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SIX COURSE ROTATION EXPERIMENT

The 31st and last year

Seasonal effects of fertilisers - Rothamsted Long Hoos IV and Woburn Stackyard 1960.

For history, treatments, etc., see "Details of the Classical and Long Term Experiments" 1956. The experiment is now terminated.

In 1960 the cereals on the Woburn experiment were again combine-harvested the yields being estimated from 2 cuts.

Magnesium test (Woburn only): The 1959 magnesium test on potatoes was repeated in 1960.

Area of each plot (acres): Rothamsted - 0.0250; Woburn - 0.0265.
Area harvested: Rothamsted - full area; Woburn - Sugar beet - full area; Barley, wheat, rye - 0.0190; Potatoes (sub plot) - 0.0095.

Cultivations, etc.:

Rothamsted

Sugar beet.

Ploughed twice: Aug 19 and Nov 27, 1959. Fertilisers applied: Apr 1, 1960. Seed drilled at 19 lb per acre: Apr 6. Sprayed with demeton methyl at 12 fluid oz in 60 gallons per acre: Apr 30. Singled: May 30 - June 1. Lifted: Nov 11. Harvested: Nov 15. Variety: Klein E.

Barley.

Sugar beet tops spread, ground chalk applied at 23 cwt per acre: Nov 17, 1959. Ploughed: Nov 27. Fertilisers applied: Mar 10, 1960. Seed drilled at $2\frac{3}{4}$ bushels per acre: Mar 18. Clover seed undersown: Apr 22. Harvested: Aug 17. Variety: Plumage Archer.

Clover.

Seed undersown in barley at 40 lb per acre: Apr 29, 1959. Autumn fertilisers applied: Oct 3. Sulphate of ammonia applied: Mar 23, 1960. Cut: June 27. Variety: S123 Late Flowering Red.

Wheat.

Ploughed three times: June 23, Aug 11 and Sept 9, 1959. Autumn fertilisers applied: Oct 3. Seed drilled at $2\frac{3}{4}$ bushels per acre: Oct 12. Sulphate of ammonia applied: Mar 23, 1960. Sprayed with CMPP, 6 pints in 40 gallons per acre: Apr 21. Harvested: Aug 5. Variety: Yeoman.

Potatoes.

Ploughed: Aug 19, 1959. Ridged, fertilisers applied: Apr 21, 1960. Potatoes planted: Apr 22. Earthed up: June 20. Sprayed twice with copper fungicide: July 16 and Aug 10. Sprayed with sulphuric acid, 15% BOV at 100 gallons per acre: Aug 31. Haulms destroyed mechanically: Sept 21. Lifted: Oct 6. Variety: Majestic.

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Rye.

Ground chalk applied at 23 cwt per acre: Oct 3, 1959. Ploughed: Oct 7. Autumn fertilisers applied: Oct 12. Seed drilled at 3 bushels per acre: Oct 13. Sulphate of ammonia applied: Mar 23, 1960. Sprayed with CMPP at 6 pints in 40 gallons per acre: Apr 21. Harvested: Aug 5. Variety: King II

Woburn

Sugar beet.

Ploughed twice: Sept 1 and Nov 28, 1959. Fertilisers applied, seed drilled at 13 lb per acre: Apr 13, 1960. Sprayed against flea beetle with miscible DDT at 3 pints in 40 gallons per acre: May 6; and with demeton methyl at 12 oz in 40 gallons per acre: June 1. Singled: May 27 - June 3. Lifted: Oct 7. Variety: Klein E.

Barley.

Ground chalk applied at 18 cwt per acre: Nov 16, 1959. Ploughed: Nov 20. Fertilisers applied: Mar 8, 1960. Seed drilled at 2½ bushels per acre: Mar 14. Sprayed with TOB/MCPA at 4 pints in 40 gallons per acre: May 6. Combine harvested: Aug 13. Variety: Herta.

Clover.

Ground chalk applied at 20 cwt per acre: Sept 1, 1959. Ploughed twice: Sept 2 and Nov 25. Fertilisers applied: Mar 25, 1960. Seed broadcast at 40 lb per acre: Mar 28. Sprayed against weevil and miscible DDT at 3 pints in 40 gallons per acre: May 6. Crop discarded owing to pigeon damage and weed infestation.

Wheat.

Ploughed twice: June 3 and Sept 1, 1959. Autumn fertilisers applied: Oct 19. Seed drilled at 3 bushels per acre: Oct 23. Sulphate of ammonia applied: Mar 28, 1960. Sprayed with CMPP at 5 pints in 40 gallons per acre: Apr 19. Combine harvested: Aug 18. Variety: Yeoman.

Potatoes.

Ploughed twice: Sept 2 and Nov 25, 1959. Ridged, fertilisers applied and potatoes hand planted: Apr 28, 1960. Earthed up: June 14. Sprayed twice with copper fungicide at 5 lb in 40 gallons per acre: July 15 and July 29. Haulms destroyed mechanically: Aug 27. Lifted: Sept 29. Variety: Majestic.

Rye.

Ground chalk applied at 18 cwt per acre: Oct 1, 1959. Ploughed: Oct 2. Fertilisers applied: Oct 19. Seed drilled at 3 bushels per acre: Oct 23. Sulphate of ammonia applied: Mar 25, 1960. Sprayed with CMPP at 6 pints in 40 gallons per acre: Apr 19. Combine harvested: Aug 20. Variety: King II.

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Summary of Results

Mean yields per acre and responses in yield per cwt of N, P₂O₅ and K₂O

| | Rothamsted | Woburn | Rothamsted | Woburn |
|--|------------|--------|---|------------------|
| <u>Sugar Beet, roots (washed):</u> tons per acre | | | <u>Barley, grain:</u> cwt per acre | |
| Mean | 11.13 | 9.42 | 25.6* | 30.1* |
| Response to: N | +5.31 | +4.48 | +8.5 | +16.6 |
| P | +1.40 | -1.35 | -2.5 | -6.0 |
| K | -0.45 | +2.30 | +2.2 | -4.7 |
| Mean dry matter % as harvested: | | | 80.9 | 81.0 |
| <u>Sugar Beet, sugar percentage</u> | | | <u>Barley, straw:</u> cwt per acre | |
| Mean | 16.5 | 16.6 | 28.5* | 23.0* |
| Response to: N | -0.5 | 0.0 | +8.6 | +13.5 |
| P | +0.3 | +0.5 | -1.5 | +2.5 |
| K | +0.7 | +1.4 | -0.4 | +0.8 |
| Mean dry matter % as harvested: | | | 81.9 | 66.2 |
| <u>Sugar Beet, total sugar:</u> cwt per acre | | | <u>Clover, hay, dry matter:</u> cwt per acre | |
| Mean | 36.7 | 31.4 | 19.4 | |
| Response to: N | +16.5 | +14.7 | +18.5 | (Crop discarded) |
| P | +5.3 | -3.7 | -0.9 | |
| K | 0.0 | +10.2 | -0.4 | |
| Mean dry matter % as harvested: | | | 76.0 | |
| <u>Sugar Beet, tops:</u> tons per acre | | | <u>Wheat, grain:</u> cwt per acre | |
| Mean | 7.75 | 6.41 | 34.9* | 27.5* |
| Response to: N | +5.61 | +3.73 | +0.9 | +26.8 |
| P | +0.59 | -3.21 | +1.7 | -0.7 |
| K | -0.01 | +0.79 | -1.0 | +2.5 |
| Mean dry matter % as harvested: | | | 83.0 | 80.3 |
| <u>Sugar Beet, plant number:</u> thousands per acre | | | <u>Wheat, straw:</u> cwt per acre | |
| Mean | 27.6 | ** | 58.9* | 33.2* |
| Response to: N | +1.5 | | -3.7 | +31.5 |
| P | -1.6 | | +5.3 | +3.9 |
| K | +1.8 | | +3.8 | +6.4 |
| Mean dry matter % as harvested: | | | 86.6 | 81.1 |

* (At 85% dry matter).

** Not recorded

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Mean yields per acre and responses in yield per cwt of N, P₂O₅ and K₂O

| | Rothamsted | Woburn | | Rothamsted | Woburn |
|---------------------------------|---|------------------------------|------------|------------------------------------|--------|
| | <u>Potatoes, total tubers:</u> tons per acre | | | <u>Rye, grain:</u> cwt per acre | |
| | | Without Mg | With Mg | | |
| Mean | 12.00 | 9.33 | 10.46 | 26.2* | 28.9* |
| Response to: N | +3.64 | +6.71 | +6.45 | +8.0 | +20.5 |
| P | +0.10 | -2.55 | -1.64 | -0.7 | -4.6 |
| K | +3.54 | -0.31 | +1.74 | -3.2 | -0.9 |
| Mean dry matter % as harvested: | | | | 82.2 | 79.2 |
| | <u>Potatoes, percentage</u> ware | | | <u>Rye, straw:</u> cwt per acre | |
| | (1) | Without ⁽²⁾ Mg | With Mg | | |
| Mean | 91.5 | 81.1 | 83.9 | 38.5* | 29.5* |
| Response to: N | +3.3 | +31.3 | +19.0 | +21.9 | +14.8 |
| P | -7.7 | -9.6 | -5.7 | +4.3 | +2.7 |
| K | +2.8 | +7.8 | +11.3 | -2.3 | -0.6 |
| Mean dry matter % as harvested: | | | | 86.9 | 62.8 |

*(At 85% dry matter)

Riddle: (1) 1½"; (2) 1⅝".

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LEY AND ARABLE ROTATIONS

Highfield and Fosters Field 1960 - the 12th year.

For details of treatments, rotations, etc. see "Details of the Classical and Long Term Experiments" 1956.

Second year lucerne: Three applications of sodium molybdate were made as a foliar spray to small areas before each cut. These areas were harvested separately.
Rate of application: 4 oz of sodium molybdate in 700 gallons per acre, applied to same area for each cut.

In 1960 yields of arable hay, cut grass and silage were estimated (except where otherwise stated in "Cultivations, etc.") from samples cut by a flail action forage harvester. Two sample strips 40" wide were cut from each sub-plot.

Cultivations, etc.:

HIGHFIELD

1st year Treatment Crops

Cut grass. Ploughed twice: Sept 2, 1959 and Feb 16, 1960. Basal PK compound applied; 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Apr 7. Seeds sown at 33 lb per acre: Apr 12. Cut by mower: July 7. Cut 4 times: July 7, Aug 3, Sept 28, Dec 16. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied after every cut except the last.

