varied on the second turning tool to observe any improvement in number of pieces produced before failure of the tool.

Forming.—The form tools were purchased as 18-4-1 High-Speed Steel (18% W, 4% Cr, 1% V). The following back-rake angles were ground on the tools:

Oil	1st form	2nd form
L581	15°	8°
L589	15°	0°
4332	15°	15°
4316	15°	15°

The back-rake angle on the first forming tool was held constant for all tests while the back rake on the second-form tool was varied to observe any improvement in number of pieces produced before failure of the tool and to determine if the feed rate of 0.004 inch per revolution was a deterrent to good performance.

Test Method

The AISI 1141 steel was machined under the first machine setup at 117.5 feet per minutes (556 rpm) and feeds of 0.0031 inch/revolution on the turning tools, 0.001 inch/revolution on the first form, and 0.004 inch/revolution on the second form, using the L589 oil. All machine spindles were checked for accuracy and variations in surface finish on the machined parts.

The No. 2 spindle was chosen as representative of the average of all six, and the work pieces that were retained for subsequent examination and surface-roughness inspections were taken from this same spindle at intervals of approximately thirty pieces throughout the life of the test. The three steels and four oils were tested under the above conditions.

#### Test Criteria

It was determined that values of surface roughness (microinches, rms) would be obtained from the first and second turn and the first- and second-form surfaces by averaging the values of three readings on each surface as measured by a micrometrical profilometer. These values were plotted as ordinate vs number of pieces as abscissa for each of the roughness inspections throughout the life of the test.

The drills that were used in producing 5/16-inch-diameter holes did not show consistent evidence of tool wear and thus were not included in the evaluation of the test data. In running tests on oils 4332 and 4316, the drilling operation was eliminated altogether.

#### Test Results

After all data had been plotted, it was observed that a value of 175 microinches, rms, was representative of average tool life for the turning tools and 200 microinches, rms, for the form tools. These values are shown on each of the Figs. 1 through 28 to indicate the number of pieces produced prior to tool failure (inability to produce desirable surface finish).

Figs. 1-6 show the results obtained in testing the L581 and L589 oils in turning 1141, 4145, and 8620 steel. Solid lines were used to show the trend of the first-turning operation while dashed or broken lines were used for the second turn.

Figs. 7-12 show the results obtained in testing the L581 and L589 oils in forming 1141, 4145, and 8620 steel. Solid lines were used to show the trend of the first-forming operation while dashed or broken lines were used for the second form.

Figs. 13-16 show the results obtained in testing the 4332 and 4316 oils in turning 1141 and 4145 steel. Solid lines were used to show the trend of

the first-turning operation while dashed or broken lines were used for the second turn. In most cases, two sets of turning tools failed prior to the failure of one set of form tools.

Figs. 17-20 show the results obtained in testing the 4332 and 4316 oils in forming 1141 and 4145 steel. Solid lines were again used to show the trend of the first-forming operation while dashed or broken lines were used for the second form.

Figs. 21-24 show the results obtained in any one turning operation, using one steel, for the four different oils, i.e., Fig. 22, first-turning operation on 4145 steel, using oils L581, L589, 4332, and 4316.

Figs. 25-28 show the results obtained in any one forming operation, using one steel, for the four different types of oil, i.e., Fig. 26, first-forming operation on 4145 steel, using oils L581, L589, 4332, and 4316.

The following is a quick reference chart to assist in finding the graph for any one operation with any combination of oil and steel. The numbers on the chart represent the corresponding figure numbers on the graphs.

GRAPH REFERENCE CHART		Oil			
		Steel	L581	L589	4332
1st turn	1141	--	2,21	13,21	14,21
	4145	3,22	4,22	15,22	16,22
	8620	--	6	--	--
2nd turn	1141	1,23	2,23	13,23	14,23
	4145	3,24	4,24	15,24	16,24
	8620	5	6	--	--
1st form	1141	7,25	8,25	17,25	18,25
	4145	9,26	10,26	19,26	20,26
	8620	11	12	--	--
2nd form	1141	7,27	8,27	17,27	18,27
	4145	9,28	10,28	19,28	20,28
	8620	11	12	--	--

The following Table I shows the values of the number of pieces obtained prior to tool failure as defined by 175 microinches for turning and 200 microinches for forming. These values were found in the majority of cases by direct interpolation from the various graphs, in some cases, visual inspection superseded the graphical data. This was due to the

tendency of the built-up edge on the tool to produce a rough surface (profilometer readings above the average in microinches, rms) for a few samples and then a return to normal after the built-up edge had changed. On the other hand, a tool which had failed sometimes showed a tendency to produce a burnished or torn surface, resulting in a good profilometer reading (below the average in microinches, rms), but an unsatisfactory finish as shown by visual inspection. Therefore, direct interpolation alone, in some cases, does not give clear and accurate results.

In Table I the machining of AISI 1141 steel with the 4316 oil shows the most improvement in the number of pieces produced before tool failure in both the turning and forming operations. The 4332 and L589 oils show very little difference in the turning operation, but the forming cuts favor the 4332 oil over the L589 and indicate a similarity in performance with the 4316 oil. The worst performance is shown by the L581 oil in both the turning and forming operations.

In the machining of AISI 4145 steel, oils L581 and L589 show the best performance of the four in the turning operation, with slight differences in the number of pieces produced before tool failure. Oil L589, however, is definitely superior to the others in the forming operation. Oil 4316 rates second to the L589 in the forming operation, and oils L581 and 4332 third and fourth, respectively.

In the machining of AISI 8620 steel, oil L589 shows ability to aid in producing more pieces per tool grind than the L581 oil in each of the cases shown. This steel was not tested with the 4332 and 4316 oils at the request of Mr. Ford Teeter.

TABLE I  
NUMBER OF PIECES OBTAINED PRIOR TO LOSS IN SURFACE FINISH

Steel	Oil	1st Turn	2nd Turn	1st Form	2nd Form
		0.0031 feed 175 microinches		0.001 feed	0.004 feed
				200 microinches	
1141	L581	*	180	800+	88
1141	L589	555	335	900+	245
1141	4332	520	420	1080	525
1141	4316	660	660	1400+	750
4145	L581	405	485	440	80
4145	L589	380	135	850+	115
					(Tool Failure)
4145	4332	190	230	230	75
4145	4316	220	220	525	65
8620	L581	*	125	0**	0**
8620	L589	180	190+	65	0**

\*No test results.

\*\*Roughness over 200 microinches, rms, at start.



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 SURFACE FINISH VS. NO. OF PIECES

Machines: New Briton Gridley Mod. 60  
 Speed: R.P.M. 556 F.P.M. 117.5  
 Feed: I.P.R. .0031 171  
 Parts Per Hour: Sinclair L-581  
 Cutting Fluid: AISI - 1141 Steel  
 Material Cut: M-3-D H.S.S.  
 Tool Material: Box, 2nd Turn  
 Tool Type: 17, 2, 8, 6, 0, 1/64  
 Tool Signature: 17, 2, 8, 6, 0, 1/64

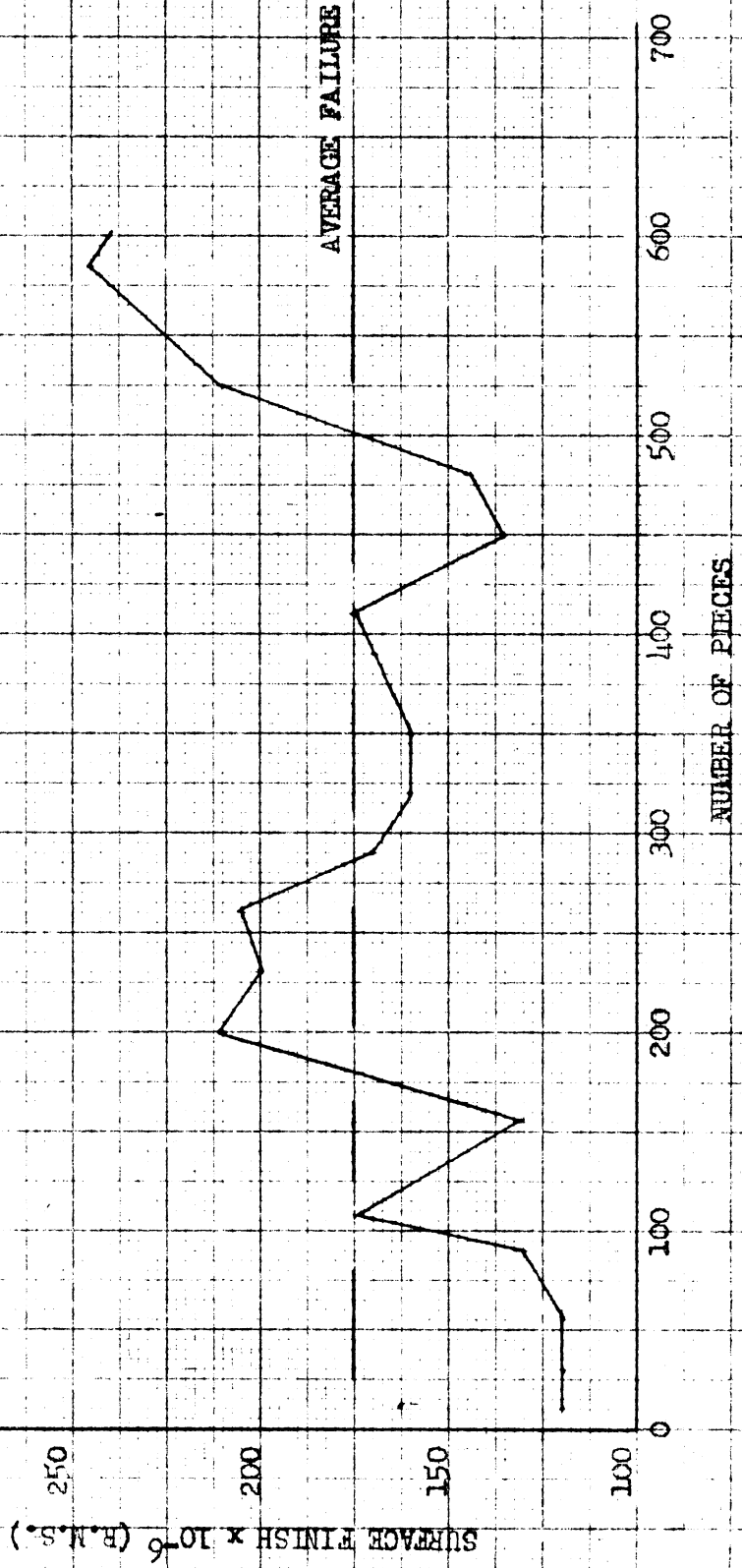


Fig. 1

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SURFACE FINISH VS. NO. OF PASSES

Machins: New Briton Gridley Mod. 60  
 Speed: R.P.M. 556 F.P.M. 11705  
 Feeds: I.P.R. .0031  
 Parts Per Hour: 171  
 Cutting Fluids: Sinclair L-589  
 Material Cut: AISI - 1111 Steel  
 Tool Material: M-3-D H.S.S.  
 Tool Type: Box, 1st Turn & 2nd Turn  
 Tool Signature: 17, 2, 8, 8, 6, 0, 1/64

350

300

250

200

150

100

75

SURFACE FINISH  $\times 10^6$  (R.M.S.)

AVERAGE FAILURE

2ND TURN

1ST TURN

0 100 200 300 400 500 600

NUMBER OF PASSES

Fig. 2

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 SURFACE FINISH VS. NO. OF PIECES

Machine: New Britton Gridley Mod. 60  
 Speed: R.F.M. 556 F.P.M. 117.5  
 Feed: I.P.R. .0031  
 Parts Per Hour: 171  
 Cutting Fluid: Sinclair L-581  
 Material Cut: AISI - 4145 Steel  
 Tool Material: M-3-D H.S.S.  
 Tool Type: Bpx, 1st Turn & 2nd Turn  
 Tool Signature: 17, 2, 8, 8, 6, 0, 1/64

SURFACE FINISH  $\times 10^{-6}$  (R.M.S.)

