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# Yields of the Field Experiments 1953



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## WHEAT

The effects of various crop sequences on the incidence of Eyespot (Cercosporella herpotrichoides) - Little Knott 1953, the 4th year.

Arrangement of previous treatment crops: 4 longitudinal and 8 cross strips.

Area of each sub plot, acres: In 3 longitudinal strips - 0.0498; in the other - 0.0348 acre. Area harvested: 0.0482 and 0.0335 respectively.

Preparatory crops 1950-52:-

1950 North and South, strips of Fallow, Ryegrass, Wheat, Fotatoes
1951 East and West, strips of Ryegrass, Wheat, Fallow, Potatoes
1951 East and West, strips ½ width Ryegrass, Wheat, Oats, Beans
Wheat, Oats, Barley, Wheat

giving 32 crop sequences in all.

In 1949 the field carried a crop of wheat heavily infester with Eyespot, Take-all (Ophiobolous graminis) and weeds.

Basal dressing: 21 cwt sulphate of ammonia per acre in spring.

Cultivations, etc.: Ploughed: Aug 7, 1952. Seed drilled at  $2\frac{3}{4}$  bushels per acre: Oct 29. Sulphate of ammonia applied:
Apr 24, 1953. Harvested: Lug 28. Variety: Squareheads Master 13/4.

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# Summary of Results

Pre-	vious cr	rop 1952	Grain (at matter): cwt	85% dry per acre Mean	Straw (I and chaff):	less cavings cwt per acre Mean
		7				
W	W	W	15.5	15.5	54.0	54.0
H P F	M M M	W W	19.2 23.7 15.1	19.3	50.3 56.8 51.8	53.0
W W	H P F	W W B	24.4 24.4 21.5	23.5	56.4 41.5 48.2	48•7
невневнев	HHPPPFFF	W W W W B B	23.9 30.7 22.6 29.9 30.5 27.3 25.7 30.6 27.4	27.6	56.1 57.4 52.8 44.2 45.3 41.8 48.3 51.4 50.0	49•7
W	W	0	32.9	32.9	58.8	58.8
H P F	₩ ₩	0 0	36.1 38.6 32.6	35.8	54.6 57.7 59.3	57•2
W W	H F P	H O Be	34.6 36.7 36.8	36.0	70.3 57.0 59.1	62.1
HFPFFHPHP	F F H P H H P P	0 0 H Be H H Be	38.6 37.6 39.2 31.3 38.8 32.8 36.3 39.9	37.1	57.9 60.3 54.8 63.1 58.7 63.1 73.5 64.2 64.2	62.2
		Mean		30.4		55.7

Mean dry matter %: 82.1

Crop symbols: B - Barley. Be - Beans. F - Fallow. H - Ryegrass. O - Oats. P - Potatoes. W - Wheat.

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#### WHEAT

The effects of varieties, seed rates and time of applying N on the incidence of Eyespot - Great Field 1953, the 2nd year.

System of replication: 8 randomized blocks of 8 plots each, certain high order interactions and the effect of spraying being confounded with block differences. In addition each block contained two extra plots with no nitrogen, the variety x seed rate interaction being confounded.

Area of each plot: 0.0197 acre. Area harvested: 0.0129 acre.

Treatments: All combinations of

Variety: Squareheads Master 13/4; Bersee (V1; V2).

Seedrate: 1½; 3 bushels per acre (R, R2).

Nitrogen: 0.4; 0.8 cwt per acre applied as sulphate of ammonia (N<sub>1</sub>; N<sub>2</sub>).

Time of application of N: At time of autumn sowing; early March; mid-April; 3rd week May (T.: T.: T.).

mid-April; 3rd week May (T<sub>1</sub>; T<sub>2</sub>; T<sub>3</sub>; T<sub>1</sub>).

Spraying: 4 blocks sprayed with 12½% sulphuric acid at 100 gallons per acre.

Basal dressing: None.

Cultivations, etc.: Ploughed: Sept 2, 1952. Seed drilled: V, - Oct 17, V2 - Oct 21. T, applied: Oct 24. Sprayed 4 blocks with sulphuric acid: Mar 4, 1953. T, applied: Mar 5. T, applied: Apr 11. T, applied: May 22. Combine harvested: Aug 22. Previous crop: Wheat.

Standard error per plot:
Grain (at 85% D.M.): 3.41 cut per acre or 16.3% (24 d.f.)

N.B. (1) In the Summary of Results:-

- (a) The standard errors given are not valid for testing the effects of spraying for any particular treatment level; the interactions of spraying with treatments may however be tested.
- (b) The V x R tables do not include the plots receiving no nitrogen
- (2) Records of incidence of disease (Take-all and Eyespot) and counts of plant, shoot and straw numbers were made. Estimates of % area lodged were also recorded.

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Summary of Results

Grain (at 85% Dry Matter): cwt per acre

					rayed				
-		T,		T <sub>2</sub>	T <sub>3</sub>	T	4	M	ean
Mean (±1.20)		20.	6	21.8	21.4	23	.5	21.8	
				(±1	.70)			(±0.8	5)
V <sub>1</sub>		17.		18.9	18.6		• 4	19.5	
V <sub>2</sub>		24.	1	24.8	24.1	25	.7	24. 2	
Difference (±2	2.41)	+7.	0	+5.9	+5.5	+0	.3	+4.7	(±1.20)
R <sub>1</sub>		21.	5	22.0	23.7		. 2	23.6	
R <sub>2</sub>		19.	7	21.7	19.0	19	9	20.1	
Difference (±2	. 41)	-1.	. 8	-0.3	-4.7	-7	.3	-3.5	(±1.20)
N		17.		23.1	18.8		.0	20.3	
N <sub>2</sub>		23.	7	20.6	24.0	25	.0	23.3	
Difference (±2	. 41)	+6.	. 2	-2.5	+5.2	+3	.0	+3.0	(±1.20)
	R <sub>1</sub>	R <sub>2</sub>	D:	iff.	NO		N <sub>1</sub>	N <sub>2</sub>	Mean
Mean (±0.85)					15.1	2)	20.3	23.3	20.5
	(±1.	20)	( :	1.70)	(±1.70	)	(±1.	20)	(±0.76)
V <sub>1</sub> v <sub>2</sub>	22.1	16.9		5.2	11.7		19.1		17.9
V <sub>2</sub>	25.2	23.2	-	2.0	18.5	1)	21.6	26.8	23.1
Diff.(±1.70)	+3.1	+6.3	+3	3.2	+6.8	1)	+2.5	+6.9	+5.2
					(±1.70	0)	(±1.	20)	(±0.76)
R <sub>1</sub> R <sub>2</sub>					16.2		22.2		22.1
R <sub>2</sub>					14.1	1)	18.5	21.6	18.9
Diff. (±1.70)					-2.1	1)	-3.7	-3.5	-3.2

(1) ±2.41 (2) ±1.70 Mean D.M. %: 87.3

# Treatment symbols

V<sub>1</sub> Squareheads Master 13/4  $R_1$   $\frac{1}{2}$  bushels per acre  $N_0$  No N  $N_1$  0.4 cwt N per acre  $N_2$  0.8 cwt N per acre

T<sub>1</sub> Sulphate of ammonia at time of autumn sowing
T<sub>2</sub> Sulphate of ammonia in early March
T<sub>3</sub> Sulphate of ammonia mid-April
T<sub>4</sub> Sulphate of ammonia 3rd week May

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Grain (at 85% Dry Matter): cwt per acre

