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This study on the durability of glued wood-to-metal joints subjected to various exposure conditions was conducted at the request of the Army-Navy-Civil Committee on Aircraft Design Criteria. The purpose of the study was to gain information on the comparative durability properties of wood-to-metal joints made with different commercial adhesives, so that they might be more widely and safely used in aircraft construction. Exposure conditions were selected to measure resistance of painted and unpainted aluminum-to-wood and steel-to-wood joints to water, high humidities, high and low temperatures, aircraft fluids, and weather.

Type of Specimen

The type of specimen used for this study consisted of a 1- by 2-inch piece of 0.037-inch (20 gauge) cold-rolled steel or 0.032-inch aluminum-clad aluminum alloy lap-jointed 1/2-inch with a 1-1/4- by 2-inch piece of three-ply, 3/16-inch yellow birch plywood (fig. 1). With one of the adhesives (glue C of table 1), some specimens were prepared by direct bonding of the metal and birch, and other specimens with a 1/28-inch shim of walnut veneer in the lap area between the metal and the birch plywood. In one-half of the specimens, the metal portion was protected with paint.

Glues and Gluing Processes

Six commercial gluing processes formulated for use in bonding wood to metal were included in this study. With two of these gluing processes, a woodworking resorcinol resin was used as a secondary glue. These gluing processes are designated by numbers and the glues by letters as given in table 1.

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The processes by which the glues were employed differed according to the manufacturer's instructions. Glues A, C, and F were used by themselves in direct bonding. Glues D and E were used together in direct bonding. Glue G was used as the secondary glue with glue B and, in process 6, as a secondary glue for bonding the birch to the walnut shim.

Test Procedures

Preparation of Metal for Gluing

Gluing Process 1.--One- by 2-inch pieces of steel and aluminum-clad aluminum alloy were placed in a jig and 9/64-inch locating holes drilled into them (fig. 2). Burrs formed in drilling were ground off.

The steel pieces were degreased by immersion for 4 to 6 minutes in a hot (160° to 180° F.) trisodium phosphate solution prepared by saturating warm water with trisodium phosphate and adding 0.5 gram of wetting agent per 100 cubic centimeters of solution. The solution was rinsed from the pieces with cold tap water and then with hot distilled water.

After degreasing, the steel pieces were etched for about 5 minutes in an acid solution of the following composition:

	<u>Parts by volume</u>
Concentrated hydrochloric acid	50
30 percent hydrogen peroxide	2
Formalin	10
Distilled water	45

If 5 minutes' immersion was not sufficient time to remove all evidence of rust or mill scale, the etching treatment was continued as long as necessary. Immediately after etching, the metal pieces were rinsed in flowing tap water, immersed in hot distilled water, dipped in acetone, and air dried.

The small aluminum pieces were wiped with a cloth wet with acetone to remove the identification lettering. They were then degreased by immersing in a hot (160° to 180° F.) bath of the following composition:

Sodium metasilicate	36 ounces
Wetting agent	.4 ounce
Distilled water	1.0 gallon

The pieces were immersed until the film of wash tap water showed no "break" as it drained. The period of immersion ranged from 7 to 12 minutes. After degreasing, the pieces were rinsed successively in cold tap water, hot distilled water, and acetone, and finally air dried.

Gluing process 2.--For gluing with this process, 8- by 8-inch metal squares were degreased and etched preparatory to application of glue and cutting into 1- by 2-inch pieces.

The steel squares were degreased and etched in the same manner as described for the small steel pieces under Gluing Process 1.

The aluminum squares were wiped with an acetone-soaked cloth to remove the identification lettering, degreased in sodium metasilicate solution in the same manner as described under Gluing Process 1, then immersed for about 20 minutes at 140° to 150° F. in an acid bath of the following composition:

<u>Parts by weight</u>	
Sodium dichromate	1
Concentrated sulphuric acid	10
Distilled water	30

After etching, the pieces were rinsed in tap water, immersed in hot distilled water, dipped in acetone, then air dried.

Gluing Process 3.--Steel sheets, 8 by 8 inches in size, were degreased and etched in accordance with the recommendations by the manufacturer of glue C (Process 3). The degreasing was done by immersion for 5 to 7 minutes in a boiling bath of the following composition:

Sodium carbonate	2.0 ounces
Sodium hydroxide	2.0 ounces
Wetting agent	0.5 ounce
Sodium metasilicate	3.0 ounces
Laundry soap	0.6 ounce
Distilled water	1.0 gallon

After rinsing in cold tap water, the sheets were immersed for 2 to 4 minutes at room temperature in a pickling solution of the following composition:

<u>Parts by volume</u>	
Concentrated sulphuric acid	10
Concentrated nitric acid	10
Distilled water	80

The steel sheets were rinsed in tap water and then immersed for approximately 1 minute at room temperature in a "bright" acid bath of the composition:

<u>Parts by volume</u>	
Concentrated hydrochloric acid	60
30 percent hydrogen peroxide	2
Distilled water	38

Afterwards, the sheets were rinsed in running tap water, immersed in hot water, dipped in acetone, and air dried.

The aluminum sheets were degreased in a sodium metasilicate solution and etched in sodium dichromate-sulphuric acid in the same manner as described for Gluing Process 2.

Gluing Process 4.--One by 2-inch pieces of metal were drilled and deburred as described under Process 1. The steel pieces were degreased and etched as in Gluing Process 1. The aluminum was degreased as in Gluing Process 2.

Gluing Process 5.--The drilling and deburring of metal pieces was done as described under Gluing Process 1. The steel was degreased and etched as in Gluing Process 1. The aluminum pieces were cleaned as in Gluing Process 2.

Gluing Process 6.--The metal test pieces were prepared as in Gluing Process 3.

Preparation of Plywood and Veneer

Gluing Processes 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5.--Selected aircraft-grade 1/16-inch yellow birch veneer was bonded with phenol-resin film glue into three-ply, 3/16-inch plywood. The plywood panels were conditioned for at least 1-week at 80° F. and 30 percent relative humidity, then cut into pieces 3 by 8 inches in size, with the grain direction of the face plies parallel to the shorter dimension of the piece. The portion of plywood to which the metal was to be bonded was lightly sanded with No. 00 garnet sandpaper.

Gluing Process 6.--In this process, 1/28-inch sliced walnut veneer was used as a shim between the metal and plywood. The walnut veneer was conditioned to equilibrium at 30 percent relative humidity and 80° F. , then cut into 1/2-inch strips about 9 inches long, with the grain direction in the shorter direction of the ply.

Assembly and Gluing

The glues were used as far as possible in accordance with the manufacturer's directions.

Gluing Process 1; Glue 8.--The glue was thinned to brushing consistency with an equal volume of ethyl acetate. The glue was spread with a brush to both the metal and the plywood in the area of the lap. The first coat was allowed to air-dry at least 1 hour, then a second coat was applied. After the second coat, an open assembly period of 2 to 48 hours was allowed. Groups of 12 specimens were prepared by assembling two panels of six specimens each in a jig, as shown in figure 3. This assembly was set on the

platens of an electric hot press and heated without pressure for 15 minutes at 325° F., after which a pressure of 300 pounds per square inch was applied and the heating continued for an additional 15 minutes. The assembly was removed from the press while hot, but a short cooling period was allowed before the two panels were removed from the jig (fig. 4).

Gluing Process 2; Glues B and G.—The 8- by 8-inch metal pieces were masked with tape (fig. 5) so as to leave exposed slightly more than 1/2 inch of lap-joint area at the end of the 1- by 2-inch pieces into which they were subsequently cut.

Glue B was thinned to a thin spraying consistency with approximately two parts of a special solvent to one of glue. The amount of thinner was varied somewhat, according to the viscosity of different lots of glue. Four coats were applied by spraying to the unmasked areas of each piece, with about one-half hour allowed for air drying between coats. A spray pressure of about 45 pounds per square inch was used, the gun was held 8 to 10 inches from the panel, and the nozzle adjusted to give a fan-shaped, atomized spray.

After the fourth coat was applied, the metal pieces were exposed to room conditions overnight, then baked for 20 to 45 minutes in an electric oven at 310° to 325° F.² The cured film was about 0.002 inch thick and greenish-brown in color. It was lightly sanded with No. 1/2 emery cloth.

The 8- by 8-inch squares were next cut into 1- by 2-inch pieces, which were attached to the birch plywood with tape so that the primed surface protruded as shown at the left in figure 6. Glue G was then brush spread to both the cured adhesive primer and a piece of birch plywood in the area of the lap (fig. 6). After an open assembly period of 2 minutes, the metal and plywood were laid together and placed in a book press (fig. 7) between thin yellow-poplar veneer, sheets of rubber, and heavy birch plywood cauls. After the period of 10 to 15 minutes that was required to arrange six layers of 18 specimens each in the press, pressure of 100 to 150 pounds per square inch was applied. The pressure was maintained overnight (approximately 18 hours) at room temperature of 80° to 90° F. The assembly was taken from the press, tapes removed, separated into 18 individual panels, and each panel sawn into six specimens.

Gluing Process 3; Glue C.—One volume of the glue was thinned to spraying consistency with 0.8 volume of a special solvent. Eight-inch squares were employed as in Gluing Process 2. The adjustment of the spray gun was the same as used in spraying Glue B, but the air pressure was reduced to about 10 pounds per square inch. Six double passes of the spray gun were made to apply enough glue to the metal and plywood to result in a dry film thickness of approximately 0.002 inch. A flash-off period of about 10 minutes was allowed after each double pass of the spray. The final.

²The manufacturer's recommendation was 15 minutes at 300° F. but under these conditions the glue film did not adhere properly to the metal, and longer baking at high temperature was found to give better adhesion,

coating was allowed to air dry overnight, then baked in an oven at 180° F. for 45 minutes. As in Process 2, the 8-inch squares were cut into the 1- by 2-inch metal pieces. The metal and plywood were assembled together in the pressing jig (fig. 3), and the assembly was cured for 20 minutes at 325° F. at a pressure of 300 pounds per square inch.

Gluing Process 4; Glues D and E.—The lap area of the 1- by 2-inch metal pieces was sprayed with Glue D at 40 pounds of air pressure. 10 double passes being made with the spray gun to build up a dry film thickness of about 0.003 inch. An air-drying period of 24 hours was then allowed for evaporation of solvent from the adhesive.

Two coats of glue E were applied by brush to the plywood, allowing 10 minutes for the first coat and 20 minutes for the second coat to air dry. The metal pieces were then assembled to the plywood, and the assembly was cured for 30 minutes at 325° F. and 100 pounds per square inch pressure.

Gluing Process 5; Glue F.--Two coats of liquid glue F were brushed on the lap area of the 1- by 2-inch metal pieces, allowing approximately 30 minutes between coats. Immediately after the second coat, the metal pieces were dipped into a mound of the powdered component of glue F so that a uniform layer of powder adhered to the liquid resin on the surface of the metal. Following this step, an open assembly period of 1 to 24 hours was allowed, then the 12 metal pieces and two plywood pieces were assembled in the jig (fig. 3) and placed in an electric hot press. The assembly was cured at 320° F. for 15 minutes at a pressure of 150 pounds per square inch and taken from the press without cooling. The panels were removed from the jig (fig. 4) after a short cooling period.