AVERAGE FAILURE

2ND TURN

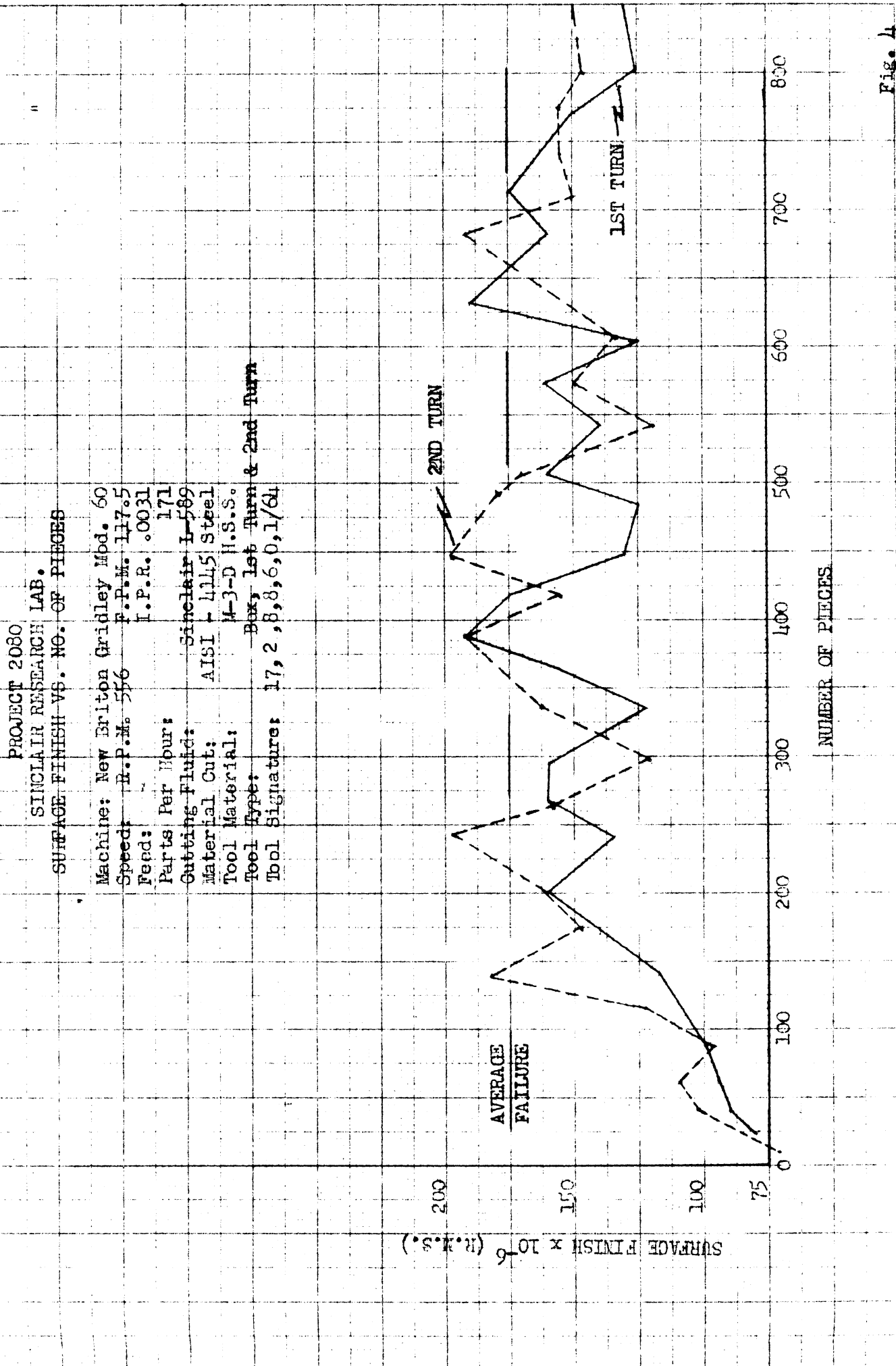
1ST TURN

300  
250  
200  
150  
100  
75  
0

100 200 300 400 500 600 700 800

NUMBER OF PIECES

Fig. 3



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SURFACE FINISH VS. NO. OF PIECES

Machine: New Briton Gridley Mod. 60  
 Speed: R.P.M. 556 F.P.M. 117.5  
 Feed: I.P.R. .0031  
 Parts Per Hour: 171  
 Cutting Fluid: Sinclair I-589  
 Material Cut: AISI - 4145 Steel  
 Tool Material: M-3-D H.S.S.  
 Tool Type: Box, 1st Turn & 2nd Turn  
 Tool Signature: 17, 2, 8, 8, 6, 0, 1/64

Fig. 4

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 SURFACE FINISH VS. NO. OF PIECES

Machines: New Briton Gridley Mbd. 60  
 Speed: R.P.M. 556 F.P.M. 117.5  
 Feed: I.P.R. .0031  
 Parts Per Hour: 171  
 Cutting Fluid: Sinclair L-581  
 Material Cut: AISI - S620 Steel  
 Tool Material: M-3-D H.S.S.  
 Tool Type: Box, 2nd Turn  
 Tool Diameter: 17, 2, 6, 8, 6, 0, 1/64

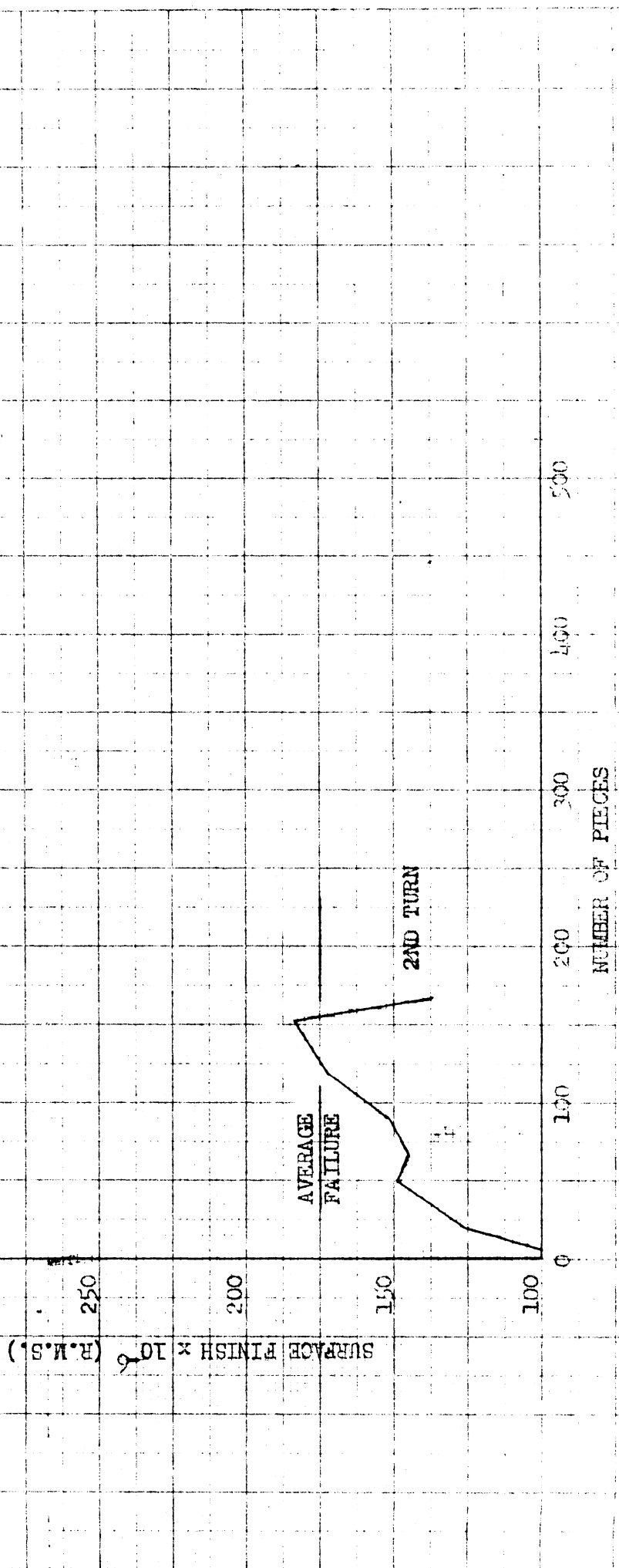


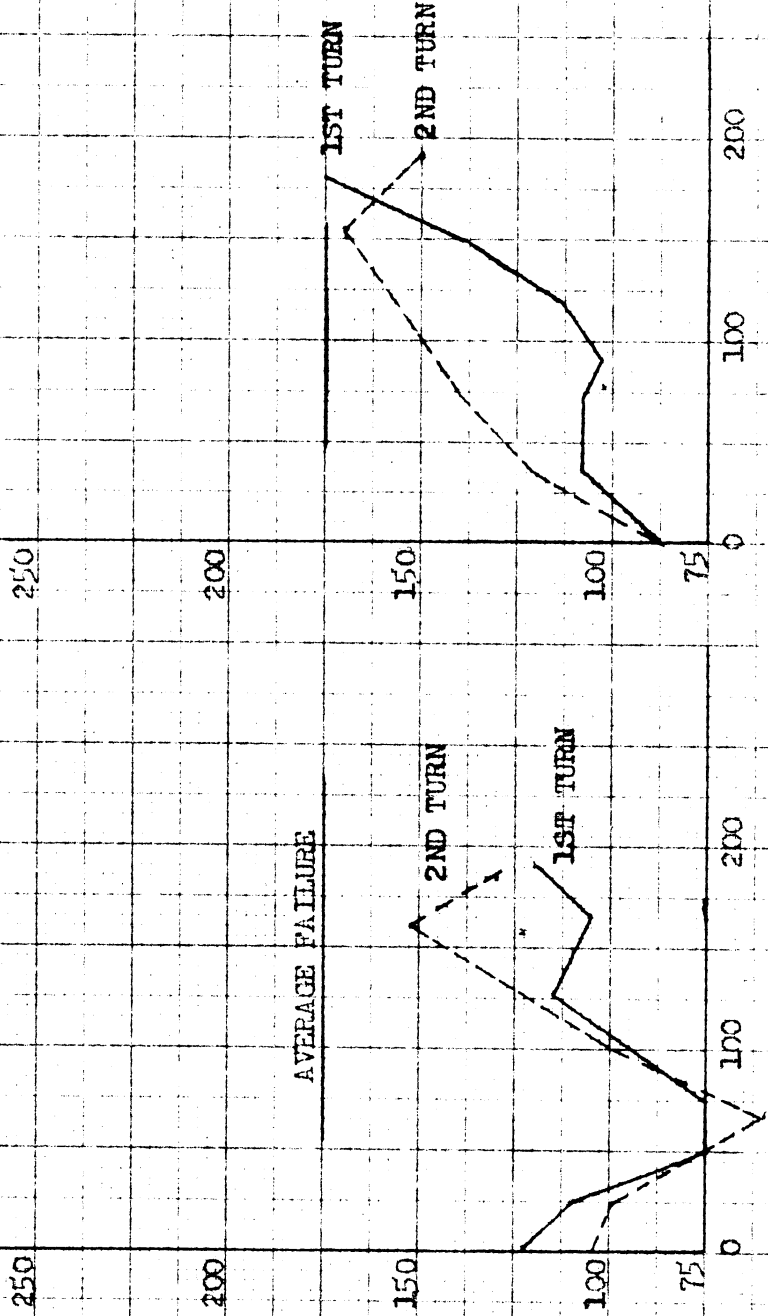
Fig. 5

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 SURFACE FINISH vs. NO. OF PICES

Machine: New Briton Grifley Mod. 60  
 Speed: R.P.M. 556 P.P.M. 117.5  
 Feeds: I.P.R. .0031  
 Parts Per Hour: 171  
 Cutting Fluid: Sinclair L-589  
 Material Cut: AISI - 8620 Steel  
 Tool Material: H-3-D H.S.S.  
 Tool Type: Box, 1st turn  
 Tool Signature: 17, 2, 8, 8, 6, 0, 1/64

SURFACE FINISH  $\times 10^{-6}$  (R.M.S.)

AVERAGE FAILURE



NUMBER OF PICES

Fig. 6

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SURFACE FINISH VS. NO. OF PIECES

Machiner New Briton Gridley Mod. 60  
 Speed: R.P.M. 556 P.P.M. 117.5  
 Feed: I.P.R. .001  
 Parts Per Hour: 171  
 Cutting Fluid: Sinclair I-581  
 Material Cut: AISI 1111 Steel  
 Tool Material: 18-4-1 H.S.S.  
 Tool Type: 1st & 2nd Form  
 Tool Signature: 5° Relief, 15° Rake

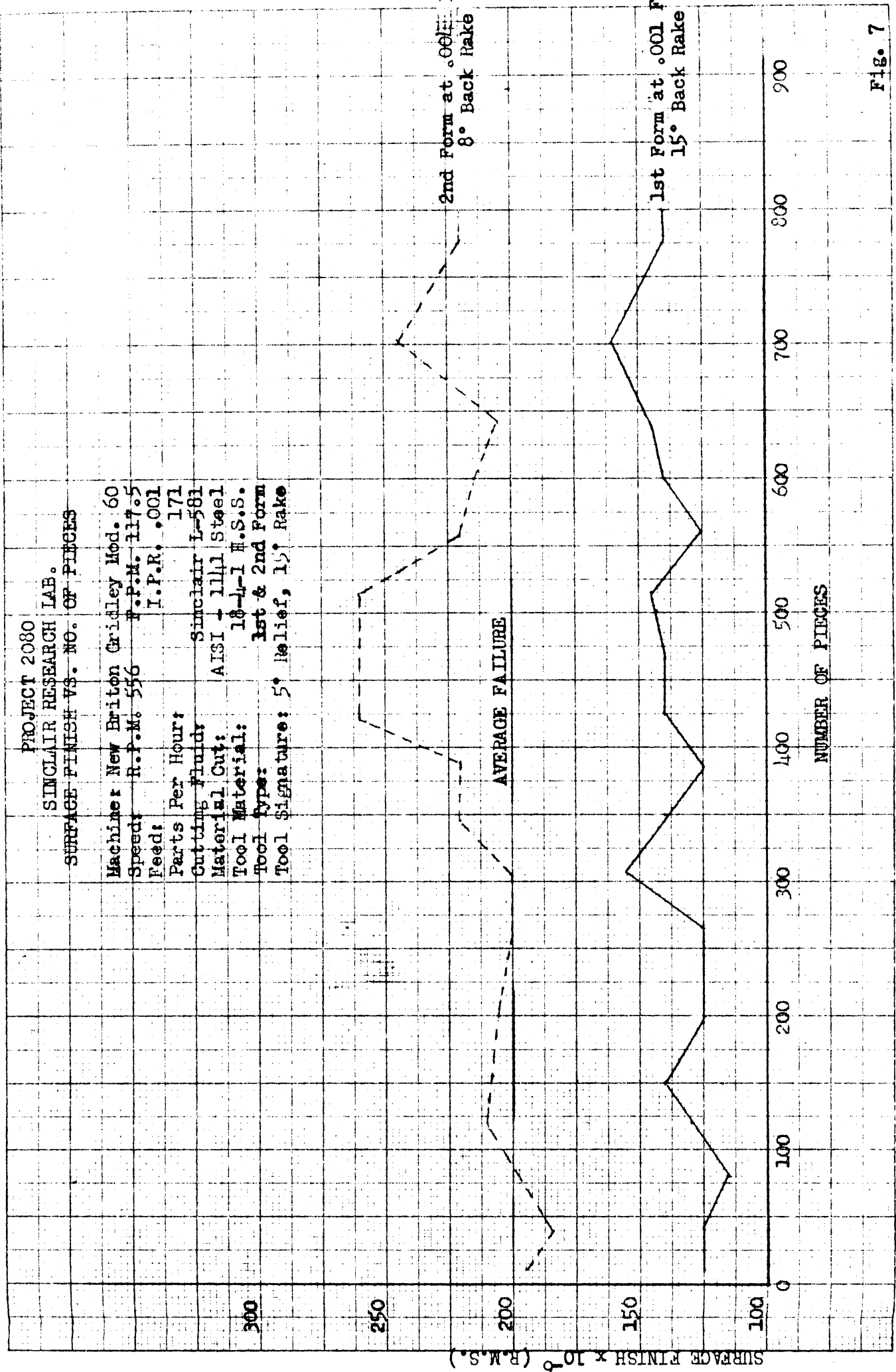


FIG. 7

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SURFACE FINISH VS. NO. OF PIECES