				Spr	ayed				
		1	1	T <sub>2</sub>	T <sub>3</sub>		T <sub>4</sub>	M	ean
Mean (±1.20)		22	22.6 22.9		21.0	21.0		21.9	
				(±1	.70)			(±0.8	5)
V <sub>1</sub>			.0	21.8	18.3		9.3	19.8 23.9	
Difference (±2.	41)	+5	. 2	+2.3	+5.4	+	3.4	+4.1	(±1.20)
R <sub>1</sub> R <sub>2</sub>		25 20		22 <b>.</b> 0 23 <b>.</b> 9	22.8 19.1		4•7 7•4	23.6 20.1	
Difference (±2.	41)	-5	.0	+1.9	-3.7	-	7.3	-3.5	(±1.20)
N <sub>1</sub>			.2	25.1 20.8	18.8 23.1		3.2	22.1	
Difference (±2.	41)	+2	. 8	-4.3	+4.3	-2	+• 3	-0.4	(±1.20)
	R <sub>1</sub>	R <sub>2</sub>	D	iff.	N <sub>O</sub>		N <sub>1</sub>	N <sub>2</sub>	Mean
Mean (±0.85)					18.7(2	)	22.1	21.7	21.2
	(±1.	20)	(±	1.70)	(±1.70	)	(±1	.20)	(±0.76)
V <sub>1</sub>		17.7 22.6		3	19.0	1	19.7 24.4		19.7 22.8
Diff. (±1.70)	+3.3	+4.9	+1	.6	-0.7(1	)	+4.7	+3.6	+3.1
					(±1.70	)	(±1	. 20)	(±0.76)
R <sub>1</sub>					24.7	1	24. 0 20. 2	23.3	23.8 18.6
Diff. (±1.70)					-12.1(1	) :	-3.8	-3.2	-5.2

<sup>(1) ±2.41 (2) ±1.20</sup> Mean D.M. 7: 85.3

# Treatment symbols

 $V_1$  Squareheads Master 13/4  $R_1$   $1\frac{1}{2}$  bushels per acre  $N_0$  No N  $V_2$  Bersee  $R_2$  3 bushels per acre  $N_1$  0.4 cwt N per acre  $N_2$  0.8 cwt N per acre

T<sub>1</sub> Sulphate of ammonia at time of autumn sowing T<sub>2</sub> Sulphate of ammonia in early March T<sub>3</sub> Sulphate of ammonia mid-April T<sub>4</sub> Sulphate of ammonia 3rd week May

#### WHEAT

The effect of varieties, seed rates and N on the incidence of Eyespot - Great Field I 1953.

System of replication: 4 randomized blocks of 8 plots each, certain high order interactions and the effect of spraying being confounded with block differences.

Area of each plot: 0.0197 acre. Area harvested: 0.6129 acre.

Treatments: All combinations of:

Varieties: Hybrid 46; Yeoman; Cappelle; Scandia.

Seed rates:  $1\frac{1}{2}$ ; 3 bushels per acre.

Nitrogen: 0.4; 0.8 cwt N per acre as sulphate of

ammonia applied in spring.

Spraying (on blocks): None; 100 gallons of 121/2% Sulphuric acid

per acre.

Basal dressing: None

Cultivations, etc.: Ploughed: Sept 2, 1952. Seed drilled: Oct 24.
Sprayed with sulphuric acid: Mar 4, 1953. Sulphate of ammonia
applied: Mar 5. Combine harvested: Sept 9. Previous crop:
Wheat.

Standard error per plot:

Grain: 3.5) cwt per acre or 15.0% (11 d.f.)

# Summary of Results

Grain: cwt per acre

	Hybrid Yec-	Capp- Scan- elle dia	bu. per	acre	cwt p	er acre	Mean
	(±1.79	1	(±1.27)*				
Unsprayed Sprayed		24.9 24.6 24.7 24.1					23.5
Mean	24.5 22.3	24.8 24.3	24.8	23.2	22.7	25.3	24.0
	(±1.27	)		(±0.	90)		
		Variety	(±1.79)				1
*For use in and interactions comparison		Hybrid 46 Yeoman Cappelle Scandia	24.2	20.5	22.5 20.5 23.7 24.0	24. 2 25. 9	
compa in	iii oiii.y				(±1	. 27)	1
		Seed rate: bushels per acre	_		23.0		

N.B. Records of incidence of disease (Eyespot and Take-all) and counts of plant shoot and straw numbers were made. Estimates of % area lodged were also recorded.

#### WHEAT

Residual effect of dung - West Barnfield II 1953.

System of replication: 4 randomized blocks of 12 plots each.

Area of each plot: 0.0318 acre. Area harvested: 0.0129 acre.

Treatments: All combinations of:Dung: None; 5; 10; 15 tons per acre applied to potatoes 1951-52.
Methods of application: Ploughed in, in winter (1951); ploughed in, in spring (1952); placed in ridges (1952).

Basal dressing: 3 cwt sulphate of ammonia per acre as top dressing in spring.

Cultivations, etc.: Cultivated: Oct 22 and again Oct 30 1952. Seed drilled at 3 bushels per acre: Nov 4. Sulphate of ammonia applied: April 24, 1953. Sprayed with M.C.P.A. low volume, 2 pints per acre: May 21. Combine harvested: Aug 21. Variety: Cappelle. Previous crop: Potatoes.

Standard error per plot:
Grain\*: 5.06 cut per acre or 12.4% (35 d.f.)

Method of application	Dung app	tons	potatoe per acre 10	s 1951-52:	Mean
	Grain*:	cwt per	acre		
			(±2.53)		(±1.46)
Ploughed in, in winter Ploughed in, in spring Placed in ridges		40.6 41.9 37.7	42.8 39.3 41.4	42.3 45.4 42.8	41.9 42.2 40.6
Mean (±1.46)	38.6	40.1	41.2	43.5	40.8

<sup>\*</sup>Corrected to 85% D.M. Mean D.M.%:84.3.

N.B. For details of original experiment see "Results of the Field Experiments 1952", Section Ce/1.

#### WHEAT

The residual effect of insecticides on the control of wireworm - Geescroft 1953.

System of replication: 3 randomized blocks of 8 plots each.

Area of each plot: 0.0289 acre. Area harvested: 0.0178 acre.

Treatments (applied autumn 1951 to previous wheat):

None (triplicate plots)

Gammexane seed dressing, 2 oz per bushel

Gammexane combine drilled with seed at 56 lb per acre, 3.5% dust(G)

Aldrin " " 200 lb per acre, 1.78% " (A)

Chlordene " " " 100 lb per acre, 5% " (C)

D.D.T. " " 150 lb per acre, 5% " (D)

Basal dressing: 3 cwt sulphate of ammonia per acre.

Cultivations, etc.: Ploughed: Sept 8, 1952. Seed drilled at 2½ bushels per acre: Oct 27. Sulphate of ammonia applied: Apr 25, 1953. Combine harvested: Sept 26. Variety: Nord Desprez. Previous crop: Wheat.

Standard error per plot:

Grain: 2.76 cat per acre or 10.4% (16 d.f.)

Note: Wireworm counts were made and are available.

For details of original experiment see "Results of the Field Experiments 1952", Section Ca/4.

	Summary of Results							
	0	S	G	A	C	D	Mean	
			cwt per					
Mean (±1.60) Increase (±1.84)	21.6(1)	22.9	30.2	34.6	32.9	26.7	26.5	
Increase (±1.84)		1.3	8.6	13.0	11.3	5.1		
Standard error (1)	±0.92							

## WHEAT

Late application of nitrogen - Highfield 1953.

System of replication: 4 randomized blocks of 3 plots each.

Area of each plot: 0.0204 acre.

## Treatments:

Nitrogen: None; 0.23; 0.46 cwt per acre applied as nitrochalk top dressing.

