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CROPS GROWN IN ROTATION, AGDELL FIELD

PRODUCE PER ACRE

| Year | Crop | O Unmanured since 1848 | | M Mineral Manure† No Nitrogen | | C Complete Mineral and Nitrogenous Manure | |
|------|------|------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|--|--------------------|
| | | 5 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| | | Fallow | Clover or Beans | Fallow | Clover or Beans | Fallow | Clover or Beans |

Average of first twenty-two Courses, 1848-1935

| | 5 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 |
|--------------------------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Roots (Swedes) .. cwt.* | 31.4 | 15.5 | 169.6 | 201.9 | 340.4 | 298.9 |
| Barley— | | | | | | |
| Dressed grain .. bush. | 20.8 | 19.0 | 22.1 | 26.0 | 29.1 | 33.6 |
| Total straw .. cwt.† | 13.0 | 12.8 | 13.3 | 15.4 | 18.0 | 21.3 |
| Beans— | | | | | | |
| Dressed grain .. bush.‡‡ | — | 12.6 | — | 18.9 | — | 21.2 |
| Total straw .. cwt.‡‡ | — | 9.4 | — | 14.9 | — | 15.4 |
| Clover hay .. cwt.§ | — | 25.6 | — | 52.1 | — | 52.0 |
| Wheat— | | | | | | |
| Dressed grain .. bush. | 22.7 | 21.3 | 26.5 | 28.8 | 26.7 | 28.3 |
| Total straw .. cwt.† | 22.8 | 21.2 | 28.5 | 29.7 | 29.4 | 29.0 |

Present Course (23rd), 1936-8

| | 5 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 |
|------------------------------|------|-----|------|------|-------|------|
| 1936 Roots (Turnips) .. cwt. | 24.4 | 9.4 | 53.8 | 51.0 | 112.6 | 65.3 |
| 1937 Barley— | | | | | | |
| Dressed grain .. bush. | 0.6 | 0.4 | 2.7 | 0.5 | 0.9 | 1.5 |
| Total straw .. cwt.† | 3.4 | 2.1 | 2.5 | 4.7 | 2.7 | 3.4 |
| 1938 Clover hay .. cwt. | — | 8.3 | — | 29.1 | — | 26.4 |

* Plots 1, 3 and 5 based upon 20 courses. Plots 2, 4 and 6 based upon 19 courses.

† Includes straw, cavings and chaff.

‡ Mineral manure: 528 lb. 16% Superphosphate; 500 lb. Sulphate of Potash; 100 lb. Sulphate of Soda; 200 lb. Sulphate of Magnesia, all per acre. Nitrogenous Manure; 206 lb. Sulphate of Ammonia and 2,000 lb. Rape Dust per acre. Manures applied once every four years, prior to sowing of Swedes.

‡‡ Based on 9 courses.

§ Based on 13 courses.

CULTIVATIONS, ETC.—Cropped sections: Seed undersown in barley, May 10, 1937. Variety: Montgomery Red. Digging out docks: May 4. Hand hoed: June 3. Cut: July 2. Fallow sections: Ploughed: Oct. 19. Cultivated: March 10. Spring-tine harrowed: May 5. Rolled May 5. Thistles cut: June 22.

WHEAT AFTER FALLOW—HOOS FIELD

Without Manure 1851, and since.

SCHEME FOR COMPARING A THREE-YEAR FALLOW WITH A ONE-YEAR FALLOW

Each of the two strips on Hoos Wheat after Fallow is divided into four parts. In the year when a strip is in crop, one quarter continues to be fallowed, so that this quarter has a three-year fallow. Different quarters are selected for fallow in successive years in the rotation given in the following table :

| W | | Cropping of strips A and B | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|----------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| A | B | C=Crop. F=Fallow. | | | | | | | | |
| | | Year | A1 | A2 | A3 | A4 | B1 | B2 | B3 | B4 |
| 1 | 1 | 1932 | F | C | C | C | F | F | F | F |
| | | 1933 | F | F | F | F | C | C | F | C |
| 2 | 2 | 1934 | C | F | C | C | F | F | F | F |
| | | 1935 | F | F | F | F | C | C | C | F |
| | | 1936 | C | C | F | C | F | F | F | F |
| 3 | 3 | 1937 | F | F | F | F | F | C | C | C |
| | | 1938 | C | C | C | F | F | F | F | F |
| | | 1939 | F | F | F | F | C | F | C | C |
| 4 | 4 | 1940 | F | C | C | C | F | F | F | F |

A comparison of the effect of a three-year fallow with the effect of a one-year fallow will be possible in every year.

Half the experiment continues to be wheat after one year fallow, and continuity with previous results will thus be maintained.

CULTIVATIONS, ETC.—Cropped sections: Ploughed: Sept. 23-27. Cultivated: Oct. 16. Harrowed: Nov. 6, March 17. Spring-tine harrowed: Oct. 20. Rolled: Oct. 20, March 19. Seed sown: Nov. 6. Variety: Red Standard. Harvested: Aug. 11. Fallow section: Ploughed: Sept. 23-27, June 23. Cultivated: Oct. 16, March 5. Spring-tine harrowed: May 7, June 3. Rolled: May 7, June 3. Thistles cut: June 21, Aug. 15.

PRODUCE PER ACRE, 1938

| | A1 | A2 | A3 | Mean | <i>Average 82 years, 1856-1937</i> |
|-----------------------------|------|------|------|------|--|
| Dressed Grain—bushels | 33.0 | 29.5 | 30.1 | 30.9 | 14.2 |
| Total Grain—cwt. | 19.2 | 17.0 | 17.7 | 18.0 | 8.1 |
| Weight per bushel—lb. | 63.2 | 63.1 | 63.7 | 63.3 | 58.9 |
| Total Straw—cwt. | 21.2 | 19.4 | 18.9 | 19.8 | 12.7 |

MANGOLDS—BARNFIELD, 1938

Mangolds each year since 1876.

Roots each year since 1856.