Machine: New Briton Gridley Mod. 60  
 Speed: R.P.M. 556 F.P.M. 117.5  
 Feeds: I.P.R. .001  
 Parts Per Hour: 171  
 Cutting Fluid: Singlair L-509  
 Material Cut: AISI 1111 Steel  
 Tool Material: 18-4-1 H.S.S.  
 Tool Type: 1st & 2nd Form  
 Tool Signature: 5° Relief, 15° Rake

2nd Form at .001 Feed  
 0° Back Rake

1st Form at .001 Feed  
 15° Back Rake

AVERAGE FAILURE

SURFACE FINISH x 10<sup>3</sup> (I.P.S.)

NUMBER OF PIECES

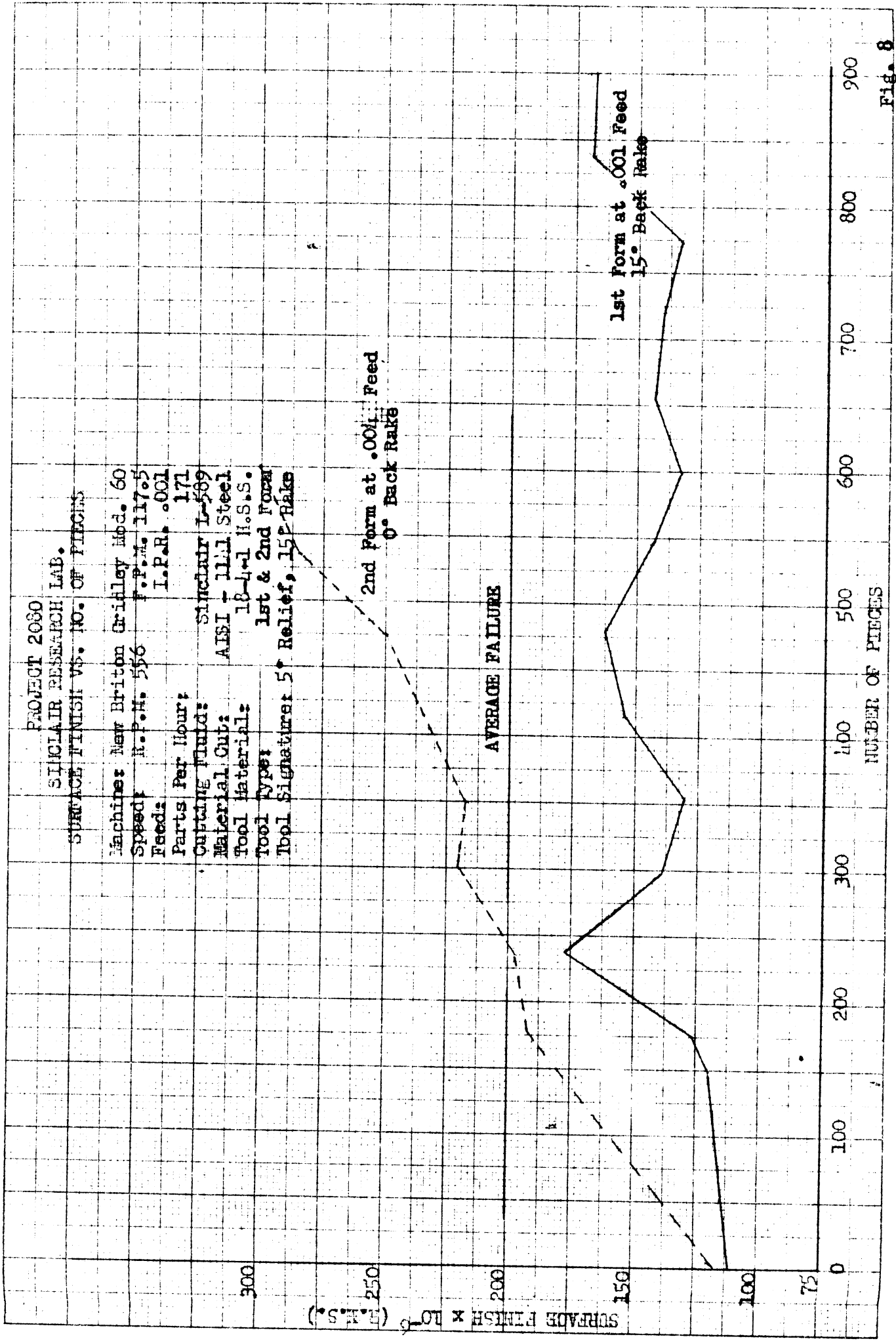


Fig. 8



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 SURFACE FINISH VS. NO. OF PIECES

Machines: New Briton Gridley Mod. 60  
 Speed: R.P.M. 117.5  
 Feeds: I.P.R. .001  
 Parts Per Hour: 171  
 Cutting Fluid: Sinclair L-581  
 Material: AISI - 1115 Steel  
 Tool Material: 18-4-1 H.S.S.  
 Tool Type: 1st & 2nd Form  
 Tool Signature: 5° Relief, 15° Rake

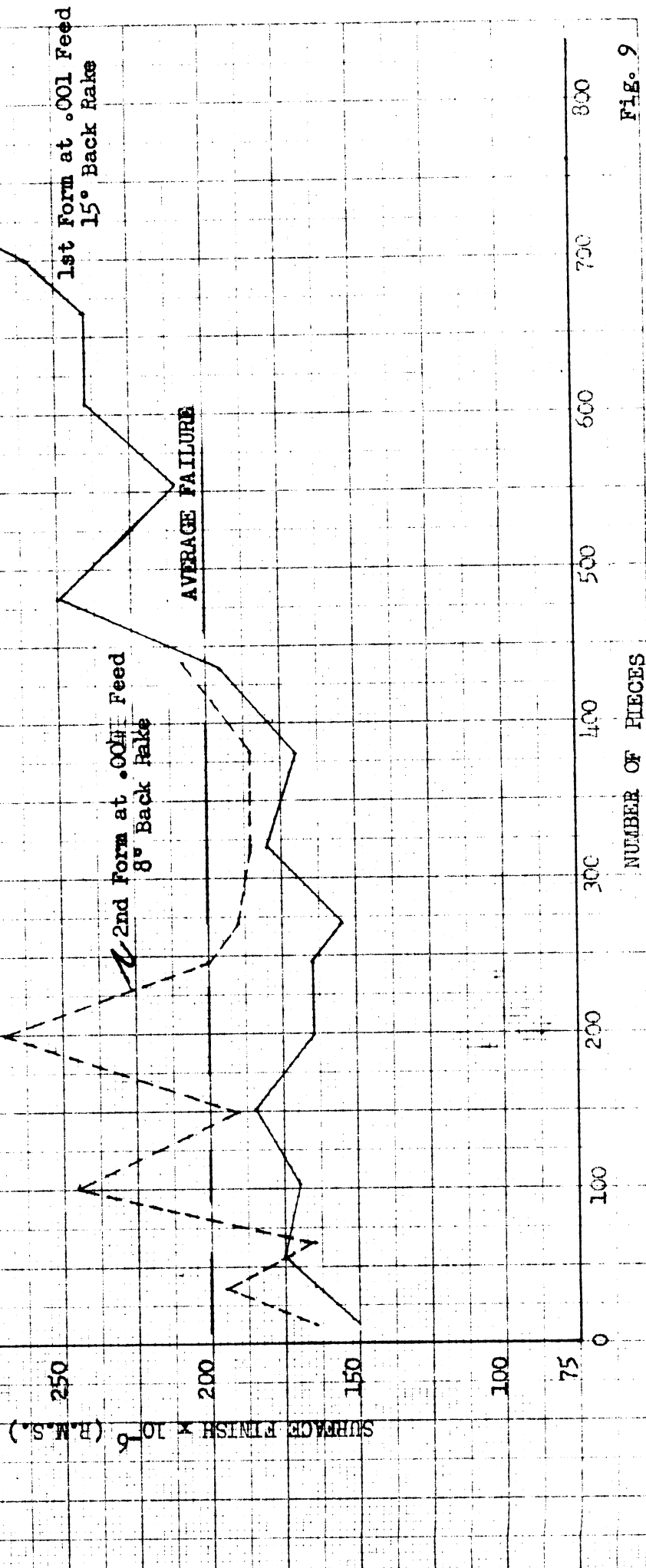


FIG. 9

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 SURFACE FINISH VS. NO. OF PIECES

Machine: New Briton Gridley Mod. 60  
 Speed: R.P.M. 556 P.P.M. 117.5  
 Feed: I.P.R. .001  
 Parts Per Hour: 171  
 Cutting Fluid: Sinclair L-589  
 Material Cut: AISI 4145 Steel  
 Tool Material: 18-4-1 W.S.S.  
 Tool Type: 1st Form  
 Tool Signature: 5° Relief, 15° Rake

SURFACE FINISH  $\times 10^6$  (R.M.S.)

AVERAGE FAILURE

Tool Failure

2nd Form at .004 Feed  
 0° Back Rake

1st Form at .001 Feed  
 15° Back Rake

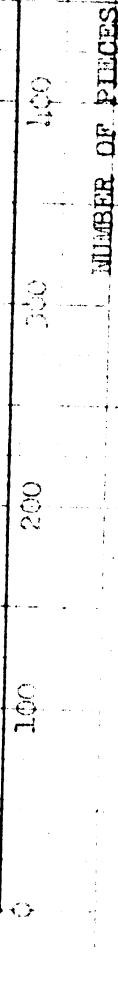


Fig. 10

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 SURFACE FINISH VS. NO. OF PIECES

Machine: New Briton Gridley Mod. 60  
 Speed: R.P.M. 556 F.P.M. 117.5  
 Feed: I.P.R. .001 171  
 Parts Per Hour: 171  
 Cutting Fluid: Sinclair L-581  
 Material Cut: AISI - S620 Steel  
 Tool Material: 18-4-1 H.S.S.  
 Tool Type: 1st & 2nd Form  
 Tool Signature: 5° Relief, 15° Rake

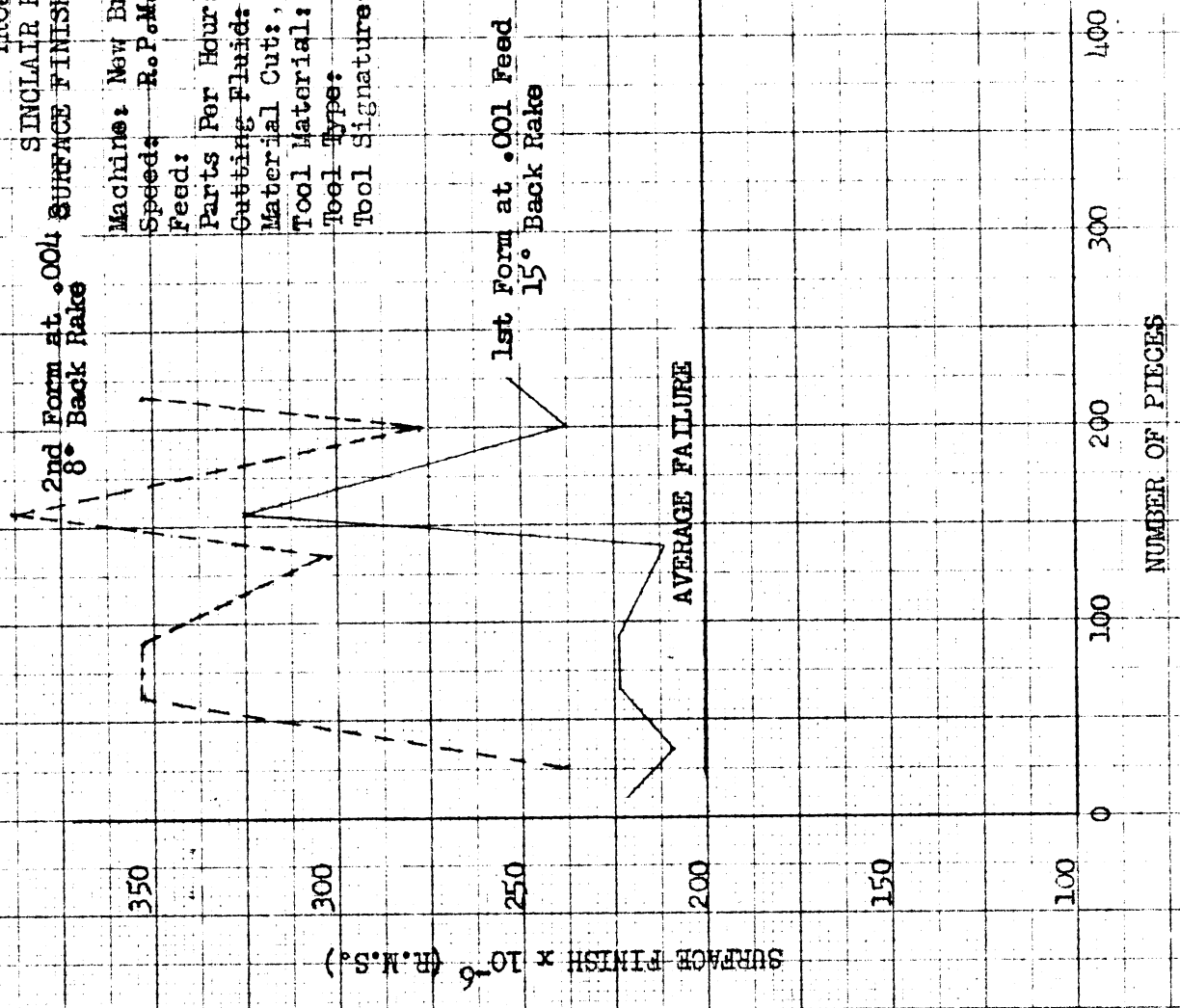


Fig. 11

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 SURFACE FINISH VS. NO. OF PIECES