Gluing Process 6; Glues C and G.--The 8-inch metal squares were masked (fig. 5), coated, and cut into small pieces, as described under Gluing Process 2. Glue C was thinned, sprayed, and precured on the metal and the walnut shims, by the same method as used in Process 3. The small metal pieces and walnut shims, 1/2-inch wide, were assembled on a caul of yellow-poplar veneer so that the adhesive coatings on the metal and shims were in contact (fig. 8). The entire assembly was pressed in an electric hot press for 25 minutes at 3250 to 3300 F. at 175 pounds per square inch. After gluing the metal pieces to the walnut shims, the surface of the walnut was lightly sanded to remove any contamination. Glue G was then applied to the walnut shim and birch plywood, which were glued together by the procedure used in bonding the metal to the plywood for Process 2 (figs. 6 and 7).

It was evident during the preparation of the specimens with the walnut shims that some shims were unaccountably weak. All the shim specimens, therefore, were pretested with 500 pounds tension load, and those that failed were replaced to complete the sets.

Number of Panels and Specimens

For each glue and metal, 160 panels of 6 specimens in each were prepared, except for Process 4, glues D & E, for which only 34 panels were prepared with each metal. In all, a total of 11,928 specimens were prepared.

Painting the Specimens

The panels of each set were randomly distributed into two groups, one to be painted, the other to be left unpainted. To the specimens requiring painting were applied one brush coat of zinc chromate primer conforming to Federal Specification AN-TT-P-565, thinned with three parts of thinner to four parts of the primer, and two brush coats of aluminized glycerol phthalate spar varnish conforming to Federal Specification AN-TT-A-461. The paint was applied to the metal only and, if any paint overlapped on to the wood, the paint film was cut precisely to the glue joints with a knife.

Cutting the Specimens

After painting and numbering of the specimens, the plywood portion of the panel was cut to specimens of the desired dimensions (fig. 1).

Distribution of Test Specimens

The painted and unpainted specimens for each gluing process were sorted into 11 lots of 40 specimens each to be subjected to 11 exposure conditions. Distribution was such that only one specimen from each pair of panels (12 specimens) made in the same pressing operation would be included in each exposure condition. Each Lot of 40 specimens was divided into 8 groups of 5 specimens for testing after certain exposure intervals, only one or two specimens from each pair of panels being tested at any test period.

Specimens glued by process 4 were included in only four exposure conditions, and therefore the distribution varied slightly, but the general distribution method was the same as for the other glues.

Exposure Conditions

All specimens were first conditioned for at least 1 week at 80° F. and 30 percent relative humidity. For each gluing process and combination of metal and wood used, 55 specimens were tested dry as controls without exposure. These control specimens were selected about equally from both the painted and unpainted specimens reserved for the first test. The other half of these reserved specimens (55) along with the extra specimens resulting from the distribution method were mounted on a board and exposed continuously to the weather,

The remaining groups of specimens prepared by the different gluing processes (excepting Process 4) were exposed to the following exposure conditions:

1. Continuous exposure to air of 80° F. and 30 percent relative humidity.
2. Continuous soaking in tap water at room temperature.
3. Continuous exposure to air of 80° F. and 97 percent relative humidity.
4. Alternate exposure for 2 weeks at 80° F. and 97 percent relative humidity, and 2 weeks at 80° F. and 30 percent relative humidity.
5. Continuous exposure to air at 158° F. and 20 percent relative humidity. The specimens were tested after conditioning 1 week at 80° F. and 30 percent relative humidity,
6. Alternate exposure for 1 day at 158° F., 20 percent relative humidity, and 1 day at -67° F. in a cabinet cooled with solid carbon dioxide. The specimens were tested after conditioning 1 week at 80° F. and 30 percent relative humidity.
7. Continuous soaking at exterior temperature in 100-octane gasoline.
8. Continuous soaking at exterior temperature in 73-octane gasoline.
9. Continuous soaking at exterior temperature in ethylene glycol.
10. Continuous soaking at exterior temperature in isopropyl alcohol de-icer fluid.
11. Continuous soaking at exterior temperature in aircraft lubricating oil.

In addition to the control and exterior exposure tests, specimens prepared by Gluing Process 4 were exposed to conditions 1, 2, 3, and 4.

It was planned to remove for testing five specimens of each kind from exposure conditions 1, 3, 4, 5, and 6 after 4, 8, 16, 24, 32, 52, and 104 weeks; from conditions 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11 after 2, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24, and 52 weeks; and from condition 2 after 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 16, and 24 weeks. Specimens exposed to exterior conditions are to be removed after 12, 24, 52, and 104 weeks.

Testing

All specimens were tested by applying a tension force to the specimen in a standard plywood testing machine at a rate of 600 to 800 pounds per minute.

Results

The average shear-strength values and estimated percentages of wood and glue failure obtained on the unexposed control specimens and on the specimens exposed up to 52 weeks are given in tables 2 through 13. The area of failure was distinguished as to location (a) in the wood, (b) in the primary glue, (c) in the interface between the glue and metal, or (d) in the secondary glue in those processes in which a secondary glue was employed.

There was some difference in the level of the joint strengths shown by the control specimens for the several processes. Gluing Processes 1, 3, and 4 gave the highest average values (936 to 1,000 pounds per one-half square inch), processes 2 and 5 the next (716 to 855 pounds per one-half square inch), and process 6 the least (544 to 652 pounds per one-half square inch). There seemed to be no consistent superiority in strength of the specimens made with one metal over those made with the other metal.

Throughout this study there was little evidence that paint coatings applied to the metal portion of the specimen importantly improved the durability of the joint. In some instances, the effect of the exposure was delayed a few weeks, but even a short delay was not always evident. In analyzing the test data, the results on painted and unpainted specimens were usually so nearly indistinguishable that they were considered together.

Continuous exposure to 80° F. and 30 percent relative humidity (table 2).--Of the specimens glued by Processes 1, 2, and 5, there were no significant changes in joint quality during a year of storage at 80° F. and 30 percent relative humidity. The same was true for the aluminum specimens glued by Process 3, but with the steel specimens made by this process there was a drop in joint strength and wood failure even under these very mild conditions. Of the specimens glued by Process 4, there was a definite indication of decreasing joint quality during the year for both steel and aluminum specimens. The specimens glued by Process 6 showed a slight falling trend in joint quality, but it is not definite enough to be conclusive.

Continuous soaking in water (table a).--The aluminum specimens glued by Process 1 averaged only 59 to 65 percent of the strength of the controls when soaked 3 weeks in water, but there was only a little further loss in strength after soaking for 24 weeks. There was appreciably more failure of the glue to the aluminum in the wet specimens than in the dry controls. The steel specimens glued by Process 1 averaged only 47 to 52 percent of their dry strength when soaked 3 weeks, but there was little change thereafter up to 24 weeks in water.

The aluminum specimens glued by Process 2 averaged 60 to 72 percent of their dry strength when soaked 3 weeks, but there was no apparent further change. There was considerably more failure of the glue at the interface with the aluminum in the wet specimens than in the dry. The steel specimens averaged only 30 to 47 percent of their dry strength after 3 weeks of soaking, but there was little change thereafter. Considerably more failure occurred at the steel interface in the wet specimens than in the dry.

The aluminum specimens glued by Process 3 had 56 to 66 percent of their dry strength when soaked 3 weeks, but no consistent change in the joints was apparent until between 16 and 24 weeks of soaking, when the joint strength dropped sharply to about one-third the dry strength value; considerable increase in the percentage of failure took place at the aluminum interface. The steel specimens glued by Process 3 had only 23 to 31 percent of their dry strengths after soaking 3 weeks and failed almost completely in the bond to the steel, but there was little apparent change thereafter up to 24 weeks.

The aluminum specimens glued by Process 4 had 57 to 63 percent of their dry strength when soaked 3 weeks and there was a considerable increase in the portion of the failure that occurred at the aluminum interface, but little change occurred between 3 and 24 weeks. The steel specimens lost almost all their strength in 3 weeks of soaking and failed entirely in adhesion of the glue to the steel.

The aluminum specimens glued by Process 5 had 78 to 85 percent of their dry strength and showed somewhat greater failure in adhesion to the aluminum after soaking 3 weeks in water, but little change thereafter up to 24 weeks. The steel specimens had only 30 to 40 percent of their dry strength after 3 weeks in water, and failed almost completely in adhesion to the steel.

The aluminum specimens glued by Process 6 had 46-69 percent of their dry strength when soaked 3 weeks in water, and there was appreciably more failure in adhesion of the glue to the metal in the wet specimens than in the dry, but there was little further change between 3 and 24 weeks in water. The steel specimens retained only 10 to 22 percent of their dry strength after 3 weeks in water and failed completely in adhesion to the steel.

Continuous exposure to 97 percent relative humidity (table 4). --The aluminum specimens glued by Process 1 fell to about 65 percent of their dry strength on becoming moist in the air of high relative humidity, but showed only slow or no decline thereafter for several months. Between 32 and 52 weeks, joint strength dropped sharply because of deterioration of the wood, as evidenced by high wood failure. The steel specimens showed similar behavior with less evidence of deterioration of the wood at 52 weeks.

Both aluminum and steel specimens glued by Process 2 lost strength on becoming moist in high relative humidity, but lost little strength thereafter until the wood began to fail.

Both aluminum and steel specimens glued by Process 3 showed progressive loss in shear strength which was undoubtedly influenced, particularly in the latter part of the year, by deterioration of the wood.

The aluminum specimens glued by Process 4 lost strength when they took up moisture in the air of high relative humidity, but showed little change thereafter up to 52 weeks. The steel specimens showed, in general, a progressive loss in strength with time of exposure and increase in the amount of adhesion failure of the glue to the steel.

With both aluminum and steel specimens glued by Process 5, there was relatively little change in joint strength in this exposure, although there was a general increase in adhesion failure to the steel.

Both the aluminum and steel specimens glued by Process 6 lost strength when they took up moisture at the high relative humidity, but showed little change thereafter except for the changes that were probably due to deterioration of the wood. The failure in adhesion was high for the steel specimens after they had been exposed to the high humidity for a few weeks.

Alternate exposure, to 97 and 30 percent relative humidity {table 5}:-
The aluminum and steel specimens glued by Processes 1 and 2 showed little change during the year of exposure to this cycle.

The aluminum specimens glued by Process 3 showed little change in this exposure over 1 year; the steel specimens showed a moderate decrease in strength of about 22 percent and a gradual increase in failure between the glue and the steel.

The aluminum specimens glued by Process 4 showed a moderate to considerable decrease in the strength of the specimens without a significant change in the nature of the failure. The steel specimens showed a considerable drop in strength, with increase in failure between glue and steel.

