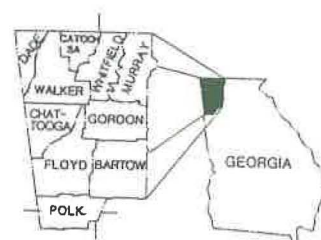


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COVER PHOTO: View to the northwest on Ga. Hwy. 48 through Shinbone Ridge on the west side of Menlo, Georgia, Chattooga County. The majority of the roadcut exposes westward-dipping sandstones and shales of the Red Mountain Formation (Silurian) which are overlain by the Chattanooga Shale (Devonian) and Fort Payne Chert (Mississippian) at the far end of the cut. (Map location no. Cht. 64-9 and 64-10 are from this general area.)

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INTRODUCTION

This report presents a compilation of all available published and unpublished ceramic firing tests and related analytical data on samples from Chattooga County, Georgia. It provides information on mined and/or undeveloped clays, shales and related materials; and is intended for use by geologists, engineers and members of the general public. The report should aid in the exploration for deposits of ceramic raw material with economic potential for future development. This information may also be of use to those who wish to obtain information on the potential use of particular deposits at specific locations.

Tests by the U.S. Bureau of Mines, subsequently referred to as USBM, were performed by the Norris Metallurgy Research Laboratory, Norris, Tennessee and the Tuscaloosa Research Center, Tuscaloosa, Alabama under cooperative agreements with the Georgia Geologic Survey and its predecessors (i.e., the Earth and Water Division of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources; the Department of Mines, Mining and Geology; and the Geological Survey of Georgia). Many of the firing tests were performed on samples collected by former staff members of the Georgia Geologic Survey (and its predecessors) during uncompleted and unpublished studies (Smith, 1968?). Additional unpublished data presented in this compilation include work by TVA (see Butts and Gildersleeve, 1948, p. 124 and 125) and by L. Mitchell (Department of Ceramic Engineering, Georgia Institute of Technology). Published data include studies by Veatch (1909, p. 282 to 392), Smith (1931, p. 119 to 122 and 339 to 340), and Hollenbeck and Tyrrell (1969, p. 17 to 20).

Regardless of the source, all of the ceramic firing testing data presented in this report are based on laboratory tests that are preliminary in nature and will not suffice for plant or process design. They do not preclude the use of the materials in mixes (Liles and Heystek, 1977, p. 5).

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Engineering, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia. The majority of the unpublished tests were performed on samples collected by former staff geologists of the Georgia Geologic Survey, predominantly by J.W. Smith, A.S. Furcron, R.D. Bentley, N.K. Olsen, D. Ray, and G. Peyton, assisted by C.W. Cressler of the U.S. Geological Survey. N.K. Olsen and C.W. Cressler also have provided the author with valuable advice and suggestions regarding sample locations and past studies. The advice and encouragement of my colleagues on the staff of the Georgia Geologic Survey are greatly appreciated. However, the contents of this report and any errors of omission or commission therein are the sole responsibility of the author.

LOCATION OF STUDY AREA

Chattooga County is located at the western side of the Valley and Ridge province of northwest Georgia (Fig. 1). Only two ceramic raw material mining operations are known to have been active here in the past (Table 1). The most abundant ceramic raw materials in the county are the shales and residual clays derived from the Floyd Shale and the Conasauga Group; however, other units such as the Lookout, Pennington and Red Mountain Formation shales and the residual clays of the Knox Group are locally well developed. The general nature of these and other geologic units which occur in the county are summarized on Table 2.

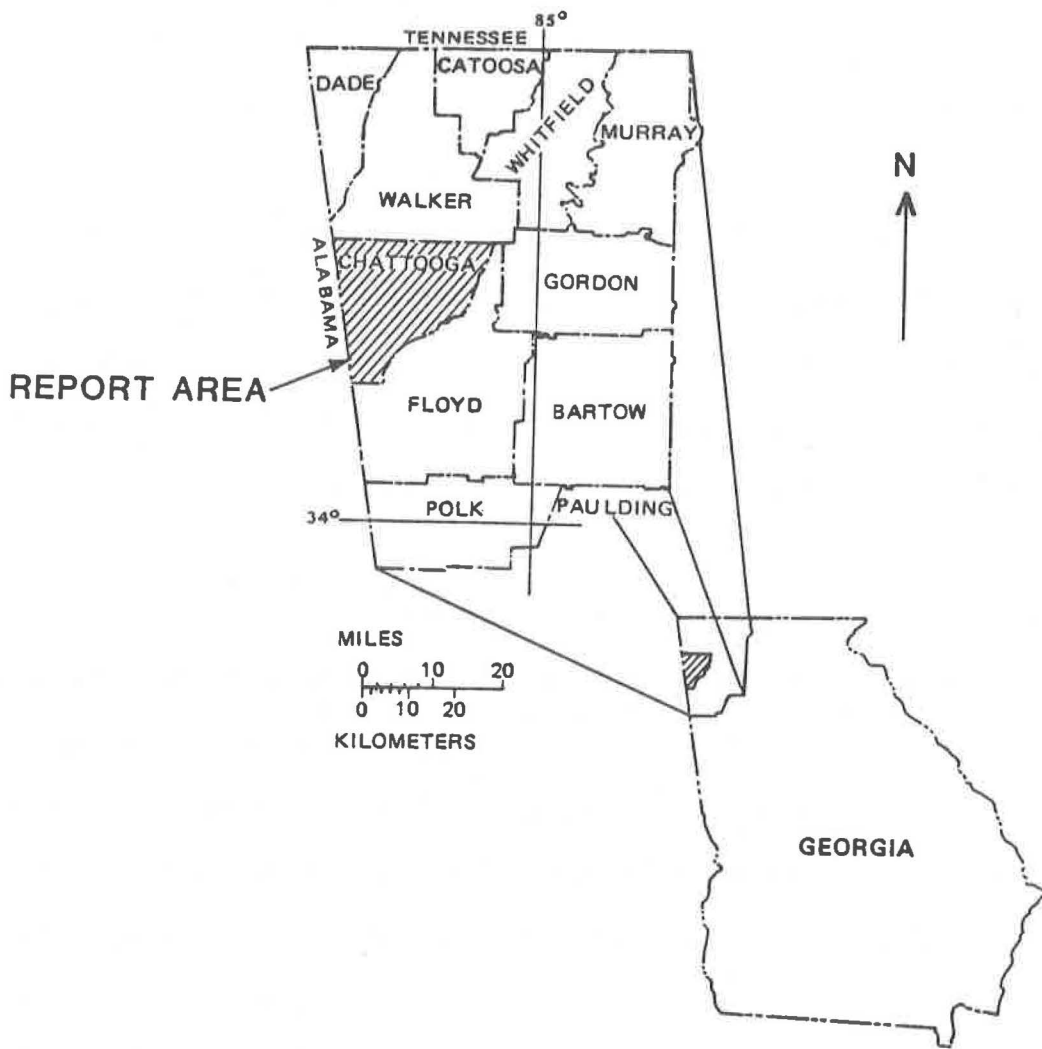


FIGURE 1

LOCATION OF CHATTOOGA COUNTY REPORT AREA
 (after Cressler, and others, 1976)

TABLE 1

Summary of 20th Century Clay and Shale Mines and Companies
in Chattooga County, Georgia

North American Chemical Co., (Ohio) (c. 1910-1914), Gore (GA.):
Halloysite for alum manufacture (Butts and Gildersleeve, 1948, p.
112-116 and Broadhurst and Teague, 1954, p. 56-61).

Tennessee Valley Mineral Co. (c. 1937-1941), Summerville and Harrisburg
(GA.): Clay (also tripoli).

NOTE:

The information for the companies listed above was taken from the Mining Directories (Circular 2, 1st to 18th editions) published by the Georgia Geologic Survey and its predecessors at irregular intervals since 1937. Additional sources of information were found in the references cited at the end of each entry.

TABLE 2

Generalized Summary of Stratigraphic Units in Chattooga County, Northwest Georgia

CHRONOSTRATIGRAPHIC UNIT	STRATIGRAPHIC UNITS - THICKNESS AND ROCK TYPES <u>1/</u>
Quaternary (and Tertiary?)	* Various unnamed bodies of alluvial, colluvial and residual material. Largely clay and sand, but also, locally, gravel and breccia.
Pennsylvanian	<p><u>Pottsville Formation</u></p> <p><u>Crab Orchard Mts. Formation (or Group) or Walden Sandstone</u> - Sandstone, shale, coal, conglomerate and limestone. Includes: <u>Rockcastle Member (or Sandstone or Conglomerate)</u> - Approx. 50 ft., predominantly sandstone with dark shale; <u>Vandever Member (or Formation or Shale)</u> - Approx. 400 ft., light to dark shale with interbedded siltstone, fine-grained sandstone, and coal; <u>Newton Member (or Sandstone or Bonair Sandstone)</u> - Approx. 100 ft., cross-bedded sandstone; <u>Whitwell Member (or Shale)</u> - Approx. 200 ft., light-gray to black shale with some siltstone, sandstone and coal; and <u>Sewanee Member (or Conglomerate)</u> - Approx. 250 ft., conglomeratic sandstone with minor coal.</p> <p>* <u>Gizzard Formation (or Group or Member) or Lookout Sandstone (or Formation)</u> - gray to tan shale, with interbedded siltstone, sandstone, coal and fire clay. Includes: <u>Signal Point Member (or Shale)</u> - Approx. 35 ft., shale with some coal; <u>Warren Point Member (or Sandstone)</u> - Approx. 150 ft., conglomeratic sandstone with minor coal; and <u>Raccoon Mtn. Member (or Formation)</u> - Approx. 300 ft., shale with coal.</p>
Mississippian	<p>* <u>Pennington Formation (or Shale)</u> - Approx. 100-300 ft., gray, green and red shale. Sandstone present in middle.</p> <p><u>Bangor Limestone</u> - Approx. 300-480 ft., fine- to coarse-grained gray limestone with interbedded shale at top.</p> <p>** <u>Floyd Shale</u> - Approx. 100-2000 ft., silt and clay with some sandstone; limestone present at base. Approximate age-equivalent to <u>Tuscumbia Limestone</u> and <u>Monteagle Limestone</u>.</p> <p><u>Hartselle Formation (or Member or Sandstone)</u> - Approx. 15-30 ft., thin- to thick-bedded sandstone.</p>

TABLE 2

Generalized Summary of Stratigraphic Units in Chattooga County, Northwest Georgia
(continued)