Machine: New Briton Gridley Mod. 60  
 Speed: R.P.M. 556 F.P.M. 117.5  
 Feed: I.P.M. .001  
 Parts Per Hour: 171  
 Cutting Fluid: Sinclair L-589  
 Material Cut: AISI - S620 Steel  
 Tool Material: 18-4-1 H.S.S.  
 Tool Type: 1st Form  
 Tool Signature: 5° Relief, 15° Rake

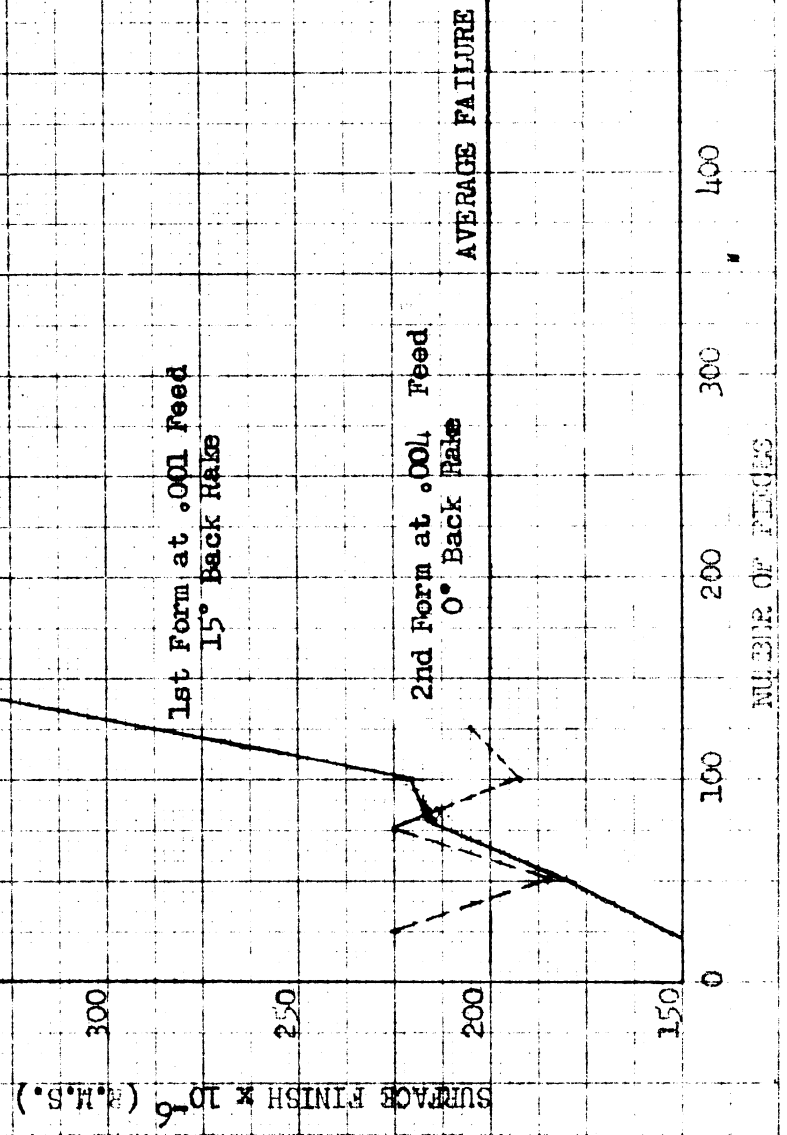
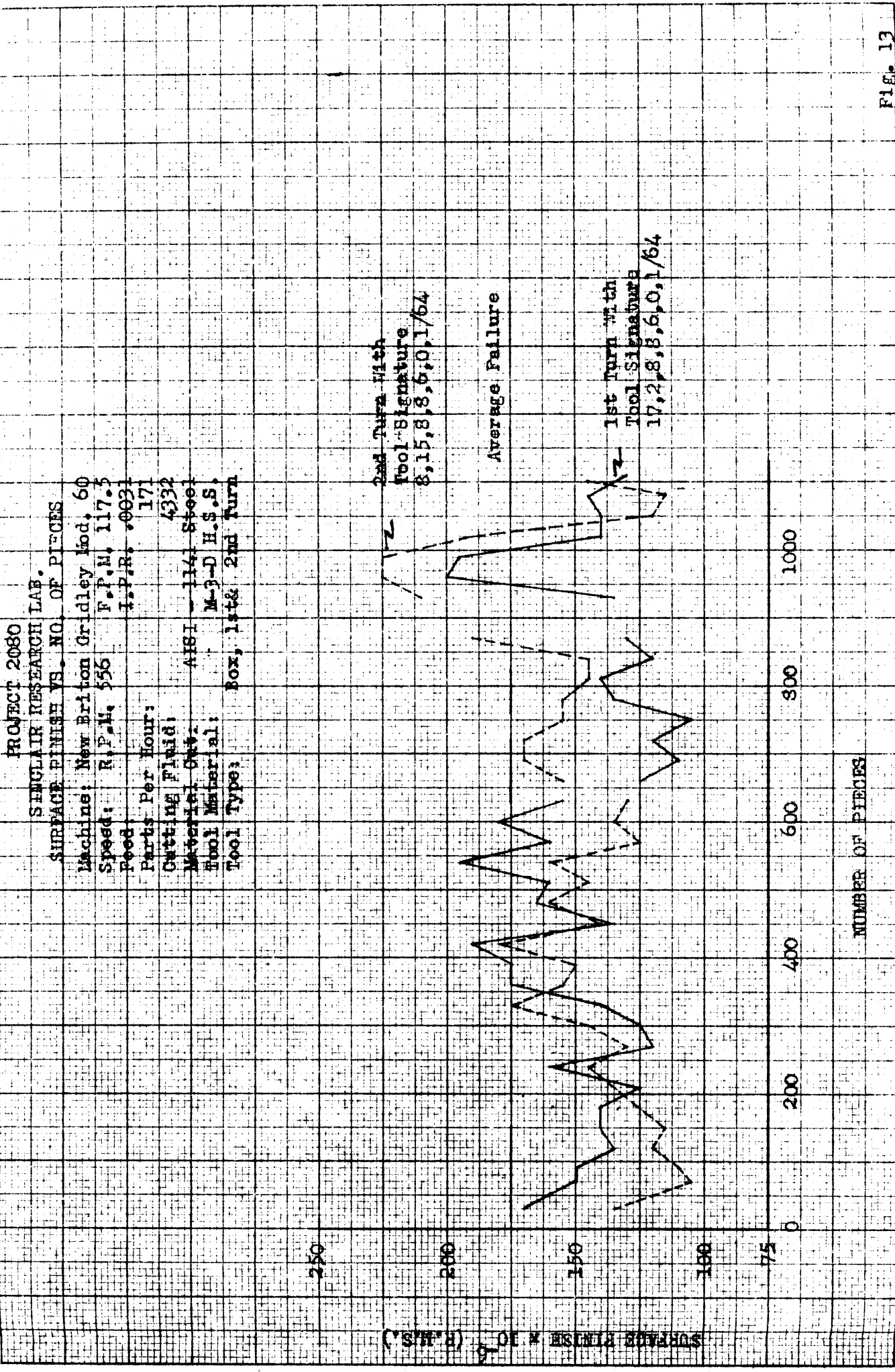


Fig. 12



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SURFACE FINISH VS. NO. OF PIECES

Machines: New Briton Gridley Mod. 60

Speed: R.P.M. 556 F.P.M. 117.5

Feed: I.P.R. .0021

Parts Per Hour: 171

Cutting Fluid: 4332

Material: AISI 114 Steel

Tool Material: M-3-D H.S.S.

Tool Type: Box, 1st & 2nd Turn

2nd Turn With  
Tool Signature  
8,15,8,8,6,0,1/64

Average Failure

1st Turn with  
Tool Signature  
17,2,8,8,6,0,1/64

NUMBER OF PIECES

SURFACE FINISH # 10 (R.M.S.)

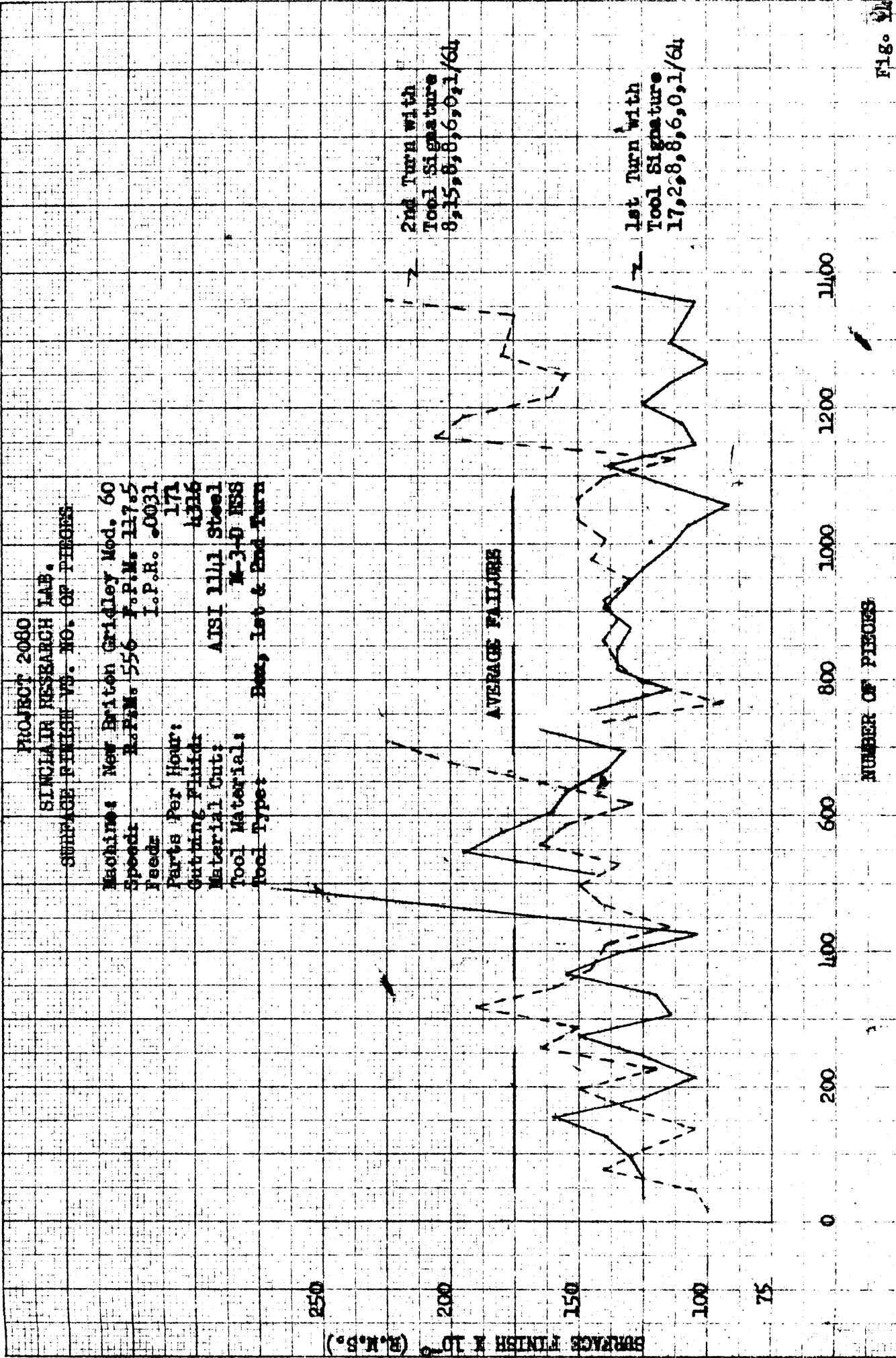
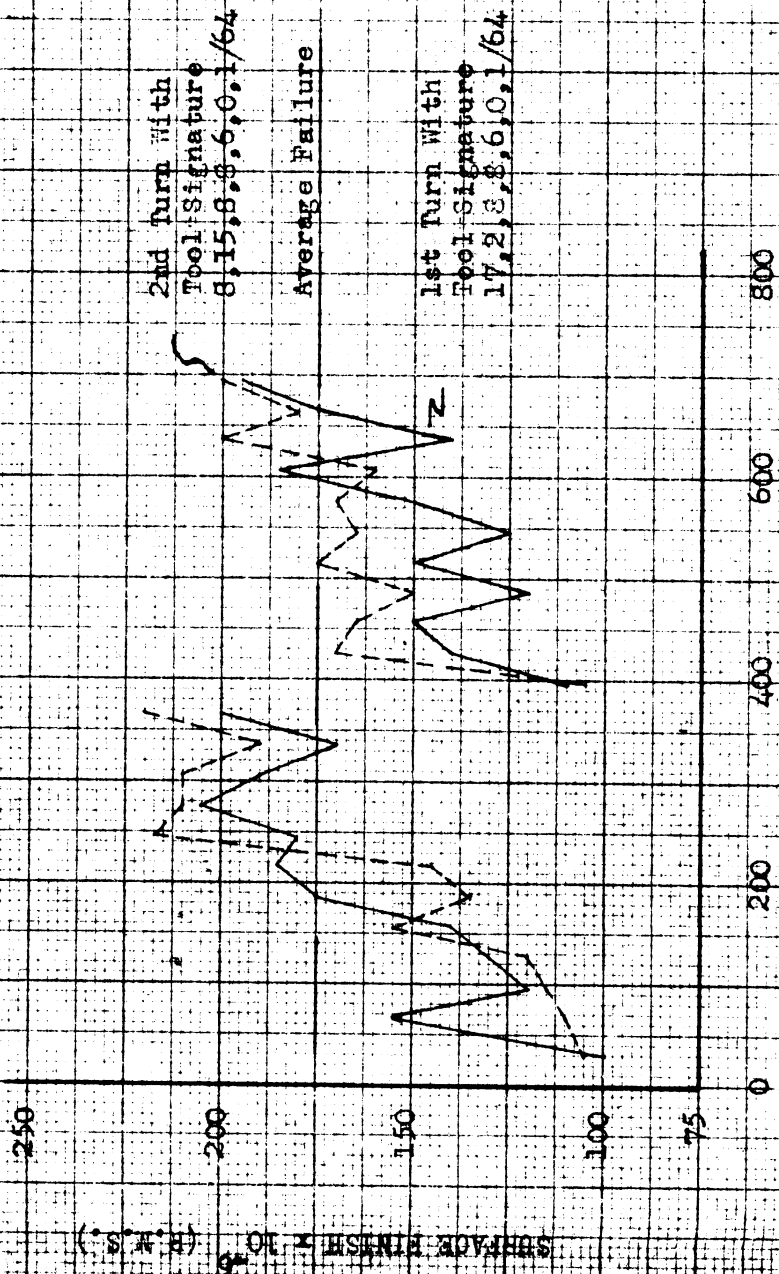