Grazed ley. Ploughed twice: Sept 2, 1959 and Feb 16, 1960. Basal PK compound applied; 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Apr 7. Seed sown at 44 lb per acre: Apr 12. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: July 20. Grazed: 8 circuits, June 20 - Oct 16.

Lucerne. Ploughed twice: Sept 2, 1959 and Feb 16, 1960. Basal PK compound applied: Apr 7. Seed drilled at 28 lb per acre: Apr 12. Cut twice: July 21, Sept 26. Variety: Du Puits.

Hay. Seeds undersown in barley at 28 lb per acre: Apr 29, 1959. Basal PK compound applied: Jan 18, 1960. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 25. Cut: May 27.

2nd year Treatment Crops

Cut grass. Basal PK compound applied: Jan 18, 1960. Nitrogen and potash applied as compound fertilizer (16% N, 16% K₂O): Apr 4 and after every cut except the last. Cut 5 times: May 18, June 22, Aug 3, Sept 27, Dec 16.

Grazed ley. Basal PK compound applied: Feb 11, 1960. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 30 and July 18. Grazed: 9 circuits, Apr 22 - Oct 4.

Lucerne. Basal PK compound applied: Feb 11, 1960. Molybdenum spray applied 3 times: Apr 28, June 17, Aug 2. Molybdenum strips cut: May 25, July 14, Sept 22. Cut 3 times: May 30, July 15, Sept 24.

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Potatoes. Ploughed 3 times: June 18, Sept 3, 1959 and Feb 16, 1960. Ridged, basal PK compound applied: Apr 25. Sulphate of ammonia and dung applied; potatoes planted: Apr 27. For later cultivations see Potato Test Crop.

3rd year Treatment Crops

Cut grass. Basal PK compound applied: Jan 18, 1960. Nitrogen and potash applied as compound fertilizer (16% N, 16% K₂O): Apr 4, and after every cut, except the last. Cut 4 times: May 19, June 22, Aug 4, Sept 27.
Grazed ley. Basal PK compound applied: Feb 11, 1960. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 30 and July 22. Grazed: 7 circuits, Apr 26 - Sept 18.
Lucerne. Basal PK compound applied: Feb 11, 1960. Cut 3 times: May 30, July 15, Sept 26.
Oats. Ploughed: Oct 8, 1959. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 4. Seed drilled at 3½ bushels per acre with basal PK compound: Mar 5. Sprayed with CMFP at 6 pints in 40 gallons per acre: May 7. Combine harvested: Aug 15.

1st Test Crop, Wheat

Ploughed: Sept 16, 1959. Seed combine drilled at 2¾ bushels per acre with basal PK compound: Oct 14. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Apr 1, 1960. Sprayed with CMFP at 6 pints in 40 gallons per acre: Apr 21. Combine harvested: Aug 23. Variety: Cappelle.

2nd Test Crop, Potatoes

Ploughed twice: Sept 3, 1959 and Feb 16, 1960. Ridged, basal PK compound applied: Apr 25. Sulphate of ammonia, additional P and K and dung applied, potatoes planted: Apr 28. Earthed up: June 21. Sprayed twice with copper fungicide at 5 lb in 40 gallons per acre: July 15 and Aug 10. Sprayed with undiluted BOV at 15 gallons per acre: Sept 13. Haulm destroyed mechanically: Sept 19. Lifted: Oct 14.

3rd Test Crop, Barley

Ground chalk applied to blocks 2 and 3: Oct 7, 1959. Ploughed twice: Oct 8 and Feb 15, 1960. Additional P and K applied: Feb 8. Seed combine drilled at 2½ bushels per acre with basal PK compound: Mar 7. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 8. Sprayed with CMFP at 6 pints in 40 gallons per acre: May 7. Combine harvested: Aug 15. Variety: Proctor.

Permanent grasses. Basal PK compound applied to all plots: Feb 11, 1960.

10th year reseeded, 10th experimental year of permanent grass, Block 9 - 12.

Blocks 10 and 12. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 30, 1960. 2nd dressing of 'Nitro-Chalk' applied to reseeded plots: July 18 and to permanent grass plot: July 20. Grazed: 7 circuits, Apr 30 - Oct 8.

Blocks 9 and 11. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 25, 1960. Cut for silage: May 27. 2nd dressing of 'Nitro-Chalk' applied to permanent grass plots: July 25 and to reseeded plots: July 28. Grazed: 5 circuits, June 28 - Oct 24.

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11th year reseeded, 11th experimental year of permanent grass,

Blocks 5 - 8.

Blocks 7 and 8. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 30, 1960. 2nd dressing of 'Nitro-Chalk' applied to permanent grass plots: July 18, and to reseeded plots: July 20. Grazed: 8 circuits, Apr 22 - Oct 28.

Blocks 5 and 6. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 25, 1960. Cut for silage: May 27. 2nd dressing of 'Nitro-Chalk' applied to permanent grass plots: July 25 and to reseeded plots: July 27. Grazed: 5 circuits, June 24 - Oct 20.

12th year reseeded, 12th experimental year of permanent grass,

Blocks 1 and 3. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 30, 1960. 2nd dressing of 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: July 15. Grazed: Permanent grass plots - 8 circuits, reseeded plots 5 and 6 - 7 circuits each, 31 and 32 - 8 circuits, each; Apr 26 - Oct 28.

Blocks 2 and 4. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 25, 1960. Cut for silage: May 27. 2nd dressing of 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: July 18 - 25. Grazed: Permanent grass plots - 5 circuits, reseeded plots 13 and 14 - 5 circuits each, 39 and 40 - 6 circuits. each; June 20 - Oct 16.

FOSTERS

1st year Treatment Crops

Cut grass. Ploughed twice: Aug 22, 1959 and Feb 11, 1960.

Basal PK compound and 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Apr 7. Seeds sown at 33 lb per acre: Apr 12. Cut by mower: July 7. Cut 4 times: July 7, Aug 3, Sept 27, Dec 16. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied after every cut except the last.

Grazed ley. Ploughed twice: Aug 22, 1959 and Feb 11, 1960.

Basal PK compound and 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Apr 7. Seeds sown at 44 lb per acre: Apr 12. 2nd dressing of 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: July 25. Grazed: 6 circuits, June 18 - Oct 15.

Lucerne. Ploughed twice: Aug 22, 1959 and Feb 11, 1960. Basal PK compound applied: Apr 7. Seeds sown at 28 lb per acre: Apr 12. Cut twice: July 21 and Sept 26.

Hay. Seeds undersown in barley at 28 lb per acre: Apr 29, 1959. Basal PK applied: Jan 19, 1960. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 25. Cut: May 27.

2nd year Treatment Crops

Cut grass. Basal PK compound applied: Jan 19, 1960. Nitrogen and potash applied as compound fertiliser (16% N, 16% K₂O): Apr 2 and after every cut except the last. Cut 5 times: May 18, June 22, Aug 3, Sept 27, Dec 16.

Grazed ley. Basal PK compound applied: Feb 10, 1960. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 28 and July 22. Grazed: 7 circuits, Apr 24 - Oct 7.

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Lucerne. Basal PK compound applied: Feb 10, 1960. Molybdenum spray applied 3 times: Apr 28, June 17, Aug 2. Molybdenum strips cut: May 25, July 14, Sept 22. Cut 3 times: May 30, July 14, Sept 26.

Potatoes. Ploughed three times: June 18 and Aug 22, 1959, Feb 11, 1960. Ridged, basal PK compound applied: Apr 25. Sulphate of ammonia applied: Apr 26. Dung applied and potatoes planted: Apr 27. For later cultivations see Potato Test Crop.

3rd year Treatment Crops

Cut grass. Basal PK compound applied: Jan 19, 1960. Nitrogen and potash applied as compound fertiliser (16% N, 16% K₂O): Apr 2 and after every cut except the last. Cut 4 times: May 18, June 22, Aug 3, Sept 26.

Grazed ley. Basal PK compound applied: Feb 10, 1960. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 28 and July 27. Grazed: 5 circuits, Apr 23 - Sept 17.

Lucerne. Basal PK compound applied: Feb 10, 1960. Cut 3 times: May 30, July 14, Sept 26.

Oats. Ploughed twice: Oct 8, 1959, Feb 10, 1960. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 4. Seed drilled at 3½ bushels per acre with basal PK compound: Mar 5. Sprayed with TCB/MCPA at 4 pints in 40 gallons per acre: May 6. Combine harvested: Aug 15. Variety: Sun II.

1st Test Crop, Wheat

Ploughed: Sept 15, 1959. Seed drilled at 2¾ bushels per acre, with basal PK compound: Oct 14. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Apr 1, 1960. Sprayed with CMFP at 6 pints in 40 gallons per acre: Apr 21. Combine harvested: Aug 28. Variety: Cappelle.

2nd Test Crop, Potatoes

Ploughed twice: Aug 22, 1959 and Feb 11, 1960. Ridged, basal PK compound applied: Apr 25. Dung, additional P and K and sulphate of ammonia applied, potatoes planted: Apr 27. Earthed up: June 21. Sprayed twice with copper fungicide at 5 lb in 40 gallons per acre: July 16 and Aug 10. Sprayed with undiluted BOV at 15 gallons per acre: Sept 13. Haulm destroyed mechanically: Sept 20. Lifted: Oct 17. Variety: Majestic.

3rd Test Crop, Barley

Ploughed twice: Oct 8, 1959 and Feb 10, 1960. Part of additional P and K applied: Jan 20, 1960; remainder: Feb 10. Seed drilled at 2½ bushels per acre with basal PK compound: Mar 5. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 8. Sprayed with TCB/MCPA at 4 pints in 40 gallons per acre: May 6. Combine harvested: Aug 13. Variety: Proctor.

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Permanent grasses. Basal PK compound applied to all plots:

Feb 10, 1960.

10th year reseeded grass, Blocks 6, 10, 11, 12.

Blocks 6 and 10. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 28 and July 28, 1960.

Grazed: 6 circuits, May 1 - Oct 11.

Blocks 11 and 12. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 28, 1960. Cut for silage: May 27. 2nd dressing of 'Nitro-Chalk' applied:

Aug 2. Grazed: 4 circuits, June 24 - Oct 23.

11th year reseeded grass, Blocks 5, 7, 8, 9.

Blocks 5 and 9. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 28 and July 18 - 25, 1960. Grazed: Plots 47 and 48 - 8 circuits, Plots 81 and 82 - 7 circuits, Apr 23 - Oct 7.