The aluminum and steel specimens glued by Process 5 showed no very great change under these cyclic conditions during the year of exposure. The aluminum specimens glued by Process 6 showed little change in 1 year in this cycle. The steel specimens dropped in strength and increased in adhesion failure to the steel.

Continuous exposure to 158° F. and 20 percent relative humidity (table 6).-In this exposure, the wood appeared to be reduced in strength by the high temperature, and the percentage of wood failure, therefore, increased except in those cases where the glues were affected by the exposure.

The aluminum specimens glued by Process 1 showed a moderate drop in strength with an increase in percentage of wood failure. The steel specimens showed little or no significant drop in strength but a slight to moderate increase in failure between glue and steel.

Both the aluminum and the steel specimens glued by Process 2 showed a considerable drop in strength and increase in the percentage of wood failure, but not an increase in the adhesion failure to the metal.

The aluminum specimens glued by Process 3 showed a considerable drop in joint strength and an appreciable increase in adhesion failure in the year at this exposure. The steel specimens, both painted and unpainted, rusted badly and lost practically all their strength in 1 year, failing at the interface between glue and steel.

In the aluminum specimens glued by Process 5, there was a slight drop in strength at the end of the year and an increase in wood failure, but no apparent change in the glue. With the steel specimens, there was a slight increase in the amount of failure in adhesion to the metal, but otherwise little change.

For the aluminum specimens glued by Process 6, there was a large drop in strength and an increase in the failure that occurred in the primary glue (Glue C) and at the interface between Glue C and the metal. The steel specimens rusted badly and failed completely at the metal interface after a year's time, with practically no strength left.

Alternate exposure to 158° F. and -67° F. (table 7).--The specimens exposed to this alternately hot and cold cycle behaved in general like the specimens subjected continuously to the hot, humid exposure, but with less change.

Continuous soaking in 100-octane gasoline (table 8). --Both aluminum and steel specimens glued by Process 1 showed some increase in joint strength during immersion for 2 to 6 weeks, then a sharp drop. At the end of the year, the specimens failed almost entirely in the glue.

Other than a slight increase in tendency to fail in adhesion to the metal, there was practically no change in the specimens glued by Process 2 that were soaked in this high-octane gasoline.

Both aluminum and steel specimens glued by Process 3 were affected by the gasoline, so that there was a large drop in joint strength and wood failure. After a few weeks, the specimens were failing largely in the glue. At the end of the year, the steel specimens failed to a considerable extent in the interface at the steel.

Very little change was caused by the gasoline in the specimens glued by Process 5.

The specimens glued by Process 6 showed a slight drop in 2 to 4 weeks in the gasoline, with an increase in the failure of the primary glue, but little change thereafter.

Continuous soaking in 73-octane gasoline (table 9).— Gasoline of 73-octane rating had less effect on the specimens glued by Process 1 than the 100-octane gasoline. Both aluminum and steel specimens showed some increase in the percentage of failure that occurred in the glue after soaking 1 year. The gasoline treatment produced an increase in shear strength for 24 weeks, after which there was a sharp decline.

The specimens glued by Process 2 showed little or no significant change during the year's immersion in gasoline.

For the specimens glued by Process 3 there was a considerable drop in joint strength in 52 weeks, and increased glue failure.

The specimens glued by Process 5 showed little or no significant change during the year's immersion in gasoline.

The specimens glued by Process 6 lost moderately in joint strength by soaking in gasoline for a year. The gasoline increased the failure within the primary glue (Glue C). Toward the end of the year, much of the failure in the steel specimens was at the interface between the glue and the steel.

Continuous soaking in ethylene glycol (table 10).--The specimens glued by Process 1 showed a moderate falling off in joint strength and a slight increase in the tendency to fail in the glue upon soaking 1 year in glycol.

The specimens glued by Process 2 also showed some falling off in joint strength but no significant change in the nature of the failure.

The specimens glued by Process 3 showed a considerable decrease in joint strength upon soaking 1 year in glycol but no very significant change in the nature of the failure.

The effect of the glycol on the specimens glued by Process 5 appeared to be small and perhaps without significance.

The changes in the aluminum specimens glued by Process 6 appeared to be small and without significance. The steel specimens, however, showed a slight decrease in strength but a considerable increase in the amount of adhesion failure.

Continuous soaking in isopropyl alcohol (table 11).--Glue A was softened by the isopropyl alcohol and the specimens bonded by Process 1 failed at low strengths almost entirely in the glue after 6 to 8 weeks of soaking.

Isopropyl alcohol apparently had no effect on Glues B and G, as there was no significant change in the specimens glued by Process 2.

Glue C may be slightly affected by isopropyl alcohol, for the specimens glued by Process 3 showed in general some decrease in strength towards the end of the year and an appreciable increase in glue failure.

There was apparently no effect by the isopropyl alcohol on the specimens glued with Glue E by Process 5.

The data on specimens glued by Process 6 also indicate slight effect by the alcohol on Glue C. There was a decrease in the amount of failure that occurred in the wood with the soaked specimens, and an appreciable increase in adhesion failure in the steel specimens at the end of the year Of immersion.

Continuous soaking in aircraft lubricating oil (table 12) From the results on the specimens glued by Process 1, the lubricating oil may have a slight effect on Glue A, but it was not revealed until the tests were made at the 52-week period and not consistently at that time.

There was no apparent effect of the lubricating oil on the glues of Process 2.

The results on specimens glued by Process 3 indicate that there may be a slow effect of the oil on Glue C, but the effect in a year of immersion was slight.

The results on specimens glued by Process 5 indicate that there may be a slow effect of the oil on Glue F, for some of the tests made at the end of the year showed an appreciable drop in shear strength and an increase in adhesion failure.

The results on specimens glued by Process 6 again indicate some slow effect of the oil on Glue C, but it was not revealed until tests were made at 52 weeks and not consistently at that time.

Continuous exposure to weather (table 13).--The unpainted aluminum specimens glued by Process 1 showed a moderate drop in strength and a considerable increase in adhesion failure during the year outdoors. The painted aluminum specimen and the steel specimen, painted or unpainted, showed little change that was significant.

The aluminum specimens glued by Process 2 showed little change during the year but the steel specimens showed an appreciable drop in strength and increase in adhesion failure.

The specimens glued by Processes 3 and 4 showed some drop in joint strength during the year's exposure without a consistent change in the nature of the failure.

The specimens glued by Processes 5 and 6 showed no significant changes during the year's exposure outdoors.

Table 1. --Designation of gluing processes and glues

Gluing process	Adhesive designa-	Type of adhesive	Manner of use
1	A	Modified thermoplastic resin	Direct bonding
2	B	Thermoplastic resin modified with thermosetting resin and pigment	As metal primer
	G	Room-temperature-setting resorcinol resin	As secondary glue
3	C	Thermosetting resin and synthetic rubber	Direct bonding
4	D	Thermosetting mixture of synthetic rubber and plastics	Direct bonding
	E	Low-pressure thermoplastic resin	Used in combination with adhesive D
5	F	Two components of thermosetting resin solution and thermoplastic powder	Direct bonding
6	C	Thermosetting resin and synthetic rubber	Direct bonding to shim
	G	Room-temperature-setting resorcinol resin	As secondary glue to shim

Table 3.—Average results of shear tests on glued wood-to-metal joints, soaked continuously in water at room temperature and tested wet

Drying process	Exposure period	Alcohol to birch plywood						Steel to birch plywood								
		Unpainted			Painted			Unpainted			Painted					
Weeks	lb. per 1/2 sq. in.	Average strength	Average failure	Percent failure	Average strength	Average failure	Percent failure	Average strength	Average failure	Percent failure	Average strength	Average failure	Percent failure	Average strength	Average failure	Percent failure
		wood:glue	metal:adhesive	wood:glue	metal:adhesive	wood:glue	metal:adhesive	wood:glue	metal:adhesive	wood:glue	metal:adhesive	wood:glue	metal:adhesive	wood:glue	metal:adhesive	wood:glue
1	0 control	960	83	12	0	12	36	971	0	0	0	0	0	971	0	0
	1	578	85	15	0	12	36	471	0	0	0	0	471	0	0	0
	2	681	92	6	0	28	60	496	0	0	0	0	496	0	0	0
	3	601	72	28	0	34	66	500	0	0	0	0	500	0	0	0
	4	578	65	9	0	38	74	479	0	0	0	0	479	0	0	0
	5	464	64	20	0	33	74	520	0	0	0	0	520	0	0	0
2	0 control	716	54	5	0	10	20	554	0	0	0	0	554	0	0	0
	1	485	39	0	12	36	76	895	0	0	0	0	895	0	0	0
	2	537	60	0	34	66	12	397	0	0	0	0	397	0	0	0
	3	594	75	0	23	46	6	196	0	0	0	0	196	0	0	0
	4	421	74	0	19	38	3	315	0	0	0	0	315	0	0	0
	5	465	61	0	17	34	2	281	0	0	0	0	281	0	0	0
3	0 control	945	53	19	0	18	3	916	0	0	0	0	916	0	0	0
	1	626	78	19	0	47	14	290	0	0	0	0	290	0	0	0
	2	587	43	31	0	27	6	221	0	0	0	0	221	0	0	0
	3	607	37	40	0	31	19	216	0	0	0	0	216	0	0	0
	4	686	57	45	0	30	16	207	0	0	0	0	207	0	0	0
	5	540	58	42	0	36	26	176	0	0	0	0	176	0	0	0
4	0 control	948	50	36	0	16	9	1000	0	0	0	0	1000	0	0	0
	1	535	54	12	0	27	8	48	0	0	0	0	48	0	0	0
	2	563	24	17	0	31	13	43	0	0	0	0	43	0	0	0
	3	524	23	7	0	24	9	10	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0
	4	570	49	7	0	24	21	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	5	532	49	6	0	37	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	0 control	723	88	12	0	23	37	91	0	0	0	0	91	0	0	0
	1	600	77	23	0	48	12	779	0	0	0	0	779	0	0	0
	2	583	53	1	0	77	23	295	0	0	0	0	295	0	0	0
	3	537	72	2	0	74	19	289	0	0	0	0	289	0	0	0
	4	569	52	0	0	86	2	193	0	0	0	0	193	0	0	0
	5	575	71	1	0	70	5	286	0	0	0	0	286	0	0	0
6	0 control	554	67	2	0	31	0	652	0	0	0	0	652	0	0	0
	1	370	60	7	0	18	0	86	0	0	0	0	86	0	0	0
	2	371	67	9	0	25	0	26	0	0	0	0	26	0	0	0
	3	314	22	27	0	25	11	73	0	0	0	0	73	0	0	0
	4	424	70	5	0	14	20	102	0	0	0	0	102	0	0	0
	5	425	30	50	0	15	0	26	0	0	0	0	26	0	0	0

Averages are for 35 control specimens and 5 exposed specimens. Metal bonded directly to wood with primary glue. Birch and walnut failures combined.