Fig. 14

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 SURFACE FINISH VS. NO. OF PIECES  
 Machine: New Britton Gridley Mod. 60  
 Speed: R.P.M. 556 F.P.M. 117.5  
 Feed: I.P.R. .0091  
 Parts Per Hour: 171  
 Cutting Fluid: 4332  
 Material Cut: Aisi - 4145 Steel  
 Tool Material: M-3HD H.S.S.  
 Tool Type: Box, 1st & 2nd Turn



Number Of Pieces

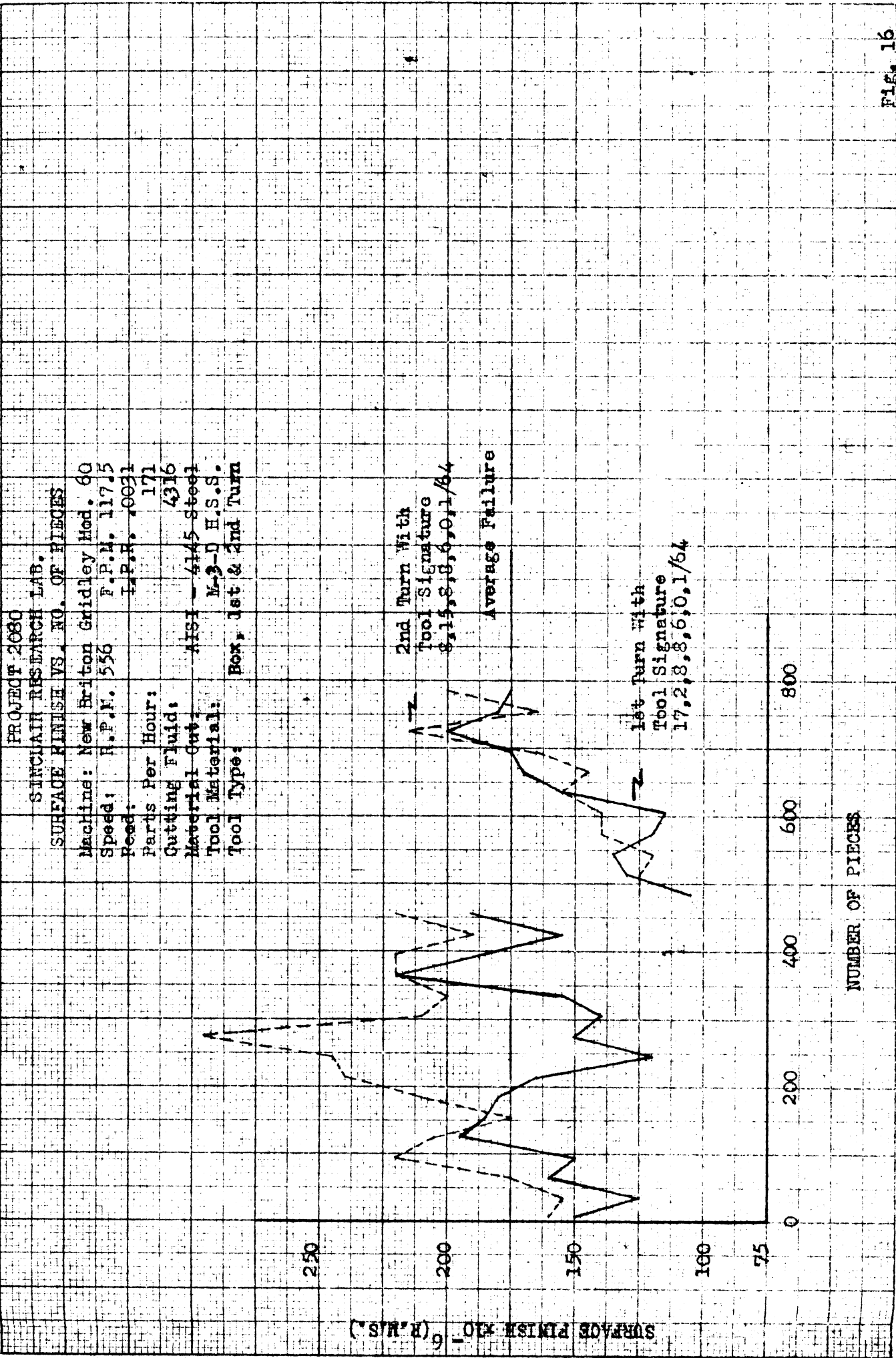


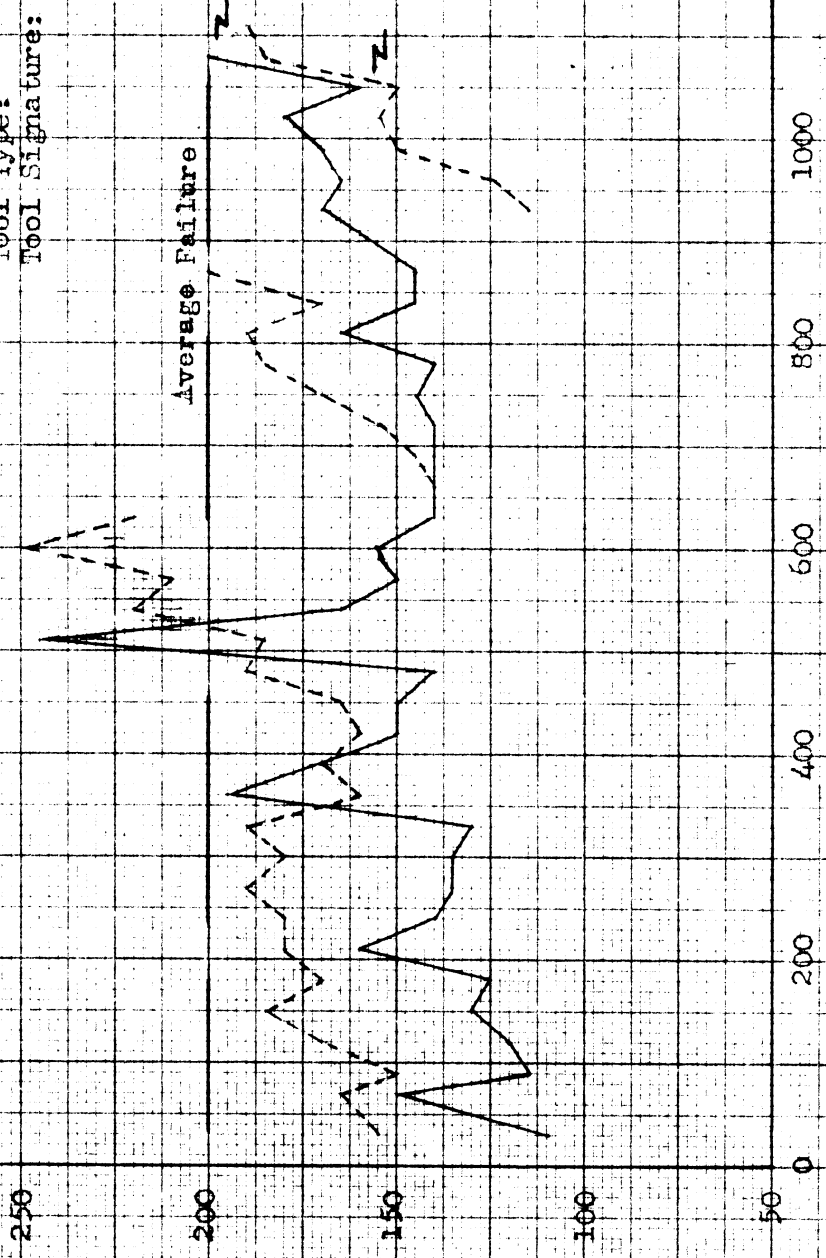
Fig. 16



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 SURFACE FINISH VS. NO. OF PIECES

Machine: New Eriton Gridley Mod. 60  
 Speed: R.P.M. 556 F.P.M. 117.5  
 Parts Per Hour: 171  
 Cutting Fluid: 4332  
 Material Cut: AISI - 1111 Steel  
 Tool Material: 18-4-1 HSS Steel  
 Tool Type: 1st & 2nd Form  
 Tool Signature: 15° Back take

Average Failure  
 1st Form at  
 .001 I.P.R. Feed  
 2nd Form at  
 .004 I.P.R. Feed



SURFACE FINISH  $\times 10^6$  (R.M.S.)