Blocks 7 and 8. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 28, 1960. Cut for silage: May 27. 2nd dressing of 'Nitro-Chalk' applied:

July 25. Grazed: 5 circuits, June 22 - Oct 19.

12th year reseeded grass, Blocks 1 - 4.

Blocks 1 and 2. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 28 and July 18 - 28, 1960. Grazed: Plots 7 and 8 - 8 circuits; plots 13 and 14 - 7 circuits, Apr 23 - Oct 27.

Blocks 3 and 4. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 28, 1960. Cut for silage: May 27. 2nd dressing of 'Nitro-Chalk' applied:

July 22. Grazed: 5 circuits, June 20 - Oct 15.

Standard errors per plot. **Test Crops.**

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Wheat, grain (at 85% dry matter). | Highfield: | 3.27 cwt per acre or 6.7% (14 d.f.) |
| | Fosters: | 2.10 cwt per acre or 4.6% (14 d.f.) |
| Potatoes, total tubers. | Highfield $\frac{1}{4}$ plot: | 1.135 tons per acre or 5.6% (14 d.f.) |
| | $\frac{1}{8}$ plot: | 0.974 tons per acre or 4.9% (20 d.f.) |
| | Fosters $\frac{1}{4}$ plot: | 0.946 tons per acre or 4.9% (14 d.f.) |
| | $\frac{1}{8}$ plot: | 0.713 tons per acre or 3.7% (20 d.f.) |
| Barley, grain (at 85% dry matter). | Highfield: | 2.07 cwt per acre or 4.4% (15 d.f.) |
| | Fosters: | 2.06 cwt per acre or 4.4% (15 d.f.) |

Errata to 'Results of the Field Experiments' 1959 pages 59/Bb/1.14 and 1.15.

Barley Fosters. N x Treatment crops 1954 - 56 table:-

Levels of N: cwt per acre should read '0.2 not 'None
0.4' 0.2'

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Summary of Results

Wheat 1st test crop

| N: cwt per acre | Treatment crops 1957 - 1959 | | | | Mean |
|--|-----------------------------|------|-----------|-----------------|------------------------|
| | Lucerne | Ley | Cut grass | Arable with hay | |
| <u>Grain (at 85% dry matter): cwt per acre</u> | | | | | |
| <u>Highfield</u> | | | | | |
| Mean | 53.6 | 52.8 | 41.9 | 48.6 | 49.2 |
| To test crop | | | | | |
| 0.3 | 51.8 | 51.6 | 40.2 | 44.3 | 47.0 |
| 0.6 | 55.4 | 54.1 | 43.6 | 52.9 | 51.5 |
| Difference (± 2.31) | +3.6 | +2.5 | +3.4 | +8.6 | +4.5 (± 1.16) |
| To treatment crops | | | | | |
| Single rate | | 53.3 | 41.2 | 45.9 | 46.8 |
| Double rate | | 52.4 | 42.6 | 51.3 | 48.8 |
| Difference (± 2.31) | | -0.9 | +1.4 | +5.4 | +2.0 (± 1.34) |
| <u>Fosters</u> | | | | | |
| Mean | 52.4 | 44.9 | 43.2 | 42.0 | 45.7 |
| To test crop | | | | | |
| 0.3 | 51.5 | 44.5 | 41.6 | 38.3 | 44.0 |
| 0.6 | 53.4 | 45.4 | 44.9 | 45.8 | 47.4 |
| Difference (± 1.49) | +1.9 | +0.9 | +3.3 | +7.5 | +3.4 (± 0.74) |
| To treatment crops | | | | | |
| Single rate | | 45.5 | 43.3 | 42.0 | 43.6 |
| Double rate | | 44.4 | 43.2 | 42.1 | 43.2 |
| Difference (± 1.49) | | -1.1 | -0.1 | +0.1 | -0.4 (± 0.86) |

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Wheat 1st test crop

| N: cwt per acre | Excluding Lucerne N to previous treatment crop | | | Arable with hay only Dung to potatoes 1958: tons per acre | | |
|-----------------|--|----------------|------|--|----|------|
| | Single rate | Double rate | Mean | None | 12 | Mean |

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

Highfield

| | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------|------|---------|---------|------|---------|
| To test crop | (±1.34) | | (±0.94) | (±2.31) | | (±1.64) |
| 0.3 | 43.9 | 46.9 | 45.4 | 44.2 | 44.4 | 44.3 |
| 0.6 | 49.7 | 50.6 | 50.2 | 52.8 | 52.9 | 52.9 |
| Mean | 46.8 | 48.8 | 47.8 | | | |
| | (±0.94) | | | | | |
| To previous treatment crops | | | | (±2.31) | | (±1.64) |
| Single rate | | | | 45.2 | 46.6 | 45.9 |
| Double rate | | | | 51.9 | 50.8 | 51.3 |
| Mean | | | | 48.5 | 48.7 | 48.6 |
| | | | | (±1.64) | | |

Mean dry matter % as harvested: 81.1

Fosters

| | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------|------|---------|---------|------|---------|
| To test crop | (±0.86) | | (±0.61) | (±1.49) | | (±1.05) |
| 0.3 | 41.2 | 41.7 | 41.5 | 38.4 | 38.1 | 38.3 |
| 0.6 | 45.9 | 44.8 | 45.3 | 45.9 | 45.7 | 45.8 |
| Mean | 43.6 | 43.2 | 43.4 | | | |
| | (±0.61) | | | | | |
| To previous treatment crops | | | | (±1.49) | | (±1.05) |
| Single rate | | | | 43.1 | 40.9 | 42.0 |
| Double rate | | | | 41.3 | 42.9 | 42.1 |
| Mean | | | | 42.2 | 41.9 | 42.0 |
| | | | | (±1.05) | | |

Mean dry matter % as harvested: 79.7

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Wheat 1st test crop

| N: cwt per acre | Treatment crops 1957 - 1959 | | | | Mean |
|--|-----------------------------|-----|-----------|-----------------|------|
| | Lucerne | Ley | Cut grass | Arable with hay | |
| <u>Straw (at 85% dry matter): cwt per acre</u> | | | | | |

Highfield

| | | | | | |
|--------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Mean | 51.0 | 45.7 | 35.1 | 41.0 | 43.2 |
| To test crop | | | | | |
| 0.3 | 49.8 | 44.2 | 33.6 | 36.8 | 41.1 |
| 0.6 | 52.2 | 47.3 | 36.6 | 45.2 | 45.3 |
| Difference | +2.4 | +3.1 | +3.0 | +8.4 | +4.2 |
| To treatment crops | | | | | |
| Single rate | | 45.4 | 36.0 | 39.0 | 40.1 |
| Double rate | | 46.0 | 34.2 | 43.0 | 41.0 |
| Difference | | +0.6 | -1.8 | +4.0 | +0.9 |

Fosters

| | | | | | |
|--------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Mean | 38.3 | 29.2 | 26.5 | 27.1 | 30.3 |
| To test crop | | | | | |
| 0.3 | 38.7 | 27.5 | 25.9 | 23.3 | 28.9 |
| 0.6 | 37.9 | 30.9 | 27.2 | 30.9 | 31.7 |
| Difference | -0.8 | +3.4 | +1.3 | +7.6 | +2.8 |
| To treatment crops | | | | | |
| Single rate | | 29.0 | 27.0 | 27.3 | 27.8 |
| Double rate | | 29.4 | 26.1 | 26.9 | 27.4 |
| Difference | | +0.4 | -0.9 | -0.4 | -0.4 |

60/B/2.9

Wheat 1st test crop

| N: cwt per acre | Excluding Lucerne N to previous treatment crop | | | Arable with hay only Dung to potatoes 1958: tons per acre | | |
|-----------------|--|----------------|------|--|----|------|
| | Single rate | Double rate | Mean | None | 12 | Mean |

Straw (at 85% dry matter): cwt per acre

Highfield

| | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| To test crop | | | | | | |
| 0.3 | 38.2 | 38.1 | 38.2 | 35.4 | 38.1 | 36.8 |
| 0.6 | 42.1 | 43.9 | 43.0 | 43.9 | 46.5 | 45.2 |
| Mean | 40.1 | 41.0 | 40.6 | | | |
| To previous treatment crop | | | | | | |
| Single rate | | | | 37.6 | 40.4 | 39.0 |
| Double rate | | | | 41.8 | 44.3 | 43.0 |
| Mean | | | | 39.7 | 42.3 | 41.0 |

Mean dry matter % as harvested: 66.2

Fosters

| | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| To test crop | | | | | | |
| 0.3 | 25.1 | 26.0 | 25.6 | 22.2 | 24.5 | 23.3 |
| 0.6 | 30.4 | 28.9 | 29.6 | 29.8 | 32.0 | 30.9 |
| Mean | 27.8 | 27.4 | 27.6 | | | |
| To previous treatment crop | | | | | | |
| Single rate | | | | 26.9 | 27.8 | 27.3 |
| Double rate | | | | 25.1 | 28.8 | 26.9 |
| Mean | | | | 26.0 | 28.3 | 27.1 |