PRODUCE PER ACRE

| Strip | Strip Manures (Amounts stated are per acre) | 1938 | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------|--|---|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|---|-----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| | | O N A AC C | | | | | O N A AC C | | | | | | |
| | | Cross Dressings | | | | | Cross Dressings | | | | | | |
| | | Nitrate of Soda (550 lb.) | | | | | Nitrate of Soda (550 lb.) | | | | | | |
| | | Sulphate of Ammonia (412 lb.) | | | | | Sulphate of Ammonia (412 lb.) | | | | | | |
| | | Sulphate of Ammonia Rape Cake (2,000 lb.) | | | | | Sulphate of Ammonia Rape Cake (2,000 lb.) | | | | | | |
| | | Rape Cake (2,000 lb.) | | | | | Rape Cake (2,000 lb.) | | | | | | |
| | | None | | | | | None | | | | | | |
| | | Tons | Tons | Tons | Tons | Tons | Tons | Tons | Tons | Tons | Tons | Tons | Tons |
| 1 | Dung (14 tons) .. | 16.31 | 26.61 | 23.05 | 26.51 | 23.40 | 17.41 | 26.42 | 21.90 | 23.64 | 23.53 | 23.53 | |
| 2 | Dung, Superphosphate (3½ cwt.), Sulphate of Potash (500 lb.) .. | 14.31 | 26.76 | 22.62 | 27.14 | 24.49 | 19.08 | 27.19 | 24.91 | 27.63 | 26.52 | 26.52 | |
| 4 | Complete Minerals: Super. and Potash as 2, Sodium Chloride (200 lb.), Sulphate of Magnesia (200 lb.) .. | 3.34 | (a)17.85** (b)17.17 | 15.57 | 24.83 | 19.74 | 4.69 | (a)17.86 (b)18.77* | 14.71 | 26.04 | 21.05 | 21.05 | |
| 5 | Superphosphate (3½ cwt.) .. | 2.61 | 15.50 | 4.92 | 4.81 | 8.04 | 4.60 | 15.09 | 6.91 | 9.41 | 10.13 | 10.13 | |
| 6 | Super. (3½ cwt.) Sulphate of Potash (500 lb.) .. | 2.56 | 14.94 | 12.12 | 17.66 | 15.55 | 4.09 | 15.55 | 13.67 | 22.31 | 18.15 | 18.15 | |
| 7 | Super. (3½ cwt.) Sulphate of Magnesia (200 lb.), and Sodium Chloride (200 lb.) .. | 2.19 | 15.21 | 14.80 | 18.61 | 16.32 | 4.83 | 16.51 | 14.95 | 22.06 | 19.85 | 19.85 | |
| 8 | Unmanured .. | 2.06 | 7.35 | 5.00 | 3.50 | 4.99 | 3.55 | 10.00 | 5.50 | 8.54 | 9.07 | 9.07 | |
| 9 | Sodium Chloride (200 lb.), Nit. Soda (550 lb.), Sulphate of Potash (500 lb.) and Sulphate of Magnesia (200 lb.) .. | 14.85 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | |
| 1 | Dung (14 tons) .. | 4.93 | 7.58 | 7.43 | 9.33 | 8.14 | 3.10 | 4.68 | 4.91 | 5.24 | 4.59 | 4.59 | |
| 2 | Dung, Superphosphate (3½ cwt.), Sulphate of Potash (500 lb.) .. | 5.02 | 8.66 | 7.81 | 9.34 | 8.01 | 3.21 | 5.20 | 5.43 | 6.18 | 4.82 | 4.82 | |
| 4 | Complete Minerals: Super. and Potash as 2, Sodium Chloride (200 lb.), Sulphate of Magnesia (200 lb.) .. | 1.52 | (a)5.60 (b)5.65 | 5.29 | 9.07 | 5.74 | 1.07 | (a)3.89 (b)4.12* | 2.93 | 5.26 | 3.39 | 3.39 | |
| 5 | Superphosphate (3½ cwt.) .. | 1.33 | 5.07 | 3.99 | 4.16 | 4.94 | 1.07 | 3.22 | 2.63 | 3.29 | 2.88 | 2.88 | |
| 6 | Super. (3½ cwt.) Sulphate of Potash (500 lb.) .. | 1.23 | 5.42 | 4.79 | 7.42 | 5.16 | 0.95 | 3.11 | 2.83 | 5.12 | 2.92 | 2.92 | |
| 7 | Super. (3½ cwt.) Sulphate of Magnesia (200 lb.) and Sodium Chloride (200 lb.) .. | 1.23 | 5.18 | 4.85 | 7.93 | 5.66 | 1.11 | 3.40 | 3.09 | 5.22 | 3.39 | 3.39 | |
| 8 | Unmanured .. | 1.89 | 4.44 | 3.75 | 3.08 | 3.93 | 0.99 | 3.25 | 2.56 | 3.31 | 2.91 | 2.91 | |
| 9 | Sodium Chloride (200 lb.), Nit. Soda (550 lb.), Sulphate of Potash (500 lb.) and Sulphate of Magnesia (200 lb.) .. | 5.37 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | |

** From 1904 onwards plot 4N has been divided, 4(a) receiving Superphosphate, Sulphate of Potash, Sulphate of Magnesia, Sodium Chloride and Nitrate of Soda, amounts as above; 4(b) receiving Superphosphate, Calcium Chloride (190 lb.), Potassium Nitrate (570 lb.), Jan. 1-3, Cultivated; Mar. 9, 11, Harrowed; May 6, Spring-tine harrowed; Mar. 15, May 4. Rolled; two-thirds as top dressing at a later date, except with Rape Cake which all goes on with the seed.

† Excluding 1885 when nitrogenous fertilisers were not applied, owing to poor crop, 1908 and 1927 when the crop was swedes, 1930 when the spacing of the rows was changed, 1931 when the crop was a mixture of mangolds and swedes and 1935 when it was fallow.