NUMBER OF PIECES

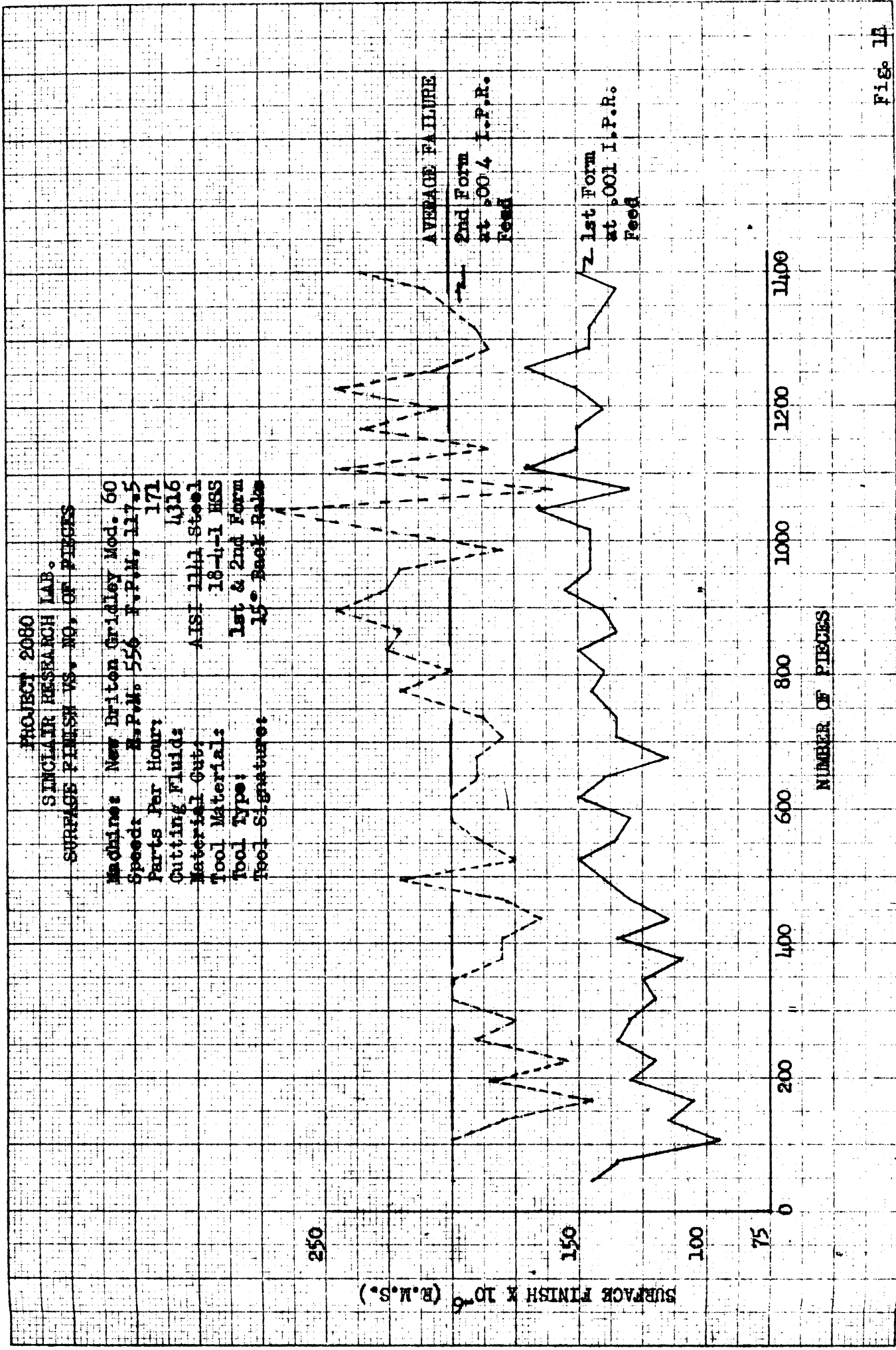


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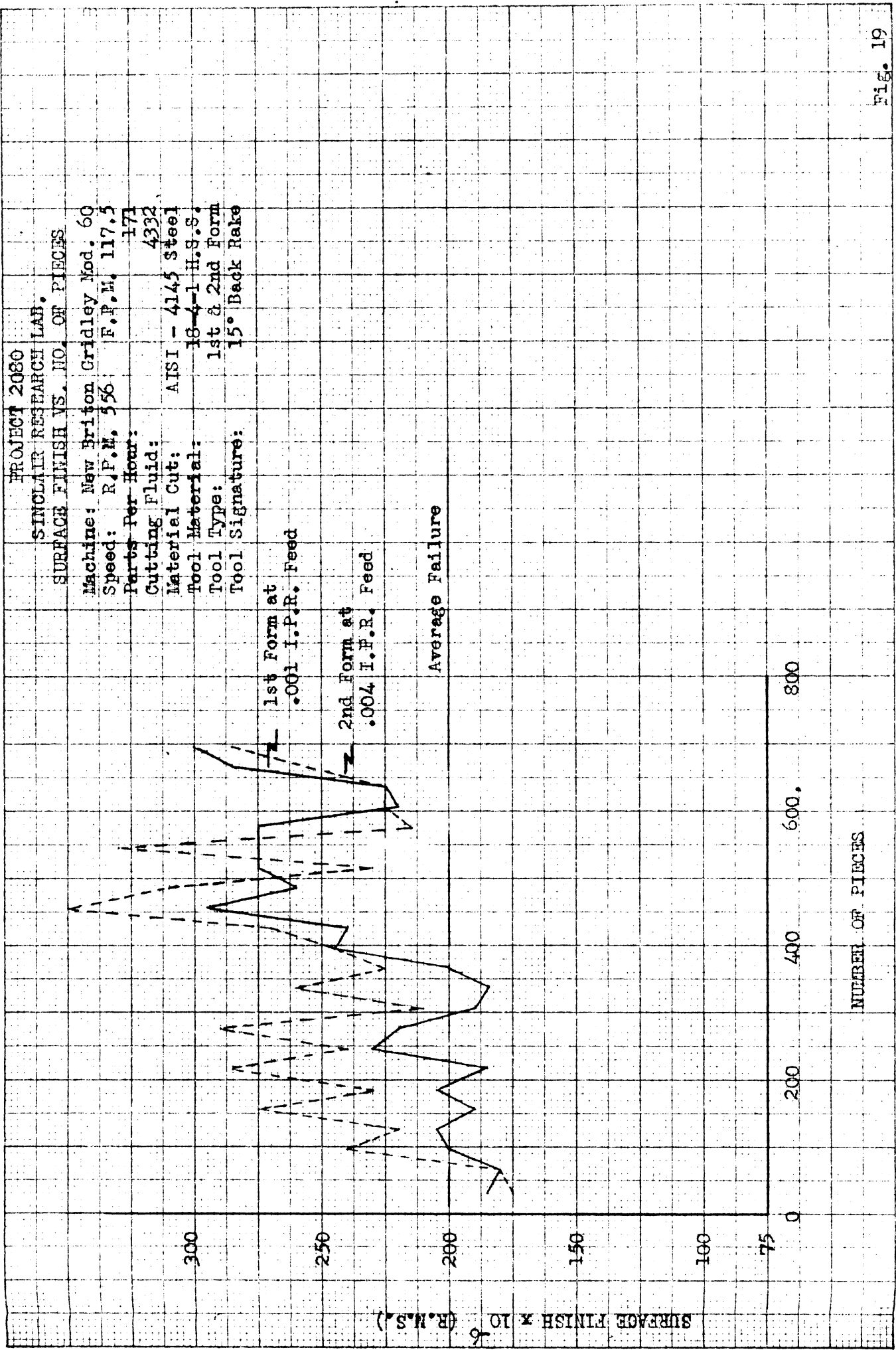
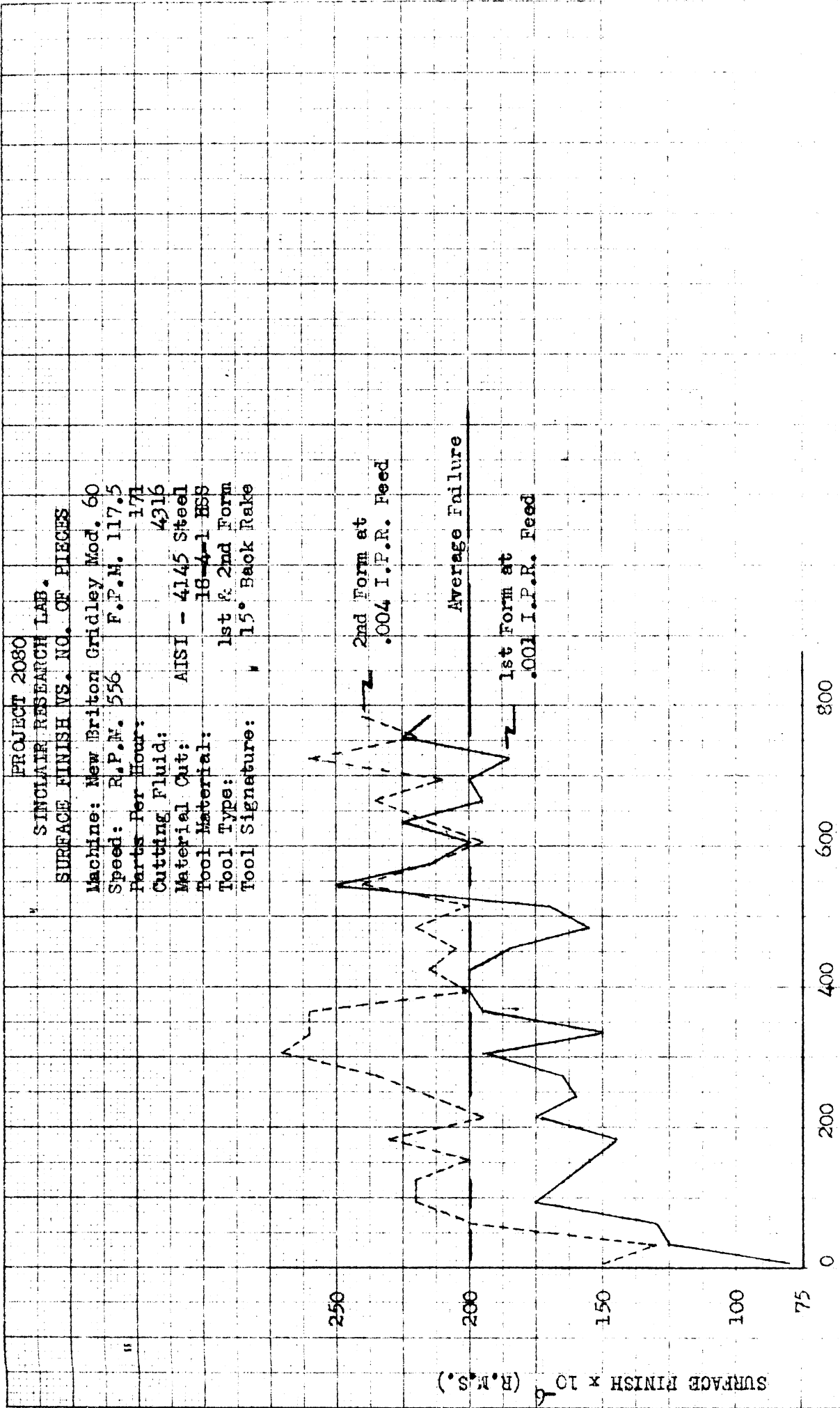


Fig. 19



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 SURFACE FINISH VS. NO. OF PIECES

Machine: New Briton Gridley Mod. 60  
 Speed: R.P.M. 556 F.P.M. 117.5  
 Parts Per Hour: 171 4316

Cutting Fluid: 4316  
 Material Cut: AISI - 4145 Steel  
 Tool Material: 18-4-1 HSS  
 Tool Type: 1st & 2nd Form  
 Tool Signature: 15° Back Take

2nd Form at  
 .004 I.P.R. Feed

Average Failure

1st Form at  
 .001 I.P.R. Feed

SURFACE FINISH x 10 (R.M.S.)

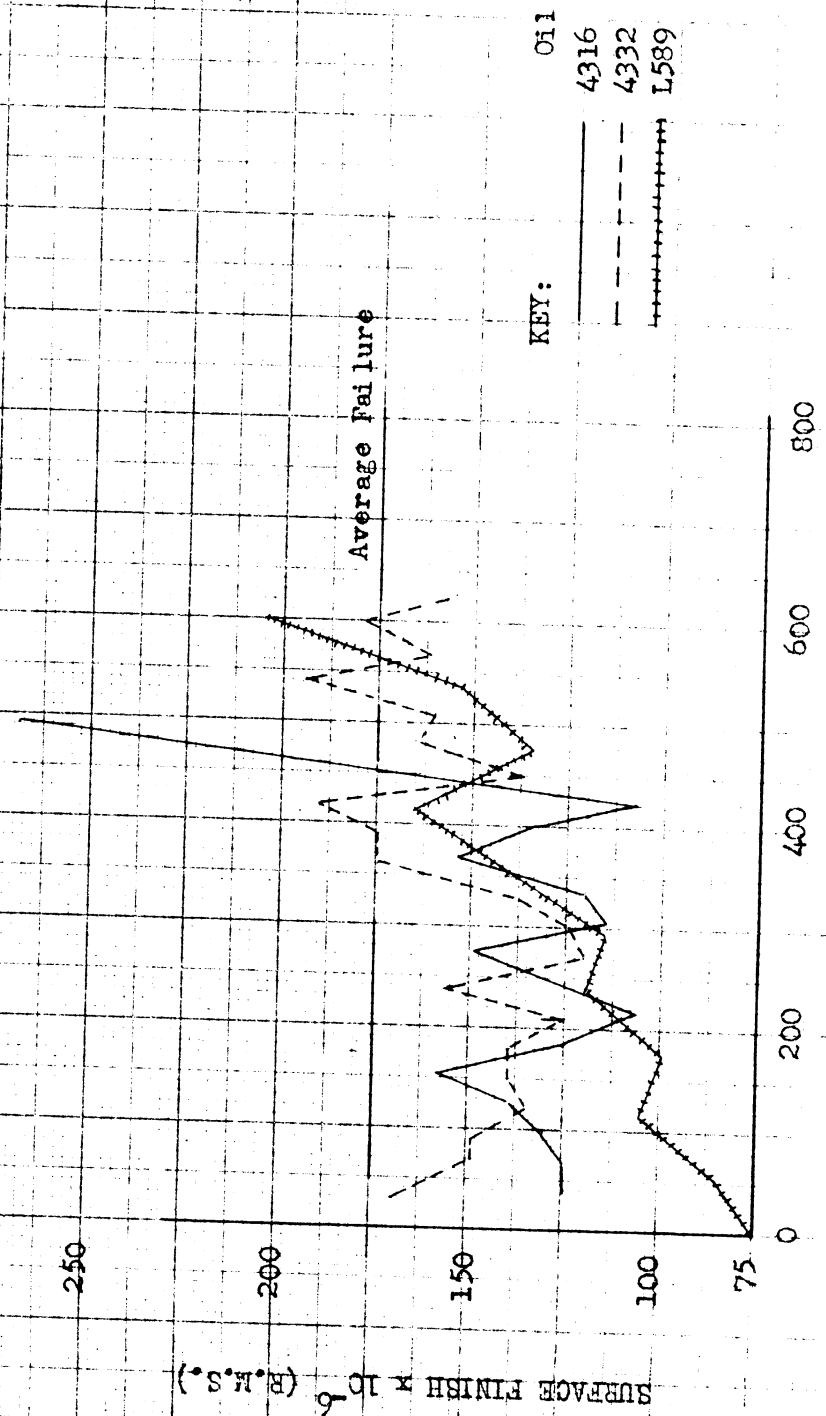
NUMBER OF PIECES

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SURFACE FINISH VS. NO. OF PIECES