Basal dressing: 2 cwt sulphate of ammonia per acre.

Cultivations, etc.: Ploughed: Aug 23, 1952. Seed drilled at 3 bushels per acre: Oct 30. Sulphate of ammonia applied: Apr 29, 1953. Nitrochalk applied: June 26. Harvested: Aug 19. Variety: Nord Desprez. Previous crop: Wheat.

Standard error per plot:

Grain: 1.12 cwt per acre or 3.5% (6 d.f.)

		(as nitrocha g): cwt per 0.23		Mean
	Yield: c	wt per acre		
Grain (±0.56)	31.8	32.2	31.8	31.9
Straw	44.6	43.3	43.3	43.7
	Crude protein	: cwt per ac	re	
Grain Increase	3.79	3.91 +0.12	3.88 +0.09	
Straw Increase	1.78	1.73 -0.05	1.82 +0.04	
	Percentage uptak	e of added ni	trogen	
Grain	1	+8	+3	
Straw		-3	+1	

<sup>\*</sup>Corrected to 85% dry matter. Mean dry matter %: 83.6.

#### WHEAT

The effects of sowing date and N on the incidence of Powdery Mildew - Long Hoos I, II and III 1953.

System of replication: 4 randomized blocks of 4 plots each, arranged in 2 block pairs, the effect of sowing date being confounded with block differences.

Area of each plot: 0.0197 acre.

Treatments: All combinations of:-

Sowing date (on blocks): Early; Late - 3 weeks later than Early sown.

N in seed bed: None; 0.2 cwt N per acre applied as sulphate of ammonia.

N top dressing: 0.3; 0.6 cwt N per acre applied as sulphate of ammonia in spring.

Basal dressing: None.

Cultivations, etc.:

'Early' blocks. Harrowed after potatoes: Oct 17 and again Oct 29, 1952. Seed drilled at 2\frac{3}{4} bushels per acre: Oct 29. Sulphate of ammonia applied: Oct 31.

'Late' blocks. Harrowed after potatoes: Oct 17 and again Nov 12. Seed drilled at 2\frac{3}{4} bushels per acre, sulphate of ammonia applied: Nov 12. Crop failed, resown: Mar 13, 1953.

All blocks. Sulphate of ammonia top dressing applied: June 5.

Variety: Squareheads Master 13/4, the 'Late' blocks were resown with Fylgia. Previous crop: Potatoes.

Note: No yields were taken as owing to the resowing, the main object of the experiment could not be tested. In addition the crop was poor, particularly the 'Early' blocks which were sown under very wet conditions.

### WHEAT

Methods of harvesting and levels of N - Sawyers III 1953.

System of replication: 4 randomized blocks of 9 plots each.

Area of each plot: 0.0200 acre. Area harvested: Binder - full area, combine - 0.0129 acre.

Treatments: All combinations of:N: None; 0.4; 0.8 cwt N per acre applied as nitrochalk.
Method of harvesting: Binder; Combine (Massey Harris 726).

Note: The experiment was originally designed to test also the N.I.A.E. combine (i.e. 3 methods in all) but this was not available. The 3 plots per block (1 at each level of N) which should have been harvested by the N.I.A.E. combine were harvested by Binder in 2 of the blocks, and by the Massey Harris 726 in the other 2 blocks: each treatment combination was therefore replicated 6 times.

Basal dressing: None.

Cultivations, etc.: Cultivated twice: Nov 7, 1952. Seed drilled at 3 bushels per acre: Nov 9. Nitrochalk applied: May 20, 1953. Sprayed with M.C.P.A.: May 21. Harvested: Binder plots - Sept 3. Combine plots - Sept 10. Variety: Cappelle. Previous crop: Potatoes.

Standard error per plot:

Grain: 2.67 cwt per acre or 8.9% (27 d.f.)

# Summary of Results

Grain: cwt per acre

Method of Harvesting	None P	V: cwt per acr	ce 0.8	Mean
		(1) and (2)		
Binder	26.3	30.4	33.4	30.0
Combine	25.9	29.9	35.2	30.3
Mean (±0.77)	26.1	30.2	34.3	30.2
Difference (±1.57)	-0.4	-0.5	+1.8	+0.3 (±0.94)

<sup>(1) ±1.09</sup> for use in horizontal comparisons only.

(2) ±1.11 for use in diagonal comparisons only.

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# BARLEY

Late application of nitrogen - Deacons. Field 1953.

System of replication: 4 randomized blocks of 3 plots each.

Area of each plot: 0.0204 acre.

# Treatments:

Nitrogen: None; 0.23; 0.46 cwt per acre applied as mitrochalk top dressing.

Basal dressing per acre: 24 cwt sulphate of ammonia, 1 cwt superphosphate.

Cultivations, etc.: Ploughed: Feb 5. Seed drilled at 3 bushels per acre with Superphosphate: Mar 7. Sulphate of ammonia applied: Mar 9. Nitrochalk applied: June 25. Harvested: Aug 13. Variety: Herta. Previous crop: Potatoes.

Standard error per plot:

Grain: 0.582 cwt per acre or 1.4% (6 d.f.)

		(as nitroches): cwt per		Mean				
	Yield:	cwt per acre						
Grain (±0.29)	38.6	40.3	42.0	40.3				
Straw	39.8	39.3	40.8	40.0				
	Crude protei	n: cwt per	acre					
Grain Increase	3.74	4.26 0.52	4.63 0.89					
Straw Increase	0.80	0.96	1.22					
Percentage uptake of added nitrogen								
Grain		36	31	1				
Straw		11	14					

<sup>\*</sup>Corrected to 85% dry matter. Mean dry matter %:85.1.

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## BARLEY

Nitrophosphate and fertilizers broadcast or drilled - Highfield 5 1953.

System of replication: 4 randomized blocks of 8 plots each.

Area of each plot: 0.0194 acre.

### Treatments:

Sulphate of ammonia broadcast; Nitrochalk broadcast; Nitrophosphate (British) broadcast or drilled; Compound fertilizer (9% N; 9% P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>) broadcast or drilled; Nitrochalk and superphosphate mixture broadcast or drilled. All fertilizers were applied at rates to give 0.5 cwt N and 0.5 cwt.P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> per acre.

Basal dressing: 94 lb sulphate of potash per acre.

Cultivations, etc.: Ploughed: Sept 24, 1952 and again Jan 20, 1953.

Seed drilled at 3 bushels per acre, fertilizers applied: Mar 9.

Combine harvested: Aug 19. Variety: Herta. Previous crop: Linseed.

Standard error per plot:
Grain (at 85% D.M.): 2.74 cwt per acre or 8.7% (20 d.f.)

Note: The yield of grain (at 85% D.M.) has been adjusted to allow for tractor damage to two plots.

# Summary of Results

Sul	lphate		Nitroph	nosphate	Nat:	ional	Nitrock	nalk and	
	of	Nitro-	(Brit	tish)	Compour	nd No. 9	Superph	nosphate	
am	nonia	chalk	Broad-		Broad-		Broad-		
	Broadcast		cast	Drilled	cast	Drilled	cast	Drilled	Mean

Grain (at 85% Dry Matter): cut per acre

Mean (±1.37) 30.3 29.5 31.0 30.0 31.5 33.6 33.3 32.2 31.4

Mean D.M. 7: 79.8

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## BARLEY

Control of Powdery Mildew - Little Knott I 1953.

System of replication: 8 randomized blocks of 2 plots each, each plot being split into two for spraying, one group of 4 blocks being sown early, the other late.

Area of each sub plot: 0.0159 acre.

Treatments: All combinations of:

Blocks. Sowing date: Early, 12th March; Late, 15th April.

Whole plots. Varieties: Plumage Archer; Haisa II.