* 29 years only, 1904-1937, excluding 1908, 1927, 1930, 1931 and 1935. For this period the average yield of plot 4(a) was 18.95 for roots and 4.04 for leaves.

‡ Cultivations, etc.—Ploughed: Dec. 9-Feb. 4, Dung applied; Dec. 8-9, Jan. 1-3, Cultivated; Mar. 9, 11, Harrowed; May 6, Spring-tine harrowed; Mar. 15, May 4. Rolled; Mar. 15, May 4, 6, 9. Hoed: June 3-4, 17-20, July 1-6, 21-23, Aug. 19-20. Singled: July 12-22, Manures applied: Mar. 24-28, July 24-27. Seed sown: May 6, Variety: Yellow Globe. Lifted: Nov. 8-18.

HAY—THE PARK GRASS PLOTS, 1938

| Plot | Manures since 1905 | Yield of Hay (cwt. per acre) | | | Dry Matter (cwt. per acre) | | | Total | | | | | |
|------|---|------------------------------|----------|-------|----------------------------|----------|-------|----------|----------|-------|------|------|------|
| | | Not limed | | | Lined | | | Total | | | | | |
| | | 1st Crop | 2nd Crop | Total | 1st Crop | 2nd Crop | Total | 1st Crop | 2nd Crop | Total | | | |
| 1 | Sulphate of ammonia (206 lb.) | 0.8 | 1.3 | 2.1 | 7.2 | 1.5 | 8.7 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 1.6 | 5.9 | 1.2 | 7.1 |
| 2 | Unmanured | 2.8 | 0.8 | 3.6 | 4.3 | 0.6 | 4.9 | 2.3 | 0.6 | 2.9 | 3.5 | 0.2 | 3.7 |
| 3 | Unmanured | 3.3 | 0.6 | 3.9 | 5.2 | 0.1 | 5.3 | 2.8 | 0.5 | 3.3 | 4.0 | 0.1 | 4.1 |
| 4-1 | Superphosphate (3½ cwt.) | 3.5 | 0.9 | 4.4 | 4.3 | 0.3 | 4.6 | 2.7 | 0.7 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 0.2 | 3.5 |
| 4-2 | As 4-1 and sulphate of ammonia (412 lb.) | 3.2 | 5.6 | 8.8 | 11.7 | 6.1 | 17.8 | 1.9 | 1.2 | 3.1 | 9.2 | 4.2 | 13.4 |
| 6-1 | Unmanured | 2.5 | 1.7 | 4.2 | | | | | | | | | |
| 6-2 | Superphosphate (3½ cwt.) and sulphate of potash (500 lb.) | 8.0 | 5.2 | 13.2 | | | | 6.2 | 3.9 | 10.1 | | | |
| 6 | As 5-2, and sulphate of soda (100 lb.) and sulphate of magnesia (100 lb.) | 17.3 | 7.4 | 24.7 | | | | 13.6 | 5.3 | 18.9 | | | |
| 7 | As 6 | 19.8 | 6.1 | 25.9 | 15.3 | 1.9 | 17.2 | 16.1 | 4.5 | 20.6 | 12.0 | 1.4 | 13.4 |
| 8 | As 6 without potash | 7.5 | 2.8 | 10.3 | 4.7 | 1.1 | 5.8 | 6.1 | 2.1 | 8.2 | 3.9 | 0.8 | 4.7 |
| 9 | As 6 and sulphate of ammonia (412 lb.) | 10.4 | 13.8 | 24.2 | 30.3 | 7.0 | 37.3 | 8.0 | 9.4 | 17.4 | 24.2 | 5.0 | 29.2 |
| 10 | As 8 and sulphate of ammonia (412 lb.) | 7.1 | 8.0 | 15.1 | 21.6 | 6.3 | 27.9 | 5.6 | 6.0 | 11.6 | 16.9 | 4.3 | 21.2 |
| 11-1 | As 6 and sulphate of ammonia (618 lb.) | 8.8 | 18.7 | 27.5 | 35.3 | 9.2 | 44.5 | 6.8 | 14.2 | 21.0 | 29.2 | 6.7 | 35.9 |
| 11-2 | As 11-1 and silicate of soda (3½ cwt.) | 16.6 | 22.8 | 39.4 | 42.7 | 10.9 | 53.6 | 12.7 | 15.9 | 28.6 | 33.8 | 8.0 | 41.8 |
| 12 | Unmanured | 4.7 | 1.2 | 5.9 | | | | 3.7 | 0.8 | 4.5 | | | |
| 13 | Dung (14 tons) in 1905, fish guano (6 cwt.) in 1907 and every fourth year | 18.8 | 4.4 | 23.2 | 14.7 | 2.0 | 16.7 | 14.9 | 3.3 | 18.2 | 11.5 | 1.6 | 13.1 |
| 14 | As 6 and nitrate of soda (550 lb.) | 43.6 | 6.3 | 49.9 | 53.6* | 13.9* | 67.5 | 34.2 | 4.9 | 39.1 | 26.0 | 10.6 | 36.6 |
| 15 | As 6 | 10.2 | 4.7 | 14.9 | 30.0** | 1.8** | 31.8 | 8.2 | 3.5 | 11.7 | 23.1 | 1.3 | 24.4 |
| 16 | As 6 and nitrate of soda (275 lb.) | 24.5 | 5.3 | 29.8 | 10.3 | 2.0 | 12.3 | 8.2 | 3.5 | 11.7 | 8.0 | 1.5 | 9.5 |
| 17 | Nitrate of soda (275 lb.) | 11.1 | 3.6 | 14.7 | 19.5 | 3.3 | 22.8 | 19.0 | 4.0 | 23.0 | 15.1 | 2.5 | 17.6 |
| 18 | As 6 (without superphosphate) and sulphate of ammonia (412 lb.) | 2.1 | 0.2 | 2.3 | 14.8† | 0.7† | 15.5 | 1.7 | 0.1 | 1.8 | 12.1 | 0.5 | 12.6 |
| 19 | Dung every fourth year | 16.0 | 4.6 | 20.6 | 9.7†† | 1.7†† | 11.4 | 10.8 | | | 7.9 | 0.8 | 8.7 |
| 20 | As 19 and superphosphate (200 lb.), sulphate of potash (100 lb.) and nitrate of soda (168 lb.) every intervening year | 23.7 | 4.3 | 28.0 | 11.0§ | 3.5§ | 14.5 | 13.0 | 3.5 | 16.5 | 8.6 | 2.7 | 11.3 |
| | | | | | 16.5§§ | 3.5§§ | 20.0 | | | | 12.9 | 2.7 | 15.6 |
| | | | | | 14.8† | 1.1† | 15.9 | 19.6 | 3.3 | 22.9 | 13.0 | 0.8 | 13.8 |
| | | | | | 14.8§§ | 1.2§§ | 16.0 | | | | 12.2 | 0.9 | 13.1 |

