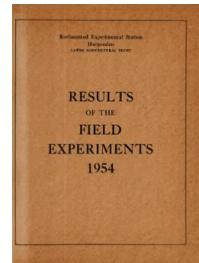


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Fertilizer placement and potash top dressings - Highfield, 5 1954 - the 3rd year.

System of replication: 8 randomised blocks of 8 plots each, a high order interaction being confounded with block differences. After first cut, plots split into two for potash top dressing.

Area of each plot: 0.0136 acre. Area of each sub plot: 0.0068 acre.

Treatments, applied 1952: All combinations of:-

P_2O_5 : None; 1.0 cwt per acre applied as superphosphate.

K_2O : None; 1.0 cwt per acre applied as muriate of potash.

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

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

Applied 1954 to sub plots (after 1st cut):-

None; 1.0 cwt K_2O per acre as muriate of potash.

Basal dressing: None.

Cultivations, etc.: 1st cut: June 8. Applied potash top dressing: June 18. 2nd cut: Aug 15. 3rd cut: Nov 3.

Standard errors per plot. Dry Matter:

1st cut, whole plot:	2.89 cwt per acre or 12.6% (42 d.f.)
2nd cut, whole plot:	2.10 cwt per acre or 10.1% (42 d.f.)
2nd cut, sub plot:	2.18 cwt per acre or 10.5% (48 d.f.)
3rd cut, whole plot:	1.19 cwt per acre or 20.2% (42 d.f.)
3rd cut, sub plot:	0.83 cwt per acre or 14.1% (48 d.f.)
Total of 3 cuts, whole plot:	4.35 cwt per acre or 8.8% (42 d.f.)

Note: For previous year's results see 53/Cg/1 and 52/Cf/1.

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Summary of Results

Dry Matter: cwt per acre

Treatments applied 1952

No ferti- lizer	Superphosphate Broad- cast	Superphosphate Ploughed in	Muriate of Potash Broad- cast	Muriate of Potash Ploughed in	Superphosphate and Muriate of Potash Broad- cast	Superphosphate and Muriate of Potash Ploughed in	Mean
1st cut							
Mean (±1.02)	21.8 ⁽¹⁾	22.2	21.8	23.4	23.5	24.3	24.3
Starter	(±1.02)				(±1.44)		
None	21.3	22.7	19.8	25.1	23.3	24.0	24.7
Super	22.3	21.7	23.9	21.7	23.7	24.6	23.9
Difference (±2.04)	+1.0 ⁽²⁾	-1.0	+4.1	-3.4	+0.4	+0.6	-0.8
					(1) ±0.72		
					{(2) ±1.44}		
2nd cut							
Mean (±0.74)	20.2 ⁽¹⁾	18.7	19.0	22.8	21.5	22.8	21.2
Starter	(±0.74)				(±1.05)		
None	20.1	19.6	20.5	22.0	22.0	21.9	21.0
Super	20.3	17.8	17.5	23.6	20.9	23.7	21.3
Difference (±1.49)	+0.2 ⁽²⁾	-1.8	-3.0	+1.6	-1.1	+1.8	+0.3
K ₂ O ⁺ : cwt per acre	(±0.65) ^x				(±0.92) ^x		
None	19.0	16.6	18.9	20.1	20.2	21.5	19.7
1.0	21.5	20.9	19.1	25.5	22.8	24.1	22.6
Difference (±1.09)	+2.5 ⁽³⁾	+4.3	+0.2	+5.4	+2.6	+2.6	+2.9
					(1) ±0.53 (3) ±0.77		
					{(2) ±1.05 (4) ±0.38}		

^xfor use in comparisons other than vertical.⁺applied June 1954.

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Dry Matter: cwt per acre

Treatments applied 1952

	No ferti- lizer	Superphosphate Broad- cast	Superphosphate Ploughed in	Muriate of Potash Broad- cast	Muriate of Potash Ploughed in	Superphosphate and Muriate of Potash Broad- cast	Superphosphate and Muriate of Potash Ploughed in	Mean
3rd cut								
Mean (± 0.42)	5.2 ⁽¹⁾	4.7	5.4	7.0	6.6	6.3	6.8	5.9
Starter	(± 0.42)				(± 0.60)			
None	4.9	5.4	5.3	6.0	6.3	6.2	7.0	5.8
Super	5.4	4.0	5.5	8.1	6.8	6.4	6.5	6.0
Difference (± 0.84)	+0.5 ⁽²⁾	-1.4	+0.2	+2.1	+0.5	+0.2	-0.5	+0.2 ⁽¹⁾
K_2O : cwt per acre	$(\pm 0.33)^*$				$(\pm 0.47)^*$			
None	4.2	3.2	4.6	6.1	5.2	5.3	5.9	4.8
1.0	6.2	6.1	6.2	8.0	8.0	7.3	7.7	7.0
Difference (± 0.42)	+2.0 ⁽³⁾	+2.9	+1.6	+1.9	+2.8	+2.0	+1.8	+2.2 ⁽⁴⁾
					$(1) \pm 0.30$	$(3) \pm 0.29$		
					$(2) \pm 0.60$	$(4) \pm 0.15$		
Total of 3 cuts								
Mean (± 1.54)	47.2 ⁽¹⁾	45.6	46.3	53.2	51.6	53.4	52.2	49.6
Starter	(± 1.54)				(± 2.18)			
None	46.3	47.7	45.6	53.1	51.7	52.2	52.8	49.5
Super	48.1	43.5	46.9	53.4	51.4	54.7	51.7	49.7
Difference (± 3.08)	+1.8 ⁽²⁾	-4.2	+1.3	+0.3	-0.3	+2.5	-1.1	+0.2 ⁽¹⁾
					$(1) \pm 1.09$			
					$(2) \pm 2.18$			

^{*}for use in comparisons other than vertical

+ applied June 1954.