CHRONOSTRATIGRAPHIC UNIT	STRATIGRAPHIC UNITS - THICKNESS AND ROCK TYPES <u>1/</u>
Mississippian, cont'd.	<p><u>Monteagle Limestone</u> - Approx. 250 ft. Includes: <u>Golconda Formation (or Limestone)</u> - Approx. 15-20 ft., green fissile shale containing some thin limestone; <u>Gasper Limestone</u> - Approx. 150 ft., gray, non-cherty limestone; and <u>Ste. Genevieve Limestone</u> - Approx. 245 ft., gray, limestone.</p> <p><u>Tuscumbia Limestone</u> - Approx. 125 ft. Includes: <u>St. Louis Limestone</u> - Approx. 125 ft., gray, very cherty limestone.</p> <p><u>Fort Payne Formation (or Chert)</u> - Approx. 10-400 ft., thin- to thick-bedded chert and cherty limestone. Locally includes: <u>*Lavender Shale Member</u> - Approx. 0-200 ft., shale, massive mudstone and impure limestone.</p>
Devonian	<p>* <u>Chattanooga Shale</u> - Approx. 5-25 ft., carbonaceous, fissile black shale.</p> <p><u>Armuchee Chert</u> - Approx. 0-125 ft., thin- to thick-bedded chert.</p>
Silurian	<p>** <u>Red Mountain Formation (formerly Rockwood Formation)</u> - Approx. 150-1200 ft., sandstone, red and green shale, with conglomerate, limestone and local hematitic iron ore.</p>
Ordovician	<p><u>Sequatchie Formation</u> - Approx. 75-250 ft., sandstone, siltstone, shale, calcareous shale and limestone.</p> <p>* <u>Chickamauga Group (or Limestone)</u> - Approx. 1000-2300 ft., dominantly limestones with some dolostone and lesser shale, claystone, siltstone, sandstone, and bentonite clay horizons. Equivalent, in part, to the <u>Moccasin Limestone</u> and <u>Bays Formation</u> and to the <u>Rockmart Slate</u> and <u>Lenoir Limestone</u>. Includes: <u>Maysville Formation</u> and <u>Trenton Limestone</u>;</p>

TABLE 2

Generalized Summary of Stratigraphic Units in Chattooga County, Northwest Georgia
(continued)

CHRONOSTRATIGRAPHIC UNIT	STRATIGRAPHIC UNITS - THICKNESS AND ROCK TYPES <u>1/</u>
Ordovician, cont'd.	<p><u>Chickamauga Group</u>, cont'd.</p> <p><u>Lowville-Moccasin Limestone</u>; <u>Lebanon Limestone</u>; and <u>Murfreesboro Limestone</u>.</p> <p><u>Lenoir Limestone</u> - Approx. 0-100+ ft. Includes: <u>Mosheim Limestone Member</u> - 35 ft.; and <u>Deaton Member</u> - 0-100+ ft.</p>
Cambrian-Ordovician	<p>(*)<u>Knox Group</u> - Approx. 2000-4500 ft., dominantly cherty dolostone, minor limestone. Includes: <u>Newala Limestone</u> - Approx. 100-400 ft., limestone and dolostone; <u>Longview Limestone</u> - Approx. 350 ft.; <u>Chepultepec Dolomite</u> - Approx. 800+ ft.; and <u>Copper Ridge Dolomite</u> - Approx. 2500 ft.</p>
Cambrian	<p>** <u>Conasauga Group (or Formation)</u> - Approx. 950-5000 ft., predominantly shale and limestone with minor sandstone. Includes: <u>Maynardville Limestone</u> - Approx. 50-300 ft.; <u>"Upper Unit"</u> = <u>Nolichucky Shale</u> - Approx. 200-1000 ft., and <u>Maryville Limestone?</u> - Approx. 200-600 ft.; <u>"Middle Unit"</u> = <u>Rutledge Limestone</u> and <u>Rogersville Shale?</u> - Approx. 200-400 ft.; and <u>"Lower Unit"</u> = <u>Pumpkin Valley Shale</u> and <u>Honaker Dolomite?</u> - Approx. 30-500 ft.</p>

NOTES:

* = Some ceramic firing tests have been made on shales or slates and clays of this unit.

(*) = Same as the above, but for residual clays only.

** = Numerous firing tests have been made on this unit.

1/ Descriptions based on data Bergenback and others, 1980; Butts and Gildersleeve, 1948; Chowns, 1972, 1977; Chowns and McKinney, 1980; Crawford, 1983; Cressler 1963, 1964a and b, 1970, 1974; Cressler and others, 1979; Croft, 1964; Georgia Geologic Survey, 1976; Gillespie and Crawford, in press; Thomas and Cramer, 1979.

EXPLANATION OF KEY TERMS ON THE CERAMIC TEST AND ANALYSES FORMS

The test data and analyses which are presented here were compiled on a set of standardized forms (Ceramic Tests and Analyses) in the most concise manner consistent with the various laboratories represented. These forms are modified in large part after those used by the Pennsylvania Geological Survey (e.g., O'Neill and Barnes, 1979, 1981).

It should be noted that, although the great majority of these tests were performed by the USBM, it was decided not to reproduce their data forms directly for several reasons. First, the USBM forms contain several entries which are not essential to this project (e.g., Date received) or do not make the most efficient use of space. Second, the USBM forms have been changed several times over the span of decades covered by the present compilation. Finally, investigators from other laboratories have reported parameters which were not measured by the USBM.

The paragraphs which follow briefly describe, in alphabetical order, the more critical entries on the forms, the nature of the information included and, where possible, the various factors and implications to be considered in their interpretation. Many of the particular comments here are based on descriptive information published in the following sources. Tests by Georgia Geologic Survey authors are described in Veatch (1909, p. 50 to 64) and in Smith (1931, p. 19 to 25), while the particulars of the USBM studies are given in Klinefelter and Hamlin (1957, especially p. 5 to 41) and in Liles and Heystek (1977, especially p. 2 to 16). The discussions which follow are not intended to be exhaustive but are merely meant to remind the reader,

and potential user, of the key aspects of the information presented. Various technical texts and reports should be consulted for more detailed information (e.g., Clews, 1969; Grimshaw, 1972; Jones and Beard, 1972; Norton, 1942; Patterson and Murray, 1983). The abbreviations used on these test forms are defined in Table 3.

1. Absorption (%)

The absorption is a measure of the amount of water absorbed by open pores in the fired specimen and is given as a percentage of the specimen's dry weight. For slow firing tests, it is measured on fired specimens which have been boiled in water for 2 to 5 hours and then kept immersed in the water for up to 24 hours while cooling (Smith, 1931, p. 22; Klinefelter and Hamlin, 1957, p. 27-28; Liles and Heystek, 1977, p. 3). For the quick firing tests, however, the specimens are not boiled but only cooled and then immersed in water for 24 hours (Liles and Heystek, 1977, p. 4).

The absorption gives an indication of the amount of moisture which may be absorbed and subject to destructive freezing in outdoor structures. Less than 22% absorption is considered promising for slow-fired materials.

2. Appr. Por. (%) - Apparent Porosity, Percent

The apparent porosity is a measure of the amount of open pore space in the fired sample, relative to its bulk volume, and is expressed as a percent. As in the case of absorption values, it is based on the weight and volume of the specimen which has been boiled in water for 2 to 5 hours and then kept immersed in water for several hours as it cools (Klinefelter and Hamlin, 1957, p. 27 to 28; Liles and Heystek,

TABLE 3

Abbreviations for Terms on the Ceramic Firing Test Forms

ABBREVIATIONS

Appr. Por. = Apparent Porosity
App. Sp. Gr. = Apparent Specific Gravity

Btw. = Bartow County

°C = Degrees Celsius
Ct. = Catoosa County
Cht. = Chattooga County

Dd. = Dade County
Dist. = District
DTA = Differential Thermal Analysis

E = East

°F = Degrees Fahrenheit
Fl. = Floyd County

g/cm³ = Grams per cubic centimeter
Gdn. = Gordon County

Lab. & No. = Laboratory (name) and number (assigned in laboratory)
Lat. = Latitude
LOI = Loss on Ignition
Long. = Longitude
lb/in² = Pounds per square inch
lb/ft³ = Pounds per cubic foot

Mry. = Murray County

N = North
NE = Northeast
NW = Northwest

org. = Organic

Plk. = Polk County

S = South
SE = Southeast
SW = Southwest
Sec. = Section

Table 3. Abbreviations for Terms on the Ceramic Firing Test
Forms (continued)

7 1/2' topo. quad. = 7 and 1/2 minute topographic quadrangle

Temp. = Temperature

TVA = Tennessee Valley Authority

USBM = U.S. Bureau of Mines

USGS = U.S. Geological Survey

W = West

Wkr. = Walker County

Wf. = Whitfield County

XRD = X-ray diffraction

1977, p. 3). The apparent porosity is an indication of the relative resistance to damage during freezing and thawing. Less than 20% apparent porosity is considered promising for slow-fired materials (O'Neill and Barnes, 1979, p. 14, Fig. 4).

3. App. Sp. Gr. - Apparent Specific Gravity

As reported in earlier USBM studies, the apparent specific gravity is a measure of the specific gravity of that portion of the test specimen that is impervious to water. This is determined by boiling the sample in water for 2 hours and soaking it in water overnight or 24 hours (Klinefelter and Hamlin, 1957, p. 27 to 28). These data were replaced by bulk density and apparent porosity measurements after the USBM moved its laboratories from Norris, Tennessee to Tuscaloosa, Alabama in 1965.

4. Bloating

Bloating is the term given to the process in which clay or shale fragments expand (commonly two or more times their original volume) during rapid firing. It results from the entrapment of gases which are released from the minerals during firing but which do not escape from the body of the host fragment due to the viscosity of the host at that temperature. Bloating is a desirable and essential property for the production of expanded lightweight aggregate where an artificial pumice or scoria is produced. Expanded lightweight aggregate has the advantages of light weight and high strength compared to conventional crushed stone aggregate. Bloating is not desirable, however, in making other structural clay products such as brick, tile and sewer pipe where the dimensional characteristics must be carefully controlled. In these cases bloating is extremely deleterious since it leads to variable and uncontrollable warping, expansion and general disruption of the fired clay body (Klinefelter and Hamlin, 1957, p. 39-41).