Ground lime was applied to the southern portion (lined) of the plots at the rate of 2,000 lb. to the acre in the winters of 1903-4, 1907-8, 1915-16, 1923-24, 1927-28, 1931-32, 1935-36 and at the rate of 2,500 lb. to the acre in the winter of 1920-21 except where otherwise stated.

*** The second crop was carted green; the figures given are estimated hay yields, calculated from the dry matter.
 *Sun. **Shade. †6,788 lb. ††3,951 lb. §\$570 lb. ‡2,772 lb. of lime.
 CULTIVATIONS, ETC.—Chain harrowed: Feb. 9. Rolled: April 13. Manures applied: Feb. 9-10, Mar. 17-18, April 8. Cut: 1st Crop, June 23-24; 2nd Crop, Oct. 31-Nov. 2.

PARK GRASS PLOTS

BOTANICAL COMPOSITION PER CENT. 1938 (1st Crop)

| Plot | Manuring | Liming | Gram-ineae | Legum-inosae | Other orders | "Other orders" consist largely of |
|------|--|---------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--|
| 3 | Unmanured | Limed | 36.90 | 9.64 | 53.46 | <i>Plantago lanceolata</i> <i>Poterium sanguisorba</i> <i>Leontodon hispidus</i> |
| | | Unlimed | 28.53 | 4.18 | 67.29 | As 3 limed |
| 7 | Complete Mineral Manure | Limed | 56.14 | 20.48 | 23.38 | <i>Taraxacum vulgare</i> |
| | | Unlimed | 48.01 | 27.99 | 24.00 | <i>Centaurea nigra</i> |
| 8 | Mineral Manure (without Potash) | Limed | 54.62 | 6.73 | 38.65 | <i>Plantago lanceolata</i> |
| | | Unlimed | 33.72 | 11.12 | 55.16 | <i>Plantago lanceolata</i> |
| 9 | Complete Mineral Manure and double Amm. Salts | Limed | 94.00 | 2.22 | 3.78 | <i>Rumex acetosa</i> |
| | | Unlimed | 0.08 | 99.92 | — | — |
| 10 | Mineral Manure (without Potash) and double Amm. Salts | Limed | 94.47 | — | 5.53 | <i>Rumex acetosa</i> |
| | | Unlimed | 100.00 | — | — | — |
| 14 | Complete Mineral Manure and double Nitrate of Soda | Limed (sun) | 89.25 | 2.25 | 8.50 | <i>Anthriscus sylvestris</i> |
| | | Limed (shade) | 85.54 | 10.07 | 4.39 | <i>Anthriscus sylvestris</i> |
| | | Unlimed | 94.15 | 0.84 | 5.01 | <i>Anthriscus sylvestris</i> <i>Rumex acetosa</i> |
| 18 | Mineral Manure (without Super.) and double Sulphate Amm., 1905 and since | L.6,788 lb. | 76.19 | 0.17 | 23.64 | <i>Taraxacum vulgare</i> |
| | | L.3,951 lb. | 73.59 | 0.16 | 26.25 | <i>Taraxacum vulgare</i> |
| | | Unlimed | 92.34 | 0.16 | 7.50 | <i>Centaurea nigra</i> |
| 19 | Farmyard Dung in 1905 and every fourth year since (omitted 1917) | L.3,150 lb. | 75.66 | 7.63 | 16.71 | <i>Plantago lanceolata</i> <i>Tragapogon pratensis</i> |
| | | L.570 lb. | 70.90 | 9.56 | 19.54 | No weed dominant |
| | | Unlimed | 68.32 | 13.54 | 18.14 | <i>Rumex acetosa</i> |
| 20 | Farmyard Dung in 1905 and every fourth year since (omitted 1917) each intervening year sulphate of Potash, Super., and Nitrate of Soda | L.2,772 lb. | 63.37 | 9.23 | 27.40 | <i>Ranunculus sp.</i> |
| | | L.570 lb. | 82.79 | 6.64 | 10.57 | No weed dominant |
| | | Unlimed | 80.33 | 6.20 | 13.47 | No weed dominant |

PARK GRASS PLOTS
BOTANICAL COMPOSITION PER CENT, 1938 (1st Crop)

