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POTATOES

(70/W/P/3)

Much fertiliser and FYM - Woburn Stackyard C 1970.

Design: 3 blocks of 10 plots.

Area of each plot: 0.0021. Area harvested: 0.0009.

Treatments: FYM, fertilisers and methods of application:
F2DE, F4DE, F2DES, F4DES, F2S, F4S, D2, D4, D2F2DE, D4F2DE.
D2:D4 = 15:30 tons FYM dug in.
F2:F4 = 2 cwt N, 3 cwt P2O5, 3 cwt K2O: 4 cwt N, 6 cwt P2O5,
6 cwt K2O as 'Nitro-Chalk' 21% N and compound fertiliser
(0:20:20).

DE:S:DES= Fertiliser applied deeply: shallowly: half deeply and half shallowly.

Basal applications: 5 cwt Epsom salts. Insecticides: Dimethoate at 4.8 fl oz in 40 gals. Menazon at 0.25 lb in 40 gals on two occasions with fungicide. Fungicide: Captafol ('Sanspor' at 2.5 pts in 40 gals) on two occasions with menazon.

Cultivations, etc.: Ploughed: 11 Nov, 1969. FYM and deeply applied PK applied and dug in: 3 Apr, 1970. Deep N and Mg applied, rotary cultivated twice, shallow N, PK applied and raked in, potatoes planted: 4 May. Ridged up: 19 May. Gaps replanted: 10 June. Dimethoate applied: 17 June. Menazon and fungicide applied: 6 July, 29 July. Lifted: 29 Sept. Variety: Desiree. Previous crops: Fallow 1968 and 1969.

NOTES: (1) Soil samples were taken in the spring for pH determinations.

(2) Leaf samples were taken in July for K analysis.

(3) Plant samples were taken at harvest for N, P and K content, and dry matter determinations.

Standard error per plot.
Total tubers, tons: 0.600 or 2.9% (18 d.f.)

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SUMMARY OF RESULTS

F2DE F4DE F2DES F4DES F2S F4S D2 D4 D2F2DE D4F2DE Mean

TOTAL TUBERS: TONS

(±0.346)

20.87 25.19 20.45 25.43 18.56 21.38 11.98 15.31 24.32 26.20 20.97

% WARE: 1.5 INCH

94.7 96.2 94.6 96.9 96.4 96.2 89.8 93.0 95.9 95.8 95.0