5. Bloating Test (or Quick Firing Test)

The Bloating Test refers to the process of rapidly firing (or "burning") the raw sample in a pre-heated furnace or kiln to determine its bloating characteristics for possible use as a lightweight aggregate. Although specific details of the different laboratory methods vary, all use several fragments of the dried clay or shale placed in a refractory plaque (or "boat") which in turn is placed in the pre-heated furnace for 15 minutes (Klinefelter and Hamlin, 1957, p. 41; Liles and Heystek, 1977, p. 4).

6. Bulk Density (or Bulk Dens.)

The bulk density is a measure of the overall density of the fired specimen based on its dry weight divided by its volume (including pores). Determinations are the same for slow firing and quick firing test samples, although for the latter the results are given in pounds per cubic inch as well as grams per cubic centimeter units (Klinefelter and Hamlin, 1957, p. 27 to 28 and 41; Liles and Heystek, 1977, p. 3 and 4). If quick-fired material yields a bulk density of less than 62.4 lb/ft³ (or if the material floats in water), it is considered promising for lightweight aggregate (K. Liles, oral communication, 1984).

7. Color

The color of the unfired material, unless otherwise stated, represents the crushed and ground clay or shale. In most cases this is given for descriptive purposes only since it is generally of no practical importance for ceramic applications (only the fired color is significant). Here only broad descriptive terms such as light-brown, cream, gray, tan, etc. are used. Fired colors are more critical and therefore more specific descriptive terms and phrases are used (Klinefelter and Hamlin, 1957, p. 18 and 19). In many cases the Munsell color is given for a precise description (see discussion below).

8. Color (Munsell)

This is a system of color classification based on hue, value (or brightness) and chroma (or purity) as applied to the fired samples in this compilation. It was used by Smith (1931, p. 23-25) and by the

USBM since the early 1970's (Liles and Haystek, 1977, p. 3; Liles, oral communication, 1982). In all other cases the fired color was estimated visually.

9. Compilation Map Location No.

This number or code was assigned by the author to provide a systematic designation to be used in plotting sample locations on the base maps as shown by the typical example below.

Example:	Map Locn. No.	Cht. 31 S - 21a
County Name - Abbreviation (Chattooga)	_____	
Date (1931).	_____	
Author's last initial (Smith) -for published data only	_____	
Sample sequence number (one # per location).	_____	
Designation used only for cases of more than one test per location.	_____	

The map location number Cht. 31S-21a is derived from the county name (e.g., Cht. for Chattooga County), the year the tests were performed (e.g., 31 for 1931) plus the last initial of the author for major published sources (e.g., S for Smith), followed by a sequence number assigned in chronological order or sequential order for published data. (The only exceptions to this are the tests reported in Smith, 1931, wherein the sequence number of the present report is the same as the "Map location No." of Smith.) Each map location number represents a

specific location, or area, sampled at a particular time. In cases where several separate samples were collected from a relatively restricted area, such as an individual property, such samples are designated a, b, c, etc. Different map location numbers have been assigned to samples which were collected from the same general locality, such as a pit or quarry, but which were collected by different investigators at different times.

10. Cone

Standard pyrometric cones, or cones, are a pyrometric measure of firing temperature and time in the kiln. They are small, three-sided pyramids made of ceramic materials compounded in a series, so as to soften or deform in progression with increasing temperature and/or time of heating. Thus, they do not measure a specific temperature, but rather the combined effect of temperature, time, and other conditions of the firing treatment. The entire series of cones ranges from about 1112°F (600°C) to about 3632°F (2000°C) with an average interval of about 20°C between cones for a constant, slow rate of heating (Klinefelter and Hamlin, 1957, p. 29). For the past several decades the use of these cones has been limited to the Pyrometric Cone Equivalent (PCE) test (Liles and Heystek, 1977, p. 16). However, all of the ceramic firing tests reported by Veatch (1909) and Smith (1931) as well as some of the earliest USBM tests report firing conditions in terms of the standard cone numbers.

11. Drying Shrinkage

The drying shrinkage is a measure of the relative amount of shrinkage (in percent) which the tempered and molded material undergoes

upon drying. Although there are a variety of ways by which this can be measured, in this report the shrinkage values represent the percent linear shrinkage based on the linear distance measured between two reference marks or lines imprinted on the plastic specimen before drying. Even though the methods have varied in detail, the drying is usually accomplished in two stages: first, by air drying at room temperature (usually for 24 hours) and second, by drying in an oven followed by cooling to room temperature in a desiccator (Klinefelter and Hamlin, 1957, p. 30-31; Liles and Heystek, 1977, p. 3). In most cases the heating was at 212°F (100°C) for 24 hours; however, studies by Smith (1931, p. 20 and 21) employed 167°F (75°C) for 5 hours followed by 230°F (110°C) for 3 hours.

12. Dry Strength

The dry strength (or green strength) is a measure of the apparent strength of the clay or shale after it has been molded and dried. Unless otherwise indicated, it represents the tranverse, or crossbreaking, strength as opposed to either tensile strength or compressive strength. For the great majority of cases only the approximate dry strength is indicated as determined by visual inspection, using such terms as low, fair, good, or high (Klinefelter and Hamlin, 1957, p. 32-33; Liles and Heystek, 1977, p. 2). Smith (1931, p. 12-13) reports a quantitative measurement of this strength using the modulus of rupture (MOR) expressed in units of pounds per square inch (psi).

13. Extrusion Test

More extensive tests are sometimes made on clays and shales which

show good plasticity and long firing range in the preliminary test. In the Extrusion Test several bars are formed using a de-airing extrusion machine (i.e., one which operates with a vacuum to remove all possible air pockets). These bars are fired and tested for shrinkage, strength (modulus of rupture) and water saturation coefficient (Liles and Heystek, 1977, p. 8).

14. Firing Range

The term firing range indicates the temperature interval over which the material shows favorable firing characteristics. For slow-fired materials such desirable qualities include: a) good strength or hardness; b) good color; c) low shrinkage; d) low absorption; and e) low porosity. For quick-fired materials these include: a) good pore structure; b) low absorption; and c) low bulk density. For slow-firing and quick-firing tests the firing range should be at least 100°F (55°C) to be considered promising (O'Neill and Barnes, 1979, p. 15-18).

15. Hardness

The hardness, as measured on fired materials, indicates the resistance to abrasion or scratching. It is designated either in verbal, descriptive terms or in numerical terms using Mohs' hardness (Liles and Heystek, 1977, p. 3). It is used as an indication of the strength of the fired materials. Smith (1931), however, measured the fired strength with the modulus of rupture.

16. Hardness (Mohs')

The hardness of fired specimens using the Mohs' scale of hardness

is currently used by the USBM as a numerical measure of the fired bodies' strength (Liles and Heystek, 1977, p. 3). The values correspond to the hardness of the following reference minerals:

<u>Mohs' Hardness No.</u>	<u>Reference Minerals</u>
1	Talc
2	Gypsum
3	Calcite
4	Fluorite
5	Apatite
6	Orthoclase
7	Quartz
8	Topaz
9	Corundum
10	Diamond

A Mohs' hardness greater than 3 is considered promising for slow-fired materials.

17. HCl Effervescence

The effervescence in HCl is visually determined as none, slight or high based on the reaction of 10 ml of concentrated hydrochloric acid added to a slurry of 10 grams powdered clay or shale (minus 20 mesh) in 100 ml of water (Klinefelter and Hamlin, 1957, p. 17; Liles and Heystek, 1977, p. 4). This test gives a general indication of the amount of calcium carbonate present in the sample. An appreciable effervescence could be an indication of potential problems with lime pops and/or frothing of slow-fired ceramic products.

18. Linear Shrinkage (%)

The term linear shrinkage represents the relative shrinkage of the clay body after firing. In most cases it represents the percent total linear shrinkage from the plastic state and is based on measurements

between a pair of standard reference marks imprinted just after molding (Klinefelter and Hamlin, 1957, p. 30-32; Liles and Heystek, 1977, p. 3). (Also see the discussion under Drying Shrinkage.) Smith (1931, p. 22) gives the shrinkage relative to both the dry, or green, state (under the column headed Dry) as well as the plastic state (under the column headed Plastic). A total shrinkage of 10% or less is considered promising for slow-fired materials.

19. Modulus of Rupture (MOR)

The modulus of rupture is a measure of the strength of materials (for crossbreaking or transverse strength in this compilation) based on the breakage force, the distance over which the force was applied and the width and thickness of the sample. The MOR is expressed in psi units (pounds per square inch) for the limited MOR data reported here (determined by Smith, 1931, p. 21 and 23).

20. Mohs'

See Hardness (Mohs').

21. Molding Behavior

See Working Properties.

22. Munsell

See Color (Munsell).

23. "MW" face brick

"MW" stands for moderate weather conditions. This is a grade of brick suitable for use under conditions where a moderate, non-uniform

degree of frost action is probable (Klinefelter and Hamlin, 1957, p. 36 and 37; ASTM Annual Book of Standards, 1974). (Also see "SW" face brick.)

24. PCE - Pyrometric Cone Equivalent

The PCE test measures the relative refractoriness, or temperature resistance, of the clay or shale; it is indicated in terms of standard pyrometric cones. The value given is the number of the standard pyrometric cone which softens and sags (or falls) at the same temperature as a cone made from the clay or shale being studied. These tests are usually only made on refractory materials which show favorable potential in the preliminary slow firing tests (i.e., high absorption, low shrinkage, and light fired color). The results are usually given for the upper temperature range Cone 12 (1337°C; 2439°F) to Cone 42 (2015°C; 3659°F) where the temperature equivalents are based on a heating rate of 150°C (270°F) per hour. With increasing temperature resistance the sample is designated as either a low-duty, medium-duty, high-duty, or super-duty fire clay (Klinefelter and Hamlin, 1957, p. 29-30 and 57-58; Liles and Heystek, 1977, p. 16).

25. pH

The pH is a measure of the relative alkalinity or acidity with values ranging from 0 to 14. (A pH of 7 is neutral. Values greater than this are alkaline whereas those which are less than 7 are acid.) Most, but not all, of the ceramic tests by the USBM presented here show pH values as determined on the crushed and powdered raw material (in a water slurry) prior to firing (Klinefelter and Hamlin, 1957, p. 28; Liles and Heystek, 1977, p. 4).

Strongly acid or alkaline pH values may give some indication of potential problems with efflorescence and scum due to water-soluble salts in the clay. Unfortunately, no simple and direct interpretation is possible from the pH data alone. The best method for determining these salts is through direct chemical analysis as described under Soluble Salts. (Also see Solu-Br.)

26. Plasticity

See Working Properties.

27. Porosity, Apparent

See App. Por.

28. Quick Firing

See Bloating Test.