Mean dry matter % as harvested: 85.5

60/B/2.10

Potatoes 2nd test crop. Total tubers: tons per acre

| | Treatment crops 1956-1958 | | | | Mean |
|--|---------------------------|-------|--------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| | Lucerne | Ley | Cut Grass | Arable with hay | |
| | <u>Highfield</u> | | | | |
| Mean | 21.13 | 20.59 | 20.28 | 18.35 | 20.09 |
| N: cwt per acre | | | | | |
| 0.5 | 20.85 | 20.25 | 20.16 | 17.98 | 19.81 |
| 1.0 | 21.41 | 20.93 | 20.41 | 18.71 | 20.36 |
| Difference (± 0.802) | +0.56 | +0.68 | +0.25 | +0.73 | +0.55 (± 0.401) |
| Dung: tons per acre | | | | | |
| None | 19.88 | 20.05 | 19.62 | 16.41 | 18.99 |
| 12 | 22.38 | 21.13 | 20.94 | 20.28 | 21.18 |
| Difference (± 0.802) | +2.50 | +1.08 | +1.32 | +3.87 | +2.19 (± 0.401) |
| P ₂₅ ⁰ : cwt per acre* | | | | | |
| 0.9 | 21.25 | 20.81 | 20.35 | 18.10 | 20.13 |
| 1.8 | 21.01 | 20.36 | 20.21 | 18.59 | 20.04 |
| Difference (± 0.487) | -0.24 | -0.45 | -0.14 | +0.49 | -0.09 (± 0.244) |
| K ₂₀ : cwt per acre* | | | | | |
| 0.9 | 21.13 | 20.47 | 20.44 | 17.56 | 19.90 |
| 1.8 | 21.13 | 20.70 | 20.12 | 19.13 | 20.27 |
| Difference (± 0.487) | 0.0 | +0.23 | -0.32 | +1.57 | +0.37 (± 0.244) |
| | <u>Fosters</u> | | | | |
| Mean | 19.59 | 19.57 | 19.36 | 18.63 | 19.28 |
| N: cwt per acre | | | | | |
| 0.5 | 19.15 | 19.36 | 19.33 | 18.38 | 19.06 |
| 1.0 | 20.02 | 19.77 | 19.38 | 18.88 | 19.51 |
| Difference (± 0.669) | +0.87 | +0.41 | +0.05 | +0.50 | +0.45 (± 0.334) |
| Dung: tons per acre | | | | | |
| None | 18.61 | 18.57 | 18.83 | 17.08 | 18.27 |
| 12 | 20.56 | 20.56 | 19.88 | 20.19 | 20.30 |
| Difference (± 0.669) | +1.95 | +1.99 | +1.05 | +3.11 | +2.03 (± 0.334) |
| P ₂₅ ⁰ : cwt per acre* | | | | | |
| 0.9 | 19.68 | 19.10 | 19.11 | 18.43 | 19.08 |
| 1.8 | 19.49 | 20.03 | 19.60 | 18.83 | 19.49 |
| Difference (± 0.356) | -0.19 | +0.93 | +0.49 | +0.40 | +0.41 (± 0.178) |
| K ₂₀ : cwt per acre* | | | | | |
| 0.9 | 19.42 | 19.73 | 18.96 | 18.35 | 19.11 |
| 1.8 | 19.75 | 19.41 | 19.75 | 18.91 | 19.46 |
| Difference (± 0.356) | +0.33 | -0.32 | +0.79 | +0.56 | +0.35 (± 0.178) |

*Including basal dressing

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Potatoes 2nd test crop. Total tubers: tons per acre

| | Dung: tons per acre | P ₂ O ₅ : cwt* per acre | K ₂ O: cwt* per acre |
|---------------------|------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| | None 12 | 0.9 1.8 | 0.9 1.8 |
| <u>Highfield</u> | | | |
| N: cwt per acre | (±0.401) | (1) and (2) | (1) and (2) |
| 0.5 | 18.44 21.18 | 19.84 19.78 | 19.65 19.97 |
| 1.0 | 19.54 21.18 | 20.41 20.31 | 20.15 20.57 |
| Dung: tons per acre | | (1) and (2) | (1) and (2) |
| None | | 19.02 18.96 | 18.61 19.37 |
| 12 | | 21.23 21.13 | 21.19 21.17 |

| <u>Lucerne rotation only</u> | K ₂ O: cwt per acre* | | Mean |
|---|---------------------------------|-------|-------|
| | 0.9 | 1.8 | |
| P ₂ O ₅ : cwt per acre* | (3) and (4) | | |
| 0.9 | 21.07 | 21.42 | 21.25 |
| 1.8 | 21.19 | 20.84 | 21.01 |
| Mean | 21.13 | 21.13 | 21.13 |

| | Dung: tons per acre | P ₂ O ₅ : cwt* per acre | K ₂ O: cwt* per acre |
|--|------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| | None 12 | 0.9 1.8 | 0.9 1.8 |

| <u>Fosters</u> | | | |
|---------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| N: cwt per acre | (±0.334) | (1) and (2) | (1) and (2) |
| 0.5 | 17.78 20.33 | 18.78 19.33 | 19.03 19.08 |
| 1.0 | 18.77 20.26 | 19.38 19.65 | 19.20 19.83 |
| Dung: tons per acre | | (1) and (2) | (1) and (2) |
| None | | 17.95 18.59 | 17.73 18.81 |
| 12 | | 20.21 20.39 | 20.50 20.10 |

| <u>Lucerne rotation only</u> | K ₂ O: cwt per acre* | | Mean |
|---|---------------------------------|-------|-------|
| | 0.9 | 1.8 | |
| P ₂ O ₅ : cwt per acre* | (3) and (4) | | |
| 0.9 | 19.50 | 19.86 | 19.68 |
| 1.8 | 19.35 | 19.64 | 19.49 |
| Mean | 19.42 | 19.75 | 19.59 |

*Including basal dressing

| <u>Highfield</u> | <u>Fosters</u> | |
|------------------|----------------|--|
| (1) ±0.244 | (1) ±0.178 | for use in horizontal and interaction comparisons. |
| (2) ±0.332 | (2) ±0.268 | for use in all others. |
| (3) ±0.802 | (3) ±0.669 | for use only in testing the FK interaction. |
| (4) ±0.664 | (4) ±0.536 | for use in all other comparisons. |

60/B/2.12

Potatoes 2nd test crop. Percentage ware ($1\frac{1}{2}$ " riddle)

| | Treatment crops 1956-1958 | | | | Mean |
|---|---------------------------|------|--------------|--------------------|------|
| | Lucerne | Ley | Cut Grass | Arable with hay | |
| <u>Highfield</u> | | | | | |
| Mean | 94.5 | 94.4 | 93.6 | 94.2 | 94.2 |
| N: cwt per acre | | | | | |
| 0.5 | 94.3 | 94.2 | 93.9 | 94.3 | 94.2 |
| 1.0 | 94.8 | 94.6 | 93.3 | 94.0 | 94.2 |
| Difference | +0.5 | +0.4 | -0.6 | -0.3 | 0.0 |
| Dung: tons per acre | | | | | |
| None | 94.1 | 93.7 | 92.8 | 93.1 | 93.4 |
| 12 | 94.9 | 95.1 | 94.4 | 95.2 | 94.9 |
| Difference | +0.8 | +1.4 | +1.6 | +2.1 | +1.5 |
| P ₂ O ₅ : cwt per acre* | | | | | |
| 0.9 | 95.0 | 94.8 | 93.7 | 94.6 | 94.5 |
| 1.8 | 94.1 | 94.1 | 93.5 | 93.7 | 93.8 |
| Difference | -0.9 | -0.7 | -0.2 | -0.9 | -0.7 |
| K ₂ O: cwt per acre* | | | | | |
| 0.9 | 94.2 | 93.7 | 93.3 | 93.4 | 93.7 |
| 1.8 | 94.8 | 95.2 | 93.8 | 95.0 | 94.7 |
| Difference | +0.6 | +1.5 | +0.5 | +1.6 | +1.0 |
| <u>Fosters</u> | | | | | |
| Mean | 95.2 | 95.5 | 95.7 | 94.7 | 95.3 |
| N: cwt per acre | | | | | |
| 0.5 | 95.2 | 94.9 | 96.0 | 94.9 | 95.2 |
| 1.0 | 95.2 | 96.2 | 95.3 | 94.6 | 95.3 |
| Difference | 0.0 | +1.3 | -0.7 | -0.3 | +0.1 |
| Dung: tons per acre | | | | | |
| None | 95.3 | 95.6 | 95.8 | 94.7 | 95.4 |
| 12 | 95.1 | 95.5 | 95.6 | 94.7 | 95.2 |
| Difference | -0.2 | -0.1 | -0.2 | 0.0 | -0.2 |
| P ₂ O ₅ : cwt per acre* | | | | | |
| 0.9 | 95.2 | 95.3 | 95.8 | 94.9 | 95.3 |
| 1.8 | 95.2 | 95.8 | 95.5 | 94.6 | 95.3 |
| Difference | 0.0 | +0.5 | -0.3 | -0.3 | 0.0 |
| K ₂ O: cwt per acre* | | | | | |
| 0.9 | 95.0 | 95.4 | 95.8 | 94.2 | 95.1 |
| 1.8 | 95.4 | 95.7 | 95.6 | 95.3 | 95.5 |
| Difference | +0.4 | +0.3 | -0.2 | +1.1 | +0.4 |

*Including basal dressing

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Potatoes 2nd test crop. Percentage ware (1½" riddle)

| | Dung: tons per acre | | P ₂ O ₅ : cwt per acre* | | K ₂ O: cwt per acre* | |
|---|------------------------|------|--|------|------------------------------------|------|
| | None | 12 | 0.9 | 1.8 | 0.9 | 1.8 |
| <u>Highfield</u> | | | | | | |
| N: cwt per acre | | | | | | |
| 0.5 | 93.4 | 95.0 | 94.5 | 93.8 | 93.5 | 94.8 |
| 1.0 | 93.5 | 94.9 | 94.5 | 93.8 | 93.8 | 94.6 |
| Dung: tons per acre | | | | | | |
| None | | | 93.9 | 92.9 | 92.6 | 94.2 |
| 12 | | | 95.1 | 94.8 | 94.7 | 95.2 |
| <u>Lucerne rotation only</u> | | | K ₂ O: cwt per acre* | | | |
| | | | 0.9 | 1.8 | Mean | |
| P ₂ O ₅ : cwt per acre* | | | | | | |
| 0.9 | | | 94.7 | 95.3 | 95.0 | |
| 1.8 | | | 93.7 | 94.4 | 94.1 | |
| Mean | | | 94.2 | 94.8 | 94.5 | |
| | Dung: tons per acre | | P ₂ O ₅ : cwt per acre* | | K ₂ O: cwt per acre* | |
| | None | 12 | 0.9 | 1.8 | 0.9 | 1.8 |
| <u>Fosters</u> | | | | | | |
| N: cwt per acre | | | | | | |
| 0.5 | 95.2 | 95.3 | 95.5 | 95.0 | 94.9 | 95.5 |
| 1.0 | 95.5 | 95.2 | 95.1 | 95.6 | 95.2 | 95.5 |
| Dung: tons per acre | | | | | | |
| None | | | 95.4 | 95.3 | 95.2 | 95.5 |
| 12 | | | 95.2 | 95.2 | 94.9 | 95.5 |
| <u>Lucerne rotation only</u> | | | K ₂ O: cwt per acre* | | | |
| | | | 0.9 | 1.8 | Mean | |
| P ₂ O ₅ : cwt per acre* | | | | | | |
| 0.9 | | | 94.7 | 95.6 | 95.2 | |
| 1.8 | | | 95.2 | 95.2 | 95.2 | |
| Mean | | | 95.0 | 95.4 | 95.2 | |