Table 4. Average results of shear tests on glued wood-to-metal joints exposed continuously to 80% R. and 91 percent relative humidity.

Gluing process	Exposure period	Aluminum to birch plywood										Steel to birch plywood									
		Unpainted					Painted					Unpainted					Painted				
		Average shear strength	Average wood failure	Average glue failure	Average metal failure	Average secondary failure	Average shear strength	Average wood failure	Average glue failure	Average metal failure	Average secondary failure	Average shear strength	Average wood failure	Average glue failure	Average metal failure	Average secondary failure	Average shear strength	Average wood failure	Average glue failure	Average metal failure	Average secondary failure
	Weeks	lb. per sq. in.	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	lb. per sq. in.	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	lb. per sq. in.	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	lb. per sq. in.	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
	0 control	980	0	0	0	0	971	0	0	0	0	971	0	0	0	0	971	0	0	0	0
	4	653	67	12	88	86	903	66	12	88	84	868	68	12	88	82	665	67	12	88	82
	8	692	53	0	47	67	713	0	31	34	64	684	0	36	39	616	0	18	21	0	0
	16	611	27	0	21	58	658	0	3	5	59	619	0	29	31	518	0	41	44	0	0
	24	661	48	5	47	65	640	0	3	5	61	614	0	28	30	522	0	32	34	0	0
	32	676	60	8	32	70	532	10	7	83	100	486	0	73	75	694	0	35	37	0	0
	104	85	100	0	0	100	59	0	0	0	0	487	0	30	30	531	0	40	40	0	0
	0 control	716	0	0	12	36	716	0	12	36	0	855	0	4	4	855	0	4	4	0	0
	4	581	47	0	45	46	531	0	49	53	52	642	0	42	42	622	0	45	45	0	0
	8	649	43	0	55	50	631	0	34	34	68	640	0	68	68	622	0	46	46	0	0
	16	591	47	0	36	29	559	0	47	47	24	590	0	73	73	564	0	44	44	0	0
	24	598	47	0	51	34	568	0	45	45	21	459	0	68	68	567	0	33	33	0	0
	32	528	42	0	38	66	549	0	25	25	10	413	0	59	59	470	0	37	37	0	0
	104	297	85	0	4	99	61	0	0	0	0	520	0	28	27	192	0	40	40	0	0
	0 control	945	0	0	2	2	945	0	0	0	0	936	0	10	10	936	0	10	10	0	0
	4	814	62	47	38	45	807	0	55	55	47	824	0	85	85	836	0	56	56	0	0
	8	708	48	36	32	39	673	0	43	43	7	649	0	64	64	614	0	51	51	0	0
	16	793	55	36	9	46	700	0	48	48	2	658	0	59	59	672	0	54	54	0	0
	24	565	44	26	48	61	530	0	39	39	0	443	0	52	52	516	0	41	41	0	0
	32	532	42	26	42	63	522	0	31	31	0	488	0	52	52	496	0	43	43	0	0
	104	336	85	15	26	89	382	0	18	18	0	268	0	22	22	137	0	13	13	0	0
	0 control	898	0	0	36	36	898	0	14	14	14	1000	0	24	24	1000	0	24	24	0	0
	4	661	47	18	32	46	709	0	26	26	24	665	0	70	70	636	0	24	24	0	0
	8	807	59	50	24	32	590	0	32	32	0	572	0	97	97	548	0	79	79	0	0
	16	634	25	34	41	41	662	0	18	18	16	622	0	80	80	448	0	5	5	0	0
	24	681	50	16	34	44	590	0	26	26	14	523	0	79	79	371	0	5	5	0	0
	32	596	64	29	29	52	615	0	24	24	24	363	0	100	100	283	0	100	100	0	0
	104	696	84	7	0	0	615	0	0	0	0	363	0	100	100	483	0	0	0	0	0
	0 control	723	0	0	12	12	723	0	0	0	0	779	0	0	0	779	0	0	0	0	0
	4	764	88	0	12	13	682	0	1	1	88	697	0	2	2	774	0	3	3	0	0
	8	590	58	0	42	49	719	0	11	11	86	647	0	10	10	774	0	0	0	0	0
	16	626	75	0	27	30	681	0	14	14	84	723	0	49	49	743	0	10	10	0	0
	24	771	90	4	16	16	734	0	14	14	86	739	0	75	75	764	0	8	8	0	0
	32	710	83	3	11	11	734	0	5	5	86	739	0	75	75	697	0	22	22	0	0
	104	613	84	0	16	16	557	0	24	24	76	514	0	75	75	778	0	32	32	0	0
	0 control	554	0	2	2	2	554	0	0	0	0	652	0	0	0	772	0	0	0	0	0
	4	466	46	25	25	25	478	0	36	36	67	462	0	26	26	774	0	3	3	0	0
	8	513	66	3	3	3	539	0	6	6	55	462	0	5	5	774	0	0	0	0	0
	16	488	31	30	7	22	527	0	8	8	73	336	0	12	12	372	0	14	14	0	0
	24	471	55	23	5	17	511	0	20	20	43	342	0	8	8	360	0	31	31	0	0
	32	525	23	67	5	10	546	0	0	0	57	225	0	60	60	292	0	2	2	0	0
	104	341	59	5	4	32	472	0	49	49	36	208	0	27	27	278	0	22	22	0	0

Averages are for 80 control specimens with 5 exposed specimens.
 Metal bonded directly to wood with primary glue.
 Birch and walnut failures combined.

Table 5.—Average results of shear tests on glued wood-to-metal joints exposed alternately to 97 and 10 percent relative humidity at 80° F.

Gluing process	Exposure period	Aluminum to Birch Plywood										Steel to Birch Plywood										
		Unpainted					Painted					Unpainted					Painted					
		Average shear strength	Average failure	Average wood failure	Average glue failure	Percent failure	Average shear strength	Average failure	Average wood failure	Average glue failure	Percent failure	Average shear strength	Average failure	Average wood failure	Average glue failure	Percent failure	Average shear strength	Average failure	Average wood failure	Average glue failure	Percent failure	
1	0 control	960	88	12	0	0	960	88	12	0	0	971	93	7	0	2	971	93	7	0	2	
	4	898	92	0	0	0	898	92	0	0	0	898	92	0	0	0	898	92	0	0	0	
	8	1065	100	0	0	0	1065	100	0	0	0	1065	100	0	0	0	1065	100	0	0	0	
	16	1002	91	0	0	0	1002	91	0	0	0	1002	91	0	0	0	1002	91	0	0	0	
	32	1120	70	6	24	26	1013	69	6	26	0	978	82	1	19	0	1013	82	1	19	0	
	52	928	96	4	0	0	900	93	7	0	0	1000	80	1	19	0	1000	80	1	19	0	
	104																					
	0 control	716	52	0	12	0	716	52	0	12	0	855	58	0	4	38	855	58	0	4	38	
	4	767	52	0	16	0	664	42	0	12	0	801	34	0	4	4	767	52	0	16	0	
	8	661	51	0	19	0	760	58	0	13	0	890	59	0	14	0	661	51	0	19	0	
16	814	72	0	13	15	694	50	0	25	0	837	73	0	11	16	814	72	0	13	15		
24	750	78	0	9	13	803	47	0	27	0	802	52	0	35	13	750	78	0	9	13		
32	712	83	0	18	39	716	53	0	31	16	781	52	0	37	7	712	83	0	18	39		
52	656	34	0	23	13	592	46	0	28	0	682	45	0	40	15	656	34	0	23	13		
104																						
2	0 control	986	83	17	0	0	986	83	17	0	0	986	83	17	0	2	986	83	17	0	2	
	4	1096	73	21	0	0	1096	73	21	0	0	1096	73	21	0	0	1096	73	21	0	0	
	8	987	61	19	0	0	987	61	19	0	0	987	61	19	0	0	987	61	19	0	0	
	16	968	63	15	0	0	968	63	15	0	0	968	63	15	0	0	968	63	15	0	0	
	24	1001	70	12	0	0	1001	70	12	0	0	1001	70	12	0	0	1001	70	12	0	0	
	32	904	84	16	0	0	904	84	16	0	0	904	84	16	0	0	904	84	16	0	0	
	52	796	65	15	0	0	796	65	15	0	0	796	65	15	0	0	796	65	15	0	0	
	104																					
	0 control	926	83	17	0	0	926	83	17	0	0	926	83	17	0	2	926	83	17	0	2	
	4	1028	73	21	0	0	1028	73	21	0	0	1028	73	21	0	0	1028	73	21	0	0	
8	987	61	19	0	0	987	61	19	0	0	987	61	19	0	0	987	61	19	0	0		
16	968	63	15	0	0	968	63	15	0	0	968	63	15	0	0	968	63	15	0	0		
24	1001	70	12	0	0	1001	70	12	0	0	1001	70	12	0	0	1001	70	12	0	0		
32	904	84	16	0	0	904	84	16	0	0	904	84	16	0	0	904	84	16	0	0		
52	796	65	15	0	0	796	65	15	0	0	796	65	15	0	0	796	65	15	0	0		
104																						
3	0 control	998	90	14	0	0	998	90	14	0	0	998	90	14	0	2	998	90	14	0	2	
	4	1051	81	13	0	0	1051	81	13	0	0	1051	81	13	0	0	1051	81	13	0	0	
	8	1065	74	11	0	0	1065	74	11	0	0	1065	74	11	0	0	1065	74	11	0	0	
	16	997	66	23	0	0	997	66	23	0	0	997	66	23	0	0	997	66	23	0	0	
	24	649	68	25	9	0	649	68	25	9	0	649	68	25	9	0	649	68	25	9	0	
	32	738	10	80	10	0	738	10	80	10	0	738	10	80	10	0	738	10	80	10	0	
	52	834	42	47	5	0	834	42	47	5	0	834	42	47	5	0	834	42	47	5	0	
	104																					
	0 control	721	86	12	0	0	721	86	12	0	0	721	86	12	0	2	721	86	12	0	2	
	4	814	100	6	0	0	814	100	6	0	0	814	100	6	0	0	814	100	6	0	0	
8	836	94	6	0	0	836	94	6	0	0	836	94	6	0	0	836	94	6	0	0		
16	802	46	2	12	0	802	46	2	12	0	802	46	2	12	0	802	46	2	12	0		
24	810	74	9	17	0	810	74	9	17	0	810	74	9	17	0	810	74	9	17	0		
32	830	64	5	31	0	830	64	5	31	0	830	64	5	31	0	830	64	5	31	0		
52	711	90	0	10	0	711	90	0	10	0	711	90	0	10	0	711	90	0	10	0		
104																						
4	0 control	994	61	2	0	0	994	61	2	0	0	994	61	2	0	26	994	61	2	0	26	
	4	514	43	0	0	0	514	43	0	0	0	514	43	0	0	0	514	43	0	0	0	
	8	291	70	0	0	0	291	70	0	0	0	291	70	0	0	0	291	70	0	0	0	
	16	608	58	0	0	0	608	58	0	0	0	608	58	0	0	0	608	58	0	0	0	
	24	549	72	0	0	0	549	72	0	0	0	549	72	0	0	0	549	72	0	0	0	
	32	589	36	2	1	0	589	36	2	1	0	589	36	2	1	0	589	36	2	1	0	
	52	510	36	2	1	0	510	36	2	1	0	510	36	2	1	0	510	36	2	1	0	
	104																					
	0 control	594	43	0	0	0	594	43	0	0	0	594	43	0	0	0	594	43	0	0	0	
	4	291	70	0	0	0	291	70	0	0	0	291	70	0	0	0	291	70	0	0	0	
8	608	58	0	0	0	608	58	0	0	0	608	58	0	0	0	608	58	0	0	0		
16	549	72	0	0	0	549	72	0	0	0	549	72	0	0	0	549	72	0	0	0		
24	589	36	2	1	0	589	36	2	1	0	589	36	2	1	0	589	36	2	1	0		
32	510	36	2	1	0	510	36	2	1	0	510	36	2	1	0	510	36	2	1	0		
52	510	36	2	1	0	510	36	2	1	0	510	36	2	1	0	510	36	2	1	0		
104																						

