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GRASS

K and Mg - Rothamsted (R) Sawyers I 1961 the third year and Woburn (W) Stackyard Series C 1961 the second year.

Design: Sawyers I (R): 8 randomised blocks of 9 plots each.
Stackyard Series C (W): 4 randomised blocks of 9 plots each.

Area of each plot (acres):

Sawyers I (R):

Stackyard Series C (W): 0.0011

Area harvested (acres):

0.0050

0.0005

Treatments (applied 1959, 1960 and 1961). All combinations of:Mg: None; 29; 58 lb Mg per acre applied as magnesium sulphate
on Sawyers I (R) and as kieserite (16.3% Mg) on Stackyard
Series C (W).

K: None; 95; 190 lb K per acre (approximately 1; 2 cwt K₂0 per acre) applied as sulphate of potash.

In addition in 1959 magnesium-free calcium carbonate was applied to blocks on Sawyers I (R) at 10; 40 cwt per acre (four blocks at each rate).

Basal dressings per acre:
Sawyers I (R): In seedbed 1961: 1.0 cwt P₂0₅ as triple superphosphate, 0.5 cwt N as sulphate of ammonia. In spring 1961: 0.5 cwt N as sulphate of ammonia. After every cut except the last: 1.0 cwt N as sulphate of ammonia.

Stackyard Series C (W): 1.0 cwt P₂0₅ as triple superphosphate, 1.0 cwt N as ammonium nitrate. After every cut except the last: 1.0 cwt N as ammonium nitrate.

Cultivations, etc.:
Sawyers I (R): Ploughed: Dec 2, 1960. Sulphate of ammonia and triple superphosphate applied: Mar 20, 1961. Magnesium sulphate and sulphate of potash applied: Mar 22. Seed drilled at 39 lb per acre: Mar 26. Sprayed with MCPA/TBA at 4 pints in 40 gallons per acre: May 13. Sulphate of ammonia applied: May 15. Grass cut: Aug 9 and Sept 25. Sulphate of ammonia applied: Aug 10. Variety: S22 Italian ryegrass.

Stackyard Series C (W): Sulphate of potash, kieserite, triple superphosphate and ammonium nitrate applied: Mar 6, 1961. Cut 3 times: Apr 27, June 16, July 31. Ammonium nitrate applied after every cut except the last. Variety: S22 Italian ryegrass.

Note: For details of the previous year's results see "Results of the Field Experiments", 60/Ci/3.

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Standard errors per plot. Grass dry matter

Sawyers I (R)

1.89 cwt per acre or 14.8% (48 d.f.) 1st cut: 2nd cut: 0.91 cwt per acre or 9.5% (48 d.f.) Total of 2 cuts: 2.55 cwt per acre or 11.4% (48 d.f.)

Stackyard Series C (W)

3.34 cwt per acre or 8.1% (24 d.f.) 2.34 cwt per acre or 9.4% (24 d.f.) 1st cut: 2nd cut:

2.34 cwt per acre or 9.4% (24 d.f.)

3rd cut:

0.86 cwt per acre or 11.5% (24 d.f.)

Total of 3 cuts:

5.43 cwt per acre or 7.4% (24 d.f.)

Summary of Results

Sawyers I (R)

Grass, Dry matter: cwt per acre

	K: 1b per acre			Mg: 1b per acre			1
	None	95	190	None	29	58	Mean
Colleium combonata		1st	cut				
Calcium carbonate cwt per acre		(±0.55)*			(±0.55)*		
10 40		14.6 13.7			13.8 12.4		13.2
Diff.	-1.0	-0.9 (±0.77	× × 0.8	-0.6	-1.4 (±0.77)	× * 0.8	-0.9
		K: 1b per acre		(±0.67)			(±0.39)
		None 95 190		13.6	10.1 14.8 14.4	14.0	
	Mean		12.6	13.1 (±0.39	12.7	12.8	

^{*}For use in horizontal and interaction comparisons only. For use only in testing the difference of 2 differences.

Mean dry matter % as cut: 1st cut

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Sawyers I (R)

Grass,	Dry	matter:	cwt	per	acre

K: 1b per acre | Mg: 1b per acre

	in to ber dete							
	None	95	190	None	29	58	Mean	
		2nd cut						
Calcium carbonate cwt per acre	(±0.26)*			(±0.26)*				
10 40		10.4	10.5	9.9 9.7	9.8 9.7	9•4 9•5	9.7 9.6	
Diff.	-0.7	+0.1 (±0.37))*** ^{0.3}	-0.2	-0.1 (±0.37)	** ⁰ •1	-0.1	
		K: 1b per acre		(±0.32)			(±0.19)	
	95		8.1 10.5 10.8	7.9 10.7 10.6		7.8 10.5 10.6		
		Me	ean	9.8	9.7 (±0.19)	9•4	9.6	
		Total or	f 2 cuts	3				
Calcium carbonate cwt per acre		(±0.74	*		(±0.74)	*	*	
10 40	18.5	25.0 24.2		22.8	23.5 22.1		22.9	
Diff.	-1.6	-0.8 (±1.04)* ** °•4	-0.8	-1.4 (±1.04)	*** ^{0.8}	-0.9	
		K: 1b per acre		(±0.90)			(±0.52)	
		No. 9.	ne 5	17.4 24.0 25.7	18.0	17.7	17.7 24.6 25.0	
		Mea	an	22.4	22.8 (±0.52)	22.1	22.4	

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Mean dry matter % as cut: 2nd cut 20.9 Total of 2 cuts 23.1

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Stackyard Series C (W)

Grass, Dry matter: cwt per acre

K: 1b per acre	Mg: 1b per acre None 29 58	Mg: 1b per acre None 29 58	Mean
	1st cut (±1.66)	2nd cut (±0.96) (±1.16)	(±0.68)
None 95 190	38.1 39.3 36.0 44.2 41.0 41.8 42.7 43.1 45.3	37.8 20.7 23.1 23.3 42.3 22.7 25.9 25.9 43.7 26.3 27.5 27.8	22.4 24.8 27.2
Mean	41.7 41.1 41.0 (±0.96)	41.2 23.2 25.5 25.7 (±0.68)	24.7

		3rd cut			Total of 3 cuts				
		(±0.43)		(±0.25)		(±2.71)		(±1.56)	
None 95 190	7.5 7.0 7.8	7•7 6•9 8•3	6.8 7.4 8.0	7•3 7•1 8•0	66.3 73.9 76.7	70.0 73.8 78.8	66.1 75.0 81.1	67.5 74.2 78.9	
Mean	7.4	7.6 (±0.25)	7.4	7•4	72.3	74.2 (±1.56)	74.1	73•5	

Mean dry matter % as cut: 1st cut 27.7 3rd cut 35.3 Total of 3 cuts 25.9