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# Yields of the Field Experiments 1954



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#### BARLEY

Methods of harvesting, narrow plots and 2 N levels - Great Harpenden I 1954.

System of replication: Plots harvested along the rows - 2 randomized blocks of 10 plots each; Across the rows 2 randomized blocks of 8 plots each.

Area of each whole plot: 0.0231 acre. Area harvested: Binder - full area. Combine - 0.0164 acre.

Treatments: All combinations of:

N: 0.3; 0.6 cwt N per acre applied as nitrochalk.

Methodsof harvesting: Binder: Whole plot, or plot harvested as half and 2 adjacent quarter plots separately.

Combine: Single cut full length of plot, single cut on half and 2 adjacent quarter plots separately, or single cut full length of plot between blank rows.

Basal dressing: None.

Cultivations, etc.: Ploughed: Nov 13, 1953. Nitrochalk applied: Mar 23, 1954. Seed drilled at 3 bushels per acre: Mar 24. Sprayed with M.C.P.A., low volume, 2 pints per acre: May 19. Harvested: Binder plots - Aug 26, Combine plots - Aug 30. Variety: Herta. Previous crop: Barley.

Standard errors per plot: Grain (at 85% dry matter).
Whole plot: 2.51 ewt per acre or 7.0% (16 d.f.)
Sub plot: 1.17 ewt per acre or 3.1% (14 d.f.)

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### Summary of Results

Grain (at 85% dry matter): Mean 35.6 cwt per acre

Method of Harvest- ing	Harve Along the rows	Across the rows	N: cr acr	wt per re 0.6		arvested	whole	Mean
	(±0.89)		(±0.89)		(1) and (2) (±0.89)			(±0.63)
Binder Combine	37.0 34.4	36.2 33.6	34·4 32·2	38.9 35.9	38.2 35.6	38.2 35.0	35.1 32.8	36.6 34.0
Mean (±0.63)	35•7	35.0	33.3	37.4	36.9(3)	36.6(3)	33.9	35.3

Whole plots. Harvested along the rows by Combine

N: cw	€	
0.3	0.6	Mean
(±1.	77)	(±1.25)

Single cut | 33.2 | 32.8 | 33.0 Area between blank rows | 35.2 | 40.2 | 37.7

- (1) ±0.39 for use in horizontal comparisons (2) ±0.97 for use in all others (3) ±0.28