Average are for 55 control specimens and 5 exposed specimens. Sheets bonded directly to wood with primary glue. Birch and walnut failures combined. Z M 72832 E

Table 5—Average results of shear tests on glued wood-to-metal joints around continuous to 156° F., and 20 percent relative humidity

Cladding process	Exposure period	Aluminum to Birch plywood										Steel to Birch plywood									
		Depainted					Painted					Depainted					Painted				
		Average shear strength	Average wood failure	Average glue adhesion	Average metal failure	Average secondary failure	Average shear strength	Average wood failure	Average glue adhesion	Average metal failure	Average secondary failure	Average shear strength	Average wood failure	Average glue adhesion	Average metal failure	Average secondary failure	Average shear strength	Average wood failure	Average glue adhesion	Average metal failure	Average secondary failure
		15, 1/2 in. x 1 1/2 in. x 1 1/2 in.	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	15, 1/2 in. x 1 1/2 in. x 1 1/2 in.	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
		0 control	980	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	971	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		4	917	0	0	0	0	0	0	1015	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		8	924	0	0	0	0	0	0	948	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		15	910	0	0	0	0	0	0	1091	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		24	925	0	0	0	0	0	0	860	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		32	1056	0	0	0	0	0	0	1064	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		52	764	0	0	0	0	0	0	942	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		104																			
		0 control	716	0	0	0	0	0	0	895	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		4	795	0	0	0	0	0	0	836	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		8	719	0	0	0	0	0	0	753	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		16	708	0	0	0	0	0	0	833	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		24	624	0	0	0	0	0	0	833	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		32	674	0	0	0	0	0	0	726	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		52	874	0	0	0	0	0	0	661	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		104																			
		0 control	945	0	0	0	0	0	0	916	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		4	917	0	0	0	0	0	0	846	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		8	927	0	0	0	0	0	0	845	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		16	753	0	0	0	0	0	0	574	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		24	860	0	0	0	0	0	0	233	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		32	523	0	0	0	0	0	0	75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		52	459	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		104																			
		0 control	723	0	0	0	0	0	0	719	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		4	828	0	0	0	0	0	0	817	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		8	854	0	0	0	0	0	0	870	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		16	852	0	0	0	0	0	0	760	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		24	750	0	0	0	0	0	0	774	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		32	718	0	0	0	0	0	0	803	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		52	612	0	0	0	0	0	0	702	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		104																			
		0 control	594	0	0	0	0	0	0	574	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		4	513	0	0	0	0	0	0	700	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		8	525	0	0	0	0	0	0	715	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		16	481	0	0	0	0	0	0	414	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		24	481	0	0	0	0	0	0	441	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		32	106	0	0	0	0	0	0	323	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		52	282	0	0	0	0	0	0	226	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		104																			

Averages are for 55 control specimens and 5 exposed specimens.
Steel bonded directly to wood with primary glue.
Steel and walnut failures combined.

Table 5.—Average results of shear tests on glued wood-to-metal joints soaked continuously in MNO-dioxane gasoline

Gluing process	Exposure period	Aluminum to birch plywood										Steel to birch plywood										
		Unpainted					Painted					Unpainted					Painted					
		Average shear strength	Average wood failure	Average glue failure	Average metal adhesion	Average secondary glue failure	Average shear strength	Average wood failure	Average glue failure	Average metal adhesion	Average secondary glue failure	Average shear strength	Average wood failure	Average glue failure	Average metal adhesion	Average secondary glue failure	Average shear strength	Average wood failure	Average glue failure	Average metal adhesion	Average secondary glue failure	
	Weeks	Lb. per 1/2 sq. in.	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Lb. per 1/2 sq. in.	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Lb. per 1/2 sq. in.	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Lb. per 1/2 sq. in.	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	
1	0 control	980	88	12	0	2	980	88	12	0	2	971	93	7	0	2	971	93	7	0	2	
	2	1205	97	3	0	—	1085	90	10	0	—	1103	94	6	0	—	1183	91	9	0	—	
	4	1234	85	45	0	—	1322	51	9	0	—	1111	96	4	0	—	1054	95	5	0	—	
	6	1105	95	15	0	—	1085	78	22	0	—	1088	86	12	2	—	835	80	18	2	—	
	8	806	29	71	0	—	978	33	57	0	—	737	46	54	0	—	684	28	72	0	—	
	12	570	6	94	0	—	468	2	98	0	—	687	29	71	0	—	427	18	82	0	—	
	24	358	1	92	7	—	373	4	96	0	—	391	18	82	0	—	387	2	98	0	—	
	52	407	0	100	0	—	305	0	100	0	—	366	6	94	0	—	357	6	94	0	—	
	2	0 control	716	52	0	12	36	716	52	0	12	36	855	58	0	4	38	855	58	0	4	38
		2	644	42	0	2	46	644	64	0	2	34	744	38	0	6	59	744	39	0	6	55
4		592	62	0	14	24	695	29	0	22	59	833	76	0	10	14	851	39	0	3	58	
6		747	60	0	37	3	681	50	0	4	46	787	58	0	4	36	880	63	0	18	19	
8		701	72	0	3	25	761	64	0	4	30	741	79	0	2	23	779	86	0	3	31	
12		789	86	0	24	20	785	71	0	3	26	800	96	0	16	28	869	83	0	8	12	
24		750	60	0	21	19	798	82	0	14	8	850	53	0	24	23	902	64	0	0	16	
52		683	67	0	25	8	717	58	0	25	17	830	71	0	13	16	766	65	0	13	22	
3		0 control	945	53	47	0	2	945	53	47	0	2	936	34	56	10	2	916	34	56	10	2
		2	779	13	87	0	—	790	18	82	0	—	784	0	87	13	—	634	3	87	10	—
	4	798	20	80	0	—	777	0	100	0	—	695	0	100	0	—	612	0	96	4	—	
	6	734	14	86	0	—	733	5	95	0	—	737	3	95	2	—	637	0	99	1	—	
	8	744	11	89	0	—	784	5	95	0	—	577	1	96	3	—	601	0	96	4	—	
	12	789	10	90	0	—	788	12	0	100	0	—	621	0	98	2	—	605	8	89	3	—
	24	665	3	96	1	—	654	3	97	0	—	701	0	90	10	—	493	0	99	1	—	
	52	615	1	99	0	—	549	1	99	0	—	429	0	69	31	—	301	0	48	52	—	
	5	0 control	723	88	12	0	2	723	88	12	0	2	779	93	7	0	2	779	93	7	0	2
		2	719	92	8	0	—	626	95	5	0	—	872	98	2	0	—	752	96	4	0	—
4		753	94	6	0	—	669	96	4	0	—	816	91	9	0	—	721	98	2	0	—	
6		670	80	2	18	—	768	93	7	0	—	827	94	6	0	—	873	95	4	0	—	
8		787	96	4	0	—	769	96	4	0	—	796	98	2	0	—	715	93	7	0	—	
12		718	98	2	0	—	804	98	2	0	—	801	97	3	0	—	838	95	4	0	—	
24		735	100	0	0	—	719	98	2	0	—	769	97	3	0	—	818	98	2	0	—	
52		779	90	10	0	—	638	93	7	0	—	867	98	2	0	—	785	100	0	0	—	
6		0 control	554	67	2	0	31	554	67	2	0	31	652	68	6	0	26	652	68	6	0	26
		2	435	53	40	0	7	438	52	49	0	13	491	33	51	0	16	582	40	40	0	20
	4	475	53	44	6	27	461	78	0	0	20	381	6	88	16	10	467	31	35	3	31	
	6	447	59	5	1	35	499	48	19	1	38	469	39	20	34	7	471	30	48	7	15	
	8	439	37	43	0	20	499	79	0	0	21	566	29	31	4	36	554	25	52	7	16	
	12	466	33	57	0	30	524	77	0	0	23	466	37	57	7	9	397	27	48	14	16	
	24	439	62	6	0	32	558	42	16	1	41	415	26	60	18	6	489	5	89	19	17	
	52	494	39	38	0	23	453	17	58	2	23	418	10	79	11	4	410	15	66	14	9	
	Aluminum to Walnut Shie to Birch										Steel to Walnut Shie to Birch											

Averages are for 95 control specimens and 5 exposed specimens.

Metal bonded directly to wood with primary glue.

Birch and walnut failures combined.