*Including basal dressing

60/B/2.14

Barley 3rd test crop. Grain (at 85% dry matter): cwt per acre

| | Treatment crops 1955-1957 | | | | Mean |
|---|---------------------------|------------------|-----------|-----------------|------------------------|
| | Lucerne | Ley | Cut Grass | Arable with hay | |
| <u>Highfield</u> | | | | | |
| Mean | 47.5 | 43.6 | 48.6 | 49.1 | 47.2 |
| N: cwt per acre | | | | | |
| None | 50.4 | 44.5 | 48.7 | 47.1 | 47.6 |
| 0.2 | 44.7 | 42.7 | 48.5 | 51.2 | 46.8 |
| Difference (± 1.46) | -5.7 | -1.8 | -0.2 | +4.1 | -0.8 (± 0.73) |
| Dung to potatoes 1959: tons per acre | | | | | |
| None | 48.3 | 42.5 | 48.8 | 48.6 | 47.0 |
| 12 | 46.7 | 44.7 | 48.4 | 49.7 | 47.4 |
| Difference (± 1.46) | -1.6 | +2.2 | -0.4 | +1.1 | +0.4 (± 0.73) |
| <u>Fosters</u> | | | | | |
| Mean | 47.4 | 46.5 | 45.4 | 46.1 | 46.4 |
| N: cwt per acre | | | | | |
| 0.2 | 45.4 | 44.0 | 44.8 | 44.4 | 44.6 |
| 0.4 | 49.5 | 48.9 | 45.9 | 47.9 | 48.1 |
| Difference (± 1.46) | +4.1 | +4.9 | +1.1 | +3.5 | +3.5 (± 0.73) |
| Dung to potatoes 1959: tons per acre | | | | | |
| None | 46.8 | 46.1 | 44.1 | 46.5 | 45.9 |
| 12 | 48.1 | 46.8 | 46.7 | 45.8 | 46.8 |
| Difference (± 1.46) | +1.3 | +0.7 | +2.6 | -0.7 | +0.9 (± 0.73) |
| | | <u>Highfield</u> | | <u>Fosters</u> | |
| | | N: cwt per acre | | N: cwt per acre | |
| | | None | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.4 |
| Dung to potatoes 1959: tons per acre | | (± 0.73) | | (± 0.72) | |
| None | | 46.8 | 47.2 | 44.2 | 47.6 |
| 12 | | 48.4 | 46.3 | 45.1 | 48.6 |
| Mean dry matter % as harvested: | | | | | |
| Highfield: 77.0 | | | | | |
| Fosters: 79.5 | | | | | |

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Barley 3rd test crop. Straw (at 85% dry matter): cwt per acre

| | Treatment crops 1955-1957 | | | | Mean |
|---|---------------------------|------|-----------|-----------------|------|
| | Lucerne | Ley | Cut Grass | Arable with hay | |
| | <u>Highfield</u> | | | | |
| Mean | 37.3 | 38.6 | 34.9 | 32.3 | 35.8 |
| N: cwt per acre | | | | | |
| None | 35.3 | 36.6 | 33.6 | 29.2 | 33.7 |
| 0.2 | 39.4 | 40.5 | 36.1 | 35.4 | 37.9 |
| Difference | +4.1 | +3.9 | +2.5 | +6.2 | +4.2 |
| Dung to potatoes 1959: tons per acre | | | | | |
| None | 35.1 | 38.6 | 33.7 | 31.2 | 34.6 |
| 12 | 39.6 | 38.5 | 36.1 | 33.4 | 36.9 |
| Difference | +4.5 | -0.1 | +2.4 | +2.2 | +2.3 |
| | <u>Fosters</u> | | | | |
| Mean | 33.9 | 32.2 | 31.0 | 33.0 | 32.5 |
| N: cwt per acre | | | | | |
| 0.2 | 31.9 | 30.4 | 27.8 | 30.8 | 30.2 |
| 0.4 | 36.0 | 34.1 | 34.2 | 35.2 | 34.9 |
| Difference | +4.1 | +3.7 | +6.4 | +4.4 | +4.7 |
| Dung to potatoes 1959: tons per acre | | | | | |
| None | 33.7 | 31.0 | 29.3 | 31.8 | 31.5 |
| 12 | 34.2 | 33.4 | 32.7 | 34.1 | 33.6 |
| Difference | +0.5 | +2.4 | +3.4 | +2.3 | +2.1 |

| | <u>Highfield</u> | | <u>Fosters</u> | |
|---|------------------|------|----------------|------|
| | N: cwt per acre | | | |
| | None | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.4 |
| Dung to potatoes 1959: tons per acre | | | | |
| None | 32.5 | 36.8 | 28.7 | 34.2 |
| 12 | 34.8 | 38.9 | 31.7 | 35.5 |

Mean dry matter % as harvested:
 Highfield: 88.5
 Fosters: 85.0

60/B/2.16

Treatment crops Arable and Hay rotation
(values based on mean of 2 sub plots only)

| | Highfield | | | Mean | Fosters | | |
|--|---------------------------------|-------------|-------|-------|---------------------------------|-------------|------|
| | N: cwt per acre applied in 1960 | | Mean | | N: cwt per acre applied in 1960 | | Mean |
| | Single rate | Double rate | | | Single rate | Double rate | |
| <u>Hay (dry matter): cwt per acre</u> | | | | | | | |
| No dung | 43.1 | 48.9 | 46.0 | 31.9 | 40.3 | 36.1 | |
| Dung in 1958 | 47.6 | 49.4 | 48.5 | 33.8 | 39.5 | 36.6 | |
| Mean | 45.4 | 49.1 | 47.2 | 32.9 | 39.9 | 36.4 | |
| <u>Potatoes, total tubers: tons per acre</u> | | | | | | | |
| No dung | 18.61 | 18.04 | 18.32 | 18.51 | 18.68 | 18.60 | |
| Dung in 1960 | 20.14 | 19.80 | 19.97 | 20.97 | 20.38 | 20.68 | |
| Mean | 19.38 | 18.92 | 19.15 | 19.74 | 19.53 | 19.64 | |
| <u>Potatoes, percentage ware (1½" riddle)</u> | | | | | | | |
| No dung | 95.1 | 93.6 | 94.4 | 94.5 | 95.0 | 94.8 | |
| Dung in 1960 | 96.2 | 96.4 | 96.2 | 94.2 | 94.4 | 94.3 | |
| Mean | 95.6 | 95.0 | 95.3 | 94.4 | 94.7 | 94.5 | |
| <u>Oats</u> | | | | | | | |
| | None | 0.2 | | 0.2 | 0.4 | | |
| <u>Grain (at 85% dry matter): cwt per acre</u> | | | | | | | |
| No dung | 33.6 | 34.4 | 34.0 | 37.6 | 42.8 | 40.2 | |
| Dung in 1959 | 38.7 | 37.3 | 38.0 | 38.7 | 41.4 | 40.1 | |
| Mean | 36.2 | 35.9 | 36.0 | 38.2 | 42.1 | 40.1 | |
| <u>Straw (at 85% dry matter): cwt per acre</u> | | | | | | | |
| No dung | 28.8 | 27.8 | 28.3 | 27.2 | 33.4 | 30.4 | |
| Dung in 1959 | 34.8 | 33.2 | 34.0 | 28.9 | 32.1 | 30.5 | |
| Mean | 31.8 | 30.5 | 31.2 | 28.1 | 32.8 | 30.4 | |

Highfield, Oats, Mean dry matter % as harvested Grain: 73.8 Straw: 76.8
Fosters, Oats, Mean dry matter % as harvested Grain: 79.2 Straw: 73.8

Cut grass. Dry matter: cwt per acre

| | Highfield | | Mean | Fosters | | Mean |
|-----------------------------|--|--|------|--|--|------|
| | N to previous 3 test crops Single rate Double rate | Dung to potatoes 1958: tons per acre None 12 | | N to previous 3 test crops Single rate Double rate | Dung to potatoes 1958: tons per acre None 12 | |
| 1st year | | | | | | |
| N (1) to cut grass (4 cuts) | | | | | | |
| Single rate | 63.1 | 60.5 | 60.6 | 56.4 | 53.4 | 55.8 |
| Double rate | 66.1 | 63.8 | 66.1 | 61.5 | 61.1 | 62.0 |
| N to test crops | | | | | | |
| Single rate | | 63.0 | 64.6 | | 57.4 | 58.9 |
| Double rate | | 61.2 | 62.1 | | 57.0 | 59.0 |
| Mean | | 62.1 | 63.4 | | 57.2 | 58.9 |
| | Highfield | | Mean | Fosters | | Mean |
| | N to cut grass (1) Single rate Double rate | Dung to potatoes 1958: tons per acre None 12 | | N to cut grass (1) Single rate Double rate | Dung to potatoes 1958: tons per acre None 12 | |
| 2nd year (5 cuts) | 66.8 | 78.9 | | 51.7 | 70.4 | 61.0 |
| 3rd year (4 cuts) | 51.1 | 62.7 | | 47.4 | 67.6 | 57.5 |

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Lucerne. Dry Matter: cwt per acre

| 1st year (2 cuts) | Highfield | | | Fosters | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|------|----------------------------------|------|-------|
| | N to 3 previous test crops | | Mean | N to 3 previous test crops | | Mean |
| Single rate | Double rate | Single rate | | Double rate | | |
| Dung to potatoes 1958 | | | | | | |
| None | 42.1 | 47.4 | 44.7 | 44.0 | 58.3 | 51.1 |
| 12 tons | 41.6 | 54.0 | 47.8 | 44.7 | 44.0 | 44.3 |
| Mean | 41.9 | 50.7 | 46.3 | 44.3 | 51.1 | 47.7 |
| <u>2nd year</u> (3 cuts) | | | 94.2 | | | 115.9 |
| <u>3rd year</u> (3 cuts) | | | 80.0 | | | 117.4 |

Grazed Ley. Dry matter: cwt per acre (estimated from sample cuts)

| | Highfield | | | Fosters | | |
|----------|-----------------------------|------|------|-----------------------------|------|------|
| | N: cwt per acre (yearly) | | Mean | N: cwt per acre (yearly) | | Mean |
| 0.15 | 0.30 | 0.15 | | 0.30 | | |
| 1st year | 42.4 | 38.2 | 40.3 | 37.9 | 37.1 | 37.5 |
| 2nd year | 33.7 | 42.5 | 38.1 | 24.8 | 31.2 | 28.0 |
| 3rd year | 27.6 | 35.9 | 31.7 | 20.1 | 24.7 | 22.4 |