29. Saturation Coefficient

The saturation coefficient is determined only for specimens which have undergone the more extensive Extrusion Test. It is determined by submerging the fired specimen in cool water for 24 hours, followed by submerging the specimen in boiling water for 5 hours. The saturation coefficient is found by dividing the percent of water absorbed after boiling into the percent of water absorbed after the 24-hour submergence (Liles and Heystek, 1977, p. 8).

30. Shrinkage

See Drying Shrinkage and Linear Shrinkage.

31. Slaking

See Working Properties.

32. Slow Firing Test

Slow Firing Test refers to the process of firing ("burning") the dried specimen in a laboratory furnace or kiln. Although specific details of the different laboratory methods vary, all specimens are started at room temperature and are slowly heated to the desired temperature over a specific interval of time.

The majority of the slow firing tests by the USBM reported here were made using 15-minute draw trials. In this method a set of molded and dried test specimens are slowly fired in the kiln or furnace. The temperature is gradually raised to 1800°F (982°C) over a period of 3 to 4 hours (to avoid disintegration of the specimen as the chemically combined water is released) and the temperature is held constant for about 15 minutes. One specimen is removed from the kiln (a draw trial) and the temperature is raised to the next level (usually in intervals of 100°F). At each interval the temperature is again held constant for a 15-minute soak and then one specimen is withdrawn. This process is repeated until the final temperature is achieved (usually 2300 or 2400°F; 1260 or 1316°C) - see Klinefelter and Hamlin (1957, p. 19 and 30). The disadvantage of this draw trial method is that it tends to underfire the specimens, compared to the industrial process, since they are soaked for a relatively short time and quickly cooled by removal from the kiln.

Since the early 1970's the USBM has abandoned the draw trials and has adopted a method which more closely resembles the conditions of

commercial manufacture. As described by Liles and Heystek (1977, p. 2 and 3), one of the test specimens is slowly fired, over 24 hours, to 1832°F (1000°C), where it is held for a one-hour soak. The kiln is then turned off, but the specimen remains in the kiln as it slowly cools. (This gives a much closer approximation of most commercial firing processes.) This is subsequently repeated, one specimen at a time, for successive 50°C intervals usually up to 2282°F (1250°C). Unfortunately, only a relatively small part of the current data set is represented by USBM tests using this newer method.

The firing test methods used by Smith (1931, p. 21 and 22) are somewhat intermediate to the two methods described above. First, the specimens were slowly fired from 200 to 1200°F (93 to 649°C) over a period of 11 hours. The temperature was subsequently increased at a rate of 200°F per hour for approximately 4 hours followed by 100°F per hour until final temperature conditions were reached. At these later stages firing conditions were monitored using standard pyrometric cones in the kiln. The maximum firing temperature was determined from observed pyrometric cone behavior. This temperature was based on the temperature equivalent to 2 cones below the desired final cone. The kiln temperature was then held constant until the desired cone soaked down. Test specimens were then removed from the kiln and allowed to cool. Smith's firings averaged about 17 hours in the kiln and all specimens were fired to cones 06, 04, 02, 1, 3 and 5 wherever possible. No specific information is available on the methods employed by Veatch (1909) or the unpublished data from TVA or Georgia Tech.

33. Solu-Br. (Solu-Bridge)

Solu-Bridge measurements were used in the 1950's and 60's by the

USBM as a measure of the soluble salts (e.g., calcium sulfate) in the unfired raw material which might cause scum and efflorescence on fired products. In this method the pulverized clay or shale is boiled in water, left to stand overnight, and filtered. The content of soluble salts in the solution is then measured using the Solu-Bridge instrument readings applied to suitable calibration tables (Klinefelter and Hamlin, 1957, p. 28-29). These data are no longer collected because consistent and meaningful results are difficult to achieve.

34. Soluble Salts

Excessive water-soluble salts can cause problems with efflorescence or scum on fired clay products. (More than 3 to 4% calcium sulfate, and 1/2% magnesium or alkali sulfates are considered excessive.)

The most accurate determinative method is to boil the finely powdered sample in distilled water for 1/2 to 1 hour and let it soak overnight. The decanted solution is then analyzed for the soluble salts using standard chemical methods. The Solu-Bridge readings may also be used as a general measure of the soluble salts (Klinefelter and Hamlin, 1957, p. 28).

35. Strength

See Dry Strength and Modulus of Rupture.

36. "SW" face brick

"SW" stands for severe weather conditions. This is a grade of brick suitable for use under conditions where a high degree of frost action is probable (Klinefelter and Hamlin, 1957, p. 36 and 37, and the

ASTM Annual Book of Standards, 1974). (Also see "MW" face brick.)

37. Temp. °F (°C)

The temperature at which the material was fired (both slow and quick firing tests) is given in Fahrenheit (°F) followed by the Celsius (°C) conversion in parenthesis. In cases where only pyrometric cone values are available (e.g., Smith, 1931), the approximate temperature is given on the form and is based on the table of temperature equivalents in Norton (1942, p. 756, Table 128).

38. Water of Plasticity (%)

This is a measure of the amount of water (as weight percent relative to the dry material) required to temper the pulverized raw clay or shale into a plastic, workable consistency. This is not a precise measurement, being dependent upon the experience of the technician, the type of equipment used and the plasticity criteria. In most cases it represents the amount of water necessary for the material to be extruded into briquettes from a laboratory hydraulic ram press. In general, high water of plasticity values tends to correlate with a greater degree of workability, higher plasticity and finer grain size. Unfortunately, high values also correlate with a greater degree of shrinkage, warping and cracking of the material upon drying. (See Klinefelter and Hamlin, 1957, p. 20-22; Liles and Heystek, 1977, p. 2.)

39. Working Properties (or Workability)

This area of working properties includes comments on the slaking,

plasticity, and molding, or extruding behavior of the tempered material (Klinefelter and Hamlin, 1957, p. 5, 19-22 and 33-34). The term slaking refers to the disintegration of the dry material when immersed in water. It may range in time from less than a minute to weeks, but generally in the present report it is given only a relative designation such as rapid, slow, or with difficulty. Plasticity likewise is designated in a comparative manner in order of decreasing plasticity: plastic, fat (or sticky), semiplastic, short (or lean), semiflint and flint. Molding behavior is referred to as good, fair, or poor and is a general designation for the ease with which the material can be molded into test bars or briquettes.

These working properties are very imprecise and strongly dependent upon the judgement and experience of the operator. They do, however, give a general indication of how the material might respond to handling in the industrial process.

Ceramic Tests and Analyses of Clays and Shales
in Chattooga County, Georgia *

* The data presented in this report are based on laboratory tests that are preliminary in nature and will not suffice for plant or process design.

CERAMIC TESTS AND ANALYSES

Material Bauxitic clay. Compilation Map Location No. Cht. 09V-1

County Chattooga. Sample Number -

Raw Properties: Lab & No. Ga. Geol. Survey.

Date Reported 1909 Ceramist O. Veatch, Ga. Geol. Survey.

Water of Plasticity - % Working Properties Plastic.

Color White and pink. Drying Shrinkage - % Dry Strength -

Slow Firing Tests:

Approx. Temp. °F (°C)	Color	Hardness	Linear Shrinkage, %	Absorption %	Appr. Por. %	Other data: Remarks
3254 (1790) (= Cone 33)	White to cream	(unfused)	High	-	-	Cracked badly

Remarks / Other Tests This clay "should be of value for refractory purposes."
(Veatch, 1909, p. 282-283).

Preliminary Bloating (Quick Firing) Tests: Not determined.

CERAMIC TESTS AND ANALYSES

Material Residual clay (Knox Group). Compilation Map Location No. Cht. 09V-2

County Chattooga. Sample Number -

Raw Properties: Lab & No. Ga. Geol. Survey.

Date Reported 1909 Ceramist O. Veatch, Ga. Geol. Survey.

Water of Plasticity - % Working Properties -

Color Bluish gray. Drying Shrinkage 8.5 % Dry Strength (tensile) Approx. 100
psi.

Slow Firing Tests:

Approx. Temp. °F (°C)	Color	Hardness	Linear Shrinkage, %	Absorption %	Appr. Por. %	Other data: Remarks
1994 (1090) (= Cone 3)	Dull gray	-	5.3	-	-	Dense body
2174 (1190) (= Cone 3)	Dull gray	-	2.3	-	-	Vitrified, swelled,
2498 (1370) (= Cone 12)	Dull gray	-	-	-	-	Vesicular, warped

Remarks / Other Tests "The clay might be used for common pottery, but it is not a fire-clay." (Veatch, 1909, p. 303).

Preliminary Bloating (Quick Firing) Tests: Not determined.

CERAMIC TESTS AND ANALYSES

Material Micaceous shale ("bentonite"). Compilation Map Location No. Cht. 09V-4

County Chattooga. Sample Number -

Raw Properties: Lab & No. Ga. Geol. Survey, location no. 16

Date Reported 1909 Ceramist O. Veatch, Ga. Geol. Survey

Water of Plasticity - % Working Properties -

Color Light green. Drying Shrinkage 8.4 % Dry Strength -

Slow Firing Tests:

Approx. Temp. °F (°C)	Color	Hardness	Linear Shrinkage, %	Absorption %	Appr. Por. %	Other data: Remarks
1850 (1010) (= Cone 07)	Salmon	(not vitrified)	-	-	-	Dense body
2246 (1230) (= Cone 5)	Dark greenish	(glass)	-	-	-	Melted

Remarks / Other Tests PCE = between Cone 07 and 5. The high K₂O (6.99%) and total "fluxing impurities" (13.673%) gives the shale its very low fusing point (Veatch, 1909, p. 391 & 392).

Preliminary Bloating (Quick Firing) Tests: Not determined.