| | Unlimed (U); Limed (L) | Plots | 3U | 3L | 7U | 7L | 8U | 8L | 9U | 9L | 10U | 10L | 14U | Sun 14L | Shade 14L |
|----|-----------------------------------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|-----------|
| 1 | <i>Gramineae</i> | .. | 5.86 | 0.25 | 6.83 | 0.05 | 2.91 | 0.60 | 1.74 | 2.22 | 9.55 | 2.01 | — | — | 0.31 |
| 3 | <i>Agrostis vulgaris</i> .. | .. | 0.70 | 1.07 | 4.59 | 10.83 | 0.31 | 0.40 | — | 49.28 | 0.21 | 51.24 | 45.14 | 15.74 | 10.45 |
| 4 | <i>Alopecurus pratensis</i> .. | .. | 3.07 | 0.33 | 1.54 | 0.05 | 2.00 | 0.48 | 1.04 | 2.18 | 14.04 | 0.80 | — | — | 0.06 |
| 5 | <i>Anthoxanthum odoratum</i> .. | .. | 0.07 | 1.15 | 5.10 | 17.20 | 14.74 | 23.67 | — | 24.29 | 3.16 | 6.28 | 37.34 | 57.46 | 17.07 |
| 6 | <i>Arrhenatherum avenaceum</i> .. | .. | 0.21 | 1.73 | 0.84 | 1.47 | 1.49 | 2.88 | — | — | — | — | 0.09 | 1.39 | 1.24 |
| 7 | <i>Avena flavescens</i> .. | .. | 4.60 | 20.18 | 0.66 | 1.71 | 2.52 | 12.46 | — | — | — | — | — | 0.41 | 9.28 |
| 8 | <i>Avena pubescens</i> .. | .. | 1.12 | 2.31 | — | — | 0.16 | 0.96 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 9 | <i>Briza media</i> .. | .. | — | — | 0.05 | 0.34 | — | — | — | 0.23 | — | 0.05 | — | — | — |
| 10 | <i>Bromus mollis</i> .. | .. | — | 0.08 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 0.12 |
| 11 | <i>Cynosurus cristatus</i> .. | .. | 3.42 | 4.45 | 23.02 | 21.75 | 3.42 | 5.61 | — | 11.99 | — | — | 6.48 | 2.65 | 2.23 |
| 12 | <i>Dactylis glomerata</i> .. | .. | 7.88 | 1.73 | 2.34 | 0.64 | 3.30 | 1.44 | — | 0.82 | 0.12 | 28.38 | 0.04 | 4.54 | 39.33 |
| 13 | <i>Festuca ovina</i> .. | .. | — | — | — | 0.54 | 0.16 | 3.00 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 14 | <i>Festuca pratensis</i> .. | .. | — | — | 2.62 | 0.24 | 2.32 | 1.76 | 97.14 | 0.58 | 72.92 | 0.84 | — | — | 0.25 |
| 15 | <i>Holcus lanatus</i> .. | .. | — | 0.08 | — | — | 0.08 | 0.32 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 16 | <i>Lolium perenne</i> .. | .. | 0.07 | 1.48 | 0.37 | 0.39 | 0.31 | 0.72 | — | 2.22 | — | 4.87 | 0.49 | 1.39 | 2.35 |
| 17 | <i>Poa pratensis</i> .. | .. | — | 0.33 | 0.05 | 0.93 | — | 0.32 | — | 0.19 | — | — | 4.57 | 5.67 | 2.85 |
| | <i>Poa trivialis</i> .. | .. | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| | <i>Leguminosae.</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | <i>Lathyrus pratensis</i> .. | .. | 0.49 | 1.32 | 10.72 | 8.13 | 0.12 | 0.12 | — | 2.22 | — | — | 0.84 | 2.25 | 9.15 |
| 2 | <i>Lotus corniculatus</i> .. | .. | 2.23 | 3.87 | 2.29 | — | 2.16 | 1.24 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 3 | <i>Ononis arvensis</i> .. | .. | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 4 | <i>Trifolium pratense</i> .. | .. | 1.46 | 4.45 | 14.51 | 8.23 | 8.80 | 5.37 | — | — | — | — | — | — | 0.12 |
| 5 | <i>Trifolium repens</i> .. | .. | — | — | 0.47 | 4.12 | 0.04 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 0.80 |

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PARK GRASS PLOTS
BOTANICAL COMPOSITION PER CENT. 1938 (1st Crop)
(Continued)

| | Unlimed (U); Limed (L) | Plots | 3U | 3L | 7U | 7L | 8U | 8L | 9U | 9L | 10U | 10L | 14U | Sun 14L | Shade 14L |
|----|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|-------|-------|------|------|-----|-----|------|---------|-----------|
| | <i>Other Orders.</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Ranunculus acris | .. | — | 5.27 | 0.75 | 2.79 | 3.69 | 1.56 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 2 | Ranunculus bulbosus | .. | — | — | — | 0.05 | 0.04 | 0.08 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 4 | Cerastium vulgatum | .. | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 5 | Stellaria graminea | .. | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 6 | Linum catharticum | .. | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 7 | Agrimonia eupatoria | .. | 18.06 | 12.69 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 11 | Poterium sanguisorba | .. | — | — | — | 0.39 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 13 | Anthriscus sylvestris | .. | — | — | — | 0.05 | 0.47 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 14 | Conopodium denudatum | .. | 0.63 | 0.17 | 0.51 | 0.05 | — | — | — | 0.16 | — | — | — | — | — |
| 15 | Heracleum sphondylium | .. | — | 0.08 | 2.29 | 4.61 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 16 | Pimpinella saxifraga | .. | 0.21 | 0.16 | — | 0.05 | 0.31 | 0.28 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 17 | Galium verum | .. | — | — | — | — | 0.31 | 0.04 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 18 | Scabiosa arvensis | .. | 0.28 | 3.21 | — | — | 0.98 | 3.53 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 19 | Achillea millefolium | .. | 0.90 | 0.33 | 1.73 | 0.20 | 2.00 | 0.72 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 20 | Centaurea nigra | .. | 4.39 | 1.07 | 8.05 | 3.14 | 4.56 | 3.49 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 22 | Hieraceum pilosella | .. | 17.29 | 11.70 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 24 | Leontodon hispidus | .. | 0.14 | 0.08 | 0.05 | 7.69 | 0.08 | 0.20 | — | 1.44 | — | — | 0.27 | — | 0.62 |
| 26 | Taraxacum vulgare | .. | 0.28 | — | 0.19 | 0.64 | 0.08 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 27 | Tragopogon pratensis | .. | 24.41 | 16.64 | 2.71 | 0.88 | 33.40 | 17.58 | 0.08 | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 29 | Plantago lanceolata | .. | 0.14 | 0.08 | — | 0.05 | 0.08 | 0.36 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 30 | Veronica chamaedrys | .. | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 31 | Ajuga reptans | .. | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 32 | Prunella vulgaris | .. | 0.14 | 1.73 | 4.68 | 2.84 | 3.11 | 7.41 | — | 2.18 | — | — | 2.26 | — | 0.12 |
| 34 | Rumex acetosa | .. | 0.14 | 0.17 | 0.14 | — | 0.12 | 0.04 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 35 | Luzula campestris | .. | 0.28 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 36 | Carex praecox | .. | — | — | — | — | 1.96 | 0.04 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 23 | Hypochoeris radicata | .. | — | 0.08 | 2.90 | — | — | 0.12 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 12 | Spiraea ulmaria | .. | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |

