

ERIKSEN MACHINE GUN.

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Note by Sec., S.A.C.

This gun was submitted for examination by Mr. John Petersen, Oslo.

C.I.S.A. did not consider it worth while purchasing ammunition for trial.

REPORT BY C.I.S.A. DATED 4.1.27, ON THE ERIKSEN MACHINE GUN.

Machine Gun and Cartridge Particulars.

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| 1. Designation | ... | ... | ... | Eriksen. |
| State if known by any previous or earlier designation | | | | ... |
| 2. Patent Nos. | ... | ... | ... | No. 233, 166—1925. |
| 3. Contract No. | ... | ... | ... | Nil. Sent to England by Mr. Petersen. |
| 4. Recoil or gas operated | ... | ... | ... | Gas. |
| 5. Water or air cooled | ... | ... | ... | Air. |
| 6. Diameter of bore | ... | ... | ... | 6.5 mm. = .256 in. |
| 7. Method of feed | ... | ... | ... | Rectangular box magazine holding 50 rounds in 10 steel strips. The strips are placed horizontally in the box one above the other, and are raised into position by a "jack in the box" wire spring attached to the bottom plate. The strips are fed, one at a time, into and through the gun from left to right by the gun pawls.
The box assembles into vertical guides on the left side of the feed mechanism unit, and is there retained by a spring on the box which engages a recess in one of the guides. |
| 8. Location of feed opening | ... | ... | ... | Left side. |
| 9. Location of ejection opening | ... | ... | ... | Right side. |
| 10. Location of cocking or loading handle. | ... | ... | ... | Right side. (Handle does not reciprocate with gun mechanism.) |
| 11. Safety device | ... | ... | ... | Lever on top of spade handle grip controls movement of trigger trip. The rearward position of lever gives "safe," and two forward positions give "single shots" and "automatic" fire respectively. |
| 12. Provision for single shots and auto. | ... | ... | ... | |
| 13. Rate of fire | ... | ... | ... | Ammunition not available for test. |
| 14. Upon "stop firing" is breech open or closed. | ... | ... | ... | Closed. But see (vi) of General Remarks. |
| 15. Is the general action similar to any other known weapon. | ... | ... | ... | No. It has a sliding breech block connected to a rotary crank, which is operated by means of an off-set connecting rod, driven by the piston rod. |

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