Crushing Characteristics (unfired material) -Particle Size - Retention Time -Chemical & Mineralogical Data:

Chemical Analysis		A	B	Mineralogy	volume %
Oxide	Weight %			Mineral	
SiO ₂	53.08	53.72			
TiO ₂	0.36	0.72		Quartz	
Al ₂ O ₃	23.42	28.00		Feldspar	
Fe ₂ O ₃	(total) 2.66	1.66		Carbonate	
FeO		0.49		Mica	
MnO	tr	0.00		Chlorite-	
MgO	3.23	1.20		vermiculite	
CaO	tr	0.00		Montmorillonite	
Na ₂ O	0.78	0.57		Others	
K ₂ O	6.99	3.72			
P ₂ O ₅	-	tr			
S	(total) -	0.00		Total	<u> </u>
C	(org.) -	-			
CO ₂	-	-			
H ₂ O-	3.28	4.26			
H ₂ O+	-	5.48			
Loss on Ignition	6.03	-			
Total	99.83	99.82			

Analyst E. Everhart ("A" from Veatch, 1909, p. 391, also p. 410 & 411, No. 16; "B" from Ga. Survey files).Date "A" = c. 1909 (and "B" = c. 1931)Method Standard "wet".Sample Location Data:County Chattooga. Land Lot , Sec. , Dist. .7 1/2' topo quad. Lyerly (SW. 1/4). Lat. , Long. .Field No. (#16, p. 410), Collected by "A" = O. Veatch Date c. 1909Sample Method - "B" = Col. W. Shropshire, 1924.
Weathering/alteration Altered (weathered ?).Structural Attitude -Stratigraphic Assignment "near the base of the Rockwood formation" (Veatch 1909, p. 391) = Silurian Red Mtn. Fm., but assigned to Ordovician Chickamauga limestone by Smith (1931, p. 340).Sample Description & Comments "...light green, micaceous altered shale from the property of B.F. Gilmer" about 3 miles W. of Lyerly at the NW. end of Dirtseller Mtn. A small amount had been mined and shipped for an unknown use but large quantities remained according to Veatch (1909, p. 391).Compiled by B.J. O'Connor Date 3-28-85

CERAMIC TESTS AND ANALYSES

Material Soft Conasauga shale. Compilation Map Location No. Cht. 31S-21

County Chattooga. Sample Number -

Raw Properties: Lab & No. Ga. Tech., #21

Date Reported 1931 Ceramist R.W. Smith, Ga. Geol. Survey.

Water of Plasticity 26.3 % Working Properties Good plasticity (on aging over-night), rapid slaking and good molding behavior.

Color Brownish-drab. Drying Shrinkage 4.4 % Dry Strength (MOR) 126.3 psi.

Remarks All test bars warped slightly upon drying.

Slow Firing Tests:

Approx. Temp. °F (°C)	Color (Munsell)	Hardness (MOR, psi)	Linear Shrinkage, % dry (plastic)	Absorption %	Appr. Por. %	Other data: Warpage
1840 (1005) (Cone 06)	Dark Salmon (2YR-6/7)	858	4.8 (9.1)	14.7	-	Slight
1920 (1050) (Cone 04)	Light red (R-YR-5/6)	1426	6.5 (10.7)	9.7	-	Some
2000 (1095) (Cone 02)	Medium red (R-YR-4/4)	1673	6.9 (11.0)	7.9	-	Slight
2060 (1125) (Cone 1)	Good red (R-YR-4/5)	2065	9.6 (13.2)	6.9	-	Some
2090 (1145) (Cone 3)	Good choc. red (R-YR-4/3)	1672	5.2 (9.4)	5.4	-	Bad
2160 (1180) (Cone 5)	Good choc. red (R-YR-4/3)	2408	9.2 (13.3)	4.6	-	Considerable to bad

Remarks / Other Tests Firing range = Cone 02 to 5 (commercial kiln = Cone 04 to 4). Suitable for brick manufacture - possibly also for structural tile, roofing tile and sewer pipe (Smith, 1931, p. 122).

Preliminary Bloating (Quick Firing) Tests: Not determined.

Crushing Characteristics (unfired material) Easy grinding.Particle Size -16 mesh. Retention Time c.17 hours.Chemical & Mineralogical Data:

Chemical Analysis

Oxide	Weight %
SiO ₂	56.11
TiO ₂	0.60
Al ₂ O ₃	23.27
Fe ₂ O ₃	6.95
FeO	0.46
MnO	-
MgO	1.03
CaO	trace
Na ₂ O	1.88
K ₂ O	2.19
P ₂ O ₅	0.40
SO ₃	0.00
C (org.)	-
CO ₂	-
H ₂ O ⁻	*
H ₂ O ⁺	-

Mineralogy

Mineral	volume %
Quartz	
Feldspar	
Carbonate	
Mica	
Chlorite- vermiculite	
Montmorillonite	
Others	

Total _____

Loss on

Ignition

7.17

Total

100.06*(* = recalculated on a H₂O⁻ -free basis by Smith, 1911 p. 120.)Analyst E. Everhart, Ga. Survey.Date c. 1931Method Standard "wet".Sample Location Data:County Chattooga. Land Lot _____, Sec. _____, Dist. _____.71/2' topo quad. Lyerly (NE. 1/4). Lat. _____, Long. _____.Field No. R-63, Collected by R.W. Smith. Date 8-20-29Sample Method Grab samples. Weathering/alteration Weathered.Structural Attitude Strike N.20°E., dipping 75-80°E.Stratigraphic Assignment Conasauga Group shale (Cambrian).

Sample Description & Comments Soft olive drab shale from the J.D. Taylor property (old Dick Denson Place) just W. of the Central of Ga. R.R. on Back Berryton Rd. ("the old road to Berryton and Lyerly"), 2 miles SW. of Summerville (Smith, 1931, p. 120-122). Tests are on a composite of samples from several places along the outcrop which is about 75 ft. long exposing about 20 stratigraphic feet.

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CERAMIC TESTS AND ANALYSES

Material Shale (Floyd). Compilation Map Location No. Cht. 46-1
 County Chattooga. Sample Number 14.
 Raw Properties: Lab & No. N.C. State College Research Lab,
Asheville, N.C.; TVA #111.
 Date Reported 10-8-46 Ceramist M. K. Banks, TVA.

Water of Plasticity - % Working Properties -

Color Dark gray Drying Shrinkage - % Dry Strength -
to black.

Slow Firing Tests: Not determined.

Temp. °F (°C)	Color	Hardness	Linear Shrinkage, %	Absorption %	Appr. Por. %	Other data:
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Preliminary Bloating (Quick Firing) Tests: Negative.

Temp. °F (°C)	Absorption %	Bulk Density g/cm ³ lb/ft ³	Pore Structure
2350 (1288)	-	-	-
2400 (1316)	-	-	-
2450 (1343)	-	-	Gray-white color, not vitrified (too refractory).

Remarks Not usable, by itself, for expanded light-weight aggregate manufacture.

CERAMIC TESTS AND ANALYSES

Material Halloysite. Compilation Map Location No. Cht.46-2

County Chattooga. Sample Number -

Raw Properties: Lab & No. -

Date Reported 1946. Ceramist -

Water of Plasticity - % Working Properties -

Color White, tan Drying Shrinkage - % Dry Strength -
and dark gray. (Commonly mottled with Fe- and Mn - oxide stains.)

Slow Firing Tests: Not determined.

Temp. °F (°C)	Color (Munsell)	Hardness (Moh's)	Linear Shrinkage, %	Absorption %	Appr. Por. %	Other data:
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Remarks / Other Tests In about 1913 this material was mined for aluminum sulfate manufacture (Butts and Gildersleeve, 1948, p. 112 to 116). However, the material "... is badly stained by iron and manganese oxides. These impurities would affect adversely the color and translucency of fired wares. Although a relatively pure product can be obtained by acid leaching, halloysite loses most of its plasticity when so treated. The utility of the halloysite from near Gore as a ceramic material would, therefore, be more or less restricted to products in which color and translucency are not important." (Broadhurst and Teague, 1954, p. 56). Unpublished studies by TVA in 1946 suggest that it may be used in making fiberglass.

Preliminary Bloating (Quick Firing) Tests: Not determined.

Crushing Characteristics (unfired material) -Particle Size - Retention Time -Chemical & Mineralogical Data:

Chemical Analysis: Weight %			Mineralogy:	<u>White, smooth, wax-like</u>
Oxide	<u>Light</u>	<u>Dark</u>	Mineral	<u>specimen.</u>
				volume %
SiO ₂	42.20	37.10	Quartz	
TiO ₂	trace	trace	Feldspar	
Al ₂ O ₃	37.30	41.00	Carbonate	
Fe ₂ O ₃	trace	trace	Mica	
FeO	-	-	Chlorite-	
MnO	0.11	0.38	vermiculite	
MgO	-	-	Montmorillonite	
CaO	trace	trace	Others	
Na ₂ O	-	-	Halloysite-	
K ₂ O	-	-	Endellite	c. 100
P ₂ O ₅	-	-	Total	<u> </u>
S (total)	-	-		
C (org.)	-	-		
CO ₂	-	-		
H ₂ O ⁻	-	-		
H ₂ O ⁺	19.95	20.40		
CoO	<u>0.12</u>	<u>1.06</u>		
Total	<u>99.68</u>	<u>99.94</u>		

Analyst D. J. Demorest, Ohio St. Univ.H. Ries and C. S. Ross, U.S.G.S.Date 1913 (in Shearer, 1917, p. 331 and 332).1947 (in Butts and Gildersleeve, 1948, p. 114).Method Standard "wet".DTA and optical.Sample Location Data:County Chattooga Land Lot , Sec. , Dist. .7 1/2' topo quad. Subligna (SW. 1/4) Lat. , Long. .Field No. -, Collected by Broadhurst and Teague (TVA). Date November, 1946.Sample Method Grab (?) Weathering/alteration -Structural Attitude Formations strike NE., dip SE. at a low angle.Stratigraphic Assignment in Armuchee Chert (Devonian).

Sample Description & Comments Variably colored halloysite (-endellite) averaging about 28 in. thick (20 to 30 ft. above the Red Mtn. - Armuchee contact) from J. E. Brand mine of the North American Chemical Co. (Broadhurst and Teague, 1954, p. 56-61; Butts and Gildersleeve, 1948, p. 112-116; and Shearer, 1917, p. 330-332). Located on the E. slope of Taylor Ridge about 6 mi. N. of Gore and about 3 mi. SW. of Subligna.

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CERAMIC TESTS AND ANALYSES

Material Shale (Floyd). Compilation Map Location No. Cht. 64-1

County Chattooga. Sample Number 5

Raw Properties: Lab & No. USBM, Norris, Tenn.; No. 1553-C

Date Reported 4-8-64 Ceramist M. V. Denny, USBM (Revised by M. E. Tyrrell, Tuscaloosa, Ala.)
(revised 1967)

Water of Plasticity 23.9 % Working Properties Long working, plastic, smooth, fatty. (Moderate plasticity.)
 pH = 5.9. (Not effervescent with HCl.)

Color Tan. Drying Shrinkage 5.0 % Dry Strength Good. (Fair.)

Remarks Drying properties: Good. (No defects.)