Sub plots. Spraying: None; 160 gals.per acre of 1 in 80 Lime sulphur.

Basal dressing per acre: 2 cwt sulphate of ammonia; 1 cwt superphosphate combine drilled.

Cultivations, etc.:

'Early' plots: Ploughed: Feb 23. Seed drilled at 3 bushels per acre with superphosphate, sulphate of ammonia applied: Mar 12. Harvested: Aug 17.

'Late' plots: Ploughed: Apr 11. Seed drilled at 3 bushels per acre with superphosphate, sulphate of ammonia applied: Apr 15. Harvested: Aug 18.

Whole experiment: Sprayed appropriate plots with lime sulphur:
May 5 and again June 11. Previous crop: Kale.

Standard errors per plot. Grain:

Whole plot: 1.92 cwt per acre or 5.7% (6 d.f.) Sub plot: 1.55 cwt per acre or 4.6% (12 d.f.)

Note: Counts of incidence of Powdery Mildew were made.

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	Early sou	ing 111	Late sowing 15th April						
Lime sulphur	Plumage Archer	Haisa II	Mean	Plumage Archer	Haisa II	Mean			
	Grain: cut per acre								
	(a) and	d (b)	(±0.55)	(a) an	id (b)	(±0.55)			
-	33.6	31.4	32.5	34.6	35.8	35.2			
Sprayed	33.3	31.6	32.4	35.9	35.0	35.5			
Mean (±0.96)	33.4	31.5	32.5	35.3	35.4	35.3			
	Sta	raw: cw	t per acre	9					
-	42.2	42.4	42.3	41.9	41.9	41.9			
Sprayed	45.3	40.5	42.9	46.5	43.3	44.9			
Mean	43.7	41.5	42.6	44.2	42.6	43.4			

<sup>(</sup>a) ±0.77 for use in vertical comparisons only.(b) ±1.11 for use in all others.

N.B. The standard errors given are not valid for testing the effect of sowing date for any particular treatment; the interactions of sowing date with treatments may, however, be tested

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## BARLEY

Methods of harvesting - Deacons Field 1953.

System of replication: 12 randomized blocks of 2 plots each.

Area of each plot: 0.0200 acre. Area harvested: Binder - full area; Combine harvester - 0.0129 acre.

# Treatments:

Methodsof harvesting: Binder; Combine harvester (Massey Harris 726 8'6" cut).

Basal dressing per acre: 1 cwt superphosphate; 2½ cwt sulphate of ammonia.

Cultivations, etc.: Ploughed: Feb 5. Seed drilled with superphosphate:
Mar 7. Sulphate of ammonia applied: Mar 9. Harvested: Combine
plots - Aug 22, Binder - Aug 25. Variety: Herta. Previous crop:
Potatoes.

# Standard error per plot:

Grain: 2.41 cwt per acre or 6.1% (11 d.f.)

# Summary of Results

	Methods of Binder	f Harvesting Combine Harvester	Mean	Difference
	Yie	elds: cwt per	acre	
Grain	36.8	41.6	39.2	4.8 (±0.98)
Straw	39.4	-		

Mean Dry Matter %: Combine plots - 84.2, Binder plots - no value available.

53/Cc/1

# SPRING OATS

Late application of nitrogen - Great Field II 1953.

System of replication: 4 randomized blocks of 3 plots each.

Area of each plot: 0.0204 acre. Area harvested: 0.0103 acre.

# Treatments:

Nitrogen: None; 0.23; 0.46 cwt per acre applied as mitrochalk top dressing.

Basal dressing: 2 cwt nitrochalk per acre.

Cultivations, etc.: Ploughed: Sept 26, 1952. Seed drilled at 3 bushels per acre with basal nitrochalk: Feb 26, 1953. Nitrochalk applied: June 26. Combine harvested: Sept 10. Variety: Marne. Previous crop: Barley.

Standard error per plot:

Grain: 2.50 cwt per acre or 6.0% (6 d.f.)

		a (as nitrocha ng): cwt per 0.23		Mean
	Yield: cv	t per acre		•
Grain (±1.25)	42.1	41.5	40.9	41.5
Straw	42.4	43.7	42.0	42.7
Cr	ude protein:	cwt per acr	e	,
Grain Increase	5.05	5.16 0.11	5.21 0.16	
Straw Increase	1.62	1.85	1.90 0.28	
Perce	ntage uptake	e of added nit	rogen	
Grain		8	5	1
Straw		16	9	

<sup>\*</sup>Corrected to 85% dry matter. Mean dry matter %:78.2.

53/Cd/1.1

# WINTER BEANS

Effect of cultivations on ploughed in beans - Long Hoos V 1953.

System of replication: 6 randomized blocks of 6 plots each, in 3 block pairs, the effect of spraying being confounded with block differences.

Area of each plot: 0.0145 acre.

Treatments: All combinations of:

Cultivations on furrows: Work down furrows in autumn (A); work
down furrows in spring (B); A and B.

Cultivations by weeding: None; mechanical weeder cultivation
in spring (W).

Spraying (on blocks): None; DNBP medium volume.

Basal dressing: None.

Cultivations, etc.: Beans ploughed in at 3 cwt per acre: Nov 4, 1952.

Heavy harrowed 'A' and 'AB' plots: Nov 7. Medium harrowed 'A' and
'AB' plots twice: Nov 8. Sprayed appropriate blocks with DNPB:

Apr 28, 1953. Harrowed 'B' plots: May 5. Weeded 'W' plots:

May 12. Horse hoed all plots: May 12 and again June 6. Hand

weeded: June 17, June 29, July 27. Harvested: Sept 5. Variety:

Deneb (own seed). Previous crop: Potatoes.

Standard errors per plot:
Unsprayed blocks: 4.25 cwt per acre or 17.2% (10 d.f.).
Sprayed blocks: 1.50 cwt per acre or 6.1% (9 d.f.)\*

<sup>\* 1</sup> missing value.

53/04/1.2

# Summary of Results

		Unspray	ed	cwt per	t per acre Sprayed				
Weeding	In Autumn	In Spring	In Autumn and Spring	Mean	In	down for In Spring	In Autumn and Spring	Mean	
		(±2.46)				(±0.87)			
None Mechanical		26.4		25.5 24.1		23.7 25.4		23.8 25.2	
Mean		25.6 (±1.74)	23.8	24.8		24.6 (±0.61)		24.5	
Difference	-1.3	-1.6 (±3.47)	-1.3	-1.4 (±2.01)	+5.0	+1.7 (±1.23)	-2.3	+1.4 (±0.71)	
			Straw: c	evt per	acre				
None Mechanical					40.4 37.7		37·2 33·7	35.0 33.8	
Mean	39.4	35.3	39.0	37.9	39.0	28.8	35.4	34.4	
Difference	-1.8	+0.2	-5.1	-2.2	-2.7	+2.7	-3.5	-1.2	

Grain: cut per acre

Weeding	Responding In Autumn	In Spring	raying In Autumn and Spring	Mean
		(±2.66)*		
None Mechanical	-4.0 +2.3	-2.7 +0.6	+1.5	-1.7 +1.1
Mean	-0.8	-1.0 (±1.88)*	+1.0	-0.3
Difference	+6.3	+3.3 (±3.76)	-1.0	+2.8 (±2.17)

<sup>\*</sup>for use in testing the differences of 2 responses to spraying.

53/Cd/2

## WINTER BEANS

Fertilizer placement - Sawyers I 1953.

System of replication: 8 randomized blocks of 9 plots each.

2.3 drilled in band 2" to side of seed.

Area of each plot: 0.0152 acre.

