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VANO's information. He had a conversation with Mr. SHAW [ShO][,] Chief of the Ceramics Division of the War Production Board[, ] inventor of the M5 anti-magnetic PT mine about which we reported earlier. He said [that] the drawings and technical stipulations [TEKHUSLOVIYa] for the M5 mine would be ready by the end of June. After this at the PICATINNY Arsenal they will prepare a batch of mines for final tests. The War Department in SHAW's opinion is not particularly interested in the mine. SHAW developed a new mine with a weight of 10 pounds with the shell of the mines made of forged-on [NAKUYushchEGOSYa] glass. In construction the mine is analogous to the M5 mine.

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