Slow Firing Tests:

Temp. °F (°C)	Color	Hardness (Mohs')	Linear Shrinkage, %	Absorption %	Appr. Por. %	Other data: Bulk Dens. gm/cc
1800 (982)	Light brown	Fair hard (3)	5.5 (5.0)	21.4	36.8	1.72
1900 (1038)	Light brown	Hard (4)	5.5 (5.0)	18.2	32.6	1.79
2000 (1093)	Light brown	Hard (4)	5.6 (5.0)	14.3	27.3	1.91
2100 (1149)	Brown	Very hard (5)	10.5 (10.0)	7.0	15.3	2.19
2200 (1204)	Dark brown	Steel hard (6)	14.0	3.8	8.7	2.28
2300 (1260)	Dark brown	Steel hard (6)	14.0	2.9	6.7	2.32

Remarks / Other Tests (Should fire to "SW" face brick specifications at about 2050° F, 1121°C. Abrupt vitrification.) Good color, shrinkage a little high.

Potential Use: (Face brick, sewer pipe.) Brick and tile - common and decorative - in lighter colors.

Preliminary Bloating (Quick Firing) Tests: Negative.

NOTE: App. Por. and Bulk Dens. plus data and remarks in parentheses are from 1967 revised data sheets by Tyrrell.

locn. no. Cht. 64-1, cont.

Crushing Characteristics (unfired material) _____ -

Particle Size -20 mesh. Retention Time 15 min. draw trials (following 3-4 hr. to 1800°F, 982°C).

Chemical & Mineralogical Data: Not determined.

Chemical Analysis		Mineralogy	
Oxide	Weight %	Mineral	volume %
SiO ₂			
TiO ₂		Quartz	
Al ₂ O ₃		Feldspar	
Fe ₂ O ₃		Carbonate	
FeO		Mica	
MnO		Chlorite-	
MgO		vermiculite	
CaO		Montmorillonite	
Na ₂ O		Others	
K ₂ O			
P ₂ O ₅			
S (total)		Total	_____
CO ₂ (org.)			
H ₂ O ⁻			
H ₂ O ⁺			

Total _____

Analyst _____

Date _____

Method _____

Sample Location Data:

County Chattooga. Land Lot _____, Sec. _____, Dist. _____.

7 1/2' topo quad. Armuchee (NW. 1/4). Lat. _____, Long. _____.

Field No. ("new 36"), 5, Collected by J.W. Smith. Date 1963.

Sample Method Grab (?) Weathering/alteration _____ -

Structural Attitude _____ -

Stratigraphic Assignment Floyd Shale (Mississippian).

Sample Description & Comments County Road S-2205, 2.5 miles NE. of inter-
section with U.S. Highway 27 in Kartah and 0.15 mile NE. of Cht. 64-2
(after Smith, 1968?, unpubl. ms.).

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CERAMIC TESTS AND ANALYSES

Material Shale (Floyd). Compilation Map Location No. Cht. 64-2

County Chattooga. Sample Number 6

Raw Properties: Lab & No. USBM, Norris, Tenn.; No. 1553-D

Date Reported 4-9-64 Ceramist M.V. Denny, USBM (revised by M.E. Tyrrell, Tuscaloosa, Ala.)
(revised 1967)

Water of Plasticity 22.0 % Working Properties Long working, smooth, fatty, mealy. (Low plasticity.)
pH = 5.7 (Not effervescent with HCl.)

Color Tan. Drying Shrinkage 4.0 (0.0)% Dry Strength Fair. (Low.)

Remarks Drying properties: Crazes, slightly rough. (No defects.)

Slow Firing Tests:

Temp. °F (°C)	Color	Hardness (Mohs')	Linear Shrinkage, %	Absorption %	Appr. Por. %	Other data: Bulk Dens. gm/cc
1800 (982)	Tan	Soft (2)	0.0	24.0	38.2	1.59
1900 (1038)	Tan	Soft (2)	0.5 (0.0)	22.5	36.5	1.62
2000 (1093)	Tan	Soft (2)	2.0 (2.5)	20.9	34.3	1.64
2100 (1149)	Brown	Fair hard (3)	5.0	17.7	30.4	1.72
2200 (1204)	Chocolate	Hard (4)	5.5 (5.0)	15.9	28.3	1.78
2300 (1260)	Dark brown	Very hard (5)	5.5 (5.0)	13.1	24.5	1.87

Remarks / Other Tests (Low plastic strength. High absorptions at all firing temperatures.) Fair color, not plastic enough, temperature and absorption slightly high, crazed. Potential Use: (Not suitable for use as the principal component in vitreous clay products.) Brick? Needs plasticity.

Preliminary Bloating (Quick Firing) Tests: Negative.

NOTE: App. Por. and Bulk Dens. plus data and remarks in parentheses are from 1967 revised data sheets by Tyrrell.

locn. no. Cht. 64-2, cont.

Crushing Characteristics (unfired material) _____

Particle Size -20 mesh. Retention Time 15 min. draw trials (following 3-4 hr to 1800°F, 982°C).

Chemical & Mineralogical Data: Not determined.

Chemical Analysis		Mineralogy	
Oxide	Weight %	Mineral	volume %
SiO ₂			
TiO ₂		Quartz	
Al ₂ O ₃		Feldspar	
Fe ₂ O ₃		Carbonate	
FeO		Mica	
MnO		Chlorite-	
MgO		vermiculite	
CaO		Montmorillonite	
Na ₂ O		Others	
K ₂ O			
P ₂ O ₅			
S (total)		Total	_____
C (org.)			
CO ₂			
H ₂ O ⁻			
H ₂ O ⁺			

Total

Analyst _____

Date _____

Method _____

Sample Location Data:

County Chattooga. Land Lot _____, Sec. _____, Dist. _____.

7 1/2' topo quad. Armuchee (NW. 1/4). Lat. _____, Long. _____.

Field No. ("new 35"), 6, Collected by J.W. Smith Date 1963

Sample Method Grab (?). Weathering/alteration _____

Structural Attitude _____

Stratigraphic Assignment Floyd Shale (Mississippian).

Sample Description & Comments Shale sample taken from exposure along County Road S-2205, 2.35 miles NE. of intersection with U.S. Highway 27 in Kartah and 0.15 mile SW. of Cht. 64-1 (after Smith, 1968?, unpubl. ms.).

Compiled by B.J. O'Connor Date 11-12-82

CERAMIC TESTS AND ANALYSES

Material Shale (Floyd). Compilation Map Location No. Cht. 64-3

County Chattooga. Sample Number 7

Raw Properties: Lab & No. USBM, Tenn.; No. 1553-E

Date Reported 4-8-64 Ceramist M.V. Denny, USBM (revised by M.E.
(revised 1967) Tyrrell, Tuscaloosa, Ala.)

Water of Plasticity 22.4 % Working Properties Long working, smooth, fatty,
pH = 5.7 (No effervescence with HCl.) mealy. (Moderate plasticity.)

Color Tan. Drying Shrinkage 4.0 % Dry Strength Fair.

Remarks Drying properties: Fair-crazes. (No defects.)

Slow Firing Tests:

Temp. °F (°C)	Color	Hardness (Mohs')	Linear Shrinkage, %	Absorption %	Appr. Por. %	Other data: Bulk Dens. gm/cc
1800 (982)	Tan	Soft (2)	4.0	21.7	36.2	1.67
1900 (1038)	Tan	Soft (2)	4.0	19.4	33.6	1.73
2000 (1093)	Tan	Soft (2)	5.0	18.1	31.9	1.76
2100 (1149)	Brown	Hard (4)	5.5 (5.0)	13.3	25.3	1.90
2200 (1204)	Chocolate	Hard (4)	5.5 (5.0)	10.8	21.4	1.98
2300 (1260)	Dark brown	Steel hard (6)	7.5	8.25 (8.3)	17.3	2.09

Remarks / Other Tests (Should fire to "MW" face brick specifications at about 2100° F, 1149°C.) Fair color, absorption a little high, rough surface, checking, not plastic enough. Potential Use: (Face brick.) Brick? Needs plasticity.

Preliminary Bloating (Quick Firing) Tests: Negative.

Note: App. Por and Bulk Dens. plus data and remarks in parentheses are from 1967 revised data sheets by Tyrrell.

locn. no. Cht. 64-4, cont.

Crushing Characteristics (unfired material) _____

Particle Size -20 mesh. Retention Time 15 min. draw trials (following 3-4 hr. to 1800°F, 982°C).

Chemical & Mineralogical Data: Not determined.

Chemical Analysis	Mineralogy	
Oxide	Mineral	volume %
SiO ₂		
TiO ₂	Quartz	
Al ₂ O ₃	Feldspar	
Fe ₂ O ₃	Carbonate	
FeO	Mica	
MnO	Chlorite-	
MgO	vermiculite	
CaO	Montmorillonite	
Na ₂ O	Others	
K ₂ O		
P ₂ O ₅		
S (total)	Total	_____
C (org.)		
CO ₂		
H ₂ O ⁻		
H ₂ O ⁺		

Total

Analyst _____

Date _____

Method _____

Sample Location Data:

County Chattooga. Land Lot _____, Sec. _____, Dist. _____.

7 1/2' topo quad. Dougherty Gap (SW. corner). Lat. _____, Long. _____.

Field No. ("new 29"), 8, Collected by J.W. Smith. Date 1963

Sample Method Grab (?) Weathering/alteration -

Structural Attitude -

Stratigraphic Assignment Pennington Shale (Mississippian).

Sample Description & Comments Shale sample from W. side of Ga. Highway 48, 1.95 miles NW. of the intersection with Ga. Highway 337 in Menlo.

Sample is about 0.15 mile S. of Cht. 64-12 and 0.35 mile N. of Cht. 64-11 (after Smith, 1968?, unpubl. ms.).

Compiled by B.J. O'Connor Date 11-12-82

CERAMIC TESTS AND ANALYSES

Material Shale (Conasauga). Compilation Map Location No. Cht. 64-5

County Chattooga. Sample Number 9

Raw Properties: Lab & No. USBM, Norris, Tenn.; No. 1553-G

Date Reported 4-8-64 Ceramist M. V. Denny, USBM (revised by M.E.
(revised 1967) Tyrrell, Tuscaloosa, Ala.)

Water of Plasticity 35.0 % Working Properties Long working, plastic, smooth,
pH = 5.4 (Not effervescent with HCl.) Swells in water.
fatty. (High plasticity.)

Color Orange. Drying Shrinkage 2.5 % Dry Strength Fair. (High.)

Remarks Drying properties: Good. (No defects.)