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Reseeded Grass. Dry matter: cwt per acre

| | Cut for silage | | Mean | Grazed Estimated from sampling cuts | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|------|---|----------------|-------|
| | N | | | N | | Mean |
| | Single rate | Double rate | | Single rate | Double rate | |
| <u>Highfield</u> | | | | | | |
| 10th exptl. year Blocks 10 and 12 | | | | 25.3* | 33.3* | 29.3* |
| Blocks 9 and 11 | 20.1 | 24.1 | 22.1 | 22.8* | 28.4* | 25.6* |
| 11th exptl. year Blocks 7 and 8 | | | | 28.2* | 36.7* | 32.5* |
| Blocks 5 and 6 | 28.3 | 30.8 | 29.6 | 23.0* | 22.0* | 22.5* |
| 12th exptl. year Blocks 1 and 3 | | | | 28.4* | 31.0* | 29.7* |
| Blocks 2 and 4 | 30.0 | 35.7 | 32.8 | 22.2* | 27.3* | 24.7* |
| <u>Fosters</u> | | | | | | |
| 10th exptl. year Blocks 6 and 10 | | | | 27.9* | 35.1* | 31.5* |
| Blocks 11 and 12 | 15.2 | 16.6 | 15.9 | 31.5* | 34.7* | 33.1* |
| 11th exptl. year Blocks 5 and 9 | | | | 35.1* | 38.8* | 37.0* |
| Blocks 7 and 8 | 24.7 | 28.6 | 26.6 | 20.4* | 25.6* | 23.0* |
| 12th exptl. year Blocks 1 and 2 | | | | 28.8* | 32.1* | 30.4* |
| Blocks 3 and 4 | 30.2 | 33.3 | 31.7 | 20.2* | 21.1* | 20.6* |

Permanent Grass. Dry matter: cwt per acre

| | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|
| <u>Highfield</u> | | | | | | |
| 10th exptl. year Blocks 10 and 12 | | | | 20.7* | 30.8* | 25.7* |
| Blocks 9 and 11 | 24.6 | 27.3 | 26.0 | 24.4* | 28.4* | 26.4* |
| 11th exptl. year Blocks 7 and 8 | | | | 28.2* | 39.2* | 33.7* |
| Blocks 5 and 6 | 22.6 | 27.7 | 25.1 | 20.9* | 25.3* | 23.1* |
| 12th exptl. year Blocks 1 and 3 | | | | 26.4* | 37.5* | 32.0* |
| Blocks 2 and 4 | 25.7 | 27.0 | 26.4 | 27.0* | 32.3* | 29.7* |

*Aftermath grazing

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REFERENCE PLOTS

The effects of N,P,K and Dung on a sequence of five arable crops and on permanent grass - Rothamsted (R) Great Field IV and Woburn (W) Stackyard Series C 1960.

In 1960 additional plots were laid down at Rothamsted to provide information on the effects of Mg, Ca, S and trace elements in the presence of N,P,K (equivalent to N₂,P,K treatment of the original plots) on an unlimed continuation of the original site in Great Field IV. The same sequence of crops (wheat, kale, barley, clover-grass ley, potatoes) is followed. The turf was removed from the site before hand digging.

At Woburn soft fruit was also grown, and the site selected was old arable, shown by soil analysis to be acid and to be low in available P & K. The cultivated areas received 27 cwt per acre hydrated lime before digging on February 10, 1960. All arable crops are spring sown.

Great Field IV (R): Additional plots:-

Design: 5 rows of a 7 × 7 Latin square, one row in each crop.

Area of each plot: 0.0013 acres.

Treatments:-

1. Nil
2. N₂,P,K
3. N₂,P,K Ca Mg
4. N₂,P,K Ca - S
5. N₂,P,K - Mg S
6. N₂,P,K Ca Mg S
7. N₂,P,K Ca Mg S + trace elements.

Rates and forms of manuring:

All N as urea.

All P and part K as potassium dihydrogen phosphate.

Remaining K as muriate of potash where sulphur omitted or sulphate of potash where sulphur added.

Ca as calcium carbonate

Mg as magnesium chloride

S as potassium sulphate

Trace elements: Iron, manganese, copper, zinc, boron, molybdenum and cobalt applied as foliar spray to crops known to benefit; as under:

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Levels of application:

| | Winter wheat | Kale | Barley | Grass & clover | Potatoes |
|---|-----------------|------|--------------|-------------------|----------|
| | | | cwt per acre | | |
| N* | 1.2 | 2.0 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 1.2 |
| P ₂ O ₅ | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| K ₂ O | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.4 |
| MgO | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| CaO | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| S | 0.25 | 0.25 | 0.25 | 0.25 | 0.25 |
| | | | lb per acre | | |
| Fe ⁺ | - | - | - | - | 20 |
| MnSO ₄ | 5 | - | - | 5 | 5 |
| CuSO ₄ | 2 | - | 2 | - | - |
| ZnSO ₄ | 2 | - | 2 | - | 2 |
| NaB ₁₀ H ₇ O ₇ | - | 10 | - | 5 | - |
| NaMoO ₄ | - | 0.5 | - | 0.125 | - |
| CoSO ₄ | - | - | - | 0.125 | - |

*For winter wheat, potatoes and kale nitrogen divided into two equal applications - one early, one late.

⁺Iron applied as iron chelate (12% Fe).

Stackyard Series C (W)

Design: Each crop - 1 randomised block of 12 plots. Rotation: Oats, sugar beet, barley, clover-grass ley, potatoes.

Area of each plot: 0.0014 acres.

Treatments: All combinations of:-

Nitrogen: None, N₁ (for rates see below)

Phosphate: None, 0.5 cwt P₂O₅ per acre as triple superphosphate.

Potash: None, 1.0 cwt K₂O per acre as potassium bicarbonate, and the following additional treatments:

N₂,P,K; dung; dung and N₁,P,K; dung and N₂,P,K.

Rates of nitrogen (all as ammonium nitrate):

N₁: Potatoes and fruit bushes, 0.6; barley, 0.45; oats, 0.3; sugar beet, 0.75; grass and clover ley, 0.15; permanent grass, 1.0 cwt N per acre; N₂ double N₁ in each case.

Dung: 20 tons per acre to potatoes and beet; 10 tons to permanent grass and, in 1960 only, 7 tons to barley and oats and 3 tons to clover-grass ley.

Basal dressing, to permanent grass and fruit bushes only: 0.25 cwt N per acre as ammonium nitrate.

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Cultivations, etc.:

Great Field IV (R):- Original plots:

- Winter wheat: Dug by hand: Sept 14, 1959. P,K applied, seed drilled: Oct 23. First N dressing applied: Mar 7, 1960. Second N dressing applied: Apr 28. Harvested: Aug 10. Variety: Cappelle.
- Kale: Dung applied, plots dug by hand: Nov 11, 1959. N,P & K applied, seed sown: Apr 6, 1960. Harvested: Nov 24. Variety: Thousand Head.
- Barley: Dug by hand: Nov 23, 1959. N,P & K applied, seed sown: Mar 18, 1960. Harvested: Aug 5. Variety: Proctor.
- Grass-clover ley: Undersown in barley: Apr 2, 1959. N,P & K applied: Mar 7, 1960. Cut 3 times: May 16, July 27 and October 11, 1960. Varieties: S22 Ryegrass and S151 Late Flowering Red Clover.
- Potatoes: Dung applied, plots dug by hand: Nov 23, 1959. N, P&K applied on flat, setts planted: Apr 6, 1960. Harvested: Sept 12. Variety: King Edward.
- Permanent grass: Dung applied: Nov 23, 1959. First N dressing and P,K applied: Mar 7, 1960. Second N dressing: May 16. Cut twice: May 16 and Oct 10.

Great Field IV (R):- Additional plots:

- Winter wheat: Dug by hand: Oct 2, 1959. Seed drilled: Oct 23. P,K,Ca and S applied to wheat: Nov 17. Mg and half N applied: Mar 7, 1960. Half N applied: Apr 28. Trace element spray applied: May 18. Harvested: Aug 10. Variety: Cappelle.
- Kale: Dug by hand: Jan 4, 1960. Half N and P,K,S,Mg and Ca applied: Mar 14. Rotovated and seed sown: Apr 6. Half N applied: Apr 28. Trace element spray applied: May 25. Harvested: Nov 24. Variety: Thousand Head.
- Barley: Dug by hand: Jan 5, 1960. N, P,K,S,Mg and Ca applied: Mar 14. Rotovated, seed sown: Mar 18. Trace element spray applied: May 18. Harvested: Aug 5. Variety: Proctor.
- Grass-clover ley: Dug by hand: Jan 4, 1960. N,P,K,S,Mg and Ca applied: Mar 14. Rotovated and seed sown: Mar 18. Trace element spray applied: May 25. Cut twice: July 26 and Oct 11. Varieties: S22 Ryegrass and Dorset Marl Broad Red Clover.
- Potatoes: Dug by hand: Jan 5, 1960. Half N and P,K,S,Mg and Ca applied: Mar 14. Rotovated, setts planted: Apr 6. Half N applied: Apr 28. Trace element spray applied: May 25. Harvested: tops - Aug 2, tubers - Aug 15. Variety: King Edward.

Stackyard Series C (W):-

- Oats: Hand dug, dung applied: Feb 15, 1960. N,P,K applied, seed sown: Mar 23. Harvested: Aug 9. Variety: Condor.
- Sugar beet: Hand dug, dung applied: Feb 15, 1960. N,P,K applied, seed sown: Mar 25. Harvested: Oct 13. Variety: Klein E.

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Barley: Hand dug, dung applied: Feb 15, 1960. N,P,K applied, seed sown: Mar 23. Harvested: Aug 9. Variety: Proctor.
Grass-clover ley: Hand dug, dung applied: Feb 16, 1960. N,P,K applied, seed sown: Mar 24. Cut twice: July 26 and Oct 5. Varieties: S22 Italian Ryegrass and Dorset Marl Broad Red Clover.
Potatoes: Hand dug, dung applied: Feb 16, 1960. N,P,K applied, potatoes planted: Mar 25. Harvested: Sept 15. Variety: King Edward.
Permanent grass: Hand dug, dung applied: Feb 16, 1960. P,K and three-quarters of N applied, seed sown: Mar 24. Basal N applied: May 26. One-quarter N applied: July 26. Cut twice: July 26 and Oct 5. Variety: Complex grass and clover mixture.
Fruit bushes: Blackcurrants planted: Feb 8, 1960. Hand dug: Feb 16. Gooseberries planted: Mar 2. Lime applied to surface soil: Mar 15. N,P,K applied: Mar 24. Strawberries planted: Apr 22. Dung applied to surface soil: Apr 29. Basal N applied: June 2. Varieties: Blackcurrants - Wellington XXX; Gooseberry - Careless; Strawberry - Cambridge Vigour.