Treatments: All combinations of:Superphosphate, cwt. per acre: None; 3.2 broadcast on seed bed;
3.2 drilled in band 2" to side of seed.
Sulphate of potash, cwt per acre: None; 2.3 broadcast on seed bed;

Basal manuring: None.

Cultivations, etc.: Ploughed: Sept 22, 1952. Seed drilled at 3 bushels per acre, fertilizers applied: Nov 13. Variety: S.Q.Giant. Previous crop: Wheat.

Note: Owing to the heavy bird damage and infestation with weeds, the crop was not harvested and therefore no yields are available.

53/Cd/3

## SPRING BEANS

Phosphate placement - Sawyers I 1953.

System of replication: 6 randomized blocks of 6 plots each.

Area of each plot: 0.0092 acre.

Treatments: No phosphate (two plots per block) and all combinations of:-

Phosphate: Dicalcium phosphate; Superphosphate, each providing 0.5 cwt P205 per acre.

Method of placement: Broadcast; Drilled in band beneath seed.

Basal dressing: None.

Cultivations, etc.: Ploughed: Sept 22, 1952. Seed drilled at 3 bushels per acre, fertilizers applied: Mar 2, 1953. Harvested: Sept 8. Variety: Ashwells Selection. Previous crop: Wheat.

Standard error per plot: Grain (at 85% Dry Matter): 1.60 cwt per acre or 13.9% (25 d.f.)

Note: The yield of grain has been adjusted to allow for the fact that several plots were drilled at the wrong seed rate.

# Summary of Results

	1	Ph	osphate		1	
	None	Dicalcium Broa	Super   dcast		m Super	Mean
G	rain (at 85%	Dry Matte	r): cvrt	per acre		
Mean (±0.65)	11.8(1)	9.7	9.7	12.9	13.1	11.5
Increase (±0.80)		-2.1	-2.1	+1.1	+1.3	

 $(1) \pm 0.46$ 

Mean Dry Matter %: 83.1

53/ca/4

## SPRING BEANS

Control of Black Aphis by insecticides - Woburn, Stackyard and Warren Field.

System of replication: 4 randomized blocks of 5 plots each.

Area of each plot: 0.000735 acre. Area harvested: 0.000367 acre.

#### Treatments:

No insecticide (two plots per block).
Seed soaked 4 hours in 2% emulsion Systox active ingredient.

Seed dressing, 0.012 grams active ingredient of Systox per seed.

Soil dressing, 0.75 grams active ingredient of Systox per foot of drill.

Basal dressing: None.

Cultivations, etc.:

# Stackyard

Ploughed: Sept 10, 1952. Seed drilled at 100 lb per acre: Mar 10, 1953. Harvested: Aug 28. Variety: Spring Tick. Previous crop: Fallow.

# Warren Field

Ploughed: Sept 12, 1952. Seed drilled at 100 lb per acre: Mar 14, 1953. Variety: Spring Tick. Previous crop: Barley. No yields were recorded.

Standard error per plot. Stackyard.
Grain: 2.51 cwt per acre or 14.1% (13 d.f.)

Note. Counts of Black Aphis, Pea and Bean Weevil were made on both fields.

# Summary of Results

Grain: cwt per acre

Stackvard

	1	Systox					
	None	Seed soaked	Seed dressing	Soil dressing	Mean		
Mean (±1.25)	16.0(1)	17.4	19.1	20.4	17.8		
Increase (±1.54)		1.4	3.1	4.4			

(1) ±0.89

53/cd/5

#### BEANS

Control of Black Aphis - Long Hoos V 1953.

System of replication: 8 randomized blocks of 2 plots each, arranged in 4 block pairs, the effect of sowing date being confounded with block differences.

Area of each plot: 0.0339 acre.

Treatments: All combinations of:

Sowing date (by blocks): Winter; Spring.

Insecticidal spray: None; Systox 0.1% active ingredient at

100 gallons per acre.

N.B. The experiment was originally designed to test a control and 4 sprays, but owing to the lack of aphids, it was decided to test Systox only.

Basal dressing: None.

Cultivations, etc.: Ploughed in winter beans at 340 lb per acre: Nov 13, 1952. Ploughed in spring beans at 320 lb per acre: Feb 23, 1953. Sprayed with Systox: June 8. Harvested: Sept 5. Variety: Winter - S.Q.Giant; Spring - Garton's Tick. Previous crop: Potatoes.

Standard error per plot:

Grain: 2.81 cwt per acre or 9.4% (6 d.f.)

Spray	Sow Winter	wn Spring	Mean
Grain	n: cwt per	racre	
None Systox	26.4 31.3	28.8 33.1	27.6 32.2
Mean	28.8	30.9	29.9
Difference (±1.99)	+4.9	+4.3	+4.6 (±1.41)
Strav	v: cwt per	acre	
None Systox	35·3 32·4	31.7 33.8	33.5 33.1
Mean	33.8	32.8	33.3
Difference	-2.9	+2.1	-0.4

53/ca/6.

# BROAD BE NS

Fertilizer placement - Sawyers I 1953.

System of replication: 4 randomized blocks of 6 plots each.

Area of each plot: 0.00379 acre. Area harvested: 0.00318 acre.

Treatments: No fertilizer (duplicate plots) and all combinations of:-Compound granular NPK fertilizer (8% N, 6% P,05, 102% K,0): 3; 6 cwt per acre.

Method of placement: Broadcast on seed bed; drilled in band beside seed.

Basal dressing: None.

Cultivations, etc.: Plou hed: Sept 22, 1952. Beans sown at 2 cwt per acre fertilizers applied: Feb 6,1953. Harvested: 1st picking - July 15, 2nd - July 27. Variety: Prolific Longpod. Previous crop: Wheat.

Standard errors per plot. Yield of green beans in pod: 1st picking: 2nd picking: 7.31 cwt per acre or 16.6% (16 d.f.) 2nd picking: 5.08 cwt per acre or 16.0% (16 d.f.)
Total of 2 pickings: 9.77 cwt per acre or 12.9% (16 d.f.)

# Summary of Results

Yield of green beans in pod: cwt per acre

Compound FK fertilizer: cwt per acre							
		None	Broad- cast	Drilled	Broad- cast	Drilled	Mean
		:	1st	Picking			
Mean Increase	(±3.66) (±4.48)	38.0(1)	36.4 -1.6	54.4 +16.4	47.7 +9.7	50.7 +12.7	44.2
			2nd	Picking			
Mean Increase	(±2.54) (±3.11)	29.7(2)	25.7 -4.0	33.8 +4.1	26.7 -3.0	45.5 +15.8	31.9
		To	tal of	two picki	ngs		
Mean Increase	(±4.89) (±5.98)	67.7 <sup>(3)</sup>	62 <b>.</b> 2	88.2 +20.5	74.4 +6.7	96.1 +28.4	76.0
(1) ±2.	59						

53/Ce/1

## POTATOES

Dung, N, P and K - West Barnfield I 1953.

System of replication: 4 randomized blocks of 8 plots each, the interaction DNPK being confounded with block differences.

Area of each plot: 0.0210 acre. Area harvested: 0.0140 acre.

Treatments: All combinations of:-

Dung: None; 10 tons per acre.

N: None; 0.6 cwt per acre applied as sulphate of ammonia.

P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: None; O<sub>.6</sub> cwt per acre applied as superphosphate.

K20? None; 1.0 cwt per acre applied as muriate of potash.

Basal dressing: None.

Cultivations, etc.: Ploughed: Sept 18, 1952. Dung applied and ploughed in: Feb 26, 1953. Ridged and fertilizers applied in ridges: Apr 10. Potatoes planted: Apr 11. Earthed up: June 25. Sprayed with copper fungicide: Aug 5. Sprayed with 20% sulphuric acid: Sept 25. Lifted: Oct 2. Variety: Majestic. Previous crop: Wheat.