Table 3.—Average results of shear tests on glued wood-to-metal joints soaked continuously in 73 octane gasoline

Gluing process	Exposure period	Aluminum to birch plywood						Steel to birch plywood						Aluminum to Walnut Shlm to Birch											
		Unpainted			Painted			Unpainted			Painted			Unpainted			Painted								
		Average shear strength	Average wood glue failure	Average metal adhesive failure	Average secondary glue failure	Average strength	Average wood glue failure	Average metal adhesive failure	Average secondary glue failure	Average strength	Average wood glue failure	Average metal adhesive failure	Average secondary glue failure	Average strength	Average wood glue failure	Average metal adhesive failure	Average secondary glue failure	Average strength	Average wood glue failure	Average metal adhesive failure	Average secondary glue failure	Average strength	Average wood glue failure	Average metal adhesive failure	Average secondary glue failure
		lb. per sq. in.	Percent	Percent	Percent	lb. per sq. in.	Percent	Percent	Percent	lb. per sq. in.	Percent	Percent	Percent	lb. per sq. in.	Percent	Percent	Percent	lb. per sq. in.	Percent	Percent	Percent	lb. per sq. in.	Percent	Percent	Percent
1	0 control	980	0	0	0	911	0	0	0	936	0	0	0	911	0	0	0	936	0	0	0	911	0	0	0
	2	1175	12	3	0	1117	88	97	1	1288	97	1	0	1175	12	3	0	1117	88	97	1	1288	97	1	0
	4	1304	10	0	0	1094	98	10	0	1094	98	10	0	1304	10	0	0	1094	98	10	0	1094	98	10	0
	6	1360	5	0	0	1158	95	5	0	1158	95	5	0	1360	5	0	0	1158	95	5	0	1158	95	5	0
	8	1309	7	0	0	1177	93	7	0	1177	93	7	0	1309	7	0	0	1177	93	7	0	1177	93	7	0
2	0 control	715	0	0	0	891	0	0	0	872	0	0	0	715	0	0	0	891	0	0	0	872	0	0	0
	2	728	0	12	0	716	52	0	12	855	58	0	4	728	0	12	0	716	52	0	4	855	58	0	4
	4	839	0	16	0	785	72	0	16	748	76	0	9	839	0	16	0	785	72	0	9	748	76	0	9
	6	937	0	28	0	721	68	0	28	737	74	0	7	937	0	28	0	721	68	0	7	737	74	0	7
	8	869	0	7	0	708	67	0	7	765	79	0	1	869	0	7	0	708	67	0	1	765	79	0	1
3	0 control	753	0	0	0	801	0	0	0	874	0	0	0	753	0	0	0	801	0	0	0	874	0	0	0
	2	878	0	17	0	780	64	0	17	874	78	0	4	878	0	17	0	780	64	0	4	874	78	0	4
	4	949	0	47	0	945	53	4	47	936	74	56	10	949	0	47	0	945	53	4	47	936	74	56	10
	6	874	0	63	0	762	44	96	0	751	47	78	5	874	0	63	0	762	44	96	0	751	47	78	5
	8	846	0	94	0	842	13	81	0	864	18	81	0	846	0	94	0	842	13	81	0	864	18	81	0
5	0 control	723	0	0	0	801	0	0	0	854	0	0	0	723	0	0	0	801	0	0	0	854	0	0	0
	2	771	0	10	0	723	68	12	0	779	93	7	0	771	0	10	0	723	68	12	0	779	93	7	0
	4	821	0	16	0	744	84	16	0	817	92	8	0	821	0	16	0	744	84	16	0	817	92	8	0
	6	811	0	16	0	717	84	6	0	817	94	6	0	811	0	16	0	717	84	6	0	817	94	6	0
	8	750	0	10	0	737	80	10	0	868	97	3	10	750	0	10	0	737	80	10	0	868	97	3	10
6	0 control	727	0	0	0	765	0	0	0	823	0	0	0	727	0	0	0	765	0	0	0	823	0	0	0
	2	706	0	8	0	758	96	4	0	777	92	6	0	706	0	8	0	758	96	4	0	777	92	6	0
	4	771	0	10	0	744	88	12	0	779	93	7	0	771	0	10	0	744	88	12	0	779	93	7	0
	6	821	0	16	0	717	84	6	0	817	94	6	0	821	0	16	0	717	84	6	0	817	94	6	0
	8	750	0	10	0	737	80	10	0	868	97	3	10	750	0	10	0	737	80	10	0	868	97	3	10

Averages are for 35 control specimens and 5 exposed specimens.
 Metal bonded directly to wood with primary glue.
 Birch and walnut failures combined.

Table 10.—Average results of shear tests on glued wood-to-metal joints soaked continuously in solutions of wood anti-freeze fluid

Gluing process	Exposure period	Aluminum to Birch plywood												Steel to Birch plywood												
		Unpainted						Painted						Unpainted						Painted						
		Average shear strength	Average wood failure	Average glue failure	Average metal adhesion	Average secondary glue failure	Percent	Average shear strength	Average wood failure	Average glue failure	Average metal adhesion	Average secondary glue failure	Percent	Average shear strength	Average wood failure	Average glue failure	Average metal adhesion	Average secondary glue failure	Percent	Average shear strength	Average wood failure	Average glue failure	Average metal adhesion	Average secondary glue failure	Percent	
		lb. per sq. in.	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	lb. per sq. in.	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	lb. per sq. in.	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	lb. per sq. in.	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	lb. per sq. in.	Percent	Percent	Percent	
1	0 control	980	88	12	0	0	971	93	7	0	0	971	93	7	0	0	971	93	7	0	0	971	93	7	0	
	2	874	95	15	0	0	853	86	12	0	0	853	86	12	0	0	853	86	12	0	0	853	86	12	0	
	4	924	92	8	0	0	783	96	4	0	0	783	96	4	0	0	783	96	4	0	0	783	96	4	0	
	6	866	81	14	0	0	768	80	18	0	0	768	80	18	0	0	768	80	18	0	0	768	80	18	0	
	8	856	84	14	0	0	768	80	18	0	0	768	80	18	0	0	768	80	18	0	0	768	80	18	0	
	12	759	93	7	0	0	731	97	17	0	0	731	97	17	0	0	731	97	17	0	0	731	97	17	0	
	24	742	75	25	0	7	656	73	20	0	7	656	73	20	0	7	656	73	20	0	7	656	73	20	0	
	52	754	77	25	0	7	656	73	20	0	7	656	73	20	0	7	656	73	20	0	7	656	73	20	0	
	0 control	716	52	0	18	0	716	52	0	18	0	716	52	0	18	0	716	52	0	18	0	716	52	0	18	0
	4	742	74	0	12	0	716	52	0	18	0	716	52	0	18	0	716	52	0	18	0	716	52	0	18	0
	6	651	74	0	12	0	716	52	0	18	0	716	52	0	18	0	716	52	0	18	0	716	52	0	18	0
	8	742	84	0	19	0	657	59	0	15	0	657	59	0	15	0	657	59	0	15	0	657	59	0	15	0
12	679	67	0	0	33	659	65	0	5	30	659	65	0	5	30	659	65	0	5	30	659	65	0	5	30	
24	679	74	0	3	33	687	71	0	6	33	687	71	0	6	33	687	71	0	6	33	687	71	0	6	33	
52	661	60	0	16	30	616	60	0	16	30	616	60	0	16	30	616	60	0	16	30	616	60	0	16	30	
2	0 control	945	53	47	0	1	945	53	47	0	1	945	53	47	0	1	945	53	47	0	1	945	53	47	0	
	2	911	54	46	0	0	838	16	83	1	0	838	16	83	1	0	838	16	83	1	0	838	16	83	1	
	4	844	74	26	0	0	808	46	60	0	0	808	46	60	0	0	808	46	60	0	0	808	46	60	0	
	6	753	51	16	0	0	703	42	58	0	0	703	42	58	0	0	703	42	58	0	0	703	42	58	0	
	8	663	50	22	0	0	704	42	58	0	0	704	42	58	0	0	704	42	58	0	0	704	42	58	0	
	12	812	63	27	0	0	794	39	51	0	0	794	39	51	0	0	794	39	51	0	0	794	39	51	0	
	24	617	54	46	0	0	611	13	87	0	0	611	13	87	0	0	611	13	87	0	0	611	13	87	0	
	52	617	54	46	0	0	611	13	87	0	0	611	13	87	0	0	611	13	87	0	0	611	13	87	0	
	0 control	723	88	12	0	0	723	88	12	0	0	723	88	12	0	0	723	88	12	0	0	723	88	12	0	0
	2	757	89	11	0	0	738	98	8	0	0	738	98	8	0	0	738	98	8	0	0	738	98	8	0	0
	4	714	96	4	0	0	733	94	6	0	0	733	94	6	0	0	733	94	6	0	0	733	94	6	0	0
	6	776	98	0	0	2	750	99	0	0	1	750	99	0	0	1	750	99	0	0	1	750	99	0	0	
8	612	70	20	0	10	759	82	18	0	0	759	82	18	0	0	759	82	18	0	0	759	82	18	0		
12	675	85	1	14	0	750	78	22	0	0	750	78	22	0	0	750	78	22	0	0	750	78	22	0		
24	611	91	9	0	0	655	78	23	0	4	655	78	23	0	4	655	78	23	0	4	655	78	23	0		
52	611	91	9	0	0	655	78	23	0	4	655	78	23	0	4	655	78	23	0	4	655	78	23	0		
3	0 control	945	53	47	0	1	945	53	47	0	1	945	53	47	0	1	945	53	47	0	1	945	53	47	0	
	2	911	54	46	0	0	838	16	83	1	0	838	16	83	1	0	838	16	83	1	0	838	16	83	1	
	4	844	74	26	0	0	808	46	60	0	0	808	46	60	0	0	808	46	60	0	0	808	46	60	0	
	6	753	51	16	0	0	703	42	58	0	0	703	42	58	0	0	703	42	58	0	0	703	42	58	0	
	8	663	50	22	0	0	704	42	58	0	0	704	42	58	0	0	704	42	58	0	0	704	42	58	0	
	12	812	63	27	0	0	794	39	51	0	0	794	39	51	0	0	794	39	51	0	0	794	39	51	0	
	24	617	54	46	0	0	611	13	87	0	0	611	13	87	0	0	611	13	87	0	0	611	13	87	0	
	52	617	54	46	0	0	611	13	87	0	0	611	13	87	0	0	611	13	87	0	0	611	13	87	0	
	0 control	723	88	12	0	0	723	88	12	0	0	723	88	12	0	0	723	88	12	0	0	723	88	12	0	0
	2	757	89	11	0	0	738	98	8	0	0	738	98	8	0	0	738	98	8	0	0	738	98	8	0	0
	4	714	96	4	0	0	733	94	6	0	0	733	94	6	0	0	733	94	6	0	0	733	94	6	0	0
	6	776	98	0	0	2	750	99	0	0	1	750	99	0	0	1	750	99	0	0	1	750	99	0	0	
8	612	70	20	0	10	759	82	18	0	0	759	82	18	0	0	759	82	18	0	0	759	82	18	0		
12	675	85	1	14	0	750	78	22	0	0	750	78	22	0	0	750	78	22	0	0	750	78	22	0		
24	611	91	9	0	0	655	78	23	0	4	655	78	23	0	4	655	78	23	0	4	655	78	23	0		
52	611	91	9	0	0	655	78	23	0	4	655	78	23	0	4	655	78	23	0	4	655	78	23	0		
5	0 control	945	53	47	0	1	945	53	47	0	1	945	53	47	0	1	945	53	47	0	1	945	53	47	0	
	2	911	54	46	0	0	838	16	83	1	0	838	16	83	1	0	838	16	83	1	0	838	16	83	1	
	4	844	74	26	0	0	808	46	60	0	0	808	46	60	0	0	808	46	60	0	0	808	46	60	0	
	6	753	51	16	0	0	703	42	58	0	0	703	42	58	0	0	703	42	58	0	0	703	42	58	0	
	8	663	50	22	0	0	704	42	58	0	0	704	42	58	0	0	704	42	58	0	0	704	42	58	0	
	12	812	63	27	0	0	794	39	51	0	0	794	39	51	0	0	794	39	51	0	0	794	39	51	0	
	24	617	54	46	0	0	611	13	87	0	0	611	13	87	0	0	611	13	87	0	0	611	13	87	0	
	52	617	54	46	0	0	611	13	87	0	0	611	13	87	0	0	611	13	87	0	0	611	13	87	0	
	0 control	723	88	12	0	0	723	88	12	0	0	723	88	12	0	0	723	88	12	0	0	723	88	12	0	0
	2	757	89	11	0	0	738	98	8	0	0	738	98	8	0	0	738	98	8	0	0	738	98	8	0	0
	4	714	96	4	0	0	733	94	6	0</																