For details of the previous years results for Great Field IV (R) see "Results of the Field Experiments" 59/Bc/1 and 58/Bc/1, in which the rates of N, P & K are given.

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Summary of Results
Great Field IV (R): Original plots

| Treatment | cwt per acre | | tons per acre Kale total weight | Barley Grain Straw (at 85% D.M) | | cwt per acre Ley: dry matter | | | tons per acre Potatoes total tubers | cwt per acre Permanent grass: dry matter | | Total |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------|------------------------------|---------|---------|-------------------------------------|--|------|-------|
| | Winter wheat Grain Straw (at 85% D.M) | wheat Straw (at 85% D.M) | | 1st cut | 2nd cut | 3rd cut | 1st cut | 2nd cut | | | | |
| None | 40.6 | 45.8 | 6.04 | 20.8 | 17.8 | 13.7 | 17.6 | 7.1 | 4.30 | 6.8 | 34.9 | 41.7 |
| N ₁ | 47.1 | 50.5 | 13.11 | 27.3 | 24.0 | 19.5 | 14.5 | 4.9 | 4.47 | 13.1 | 31.9 | 45.0 |
| P | 48.4 | 58.0 | 7.77 | 28.0 | 21.2 | 17.7 | 19.9 | 15.7 | 4.12 | 6.0 | 31.8 | 37.8 |
| N ₁ P | 49.1 | 55.1 | 13.16 | 42.0 | 36.5 | 23.7 | 15.2 | 9.7 | 4.90 | 19.8 | 40.1 | 59.9 |
| K | 47.2 | 55.9 | 5.88 | 19.2 | 16.5 | 21.3 | 29.6 | 14.2 | 10.62 | 7.5 | 31.8 | 39.3 |
| N ₁ K | 53.5 | 61.3 | 9.14 | 31.8 | 28.9 | 25.8 | 23.0 | 15.4 | 10.29 | 20.2 | 37.4 | 57.6 |
| PK | 48.0 | 63.2 | 6.75 | 27.4 | 22.8 | 26.8 | 37.0 | 20.1 | 10.51 | 11.4 | 40.0 | 51.4 |
| N ₁ PK | 58.9 | 73.2 | 14.26 | 40.6 | 38.1 | 24.4 | 28.3 | 17.6 | 14.96 | 22.6 | 34.2 | 56.8 |
| N ₂ PK | 59.1 | 76.4 | 21.92 | 50.0 | 46.7 | 33.9 | 24.2 | 20.0 | 14.08 | 33.0 | 40.5 | 73.5 |
| D | 51.4 | 67.9 | 14.00 | 35.6 | 35.4 | 23.3 | 32.5 | 16.5 | 19.04 | 17.4 | 33.4 | 50.8 |
| N ₁ PKD | 59.6 | 80.6 | 20.18 | 46.2 | 44.8 | 31.5 | 29.6 | 20.2 | 22.68 | 34.0 | 38.5 | 72.5 |
| N ₂ PKD | 56.5 | 82.7 | 25.80 | 48.5 | 55.8 | 34.5 | 22.1 | 20.3 | 25.60 | 38.9 | 42.8 | 81.7 |
| Mean dry matter % as harvested: | 78.7 | 66.2 | | 78.3 | 46.8 | 22.8 | 28.2 | 18.2 | 23.1 | 24.2 | 26.8 | 25.5 |

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Great Field IV (R): Additional plots

| Treatment | cwt per acre Winter wheat Grain (at 85% D.M) | | cwt per acre Wheat Straw (at 85% D.M) | | tons per acre Kale total weight | | Barley Grain (at 85% D.M) | | Straw (at 85% D.M) | | cwt per acre Ley: 1st cut | | dry matter 2nd cut | | tons per acre Potatoes total tubers | |
|------------------------------------|---|-------|--|-------|--|-------|---------------------------------|---------|-----------------------|---------|------------------------------------|---------|--------------------------|---------|---|---------|
| | Grain | Straw | Grain | Straw | Grain | Straw | 1st cut | 2nd cut | 1st cut | 2nd cut | 1st cut | 2nd cut | 1st cut | 2nd cut | 1st cut | 2nd cut |
| None | 15.6 | 18.5 | 10.42 | 12.2 | 18.1 | 12.2 | 14.3 | 14.2 | 14.3 | 14.2 | 28.5 | 5.28 | | | | |
| N ₂ PK | 42.7 | 45.5 | 22.18 | 34.7 | 41.6 | 34.7 | 31.9 | 20.0 | 31.9 | 20.0 | 51.9 | 13.13 | | | | |
| N ₂ PK Mg Ca S | 45.2 | 52.5 | 18.60 | 35.4 | 35.5 | 35.4 | 29.1 | 18.2 | 29.1 | 18.2 | 47.3 | 15.00 | | | | |
| N ₂ PK Mg Ca S TE | 41.1 | 50.1 | 19.42 | 34.7 | 40.7 | 34.7 | 29.2 | 18.1 | 29.2 | 18.1 | 47.3 | 13.62 | | | | |
| N ₂ PK Mg Ca | 39.6 | 49.8 | 21.16 | 34.2 | 40.7 | 34.2 | 28.7 | 18.3 | 28.7 | 18.3 | 47.0 | 14.45 | | | | |
| N ₂ PK Mg S | 42.2 | 44.2 | 20.86 | 31.5 | 37.3 | 31.5 | 25.2 | 16.6 | 25.2 | 16.6 | 41.8 | 14.98 | | | | |
| N ₂ PK Ca S | 52.1 | 63.8 | 21.10 | 37.4 | 39.2 | 37.4 | 30.6 | 17.9 | 30.6 | 17.9 | 48.5 | 14.93 | | | | |
| Mean dry matter % as harvested: | 79.2 | 70.6 | | 59.3 | 83.7 | 59.3 | 23.5 | 14.3 | 23.5 | 14.3 | 18.9 | | | | | |

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Stackyard Series C (W)

| Treatment | cwt per acre Oats (at 85% D.M.) | | tons per acre Sugar beet roots (washed) | | Barley Grain Straw (at 85% D.M.) | | cwt per acre Ley: dry matter | | | tons per acre Potatoes total tubers | | cwt per acre Permanent grass: dry matter | | Total |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|------|---|-------|----------------------------------|--------|------------------------------|---------|-------|-------------------------------------|---------|--|------|-------|
| | Grain Straw (at 85% D.M.) | Oats | Sugar beet roots (washed) | tops | Grain Straw (at 85% D.M.) | Barley | 1st cut | 2nd cut | Total | Potatoes total tubers | 1st cut | 2nd cut | | |
| None | 8.8 | 12.8 | 14.96 | 7.10 | 12.2 | 10.2 | 25.5 | 21.1 | 46.6 | 6.65 | 16.7 | 13.1 | 29.8 | |
| N ₁ | 19.2 | 23.3 | 17.52 | 12.96 | 17.9 | 18.9 | 25.0 | 23.8 | 48.8 | 12.12 | 23.9 | 16.2 | 40.1 | |
| P | 9.2 | 12.0 | 14.12 | 6.48 | 9.3 | 9.3 | 25.6 | 22.8 | 48.4 | 7.30 | 18.7 | 14.8 | 33.5 | |
| N ₁ P | 19.8 | 24.4 | 19.03 | 10.95 | 19.1 | 17.3 | 27.4 | 22.4 | 49.8 | 11.36 | 23.2 | 15.6 | 38.8 | |
| K | 9.8 | 13.5 | 12.82 | 6.17 | 10.4 | 9.2 | 28.1 | 27.3 | 55.4 | 6.56 | 14.1 | 13.6 | 27.7 | |
| N ₁ K | 24.6 | 28.4 | 20.81 | 11.72 | 20.7 | 18.9 | 25.3 | 22.8 | 48.1 | 11.07 | 25.7 | 16.4 | 42.1 | |
| PK | 13.2 | 20.0 | 13.47 | 6.02 | 9.6 | 10.1 | 30.3 | 23.2 | 53.5 | 7.70 | 19.6 | 15.9 | 35.5 | |
| N ₁ PK | 19.1 | 24.5 | 19.46 | 10.18 | 21.3 | 21.4 | 30.1 | 24.2 | 54.3 | 12.60 | 28.7 | 16.5 | 45.2 | |
| N ₂ PK | 22.1 | 29.4 | 18.84 | 18.20 | 22.7 | 27.9 | 29.0 | 22.4 | 51.4 | 16.16 | 36.2 | 23.7 | 59.9 | |
| D | 11.9 | 17.2 | 17.62 | 8.33 | 11.9 | 11.9 | 24.2 | 24.3 | 48.5 | 12.14 | 18.4 | 16.1 | 34.5 | |
| N ₁ PKD | 22.2 | 27.3 | 25.72 | 13.58 | 26.5 | 25.4 | 29.8 | 27.0 | 56.8 | 16.72 | 32.5 | 19.8 | 52.3 | |
| N ₂ PKD | 24.5 | 33.3 | 27.62 | 21.28 | 27.4 | 30.4 | 31.7 | 26.6 | 58.3 | 22.15 | 35.4 | 24.5 | 59.9 | |
| Mean dry matter % as harvested: | 68.0 | 38.6 | | | 74.5 | 50.3 | 15.2 | 12.5 | 13.8 | | 18.8 | 15.4 | 17.1 | |

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GREEN MANURING EXPERIMENT

Woburn Stackyard - 1960, the 7th year of the revised scheme.

For history, treatments etc., see "Details of the Classical and Long Term Experiments" 1956.

Area of each plot (acres): 0.0406. Area harvested: Potatoes - 0.0221; barley - 0.0295.

Cultivations, etc.:

Green manures after barley 1959 (for early potatoes 1960): Trefoil at 30 lb per acre, ryegrass at 40 lb per acre, undersown: May 12, 1959, failed and resown: Aug 7. Varieties: Trefoil - English; Ryegrass - Western Wolths.

Early potatoes: Straw applied ("fallow" plots): Aug 31, 1959. "Fallow" plots ploughed: Sept 2 and Nov 24. Straw applied (green manure plots): Feb 11, 1960. All plots ploughed: Feb 23. Basal fertiliser applied: Apr 4. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied, potatoes mechanically planted: Apr 5. Earthed up: June 13. Sprayed with copper fungicide at 5 lb in 40 gallons per acre: July 16. Haulm destroyed mechanically: July 25. Lifted: July 26 and Aug 2. Variety: Ulster Chieftain.