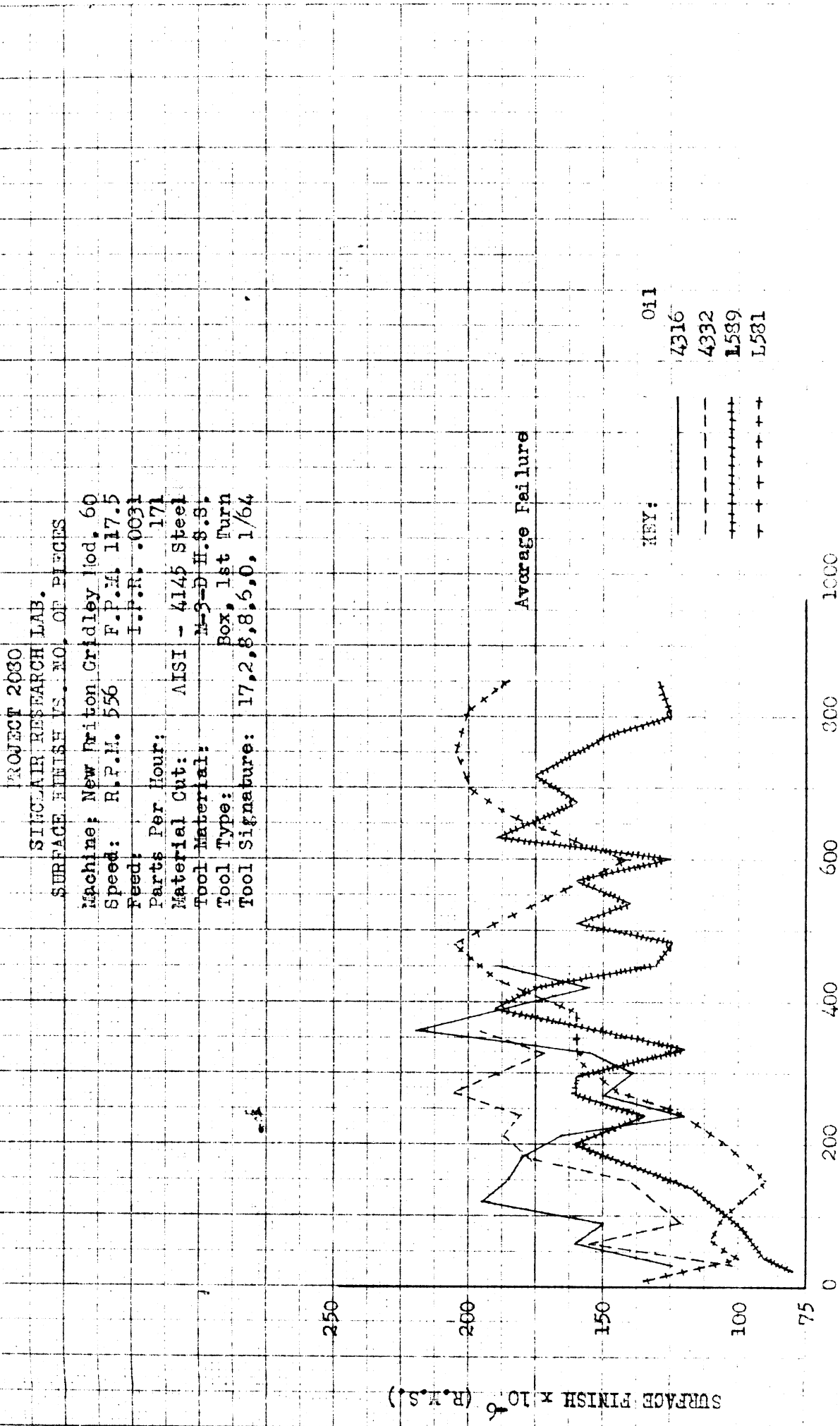
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 Speed: R.P.M. 556 F.P.M. 117.5  
 Feed: I.P.R. .0031  
 Parts Per Hour: 171  
 Material Cht: AISI - 1141 Steel  
 Tool Material: M-3-D.H.S.S.  
 Tool Type: Box, 1st Turn  
 Tool Signature: 17,2,8,8,6,0,1/64



KEY:  
 Oil  
 4316  
 4332  
 L589

NUMBER OF PIECES

SURFACE FINISH  $\times 10^6$  (R.M.S.)



NUMBER OF PIECES

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SURFACE FINISH VS. NO. OF PIECES

Machine: New Britton Gridley Mod. 60

Speed: R.P.M. 556

F.P.M. 117.5

Feed: I.P.R. .0031

Parts Per Hour: 171

Material Cut: AISI - 1141 Steel

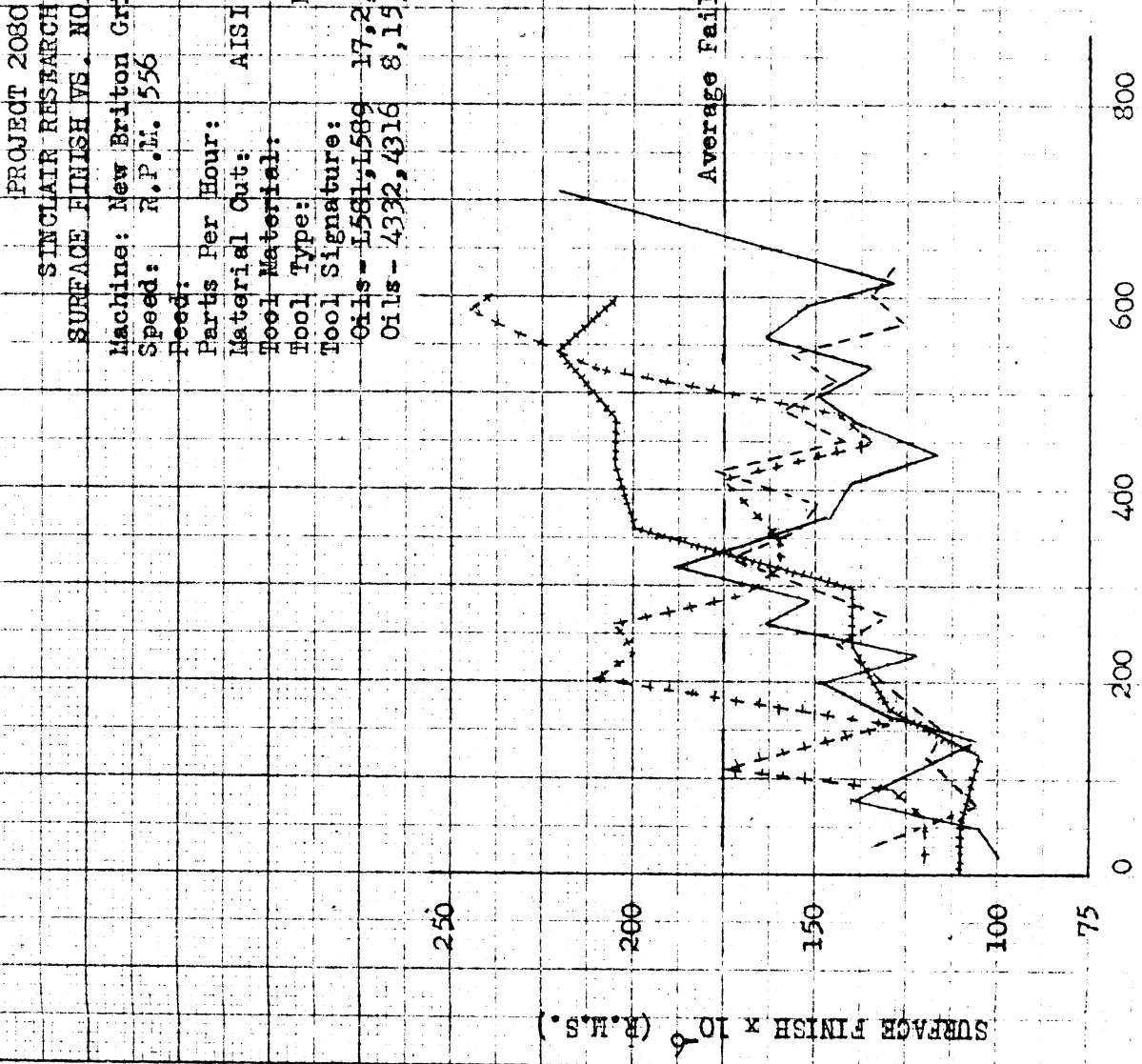
Tool Material: M-3-B H.S.S.

Tool Type: Box, 2nd Turn

Tool Signature:

Oils - L581, L589 17, 2, 8, 8, 6, 0, 1/64

Oils - 4332, 4316 8, 15, 8, 8, 6, 0, 1/64



NUMBER OF PIECES

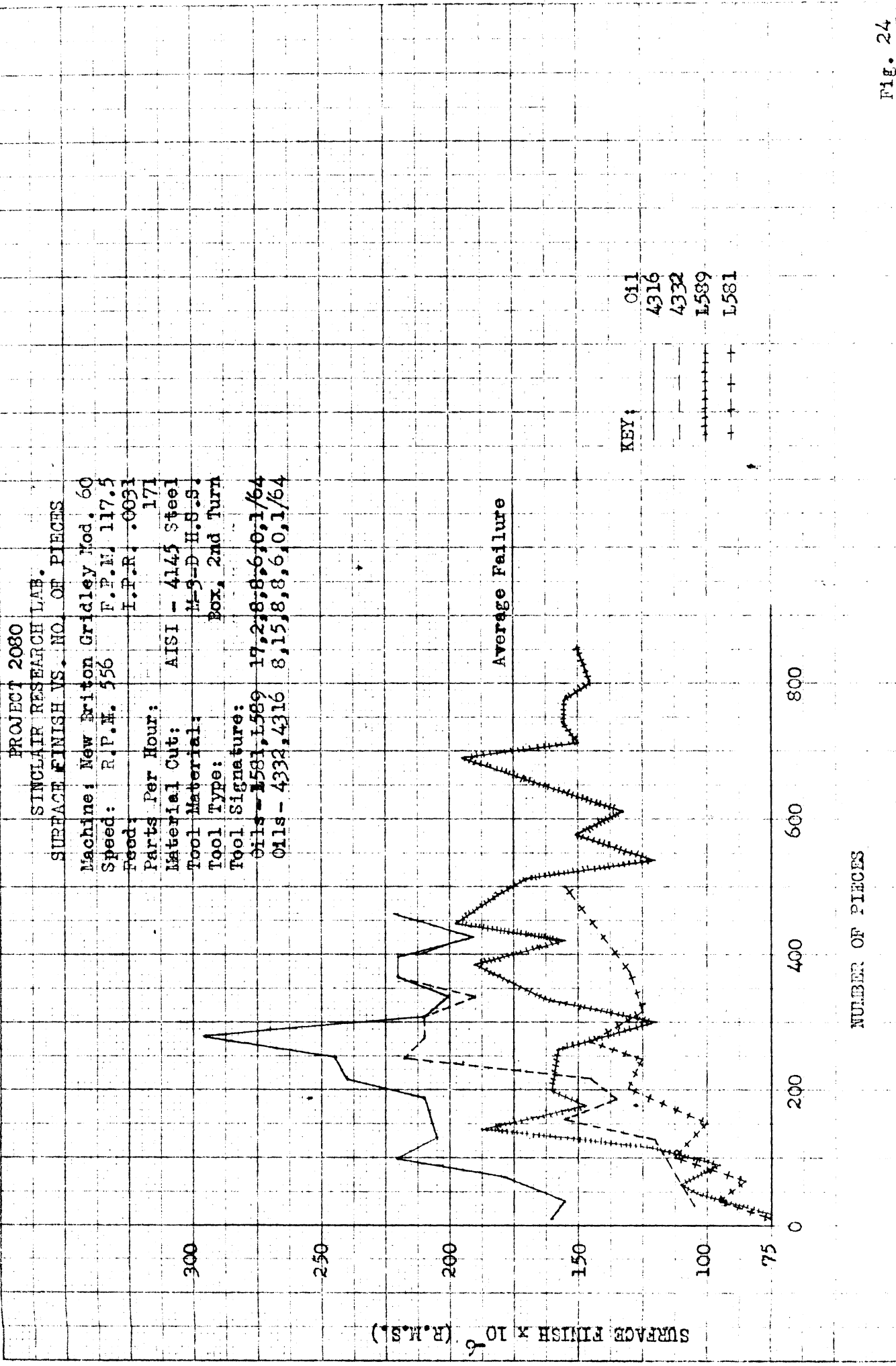
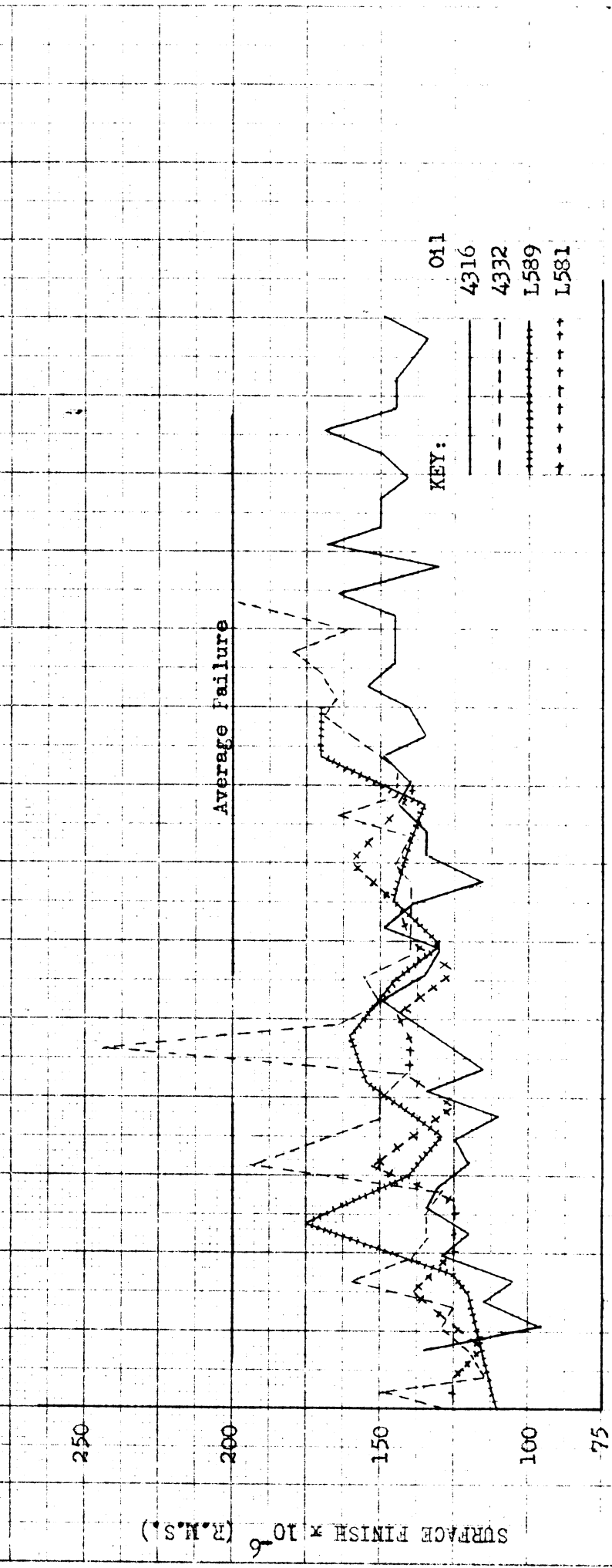