Table 12 - Average results of shear tests on glued wood-to-metal joints soaked continuously in aircraft lubricating oil

Sliding process	Exposure period	Aluminum to Birch plywood										Steel to Birch plywood										
		Unpainted					Painted					Unpainted					Painted					
		Average shear strength	Average failure	Average wood failure	Average glue failure	Average metal failure	Average shear strength	Average failure	Average wood failure	Average glue failure	Average metal failure	Average shear strength	Average failure	Average wood failure	Average glue failure	Average metal failure	Average shear strength	Average failure	Average wood failure	Average glue failure	Average metal failure	
	Weeks	lb. sq. in.	lb. sq. in.	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	lb. sq. in.	lb. sq. in.	Percent	Percent	Percent	lb. sq. in.	lb. sq. in.	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	
1	0 control	960	88	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	971	93	0	0	0	971	93	0	0	0	0	
	2	1094	97	0	0	0	0	0	0	1006	96	0	0	0	1006	96	0	0	0	0	0	
	4	995	94	0	0	0	0	0	0	940	89	0	0	0	940	89	0	0	0	0	0	
	6	904	86	13	2	0	0	0	0	1002	86	14	0	0	1002	86	14	0	0	0	0	0
	8	914	90	10	3	0	0	0	0	993	91	3	0	0	993	91	3	0	0	0	0	0
2	0 control	859	81	11	8	0	0	0	0	1006	96	0	0	0	1006	96	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2	1056	81	19	0	0	0	0	1067	79	21	0	0	1067	79	21	0	0	0	0	0	0
	4	812	58	26	18	0	0	0	1052	75	24	0	0	1052	75	24	0	0	0	0	0	0
	6	716	52	0	12	0	0	0	716	52	0	12	0	0	716	52	0	12	0	0	0	0
	8	698	60	0	0	0	0	0	715	48	0	0	0	715	48	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	0 control	706	51	0	8	0	0	0	711	36	0	0	0	711	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2	590	55	0	8	0	0	0	713	36	0	0	0	713	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	4	674	60	0	0	0	0	0	692	47	0	0	0	692	47	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	6	720	78	0	6	0	0	0	800	72	0	0	0	800	72	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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Averages are for 55 control specimens and 5 exposed specimens.
 Metal bonded directly to wood with primary glue.
 Birch and walnut failures combined.

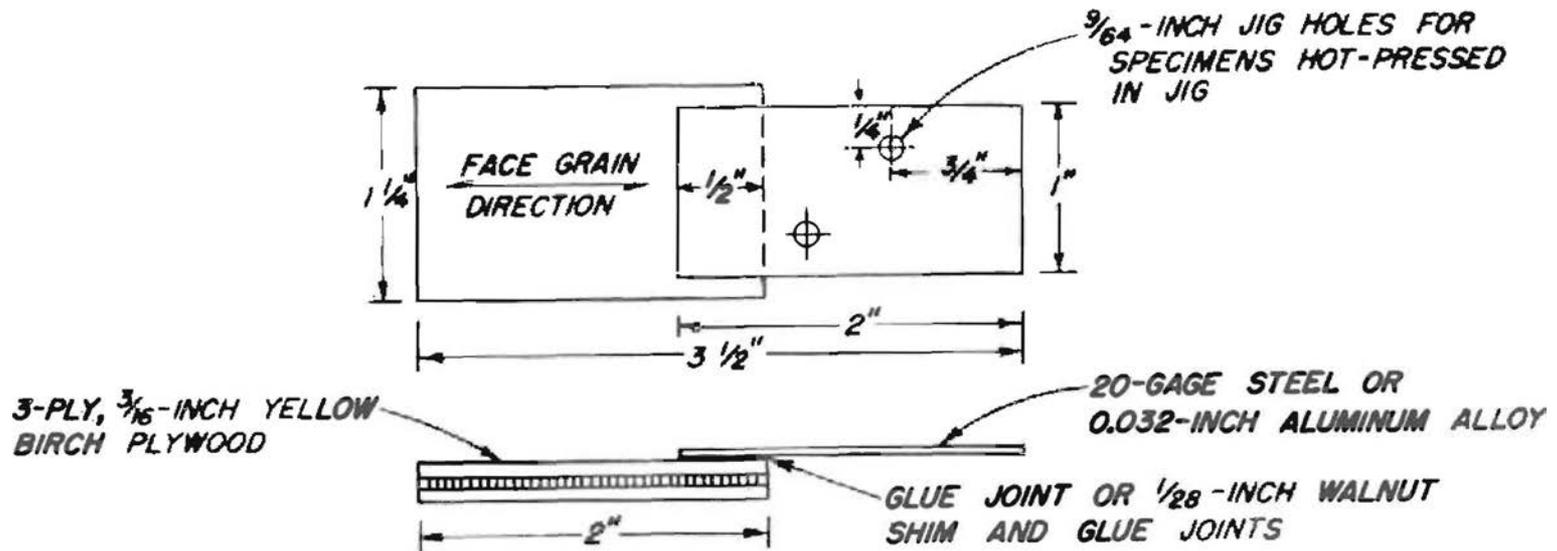


Figure 1.--Plywood-to-metal glue-joint test specimen with and without walnut shim.

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Figure 2.--Jig for locating alinement holes in metal pieces.

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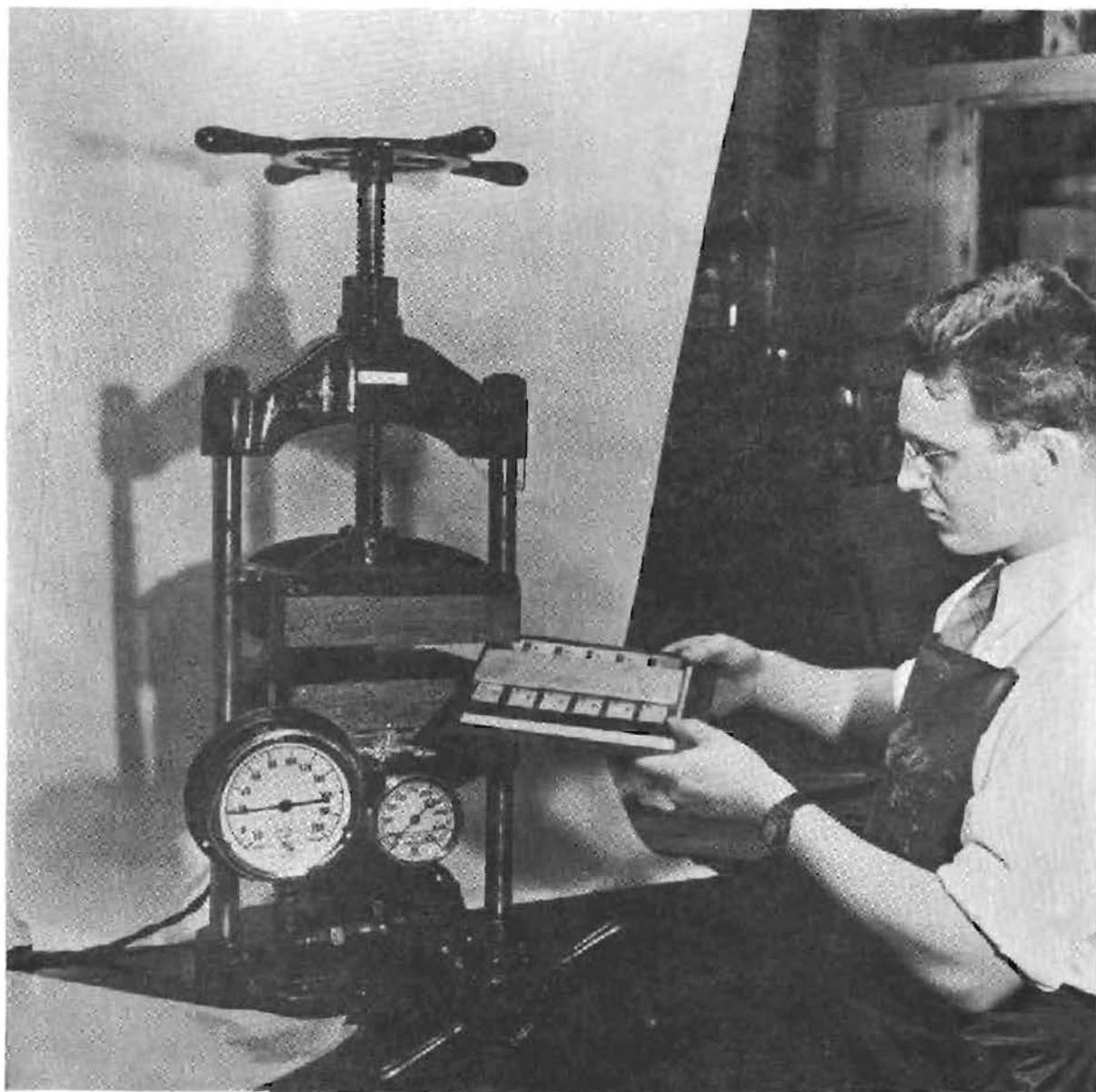


Figure 3.--Hot-press gluing of wood-to-metal joint specimens showing electric hot press, pressing jig, and specimens.

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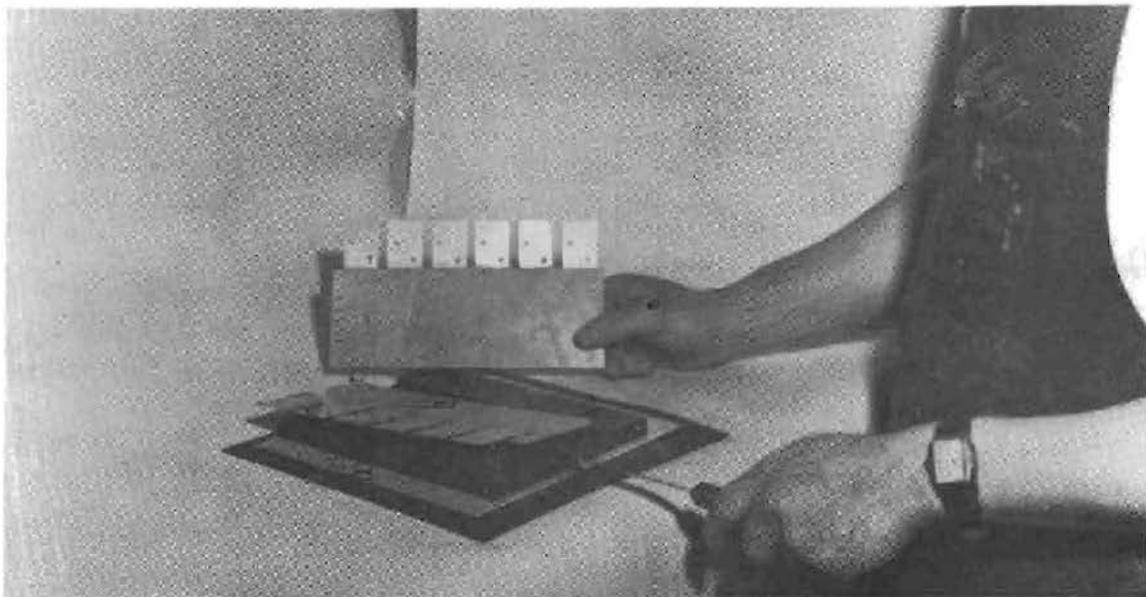


Figure 4.--Removing two panels of wood-to-metal joints from jig after gluing in a hot press.