Standard error per plot:

Total tubers: 1.44 tons per acre or 12.6% (18 d.f.)

# Summary of Results

Responses to Treatments

Response to	Mean 0.0	acre 10 0.0	N 0.6 0.0	er acre 205 <sub>0.6</sub>	0.0 <sup>K</sup> 2 <sup>O</sup> 1.0
	Total tubers: A	Mean yield	11.45 tons p (±0.721)		
Dung N P <sub>2</sub> 0 <sub>5</sub> K <sub>2</sub> 05	+3.70 - +1.67 +1.69 -0.05 -1.07 +2.12 +3.07	+0.97 +0.00	6 -0.16 -	-	-1.25 +1.15
	Percentage 1	ware $(1\frac{1}{2}" r^2)$	iddle): Mean	87.6	
Dung N P2 <sup>0</sup> 5 K2 <sup>0</sup> 5	+4.8   0.0   -0.3   -2.3   -4.3   +4.1   +7.0	+0.3 -1.5	- +0.8 -3.1 -	-0.8	+1.2 -1.2

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## POTATOES

Methods of planting and fertilizer application - Deacons Field 1953.

System of replication: 4 randomized blocks of 12 plots each, plots being split into 2 for the application of N and K with the NK interaction confounded with whole plot differences, and certain high order interactions confounded with block differences.

Area of each sub-plot: 0.0140 acre. Area harvested: 0.0105 acre.

## Treatments:

Whole plots: All combinations of:Compound granular fertilizer (7% N, 7% P205, 10.5% K20):
None; 7½; 15 cwt per acre.

Methods of planting and fertilizer application: Ridge, broadcast fertilizer, hand plant and split back at once (A); Ridge, expose ridges for 7 days, broadcast fertilizer over ridges, hand plant same time as A and split back ridges (B); Broadcast fertilizer on flat, plant from flat with dropper (C); plant from flat with dropper, fertilizers placed 2" to side of seed (D).

Sub plots: All combinations of:-

N: None; 0.53 cwt per acre applied as Sulphate of ammonia. K20: None; 0.79 cwt per acre applied as Muriate of potash. Both N and K20 were applied as top dressings before the final earthing up.

Basal dressing: None.

Cultivations, etc.: Ploughed: Sept 15, 1952. Ridged 'B' plots:
Apr 9, 1953. Ridged 'A' plots, fertilizers applied and potatoes planted on 'A' and 'B' plots: Apr 16. Fertilizers applied, potatoes planted on 'C' and 'D' plots: Apr 17. Top dressings applied, earthed up: June 30. Sprayed with copper fungicide, 5 lb per acre: Aug 1. Sprayed with sulphuric acid, 15% B.O.V: Sept 23. Lifted: Oct 5. Variety: Majestic. Previous crop: Barley.

Standard errors per plot, Total tubers:
Whole plot: 1.02 tons per acre or 8.6% (33 d.f.)
Sub plot: 0.550 tons per acre or 4.6% (26 d.f.)

So C D Meen		(±0.548)** 11.85 14.75 14.73 14.99 15.31 11.91 11.32 15.39 14.08 14.08 14.06 11.78 -0.53 +0.64 -0.65 -0.91 -1.25 -0.13 (±0.112) (±0.548)** 11.52 15.37 14.09 14.62 14.64 11.84 11.65 14.77 14.72 14.46 14.73 11.85 +0.13 -0.60 +0.63 -0.16 +0.09 +0.01 (±0.112)	N: cwt None   0.53  K20: cwt per acre None   0.53  K20: cwt per acre 11.84, 11.83  None   11.84, 11.83  None   11.97, 11.74, 25  None   11.97, 11.74, 25  None   11.97, 11.74, 25  None   11.97, 11.74, 25  None   11.84, 11.83
Summary of Results  Compound fertilizer: cwt per acre  None  A B C&D & B C&D  A B C&D & B B	Total tubers: tons per acre	(±0.548)** (±0.337)**  9.43 7.89 8.71 12.89 12.52 11.69 11.85 14.75 8.66 8.57 9.04 12.89 13.02 11.25 11.32 15.39 -0.77 +0.68 +0.33(1) +0.60 +0.50 -0.44 -0.53 +0.64  (±0.548)** (±0.387)**  (±0.548)** (±0.387)**  (±0.548)**  (±0.548)**  (±0.548)**  (±0.548)**  (±0.548)**  (±0.548)**  (±0.548)**  (±0.548)**  (±0.548)**  (±0.548)**  (±0.548)**  (±0.548)**  (±0.548)**  (±0.548)**  (±0.55 +0.64 0.00(1) +0.56 -0.78 -0.26 +0.13 -0.60	for use Ridge, but once. Ridge, cridges, Broadcas Plant froof seed.
		N: cwt per acre None 0.53 Difference (±0.389) K <sub>2</sub> 0: cwt per acre 0.79 Difference (±0.389)	Mean (±0 Troatments A. B

_	7	10	_ ,	10	7
2	21	U	e/	12	)

				10	0.10		01		
,	Mean		88.5	9.0	87.9	40.7	38.2	cwt acre 0.53	87.7
	А		88.3	1.7	87.9	+5.9	89.3	N: cwt per acre None   0.	88.0
	0		91.7	-5.3	89.4 88.7	1-0-	89.1		K20: cwt per acre None
	15.0 B		87.0	-0.2	88.2	-2.6	86.9		M20 Per
per acre	A		91.4	-2.0	91.0	-1.2	4.06	ridges er	pper.
cwt p	А		85.7	-2.1	86.8	+7+.2	24.7	t back	ck ridg ith dro nt 2" t
ilizer:	5	ware	88.5	+2.0	89.1	+0-3	89.5	nd spli fertil	plit ba flat w placeme
Compound fertilizer:	B -	Percentage ware	90.5	-2.3	89.3	+0-1	89.3	tilizer, hand plant and split back rifor 7 days, broadcast fertilizer over same time as A, and split back ridges	same time as A, and split back ridges. s on flat, plant from flat with dropped dropper, fertilizer placement 2" to s
Compou	4	Per	87.9 88.4	+0.5	88.2	+0-1	33.1	, hand ays, br	at, plar, fert
	C & D		87.0	+0•3	36.7	6.0+	87.1	Ridge, broadcast fertilizer, hand plant and split back ridges at once. Ridge expose ridges for 7 days, broadcast fertilizer over	ridges, hand plant, same time as A, and split back ridges. Broadcast fertilizers on flat, plant from flat with dropper. Flant from flat with dropper, fertilizer placement 2" to side of seed.
	None		88.4	9.0	57.2 39.0	+1.0	00.1	est fer	plant, tilizer at with
	4		87.4 90.9	+3.5	88.44 89.68	+1.4	89.2	Ridge, broadcast feat once. Ridge, expose ridges	ridges, hand plant, Broadcast fortilize Flent from flat wit of seed.
	_		re		acre			Ridge, brat once.	ridges, Broadcas Flant fr
			N: cwt per acre None 0.53	Difference	K <sub>2</sub> 0: cwt per acre None 0.79	Difference	Mesn	Treatments A	BG

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## POTATOES

Control of Blight - Deacons Field 1953.

System of replication: 4 x 4 Latin Square, plots being split into 2 for determination of tractor damage.

Area of each sub plot: 0.0175 acre.

## Treatments:

Whole plots: No spray; Copper fungicide 5 lb in 40 gallons per acre sprayed twice; 100 gallons Sulphuric acid, 15% B.O.V. sprayed to destroy haulms; Copper fungicide and sulphuric acid sprayed as above. The tractor used for spraying was driven over all the plots on each occasion.