Slow Firing Tests:

Temp. °F (°C)	Color	Hardness (Mohs')	Linear Shrinkage, %	Absorption %	Appr. Por. %	Other data: Bulk Dens. gm/cc
1800 (982)	Red-brown	Fair hard (3)	15.0	12.8	25.9	2.02
1900 (1038)	Red-brown	Hard (4)	17.5	8.5	18.4	2.16
2000 (1093)	Red-brown	Very hard (5)	20.0	3.2	7.6	2.38
2100 (1149)	Chocolate	Very hard (5)	20.0	2.3	5.5	2.41
2200 (1204)	Dark brown	Steel hard (6)	2.05 (Expanded)	2.6	-	-
2300 (1260)	Dark brown	Steel hard (6)	19.5	2.7	-	-
2400 (1316)	Dark brown	Steel hard (6)	20.0	2.4	-	-

Remarks / Other Tests (High firing shrinkage.) Good color - shrinkage too high.
Potential Use: None. (Might be used as the plastic component in brick or sewer-
pipe mix.)

Preliminary Bloating (Quick Firing) Tests: Negative.

Note: App. Por. and Bulk Dens. plus data and remarks in parentheses are from 1967 revised data sheets by Tyrrell.

CERAMIC TESTS AND ANALYSES

Material Shale (Conasauga). Compilation Map Location No. Cht. 64-6

County Chattooga. Sample Number 47

Raw Properties: Lab & No. USBM, Norris, Tenn.; No. 1554-S

Date Reported 5-8-64 Ceramist M. V. Denny, USBM (revised by M. E. Tyrrell, Tuscaloosa, Ala.)
(revised 1967)

Water of Plasticity 26.1 % Working Properties Long working, smooth, plastic, fatty. (Moderate plasticity.)
 pH = 5.5 (Not effervescent with HCl.)

Color Yellow. Drying Shrinkage 5.0 % Dry Strength Good. (Fair.)

Remarks Drying properties: good (no defects).

Slow Firing Tests:

Temp. °F (°C)	Color	Hardness (Mohs')	Linear Shrinkage, %	Absorption %	Appr. Por. %	Other data: Bulk Dens. gm/cc
1800 (982)	Tan	Fair hard (3)	5.0	23.0	37.3	1.62
1900 (1038)	Tan	Hard (4)	7.5	19.3	33.2	1.72
2000 (1092)	Light brown	Very hard (5)	9.0	15.6	28.4	1.82
2100 (1149)	Brown	Very hard (5)	10.5 (10.0)	11.9	23.0	1.93
2200 (1204)	Brown	Very hard (5)	10.5 (10.0)	11.2	21.8	1.95
2300 (1260)	Dark brown	Steel hard (6)	11.0	8.3	16.8	2.03

Remarks / Other Tests (Should fire to "MW" face brick specifications at about 2100° F, 1149°C.) Spotted, fair color, absorption and shrinkage a little high.
Potential Use: (Face brick.) Decorative brick, pottery.

Preliminary Bloating (Quick Firing) Tests: Negative.

Note: App. Por. and Bulk Dens. plus data and remarks in parentheses are from 1967 revised data sheets by Tyrrell.

CERAMIC TESTS AND ANALYSES

Material Shale (Conasauga). Compilation Map Location No. Cht. 64-7

County Chattooga. Sample Number 48

Raw Properties: Lab & No. USBM, Norris, Tenn.; No. 1554-T.

Date Reported 5-8-64 Ceramist M. V. Denny, USBM (revised by M. E. Tyrrell, Tuscaloosa, Ala.)
(revised 1967)

Water of Plasticity 28.8 % Working Properties Short working, smooth, plastic, fatty. (Moderate plasticity.)
 pH = 5.7. (Not effervescent with HCl.)

Color Yellow. Drying Shrinkage 5.0 % Dry Strength Good. (Fair.)

Remarks Drying properties: good (no defects).

Slow Firing Tests:

Temp. °F (°C)	Color	Hardness (Mohs')	Linear Shrinkage, %	Absorption %	Appr. Por. %	Other data: Bulk Dens. gm/cc
1800 (982)	Tan	Fair hard (3)	7.5	22.8	36.9	1.62
1900 (1038)	Tan	Hard (4)	10.0	18.0	31.3	1.74
2000 (1093)	Light brown	Very hard (5)	10.5 (10.0)	12.9	24.5	1.90
2100 (1149)	Chocolate	Steel hard (6)	15.5 (15.0)	5.4	11.8	2.19
2200 (1204)	Chocolate	Steel hard (6)	15.5 (15.0)	3.9	8.8	2.25
2300 (1260)	Dark brown	Steel hard (6)	15.5 (15.0)	2.9	6.6	2.26

Remarks / Other Tests (Should fire to "SW" face brick specifications at about 2050°F, 1121°C. High firing shrinkage.) Fair color, shrinkage too high. Potential Use: None. (Face brick; sewer pipe.)

Preliminary Bloating (Quick Firing) Tests: Negative.

Note: App. Por. and Bulk Dens. plus data and remarks in parentheses are from 1967 revised data sheets by Tyrrell.

CERAMIC TESTS AND ANALYSES

Material Shale (Red Mountain). Compilation Map Location No. Cht. 64-9a

County Chattooga. Sample Number 63

Raw Properties: Lab & No. USBM, Norris, Tenn.; No. 1555-H

Date Reported 5-28-64 Ceramist M. V. Denny, USBM (revised by M. E. Terrell, Tuscaloosa, Ala.)
 (revised 1967)

Water of Plasticity 24.8 % Working Properties Short working, smooth, plastic.
 pH = 6.3 (Not effervescent with HCl.)
(Moderate plasticity.)

Color Gray. Drying Shrinkage 4.0 % Dry Strength Good. (Fair.)

Remarks Drying properties: fine, spotty (no defects).

Slow Firing Tests:

Temp. °F (°C)	Color	Hardness (Mohs')	Linear Shrinkage, %	Absorption %	Appr. Por. %	Other data: Bulk Dens. gm/cc
1800 (982)	Light brown	Fair hard (2)	4.0	21.4	36.4	1.70
1900 (1038)	Light red- brown	Hard (4)	5.5 (5.0)	15.8	29.4	1.86
2000 (1093)	Red-brown	Very hard (5)	10.0	8.1	17.3	2.14
2100 (1149)	Dark red- brown	Steel hard (6)	11.0	2.7	6.3	2.34
2200 (1204)	Very dark red-brown	Steel hard (6)	14.5 (14.0)	0.9	2.1	2.34
2300 (1260)	Blackish brown	Steel hard (6)	10.0 (Expanded)	0.2	-	-

Remarks / Other Tests Fair tile at 1900°F (1038°C). (Should fire to "SW" face brick specifications at about 2000° F, 1093°C. Abrupt vitrification.) Potential Use: (Face brick; sewer pipe; quarry tile.) Tile, if color not objectionable; 2050°F (1121°C) possible good brick.

Preliminary Bloating (Quick Firing) Tests: Negative.

Note: App. Por. and Bulk Dens. plus data and remarks in parentheses are from 1967 revised data sheets by Tyrrell.

CERAMIC TESTS AND ANALYSES

Material Shale (Red Mountain). Compilation Map Location No. Cht. 64-9b

County Chattooga. Sample Number 63

Raw Properties: Lab & No. Ga. Tech., #63.

Date Reported 1964. Ceramist L. Mitchell, Ga. Tech.

Water of Plasticity - % Working Properties Fair plasticity.

Color Light tan. Drying Shrinkage - % Dry Strength -

Slow Firing Tests:

Approx. Temp. °F (°C)	Color (Munsell)	Hardness	Linear Shrinkage, %	Absorption %	Appr. Por. %	Other data: remarks
2120 (1160) (= Cone 1+) red	Dark brick	-	slight	-	-	Very slightly porous

Remarks / Other Tests Fired texture is smooth (Bentley, 1964, unpubl. ms.).

Preliminary Bloating (Quick Firing) Tests: Not determined.

CERAMIC TESTS AND ANALYSES

Material Shale (Floyd). Compilation Map Location No. Cht. 64-11

County Chattooga. Sample Number 65

Raw Properties: Lab & No. USBM, Norris, Tenn.; No. 1555-J

Date Reported 5-8-64 Ceramist M. V. Denny, USBM (revised by M. E. Tyrrell, Tuscaloosa, Ala.)
(revised 1967)

Water of Plasticity 24.4 % Working Properties Long working, smooth, plastic, fatty. (Low plasticity.)
 pH = 7.0 (Not effervescent with HCl.)

Color Gray-brown. Drying Shrinkage 5.0 % Dry Strength Good. (Low.)

Remarks Drying properties: good (no defects).

Slow Firing Tests:

Temp. °F (°C)	Color	Hardness (Mohs')	Linear Shrinkage, %	Absorption %	Appr. Por. %	Other data: Bulk Dens. gm/cc
1800 (982)	Tan	Fair hard (3)	5.0	19.4	34.0	1.75
1900 (1038)	Tan	Hard (4)	5.5 (5.0)	15.5	29.0	1.87
2000 (1093)	Brown	Very Hard (5)	10.5 (10.0)	7.5	16.1	2.15
2100 (1149)	Chocolate	Very hard (5)	12.5	5.3	11.8	2.23
2200 (1204)	Dark brown	Steel hard (6)	12.5	2.3	5.3	2.30
2300 (1260)	Black-brown	Steel hard (6)	12.5 (Expanded)	2.1	-	-

Remarks / Other Tests (Should fire to "SW" face brick specifications at about 2000°F, 1093°C. Abrupt vitrification.) Good color, high shrinkage - addition of quartz needed. Potential Use: Brick and tile - if quartz added. (Face brick.)

Preliminary Bloating (Quick Firing) Tests: Negative.

Note: App. Por. and Bulk Dens. plus data and remarks in parentheses are from 1967 revised data sheets by Tyrrell.

locn. no. Cht. 64-12, cont.

Crushing Characteristics (unfired material) Good (for quick firing).

Particle Size -20 mesh. Retention Time 15 min. draw trials (following 3-4 hr. to
(-3/4, + 1/2 in). 1800°F, 982°C).

Chemical & Mineralogical Data: Not determined.

Chemical Analysis		Mineralogy	
Oxide	Weight %	Mineral	volume %
SiO ₂			
TiO ₂		Quartz	
Al ₂ O ₃		Feldspar	
Fe ₂ O ₃		Carbonate	
FeO		Mica	
MnO		Chlorite-	
MgO		vermiculite	
CaO		Montmorillonite	
Na ₂ O		Others	
K ₂ O			
P ₂ O ₅			
S (total)		Total	_____
C (org.)			
CO ₂			
H ₂ O ⁻			
H ₂ O ⁺			
Total			
Analyst	_____	_____	
Date	_____	_____	
Method	_____	_____	

Sample Location Data:

County Chattooga. Land Lot _____, Sec. _____, Dist. _____.