WHEAT—BROADBALK FIELD, 1938

| Plot | Manurial Treatment (amounts stated are per acre). | Dressed Grain, bushels per acre | | | | | Total Grain, cwt. per acre | | | | | 74-year Average 1852-1925 (prior to fall- low). Total Grain, cwt. |
|------|--|---------------------------------|------|------|------|------|----------------------------|------|------|------|------|--|
| | | Mean | | | | | Mean | | | | | |
| | | I | II | III | IV | Mean | I | II | III | IV | Mean | |
| 2A | Farmyard Manure (14 tons) | 39.1 | 72.2 | 53.1 | 38.2 | 50.7 | 23.3 | 43.1 | 30.8 | 23.0 | 30.0 | 16.3** |
| 2B | Farmyard Manure (14 tons) | 67.6 | 74.0 | 58.8 | 39.1 | 59.9 | 40.0 | 44.6 | 34.2 | 23.6 | 35.6 | 19.4 |
| 3 | Unmanured since 1839 | 18.6 | 39.0 | 21.3 | 19.7 | 24.6 | 11.0 | 22.5 | 12.4 | 11.7 | 14.4 | 6.7 |
| 5 | Complete Mineral Manure§§ | 37.2 | 50.5 | 24.1 | 23.9 | 33.9 | 21.9 | 30.1 | 14.2 | 14.1 | 20.1 | 7.8 |
| 6 | As 5, and 2 cwt. Sulphate of Ammonia | 36.6 | 56.6 | 33.2 | 34.4 | 40.2 | 22.0 | 32.8 | 19.1 | 20.4 | 23.6 | 12.5 |
| 7 | As 5, and 4 cwt. Sulphate of Ammonia | 46.4 | 58.4 | 47.3 | 42.0 | 48.5 | 28.2 | 34.1 | 27.3 | 24.9 | 28.6 | 17.6 |
| 8 | As 5, and 6 cwt. Sulphate of Ammonia | 54.5 | 65.2 | 56.4 | 47.5 | 55.9 | 33.1 | 38.4 | 32.9 | 28.6 | 33.2 | 20.1 |
| 9 | As 5, and 275 lb. Nitrate of Soda | 36.2 | 60.1 | 36.2 | 36.8 | 42.3 | 21.6 | 35.0 | 21.0 | 22.0 | 24.9 | 13.9†† |
| 10 | 2 cwt. Sulphate of Ammonia | 41.2 | 42.5 | 34.8 | 27.4 | 36.5 | 24.2 | 25.3 | 20.4 | 16.3 | 21.6 | 10.9 |
| 11 | As 10, and Superphosphate (3½ cwt.) | 41.4 | 42.2 | 35.0 | 27.5 | 36.5 | 24.4 | 25.0 | 20.4 | 16.3 | 21.5 | 12.3 |
| 12 | As 11, and Sulph. Soda (366 lb.) | 42.8 | 48.7 | 41.2 | 39.3 | 43.0 | 25.5 | 29.2 | 24.0 | 22.9 | 25.4 | 15.7 |
| 13 | As 11, and Sulph. Potash (200 lb.) | 41.8 | 58.2 | 38.8 | 42.5 | 45.3 | 24.8 | 34.8 | 22.6 | 25.3 | 26.9 | 17.0 |
| 14 | As 11, and Sulph. Magnesia (280 lb.) | 40.8 | 44.2 | 37.2 | 37.0 | 39.8 | 24.2 | 26.0 | 22.1 | 22.3 | 23.7 | 15.5 |
| 15 | As 5, and 2 cwt. Sulph. Amm. applied in Autumn | 43.2 | 57.6 | 44.8 | 49.3 | 48.7 | 25.6 | 33.9 | 26.2 | 29.2 | 28.7 | 16.1 |
| 16 | As 5, and 550 lb. Nitrate of Soda | 48.5 | 61.1 | 48.9 | 48.3 | 51.7 | 29.0 | 36.3 | 28.5 | 28.6 | 30.6 | 17.8†† |
| 17 | Minerals alone as 5 or 412 lb. Sulphate of Ammonia | A 37.8 | 57.0 | 43.2 | 46.5 | 46.1 | 22.5 | 33.8 | 25.2 | 27.6 | 27.3 | A 16.1 |
| 18 | alone in alternate years | M 19.9 | 47.1 | 17.1 | 23.3 | 26.9 | 11.8 | 27.6 | 10.2 | 13.8 | 15.8 | M 8.1* |
| 9 | Rape Cake (1,889 lb.) | 39.3 | 57.5 | 34.8 | 39.5 | 42.8 | 23.4 | 34.0 | 20.5 | 23.4 | 25.3 | 12.6† |
| 20 | As 7, without Super. | 36.0 | 43.4 | — | — | 39.7 | 21.3 | 25.6 | — | — | 23.5 | 10.3§ |

FOLLOWING ROTATION. After the fallows of 1925-6 to 1928-9 a regular cycle of fallowing was started in the season 1930-1. This cycle and the preceding fallows are shown in the accompanying diagram (C = crop, F = fallow). The sections (I to V) are numbered in order from the upper or western end of the field. Preparatory to the first fallow the field was harvested in five separate sections (1924-5).