Sub plots: The 4 inner rows damaged by three passages of the tractor were compared with the 4 outer and undamaged rows.

Basal dressing: 15 cwt compound granular fertilizer (7% N; 7% P205; 102% K20) per acre.

Cultivations, etc.: Ploughed: Sept 15, 1952. Cultivated twice:
Mar 17, 1953. Ridged: Mar 26. Potatoes planted: Apr 16.
Earthed up: June 26. Sprayed appropriate plots with copper fungicide: Aug 1 and again Aug 13. Sprayed appropriate plots with sulphuric acid: Sept 14. Lifted: Oct 6. Variety: Majestic. Previous crop: Barley.

Standard errors per plot: Total tubers.
Whole plot: 0.361 tons per acre or 2.7% (6 d.f.)
Sub plot: 0.454 tons per acre or 3.4% (12 d.f.)

Blight counts were made and are available. The mean level of infection was only 0.3%.

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	1	Spr	ay		
	None	Copper fungicide	Sulphuric Acid	Copper fungicide and sulphuric Acid	Mean
	Total t	ubers: tons	per acre		
		(±0.2	42)**		
Undamaged rows	13.45	13.87	13.28	14.66	13.82
Damaged rows	12.49	13.67	12.71	13.52	13.10
Mean (±0.181)	12.97	13.77	13.00	14.09	13.46
Difference (±0.321)	-0.96	-0.20	-0.57	-1.14	-0.72 (±0.161)
	P	ercentage W	are		
Undamaged rows	91.4	88.4	91.8	89.7	90.3
Damaged rows	90.6	89.6	90.7	92.5	90.9
Mean	91.0	89.0	91.2	91.1	90.6
Difference	-0.8	+1.2	-1.1	+2.8	+0.6

<sup>\*</sup> for use in comparisons other than vertical.

53/0f/1.1

## SUGAR BEET

Control of Virus Yellows - Long Hoos VII 1953.

System of replication: 4 randomized blocks of 9 plots each.

Area of each plot: 0.0300 acre.

Treatments: All combinations of:-

Sowing date: 1 - As early as possible; 2 - As soon as first sowing above ground; 3 - As soon as second sowing above ground.

Singling date: A - Early (Cotyledons and first leaf less than 1");

B - Normal (Cotyledons and 4 leaves); C - Late (8-12 leaves).

Basal manuring per acre: 3 cwt nitrate of soda; 4 cwt superphosphate; 2 cwt muriate of potash; 5 cwt salt.

Cultivations, etc.: Ploughed: Jan 21. Basal fertilizers except nitrate of soda applied: Mar 17. Seed drilled at 18 lb per acre, nitrate of soda applied: '1' plots - Mar 17, '2' - Apr 9, '3' - May 4. Sprayed with D.D.T. emulsion: May 11. Singled: '1A' plots - May 18; '1B', '2A' - May 26; '2B', '2C' - May 29; '3A', '2B', '1C' - June 1; '2C', '2B' - June 10; '3C' - June 24. Lifted: Nov 30. Variety: Klein E. Previous crop: Cauliflower.

Standard errors per plot:

Total sugar: 3.55 cwt per acre or 6.3% (24 d.f.)

Percentage Virus Yellows (transformed values): 6.53 or 66.1% (24 d.f.)

Note. The analysis of the incidence of Virus Yellows has been carried out on percentages transformed to degrees, and all tests of significance should be carried out on the transformed values.

Sowing Date	Early Sing	gling Date Normal	Late	Mean	
	Roots (washed):	tons per	acre		
17th March	16.80	16.46	16.36	16.54	
9th April	16.40	15.81	16.31	16.17	
4th May	13.66	13.91	13.23	13.60	
Mean	15.62	15.39	15.30	15.44	

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Sowing Date	Early	Singling Date Normal	Late	Mean					
Sugar Percentage									
17th March	17.95	18.27	18.06	18.09					
9th April	18.25	18.62	18.22	18.36					
4th May	18.32	18.18	18.38	18.29					
Mean	18.17	18.35	18.22	18.25					
	Total Sug	ar: cwt per acr	·e						
		(±1.78)		(±1.03)					
17th March	60.4	60.2	59.2	59.9					
9th April	59.8	58.9	59.6	59.4					
4th May	50.1	50.7	48.7	49.8					
Mean (±1.03)	56.8	56.6	55.8	56.4					
Pl	ant Number:	thousands per	acre						
17th March	31.2	29.0	26.8	29.0					
9th April	29.4	27.2	27.9	28.2					
4th May	26.0	26.6	25.0	25.9					
Mean	28.9	27.6	26.6	27.7					
N	Noxious Nitrogen: mg per 100 g.								
17th March	17.5	16.2	16.2	16.7					
9th April	22.5	18.8	20.0	20.4					
4th May	22.5	21.2	23.8	22.5					
Mean	20.8	18.7	20.0	19.9					

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Sowing Date	Early	Singling Date Normal	Late	Mean				
Percentage Virus Yellows (means calculated from transformed values)								
17th March	3.5	2.2	1.7	2.4				
9th April	0.9	2.9	4.6	2.6				
4th May	1.0	8.2	4.2	3.9				
Mean	1.6	4.1	3.4	3.0				
	Percentage Virus Yellows (transformed values)							
		(±3.27)		(±1.89)				
17th March	10.8	8.6	7.6	9.0				
9th April	5.4	9.8	12.4	9.2				
4th May	5•7	16.6	11.8	11.4				
Mean (±1.89)	7.3	11.7	10.6	9.9				

53/0g/1.1

## LUCERNE

Fertilizer placement - Highfield 5 1953 - the 2nd year.

System of replication: 8 randomized blocks of 8 plots each, a high order interaction being confounded with block differences.

Area of each plot: 0.0136 acre.

Treatments, applied 1952: All combinations of:
P205: None; 1.0 cwt per acre applied as superphosphate.

K20: None; 1.0 cwt per acre applied as muriate of potash.

Method of placement: Broadcast on seed bed; Ploughed in 10".

Starter: None; 2 cwt granular superphosphate per acre placed beneath seed.

Basal dressing: None.

Cultivations, etc.: Cut and weighed green: three times - June 30, Aug 11 and Oct 20. Variety: Du Puits.

Standard errors per plot. Dry Matter:

1st cut: 3.89 cwt per acre or 6.8% (42 d.f.)
2nd cut: 2.52 cwt per acre or 12.9% (42 d.f.)
3rd cut: 1.21 cwt per acre or 10.5% (42 d.f.)
Total of 3 cuts: 5.20 cwt per acre or 5.9% (42 d.f.)

Note: For the 1st year's results see "Results of the Field Experiments 1952", Section Cf/1.