Fig. 24



PROJECT 2080  
 SINCLAIR RESEARCH LAB.  
 SURFACE FINISH VS. NO. OF PIECES

Machine: New Briton Gridley Mod. 60  
 Speed: R.P.M. 556 F.P.M. 117.5  
 Feed: I.P.R. .001  
 Parts Per Hour: 171  
 Material Cut: ATSI - 1141 Steel  
 Tool Material: 18-4-1 H.S.S.  
 Tool Type: 1st Form  
 Tool Signature: 15° Back Rake



NUMBER OF PIECES

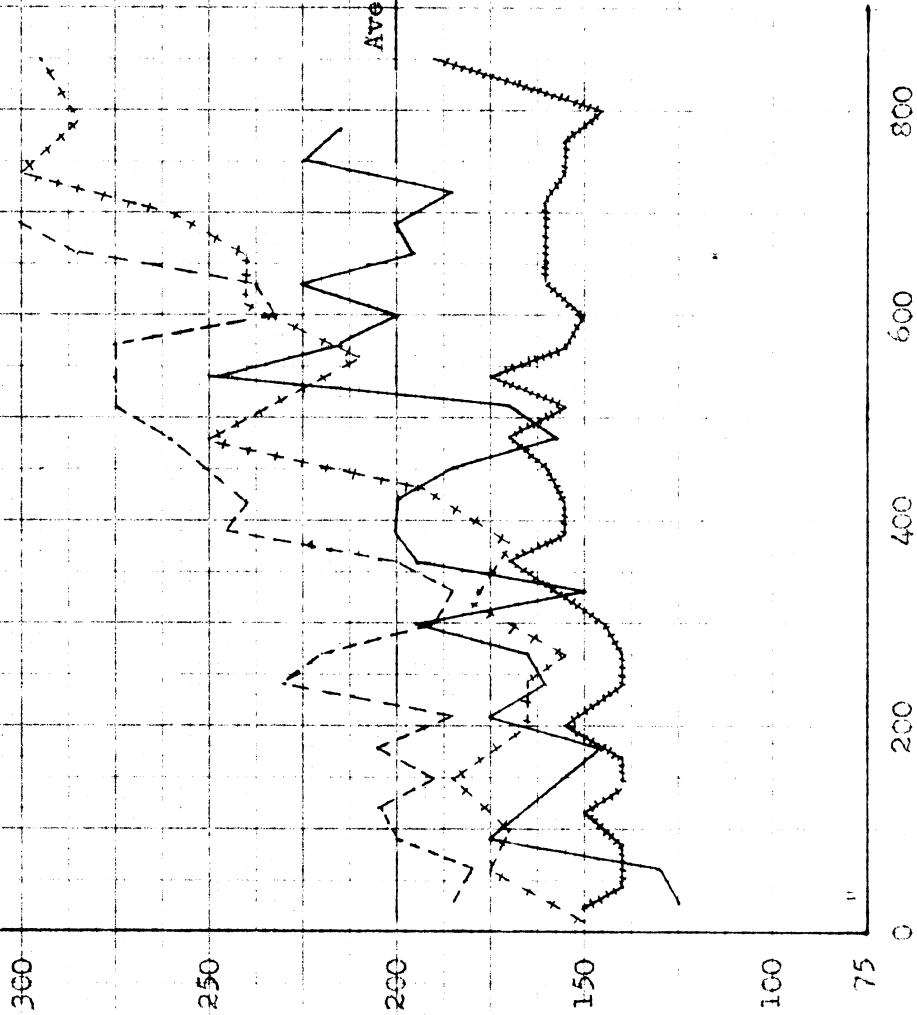
Fig. 25

PROJECT 2080  
 SINGLAIR RESEARCH LAB.  
 SURFACE FINISH VS. NO. OF PIECES

Machine: New Briton Gridley Mod. 60  
 Speed: R.P.M. 556 F.P.M. 117.5  
 Feed: I.P.R. .001

Parts Per Hour: 171  
 Material Cut: AISI - 4145 Steel  
 Tool Material: 18-8-1 H.S.S.  
 Tool Type: 1st Form  
 Tool Signature: 15° Back Rake

SURFACE FINISH  $\times 10^6$  (R.M.S.)



KEY:

Oil

4316

4332

L589

L581

NUMBER OF PIECES

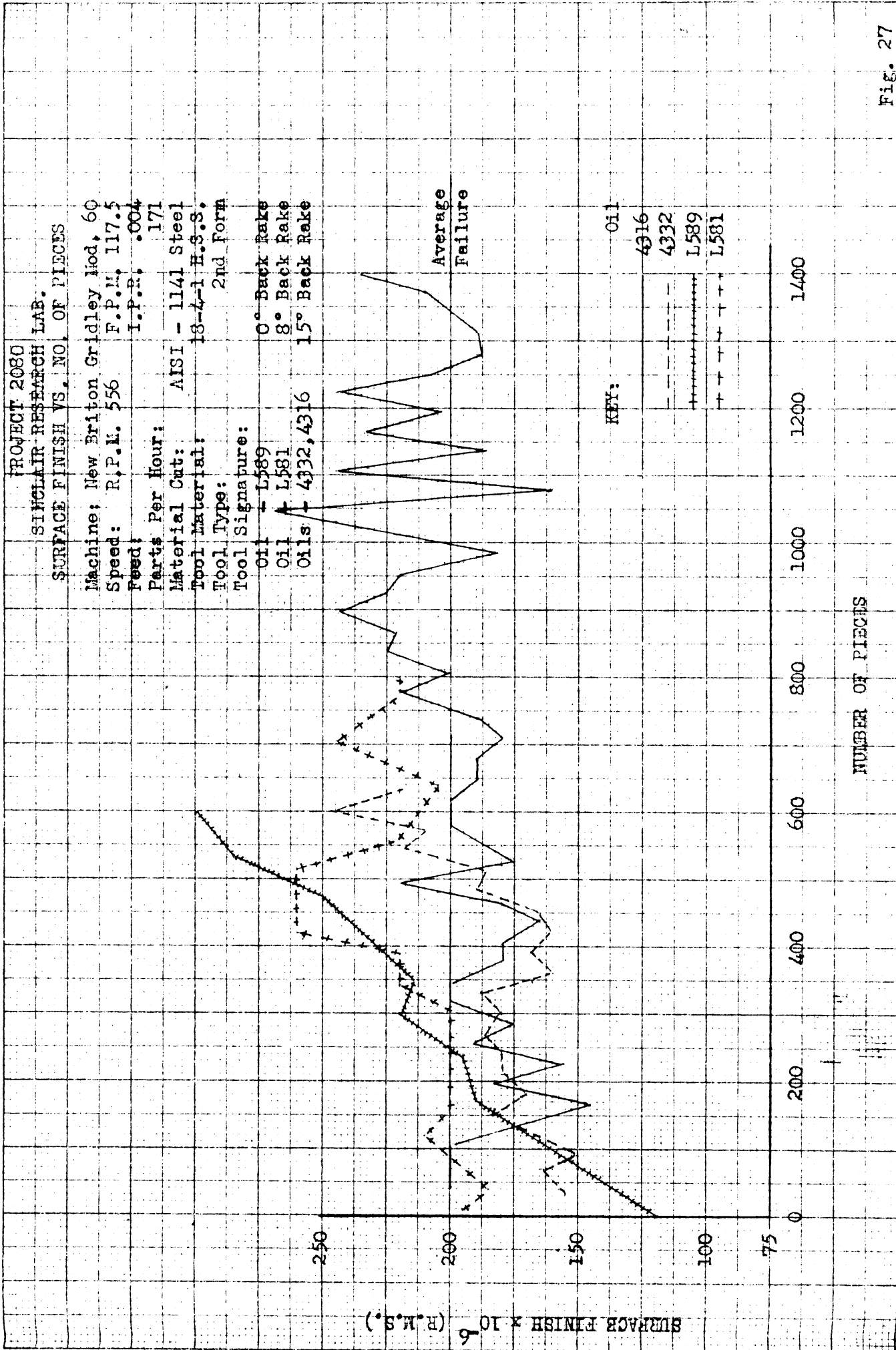


Fig. 27

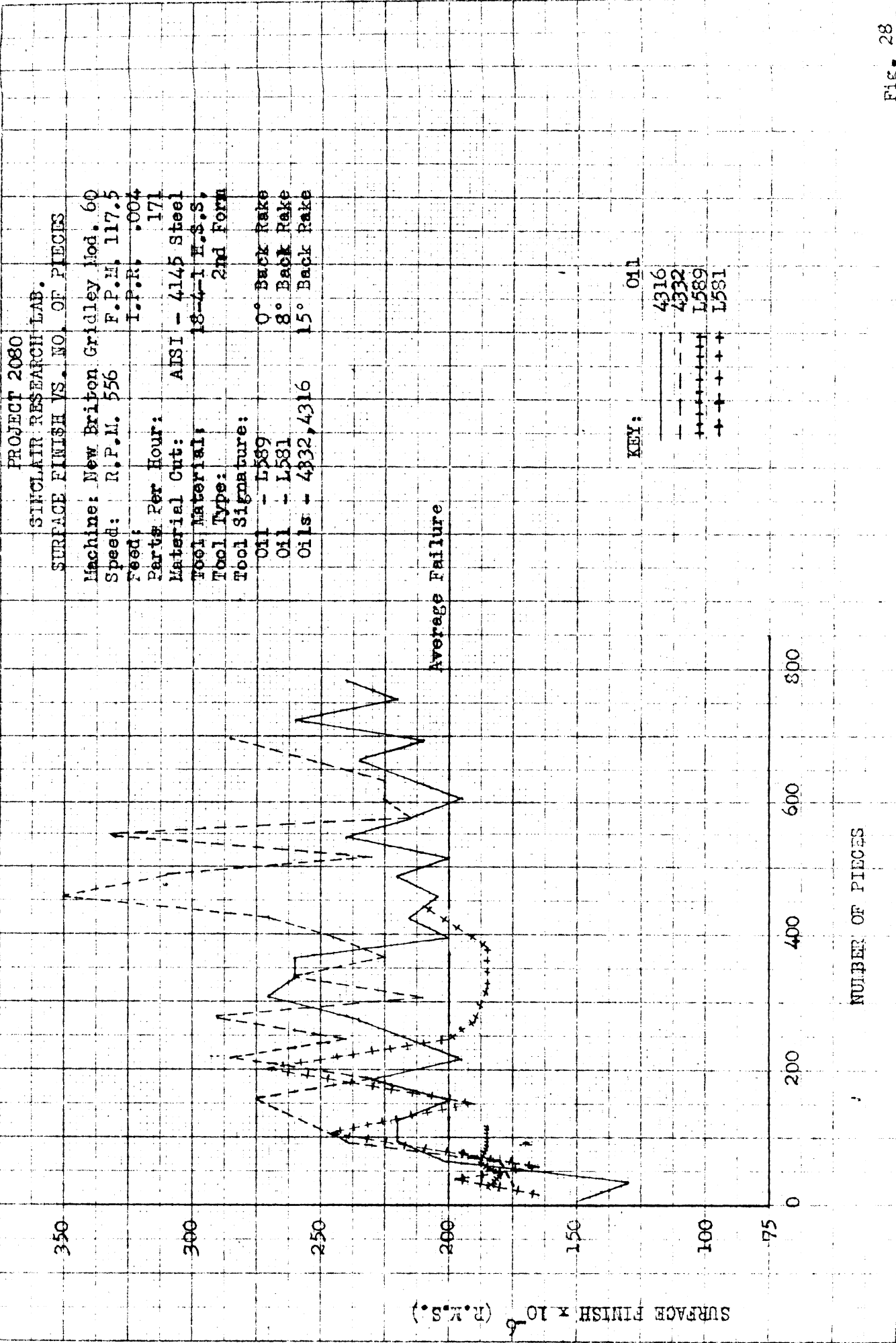


FIG. 28

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