For notes, see next page.

| Season | Season | | | | |
|------------------|--------|-----|-----|----|---|
| | I | II | III | IV | V |
| 1925-26 | F | F | F | C | C |
| 1926-27 | F | F | F | C | C |
| 1927-28 | C | C | F | F | F |
| 1928-29 | C | C | F | F | F |
| 1929-30 | C | C | C | C | C |
| Season | Season | | | | |
| I | II | III | IV | V | |
| 1930-31 and 5-6 | F | C | C | C | C |
| 1931-32 and 6-7 | C | F | C | C | C |
| 1932-33 and 7-8 | C | C | C | C | F |
| 1933-34 and 8-9 | C | C | C | F | C |
| 1934-35 and 9-40 | C | C | F | C | C |

WHEAT—BROADBALK FIELD, 1938

| Plot | Manurial Treatment (amounts stated are per acre). | Bushel Weight in lb. | | | | Mean | Total Straw†, cwt. per acre | | | | 74-year Average 1852-1925 (prior to fall- low). Total Straw, cwt. | |
|------|--|----------------------|------|------|------|------|-----------------------------|------|------|------|--|--------|
| | | I | | II | | | Mean | I | | II | | |
| | | III | IV | III | IV | | | III | IV | | | |
| 2A | Farmyard Manure (14 tons) | 63.5 | 64.7 | 63.2 | 64.3 | 63.9 | 46.1 | 61.5 | 48.2 | 41.0 | 49.2 | 32.1** |
| 2B | Farmyard Manure (14 tons) | 64.3 | 65.0 | 63.3 | 64.4 | 64.2 | 48.3 | 64.1 | 51.0 | 41.8 | 51.3 | 34.2 |
| 3 | Unmanured since 1839 | 63.2 | 62.8 | 62.9 | 63.1 | 63.0 | 12.5 | 25.6 | 13.1 | 12.9 | 16.0 | 9.8 |
| 5 | Complete Mineral Manure§§ | 63.6 | 64.7 | 63.2 | 63.2 | 63.7 | 27.2 | 37.3 | 14.8 | 16.1 | 23.9 | 11.5 |
| 6 | As 5, and 2 cwt. Sulphate of Ammonia | 64.0 | 63.5 | 62.4 | 63.7 | 63.4 | 27.7 | 40.8 | 24.2 | 22.6 | 28.8 | 20.3 |
| 7 | As 5, and 4 cwt. Sulphate of Ammonia | 64.3 | 63.8 | 62.8 | 63.8 | 63.7 | 36.5 | 44.6 | 35.0 | 31.8 | 37.0 | 32.1 |
| 8 | As 5, and 6 cwt. Sulphate of Ammonia | 64.4 | 64.3 | 63.5 | 64.2 | 64.1 | 48.2 | 52.2 | 43.4 | 43.1 | 46.7 | 39.8 |
| 9 | As 5, and 275 lb. Nitrate of Soda | 63.5 | 63.6 | 62.4 | 63.7 | 63.3 | 28.3 | 43.5 | 26.3 | 26.4 | 31.1 | 24.6†† |
| 10 | 2 cwt. Sulphate of Ammonia | 63.4 | 63.9 | 62.9 | 61.9 | 63.0 | 27.2 | 26.2 | 20.7 | 17.9 | 23.0 | 17.8 |
| 11 | As 10, and Superphosphate (3½ cwt.) | 62.8 | 62.9 | 62.5 | 61.9 | 62.5 | 29.4 | 28.2 | 21.0 | 16.5 | 23.8 | 21.4 |
| 12 | As 11, and Sulph. Soda (366 lb.) | 63.2 | 63.4 | 62.5 | 62.5 | 62.9 | 31.8 | 35.2 | 21.5 | 26.1 | 28.7 | 26.8 |
| 13 | As 11, and Sulph. Potash (200 lb.) | 63.5 | 64.3 | 62.8 | 63.9 | 63.6 | 34.4 | 47.0 | 29.9 | 31.9 | 35.8 | 30.6 |
| 14 | As 11, and Sulph. Magnesia (280 lb.) | 63.5 | 63.2 | 63.7 | 64.2 | 63.6 | 30.2 | 32.5 | 25.5 | 25.6 | 28.4 | 26.8 |
| 15 | As 5, and 2 cwt. Sulph. Amm. applied in Autumn | 63.4 | 64.2 | 63.5 | 63.9 | 63.8 | 36.1 | 45.4 | 34.9 | 39.0 | 38.8 | 28.2 |
| 16 | As 5, and 550 lb. Nitrate of Soda | 64.2 | 64.8 | 63.0 | 63.8 | 64.0 | 38.3 | 47.2 | 35.2 | 34.5 | 38.8 | 35.2†† |
| 17 | Minerals alone as 5 or 2 cwt. Sulphate of Ammonia | A 64.2 | 64.6 | 63.3 | 64.4 | 64.1 | 28.7 | 41.6 | 30.3 | 31.6 | 33.0 | A 28.1 |
| 18 | alone in alternate years | M 62.8 | 63.8 | 63.4 | 63.4 | 63.4 | 14.5 | 32.4 | 12.5 | 16.1 | 18.9 | M 12.3 |
| 19 | Rape Cake (1,889 lb.) | 63.8 | 64.1 | 62.5 | 63.4 | 63.4 | 32.6 | 38.7 | 27.1 | 32.0 | 32.6 | 22.0† |
| 20 | As 7, without Super. | 64.0 | 64.0 | — | — | 64.0 | 28.6 | 31.9 | — | — | 30.3 | 18.6§ |