7 1/2' topo quad. Dougherty Gap (SW. corner). Lat. _____, Long. _____.

Field No. ("new 28"), 66, Collected by J.W. Smith. Date 1963.

Sample Method (?). Weathering/alteration -

Structural Attitude -

Stratigraphic Assignment Pennington Shale (Mississippian).

Sample Description & Comments South side of Ga. Highway 48, 2.05 miles NW.
of railroad crossing at Menlo, 0.45 mile NW. of Cht. 64-11 and 0.25 mile
SE. of Cht. 64-13 (after Smith, 1968?, unpubl. ms.).

Compiled by B.J. O'Connor Date 11-12-82

CERAMIC TESTS AND ANALYSES

Material Shale (Gizzard). Compilation Map Location No. Cht. 64-13

County Chattooga. Sample Number 67

Raw Properties: Lab & No. USBM, Norris, Tenn.; No. 1555-L

Date Reported 5-28-64 Ceramist M. V. Denny, USBM (revised by M. E. Tyrrell, Tuscaloosa, Ala.)
(revised 1967)

Water of Plasticity 21.8 % Working Properties Short working, plastic, smooth, fatty. (Low plasticity.)
 pH = 5.7 (Not effervescent with HCl.)

Color Buff. Drying Shrinkage 2.5 % Dry Strength Good. (Low.)

Remarks Drying properties: good, spotty (no defects).

Slow Firing Tests:

Temp. °F (°C)	Color	Hardness (Mohs')	Linear Shrinkage, %	Absorption %	Appr. Por. %	Other data: Bulk Dens. gm/cc
1800 (982)	Tan-spotty	Soft-hard (2)	2.5	19.9	34.8	1.75
1900 (1038)	Tan-spotty	Hard (3)	5.0	15.4	29.3	1.90
2000 (1093)	Light red- brown	Very hard (3)	7.5	12.4	24.8	2.00
2100 (1149)	Red-brown	Very hard (5)	10.0	7.7	16.9	2.19
2200 (1204)	Purple-brown	Steel hard (6)	12.5	2.3	5.4	2.35
2300 (1260)	Purple-brown	Steel hard (6)	12.5	1.9 (2.0)	4.7	2.35

Remarks / Other Tests (Should fire to "SW" face brick specifications at about 2100° F, 1149°C.) High absorption up to 2000°F (1093°C) not desirable; poor color and high shrinkage at high temperature range. Potential Use: Good brick color at 1900°F (1038°C) for inside use, but outside freezing would cause spalling. (Face brick.)

Preliminary Bloating (Quick Firing) Tests: Negative.

Note: App. Por. and Bulk Dens. plus data and remarks in parentheses are from 1967 revised data sheets by Tyrrell.

CERAMIC TESTS AND ANALYSES

Material Shale (Gizzard). Compilation Map Location No. Cht. 64-14

County Chattooga. Sample Number 68

Raw Properties: Lab & No. USBM, Norris, Tenn.; No. 1555-M.

Date Reported 5-28-64 Ceramist M. V. Denny, USBM (revised by M. E. Tyrrell, Tuscaloosa, Ala.)
(revised 1967)

Water of Plasticity 19.2 % Working Properties Short working, plastic, smooth.
(Low plasticity.)

pH = 6.2 (No effervescence with HCl.)

Color Gray. Drying Shrinkage 1.0 % Dry Strength Good. (Low.)

Remarks Drying properties: (no defects).

Slow Firing Tests:

Temp. °F (°C)	Color	Hardness (Mohs')	Linear Shrinkage, %	Absorption %	Appr. Por. %	Other data: Bulk Dens. gm/cc
1800 (982)	Flesh	Soft (2)	2.5	21.7	36.5	1.68
1900 (1038)	Flesh	Fair hard (3)	5.0	16.0	29.3	1.83
2000 (1093)	Flesh	Hard (4)	5.0	12.3	24.0	1.95
2100 (1149)	Brown	Very hard (5)	10.0	7.2	15.6	2.16
2200 (1204)	Dark brown	Steel hard (6)	10.5 (10.0)	1.9	4.4	2.31
2300 (1260)	Dark brown	Steel hard (6)	10.5 (10.0)	1.8	4.2	2.34

Remarks / Other Tests (Should fire to "SW" face brick specifications at about 2100° F, 1149°C. Abrupt vitrification.) Fine color, slightly spotted. Potential Use: Decorative brick or tile. (Face brick.)

Preliminary Bloating (Quick Firing) Tests: Negative.

Temp. °F (°C)	Absorption %	Bulk Density g/cm ³	lb/ft ³	Remarks
1900 (1038)	5.5	2.72	170	-
2000 (1093)	4.9	2.20	138	Shaley
2100 (1149)	5.6	1.43	89	Shaley, brown.
2200 (1204)	4.6	1.44	90	Shaley, dark.
2300 (1260)	3.7	1.28	80	Shaley, overfired.

Remarks Test for lightweight aggregate in rotary kiln.

locn. no. Cht. 64-14, cont.

Crushing Characteristics (unfired material) Good (for quick firing).

Particle Size -20 mesh. Retention Time 15 min. draw trials (following 3-4 hr. to
(-3/4, + 1/2 in.) 1800°F, 982°C).

Chemical & Mineralogical Data: Not determined.

Chemical Analysis		Mineralogy	
Oxide	Weight %	Mineral	volume %
SiO ₂			
TiO ₂		Quartz	
Al ₂ O ₃		Feldspar	
Fe ₂ O ₃		Carbonate	
FeO		Mica	
MnO		Chlorite-	
MgO		vermiculite	
CaO		Montmorillonite	
Na ₂ O		Others	
K ₂ O			
P ₂ O ₅			
S (total)		Total	_____
C (org.)			
CO ₂			
H ₂ O ⁻			
H ₂ O ⁺			

Total

Analyst _____

Date _____

Method _____

Sample Location Data:

County Chattooga. Land Lot _____, Sec. _____, Dist. _____.

7 1/2' topo quad. Dougherty Gap (SW. corner). Lat. _____, Long. _____.

Field No. ("new 26"), 68, Collected by J.W. Smith. Date 1963.

Sample Method Grab (?). Weathering/alteration -

Structural Attitude -

Stratigraphic Assignment Gizzard Shale (Pennsylvanian).

Sample Description & Comments West side of Ga. Highway 48, 2.5 miles NW. of rail-
road crossing at Menlo. First shale below major sandstone, 0.2 mile NW. of
Cht. 64-13 (after Smith, 1968?, unpubl. ms.).

Compiled by B.J. O'Connor Date 11-12-82

CERAMIC TESTS AND ANALYSES

Material Weathered shale (Chickamauga). Compilation Map Location No. Cht. 67-1

County Chattooga. Sample Number 142

Raw Properties: Lab & No. USBM, Tuscaloosa, No. G-9-5

Date Reported 1-11-67 Ceramist M.E. Tyrrell, USBM.

Water of Plasticity 35.2 % Working Properties Moderate plasticity.

pH = 4.5 Not effervescent with HCl.

Color Yellow. Drying Shrinkage 5.0 % Dry Strength Fair.

Remarks No drying defects.

Slow Firing Tests:

Temp. °F (°C)	Color	Hardness (Mohs')	Linear Shrinkage, %	Absorption %	Appr. Por. %	Other data: Bulk Dens. gm/cc
1800 (982)	Tan	3	5.0	25.9	40.7	1.57
1900 (1038)	Tan	3	5.0	25.6	42.5	1.66
2000 (1093)	Tan	4	10.0	14.4	27.4	1.90
2100 (1149)	Light brown	5	15.0	8.5	17.9	2.11
2200 (1204)	Red-brown	6	15.0	5.7	12.4	2.17
2300 (1260)	Black	7	15.0	3.4	7.6	2.24

Remarks / Other Tests Should fire to "SW" face brick specifications at about 2100° F (1149°C). Good color; high firing shrinkage. Laboratory extrusion. Potential Use: Building brick.

Preliminary Bloating (Quick Firing) Tests: Negative.

TUSCALOOSA RESEARCH CENTER

Clay Evaluation: Extrusion Tests

Sender's identification: 142

Tuscaloosa number: G-9-5

Screen size: Minus 6 mesh

Water added: 35.7%

Drying:

Air: 24 hours

Oven: 24 hours at 230°F (110°C).

Linear shrinkage, dry: 3.1%

Modulus of rupture, dry unfired: 189 lb/in²

Firing:

Time: 24 hours

Cone: 5 (approx. 2138°F, 1170°C).

Linear shrinkage, total: 13.5%

Absorption, 5-hour boil: 0.4%

Absorption, 24 hour soak: 0.2%

Saturation coefficient: 0.5

Apparent porosity: 0.9%

Bulk density: 2.30 g/cm³ (143.5 lb/ft³)

Modulus of rupture, fired: 4290 lb/in²

Mohs' hardness: 7.5

Munsell color: 2.5 YR 4/6 (Strong brown)

Comments Potential as building brick when fired as above. Could be fired at lower temperature to decrease shrinkage.

CERAMIC TESTS AND ANALYSES

Material Shale (Pottsville Formation or Gizzard?) Compilation Map Location No. Cht. 69-1

County Chattooga. Sample Number CHAT-1.

Raw Properties: Lab & No. USBM, Tusc., AL, # CHAT-1.

Date Reported March 1969. Ceramist M.E. Tyrrell, USBM.

Water of Plasticity 19.6 % Working Properties -

Color Green-gray. Drying Shrinkage 3.5 % Dry Strength -

Slow Firing Tests:

Temp. °F (°C)	Color	Hardness (Mohs')	Linear Shrinkage, %	Absorption %	Appr. Por. %	Other data: Bulk Dens. g/cm ³
1900 (1038)	Medium tan	4.0	5.5	18.5	-	1.62
2000 (1093)	Medium tan	4.0	6.0	15.9	-	1.89
2100 (1149)	Dark tan	5.0	9.5	9.9	-	2.03
2200 (1204)	Dark tan	7.0	10.0	4.5	-	2.05

Remarks/Other Tests (from Hollenbeck and Tyrrell, 1969, p. 20).

Preliminary Bloating (Quick Firing) Tests: Negative.

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