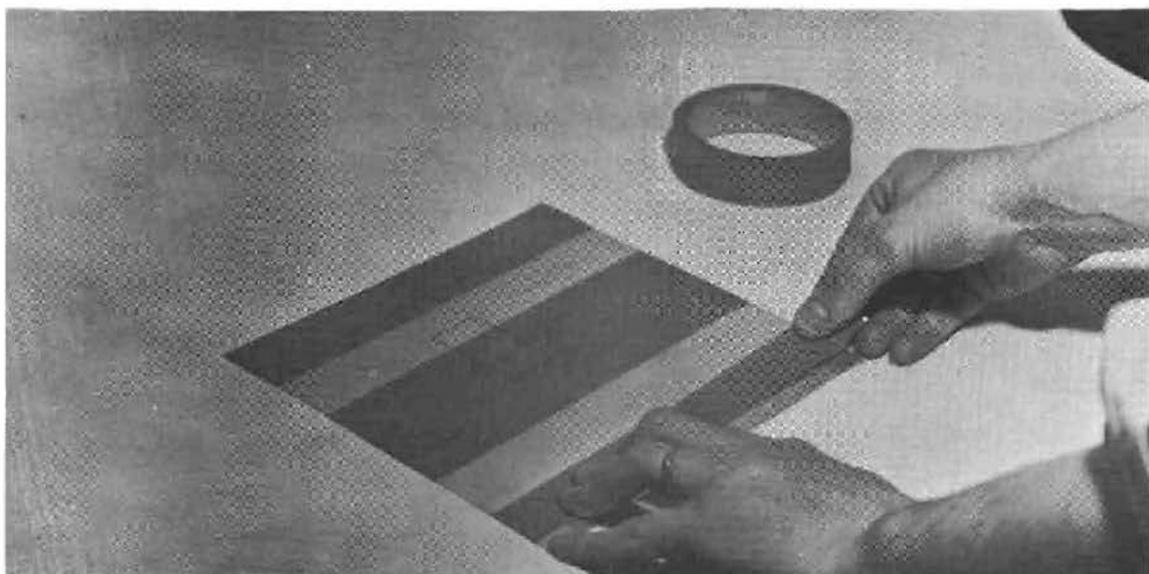


Figure 5.--Masking of the 8- by 8-inch metal sheets before applying the glue. (Outlined area marks the position of the metal portion of one specimen).

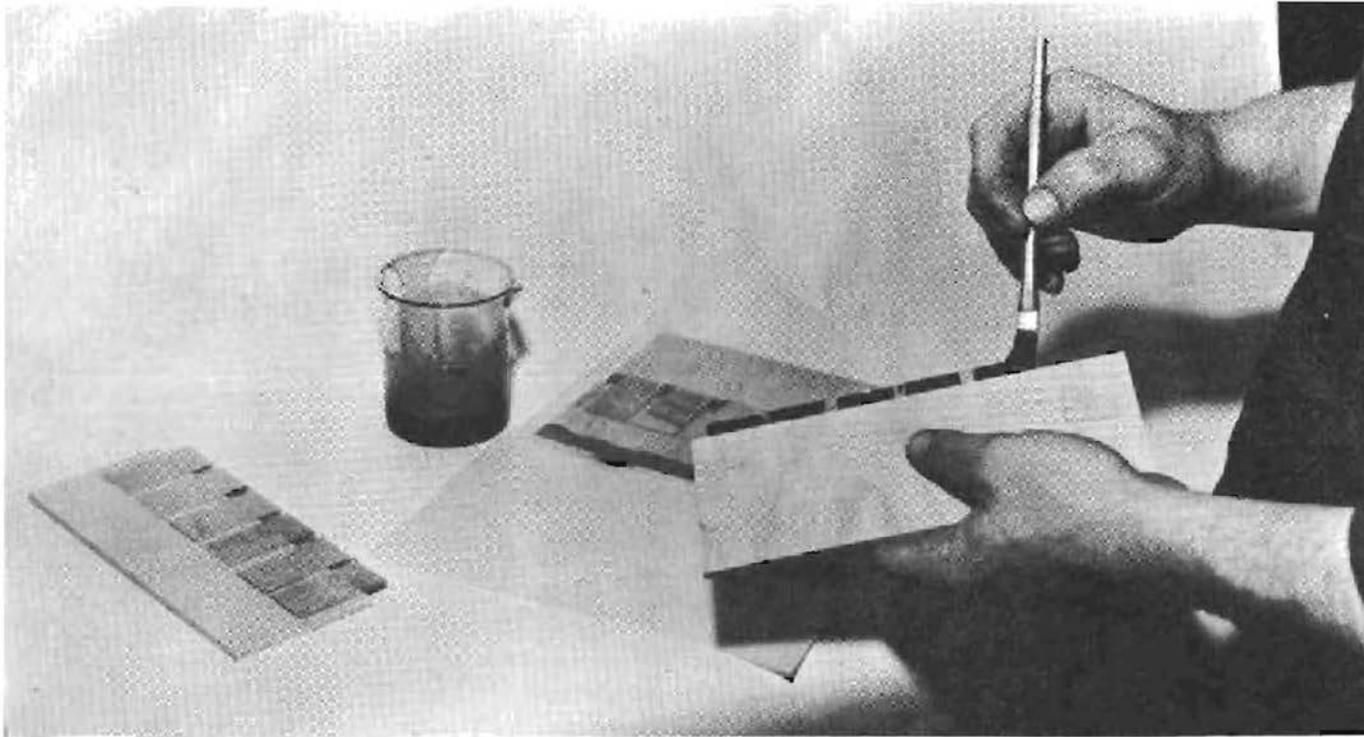


Figure 6.—Applying the secondary glue to the primed metal surface in the preparation of the wood-to-metal glued joint specimens.

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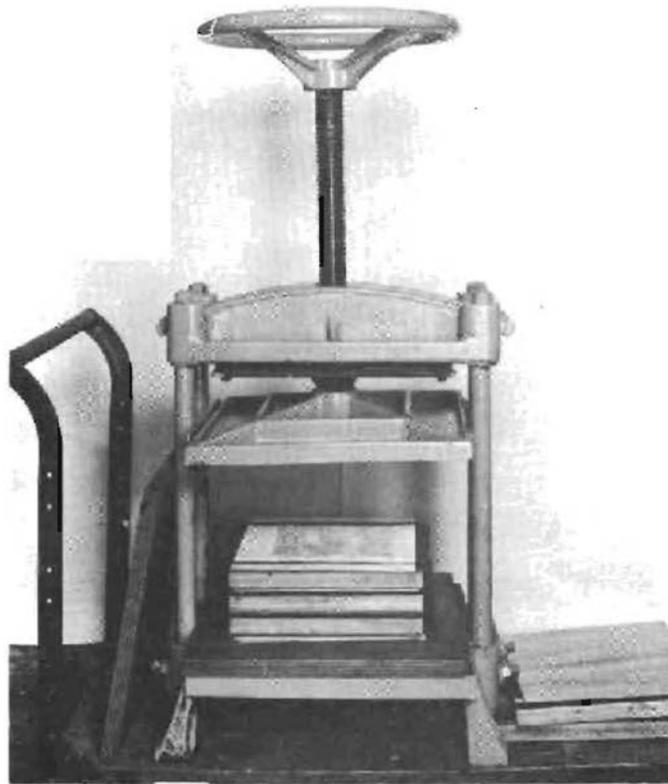


Figure 7.--Press used for the secondary gluing of the wood-to-metal joint specimens.

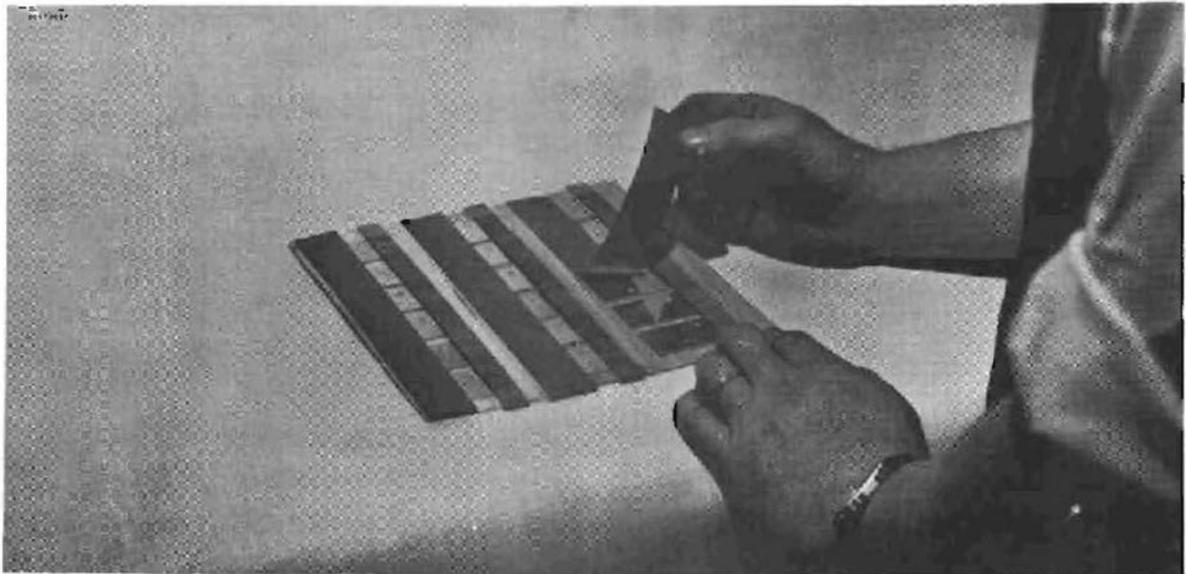


Figure 8.--Taping walnut shims and metal pieces to yellow-poplar cauls.