†Includes straw, cavings, and chaff. A=Ammonia series. M=Mineral series.
 **Twenty-six years only, 1900-25. ††Forty-one years only, 1885-1925. ‡Thirty-three years only, 1893-1925. §Eighteen years only, 1906-1925 (no crop in 1912 and 1914).
 §§Complete mineral manure; 3½ cwt. Super., 200 lb. Sulph. Potash, 100 lb. Sulph. Soda, 100 lb. Sulph. Magnesia. One cwt. per acre of Sulphate of Ammonia is applied in autumn and the remainder of the dressing in spring except for Plot 15. Nitrate of Soda is all given in spring, there being two applications at an interval of a month on Plot 16. Minerals are always applied in autumn.
 Note: There have been errors in the quantities of Sulphate of Ammonia in the Reports 1927-1937; see Errata, page 211.
 CULTIVATIONS, ETC.—Cropped sections: Ploughed: Sept. 6-29. Dung applied: Sept. 22. Cultivated: Oct. 14-16. Harrowed: Nov. 4-6, Mar. 15, Spring-tine harrowed: Oct. 19, Mar. 16. Manures applied: Oct. 12-14, Mar. 11, April 7. Seed sown: Nov. 4-6. Variety: Red Standard. Harvested: Aug. 5. Fallow section: Ploughed: Sept. 6-29, June 7-11. Cultivated: Oct. 14-16. Spring-tine harrowed: Oct. 19, Mar. 5, April 2, May 5, Aug. 15. Rolled: Oct. 19, May 5.

BARLEY—HOOS FIELD, 1938

| Plot | Manuring (amounts stated are per acre). | Dressed Grain bushels per acre | | Total Grain cwt. per acre | Bushel weight in lb. | Total Straw cwt. per acre† | |
|------|--|--------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| | | 1938 | Average 1852-1928 | | | 1938 | Average 1852-1928 |
| 1O | Unmanured | 19.7 | 13.4 | 10.1 | 55.8 | 8.2 | 7.8 |
| 2O | Superphosphate (3½ cwt.) | 25.0 | 19.0 | 12.8 | 55.5 | 9.1 | 9.8 |
| 3O | Alkali Salts (see below) | 23.9 | 14.3 | 12.1 | 55.2 | 10.4 | 8.7 |
| 4O | Super. and Alkali Salts | 28.6 | 19.0 | 14.6 | 55.8 | 11.9 | 11.2 |
| 5O | Super. and Potash (200 lb.) .. | 18.7 | 15.5 | 9.6 | 55.2 | 9.5 | 9.4 |
| 1A | As 1O | 27.4 | 23.7 | 14.2 | 56.0 | 12.0 | 13.7 |
| 2A | As 2O | 34.9 | 35.8 | 17.0 | 51.8 | 13.3 | 20.4 |
| 3A | As 3O | 32.7 | 25.8 | 16.4 | 54.7 | 14.9 | 16.0 |
| 4A | As 4O | 34.1 | 39.3 | 18.4 | 57.3 | 14.5 | 23.6 |
| 5A | As 5O | 37.8 | 33.8 | 19.7 | 56.6 | 17.6 | 21.7 |
| | | | | | | | |
| 1AA | As 1O | 33.0 | 24.3* | 17.6 | 56.8 | 16.2 | 15.4* |
| 2AA | As 2O | 46.4 | 38.8* | 23.3 | 55.0 | 17.5 | 23.1* |
| 3AA | As 3O | 37.4 | 24.5* | 19.5 | 56.4 | 17.6 | 16.6* |
| 4AA | As 4O | 44.5 | 37.7* | 23.0 | 56.8 | 19.6 | 23.6* |
| | | | | | | | |
| 1AAS | As 1AA | 36.9 | 30.2* | 19.4 | 57.3 | 19.5 | 18.2* |
| 2AAS | As 2AA | 44.9 | 39.7* | 23.3 | 55.9 | 19.1 | 23.9* |
| 3AAS | As 3AA | 38.4 | 31.2* | 19.7 | 55.9 | 18.0 | 19.9* |
| 4AAS | As 4AA | 43.8 | 39.9* | 22.8 | 56.9 | 20.4 | 25.4* |
| | | | | | | | |
| 1C | As 1O | 41.4 | 35.5 | 21.7 | 57.2 | 17.4 | 20.6 |
| 2C | As 2O | 43.6 | 38.1 | 22.6 | 56.4 | 17.9 | 22.0 |
| 3C | As 3O | 34.8 | 33.7 | 17.9 | 56.1 | 16.0 | 20.4 |
| 4C | As 4O | 37.6 | 37.5 | 19.4 | 56.5 | 16.4 | 22.6 |
| | | | | | | | |
| 7-1 | Dung (14 tons) 1852-71 : afterwards unmanured | 33.8 | 22.5† | 17.4 | 56.3 | 14.0 | 13.5† |
| 7-2 | Farmyard Manure (14 tons) | 75.8 | 44.6 | 39.4 | 57.2 | 33.8 | 28.1 |
| | | | | | | | |
| 6-1 | Unmanured | 25.9 | 14.7 | 13.0 | 55.1 | 10.8 | 8.6 |
| 6-2 | Ashes from Laboratory furnace 1852-1933 : afterwards unmanured | 23.5 | 15.7 | 12.2 | 56.0 | 10.3 | 9.3 |
| | | | | | | | |
| 1N | Nitrate of Soda (275 lb.) | 32.5 | 28.7§ | 16.9 | 55.6 | 15.4 | 17.8§ |
| 2N | Nitrate of Soda (550 lb., 1852-7, afterwards 275 lb.) | 38.8 | 31.7§§ | 20.3 | 56.9 | 18.1 | 20.0§§ |

Alkali salts consisted of 200 lb. sulphate of potash, 100 lb. sulphate of soda and 100 lb. sulphate of magnesia.

In 1912 and 1933 all plots were fallowed.

†Total straw includes straw, cavings and chaff.

*60 years, 1868-1928. † 56 years, 1872-1928. § 75 years, 1853-1928. §§ 69 years, 1859-1928.

CULTIVATIONS, ETC.—Ploughed : Jan. 1-25. Dung applied : Jan. 4. Cultivated : Oct. 1-4, Feb. 23. Harrowed : Feb. 25. Spring-tine harrowed : Feb. 25. Rolled : Feb. 25, Apr. 8. Manures applied : Feb. 8-9. Seed sown : Feb. 25. Variety : Plumage Archer. Harvested : Aug. 4.