Starter	No ferti- lizer	Treat	Matter: c tments app nosphate Ploughed in	Muria Pota	of ate of	and Mu	nosphate riate of otash Ploughed in	Hean
1st cut								
None Granular	55.0(1)		57.3	(±1. 57.9	94)	57.7	56.1.	56.9
Super	56.1(1)	55.5	57.1	60.3	59.1	58.6	58.3	57.6
Mean (±1.37)	55.5 <sup>(2)</sup>	55.6	57.2	59.1	59.6	58.1	57.2	57.2
Difference (±2.75)	+1.1(3)	-0.3	-0.2	+2.4	-1.0	+0.9	+2.2	+0.7(2)
(12)		(2) ±	:1.37 :0.97 :1.94	Mean Dr	ry Matter	%: 23.(	)	

						5	53/Cg/1.2		
Dry Matter: cwt per acre Treatments applied 1952									
	No ferti-	Broad-		Pot Broad-		and Mur Pot Broad-	nosphate riate of tash Ploughed		
Starter	lizer	cast	in	cast	in	cast	in	Mean	
			2nd c		061				
None Granular	16.5(1)		18.2	(±1. 18.3	20.7	22.5	21.0	19.1	
Super	19.4(1)		20.8	20.6	19.9	20.8	21.0	20.1	
Mean (±0.89)	17.9(2)	18.8	19.5	19.5	20.3	21.6	21.0	19.6	
Difference (±1.78)	+2.9(3)	-0.4	+2.6	+2.3	<b>-</b> 0.8	-1.7	0.0	+1.0(2)	
	(1) ±0.89 Mean Dry Matter %: 37.5 (2) ±0.63 (3) ±1.26								
			3rd o						
None Granular	10.6(1)	11.1	9.5	12.6	11.3	12.4	12.0	11.3	
Super	10.9(1)	10.7	12.1	11.5	13.1	12.7	11.6	11.7	
Mean (±0.43)	10.8 <sup>(2)</sup>	10.9	10.8	12.1	12, 2	12.6	11.8	11.5	
Difference (±0.85)	+0.3(3)	-0.4	+2.6	-1.1	+1.8	+0.3	-0.4	+0.4(2)	
		1) ±0.43 2) ±0.30 3) ±0.60	Mean	Dry Ma	tter %: 2	26.2			
			Total of						
None Granular			85.1	(±2 88.9	.60) 92.1	92.6	89.1	87.2	
Super	86.4(1)	84.7	89.9	92.4	92.1	92.0	90.9	89.4	
Mean (±1.84)	84.3(2)	85.3	87 5	90.6	92.1	92.3	90.0	88.3	
Difference (±3.67)	+4.3(3)						+1.8	+2.2(2)	
		1) ±1.84 2) ±1.30 3) ±2.60	Mean	Dry Ma	tter %: 2	28.9			

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# CARROTS

Residual effects of Krilium - Rothamsted, Fosters and Barnfield; Woburn, Stackyard and Warren Field.

System of replication: 4 x 4 Latin Square.

Area of each plot: 0.00207 acre. Area harvested: 0.00138 acre.

Treatments, applied 1952:

Krilium per acre: None; 3 cwt broadcast and twice rotary cultivated
in; 6 cwt broadcast and twice rotary cultivated in;
3 cwt broadcast and raked into seed bed.

Basal dressing: 5 cwt compound fertilizer (7% N, 7% P<sub>2</sub>0<sub>5</sub>, 10.5% K<sub>2</sub>0). Cultivations, etc.:

Fosters: Ploughed: Mar 13. Roto tilled: Mar 13. Basal dressing applied, seed drilled: Apr 22. Lifted: Sept 24 and Oct 23.

Barnfield: Ploughed: Jan 28. Basal dressing applied, seed drilled: Apr 21. Lifted: Oct 20 and 26.

Stackyard: Hand dug: Jan 23. Seed sown: May 5. Basal dressing applied: May 14. Lifted: Sept 22.

Warren Field: Hand dug: Jan 27. Seed sown: May 6. Basal dressing applied: May 15. Singled: June 26. Lifted: Oct 5.

All fields, Variety: James' Scarlet Intermediate. Previous crop: Clover, Carrots, Ryegrass and Red Beet in strips on all plots.

Standard errors per plot. Roots tons per acre:

Fosters: 0.995 tons per acre or 4.5% (6 d.f.)
Barnfield: 1.41 " " " 11.1% (6 d.f.)
Stackyard: 1.46 " " " 17.2% (6 d.f.)
Warren Field: 0.573 " " " 7.7% (6 d.f.)

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		Ro		plied 1952) Raked into seed bed	
	None	3	6	3	Mean
	Roots:	tons per	acre		
	F	osters			
Mean (±0.497)	22.80	21.82	21.43	21.58	21.91
Increase (±0.704)		-0.98	-1.37	-1.22	
	Ва	rnfield			
Mean (±0.71)	13.76	11.20	13.50	12.38	12.71
Increase (±1.00)		-2.56	-0.26	-1.38	
	St	ackyard			
Mean (±0.73)	7.70	9.02	9.02	8.22	8.49
Increase (±1.03)		1.32	1.32	0.52	
	77	77. 7.7			'
	Warr	en Field			
Mean (±0.286)	8.25	7.35	7.92	6.35	7.47
Increase (±0.405)		-0.90	-0.33	-1.90	
			Plant no.		
			thousands per acre	4	
General means: Stack	General means: Stackyard			43.8	
Warre	161	29.2			

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## CARROTS

Soil conditioners - Rothamsted, Long Hoos VI and Stackyard; Woburn, Stackyard and Warren Field.

System of replication: 4 x 4 Latin square.

Area of each plot: 0.00207 acre. Area harvested: 0.00138 acre.

## Treatments:

None and 3 proprietary soil conditioners A, B and C each at 10 cwt per acre active material, rotary cultivated in to 6".

Basal dressing: 5 cwt compound fertilizer (7% N; 7% P20; 10.5% K20) per acre.

# Cultivations, etc.:

Long Hoos VI (R). Ploughed: Jan 22. Rota tilled, soil conditioners and basal dressing applied, rotor tilled: Mar 20. Seed drilled: Apr 20. Lifted: Sept 25 and Oct 28. Previous crop: Sugar beet.

Stackyard (R). Ploughed: Oct 20, 1952 and again Mar 9, 1953.
Roto tilled, soil conditioners and basal dressing applied, roto tilled: Mar 21. Seed drilled: Apr 20. Lifted: Oct 19 and 24.
Previous crop: Wheat.

Stackyard (W). Hand dug: Jan 23. Soil conditioners applied:
Mar 25 and Apr 23. Seed drilled: May 5. Basal dressing
applied: May 15. Singled: July 2. Lifted: Oct 12. Previous
crop: Fallow.

Warren Field (W). Hand dug: Jan 27. Soil conditioners applied:
Mar 25 and Apr 23. Seed sown: May 6. Basal dressing applied:
May 15. Singled: June 23. Lifted: Aug 27-Sept 22. Previous crop: Barley.

All fields, Variety: James' Scarlet Intermediate.

Standard errors per plot: Roots: tons per acre
Long Hoos VI (R): 1.21 tons per acre or 4.3% (6 d.f.)
Stackyard (R): 1.51 tons per acre or 6.5% (6 d.f.)
Stackyard (W): 1.24 tons per acre or 13.3%(3 d.f.)
Warren Field (W): 0.82 tons per acre or 6.4% (6 d.f.)

<sup>&</sup>quot;1 row of the Latin square received incorrect treatments.

53/Chi/2.2 Summary of Results Soil conditioners 10 cut per acre active material None C Mean Roots: tons per acre Rothamsted, Long Hoos VI (±0.606) Mean 28.26 28.91 27.13 29.08 28.35 Increase (±0.858) +0.65 -1.13 +0.82 Rothamsted, Stackyard  $(\pm 0.756)$ Mean 23.80 24.93 21.65 23.06 23.36 Increase (±1.069) +1.13 -2.15 -0.74 Woburn, Stackyard  $(\pm 0.761)$ 9.66 Mean 9.38 9.62 8.74 9.35 Increase (±1.077) +0.92 +0.64 +0.88 Woburn, Warren Field  $(\pm 0.410)$ Mean 11.75 12.30 13.75 13.35 12.79 Increase (±0.579) +0.55 +2.00 +1.60 Plant no. Percentage over thousands 12" diameter per acre General means: Woburn, Stackyard 167 50.9 56.6 Woburn, Warren Field 174