Green manures after early potatoes 1959 (for barley 1960): Ground chalk applied at 15 cwt per acre: July 22, 1959. Trefoil at 30 lb per acre, ryegrass at 40 lb per acre, sown: Aug 1. Varieties: Trefoil - English; Ryegrass - Western Wolths.

Barley: "Fallow" plots and "early" green manure plots ploughed: Nov 23. "Late" green manure plots ploughed: Feb 10, 1960. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 10. Seed drilled at 2½ bushels per acre: Mar 18. Trefoil and ryegrass undersown: Apr 27. Combine harvested: Aug 18. Variety: Herta.

Standard errors per plot.

Potatoes. Total tubers: 0.944 tons per acre or 8.7% (18 d.f.)
Barley. Grain (at 85% D.M.): 2.65 cwt per acre or 10.6% (20 d.f.)

Estimates of produce (roots and tops) of green manure crops: cwt per acre

| | Green manures | Ploughed in | Dry matter | Nitrogen |
|---------------------------|---------------|-------------|------------|---------------|
| <u>For early potatoes</u> | Trefoil | | 2.6 (7.9) | 0.085 (0.146) |
| | Ryegrass | | 10.3 (4.1) | 0.160 (0.077) |
| <u>For barley</u> | Trefoil | Early | 15.9 | 0.494 |
| | Ryegrass | Early | 11.6 | 0.312 |
| | Trefoil | Late | 15.3 | 0.408 |
| | Ryegrass | Late | 13.0 | 0.286 |

Note. The figures in brackets are additional amounts derived from self-sown barley.

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Summary of Results

Early potatoes, total tubers: tons per acre

| | Straw: tons per acre | | N: cwt per acre (including basal) | | Dung to cabbages 1952: tons per acre | | Mean |
|--|----------------------|----|-----------------------------------|-----|--------------------------------------|----|------|
| | None | 1½ | 0.6 | 1.2 | None | 10 | |
| | | | | | | | |

Excluding plots fallow under old scheme

| | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|-------|----------|-------|----------|-------|----------|
| Undersown green manures for potatoes | (±0.334) | | (±0.334) | | (±0.334) | | (±0.236) |
| None | 10.43 | 11.12 | 10.20 | 11.34 | 9.92 | 11.63 | 10.78 |
| | (±0.472) | | (±0.472) | | (±0.472) | | (±0.334) |
| Trefoil | 11.65 | 10.41 | 10.66 | 11.40 | 10.56 | 11.51 | 11.03 |
| Ryegrass | 10.76 | 11.48 | 10.52 | 11.72 | 10.26 | 11.98 | 11.12 |
| Straw: tons per acre | | | (±0.334) | | (±0.334) | | (±0.236) |
| None | | | 10.34 | 11.29 | 9.81 | 11.83 | 10.82 |
| 1½ | | | 10.46 | 11.61 | 10.52 | 11.55 | 11.03 |
| N: cwt per acre (including basal) | | | | | | | |
| 0.6 | | | | | 9.58 | 11.21 | 10.40 |
| 1.2 | | | | | 10.74 | 12.16 | 11.45 |
| Mean (±0.236) | | | | | 10.16 | 11.69 | 10.92 |

Plots fallow under old scheme

| | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|----------|-------|----------|-------|----------|
| Straw: tons per acre | | | (±0.667) | | (±0.667) | | (±0.472) |
| None | | | 10.49 | 10.25 | 9.94 | 10.80 | 10.37 |
| 1½ | | | 9.80 | 10.61 | 9.60 | 10.81 | 10.20 |
| N: cwt per acre (including basal) | | | | | | | |
| 0.6 | | | | | 9.60 | 10.69 | 10.14 |
| 1.2 | | | | | 9.94 | 10.92 | 10.43 |
| Mean (±0.472) | | | | | 9.77 | 10.80 | 10.28 |

Undersown green manures for potatoes

| Old scheme | None | None | Trefoil | Ryegrass | Mean |
|------------|----------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------|
| | Fallow | Excluding fallow | Excluding fallow | Excluding fallow | |
| | 10.28 | 10.78 | 11.03 | 11.12 | 10.79 |
| | (±0.334) | (±0.236) | (±0.334) | | |

Barley, Grain (at 85% dry matter): cwt per acre

| | Green manures In barley for potatoes | | N: cwt per acre (including basal) | Dung to cabbages 1953: tons per acre | Mean |
|--|---|--------------------------|--|--|---------|
| | Under- sown | Trefoil Rye- grass | | | |
| | Excluding plots fallow under old scheme | | | | |
| Green manures ploughed in | (+0.94) | | (+0.94) | (+0.94) | (+0.66) |
| Early | 22.7 | 25.8 | 22.7 | 23.1 | 24.3 |
| Late | 25.3 | 29.3 | 27.3 | 27.1 | 27.3 |
| Green manures in barley for potatoes | | | | | |
| None | 26.7 | 21.8 | 25.9 | 24.2 | 24.0 |
| Undersown | 28.1 | 26.5 | 27.4 | 26.0 | 27.6 |
| Green manures after potatoes for barley | | | | | |
| Trefoil | 26.7 | 21.4 | 25.6 | 27.3 | 27.4 |
| Ryegrass | 28.2 | 26.9 | 27.6 | 22.9 | 24.1 |
| N: cwt per acre (including basal) | | | | | |
| 0.23 | | | 27.2 | 24.0 | 25.0 |
| 0.46 | | | 22.7 | 26.2 | 26.6 |
| Mean (+0.66) | | | | 25.1 | 25.8 |
| | Plots fallow under old scheme | | | | |
| Green manures after potatoes for barley | | | N: cwt per acre (including basal) | (+1.87) | (+1.33) |
| None | | | 0.23 | 20.4 | 19.4 |
| Fallow | | | 0.46 | 24.0 | 23.1 |
| Old scheme | 21.3 (+0.937) | 27.4 (+0.66) | Mean | 22.2 | 21.3 |
| Fallow | | | Mean (+1.33) | 20.3 | |
| Mean dry matter % as harvested: 81.0 | | | | | |

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LEY AND ARABLE ROTATIONS

Woburn Stackyard 1960 - the 23rd year.

For history, treatments etc., see "Details of the Classical and Long Term Experiments" 1956.

Note: On the plots of the alternating rotations the hay and carrot crops were accidentally interchanged.

Cultivations, etc.,

Treatment crops

Ley rotations

Ley 1st year. Ploughed twice: Sept 1 and Nov 30, 1959. PK fertilisers and 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Apr 13, 1960. Seed sown at 40 lb per acre: Apr 15. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: 2nd dressing - June 29; 3rd dressing - Aug 28. Grazed 7 circuits: June 21 - Oct 29. Seeds mixture: 20 lb S24 Perennial Ryegrass, 11 lb S143 Cocksfoot, 6 lb Late Flowering Red Clover, 3 lb S100 White Clover per acre.

Ley 2nd year. Potash and nitrogen fertiliser applied: Mar 18, June 17 and Sept 5. Grazed 9 circuits: Apr 22 - Oct 21.

Ley 3rd year. Potash and nitrogen fertiliser applied: Mar 18, June 27 and Sept 13. Grazed 6 circuits: May 2 - Oct 12.

Lucerne 1st year. Ploughed twice: Sept 1 and Nov 30, 1959. PK fertiliser applied: Apr 13, 1960. Seed sown at 25 lb per acre: Apr 15. Sprayed with miscible DDT at 3 pints in 40 gallons per acre (against weevil): May 6. Cut twice: July 28, Sept 26. Variety: Du Puits.

Lucerne 2nd year. Muriate of potash applied: Mar 24, 1960. Cut 3 times: June 7, July 28, Sept 26.

Lucerne 3rd year. Muriate of potash applied: Mar 24, 1960. No yields taken. Treated for control of stem eelworm:- Sprayed with diquat at $1\frac{1}{2}$ lb in 80 gallons per acre: July 9. Ploughed: July 19. Plots 37 and 38 split for fumigation with undiluted metham sodium ("Vapam") at 1 pt to 50 sq. ft: Oct 27.

Arable rotations

Potatoes 1st course. Ploughed twice: Sept 1 and Nov 30, 1959. Compound fertiliser applied; potatoes machine planted: Apr 12, 1960. Earthed up: June 14. Sprayed with copper fungicide at 5 lb in 40 gallons per acre: July 15. Haulm destroyed mechanically: Aug 27. Lifted: Sept 30. Variety: Majestic.

Rye 2nd course. Ploughed: Oct 2, 1959. Seed drilled at 3 bushels per acre: Oct 23. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: Mar 24, 1960. Seeds hay mixture undersown on 4 plots: Apr 7. Combine harvested: Aug 20. Variety: King II.

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Seeds hay 3rd course. Seeds undersown at 30 lb per acre in rye: Apr 7, 1959. Ground chalk applied at 20 cwt per acre: Sept 1. Potash and nitrogen fertiliser applied: Mar 18, 1960. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: June 10. Cut twice: June 7 and Aug 30. Seeds mixture: 19 lb S24 Perennial Ryegrass, 9 lb Late Flowering Red Clover, 2 lb Alsike American per acre.

Carrots 3rd course. Ground chalk applied at 20 cwt per acre: Sept 1, 1959. Ploughed twice: Sept 3 and Nov 30. Potash and nitrogen fertilisers applied: Apr 29, 1960. Seed drilled at 5 lb per acre: Apr 30. Sprayed with demeton methyl at 12 fluid oz in 40 gallons per acre: June 1. Crop failed, re-drilled: June 18. Thinned: Aug 18. Sprayed with demeton methyl at 12 fluid oz in 40 gallons per acre: July 18. Lifted: Oct 17. Variety: Scarlet Intermediate.

Test crops

Sugar beet 1st test crop. Dung applied: Dec 2, 1959. Ploughed: Dec 2. Treatment fertilisers and basal compound fertilisers applied: Apr 12, 1960. Seed drilled at 12 lb per acre: Apr 13. Singled: May 26 to June 9. Sprayed with miscible DDT at 3 pints in 40 gallons per acre (against flea beetle): May 6. Sprayed with demeton methyl at 12 fluid oz in 40 gallons per acre: June 1. Lifted: Oct 11. Variety: Klein B.

Barley 2nd test crop. Ground chalk applied at 18 cwt per acre: Nov 27, 1959. Ploughed: Nov 28. Muriate of potash applied to sub plots to equalise treatment dressings to 1959 sugar beet test crop: Mar 10, 1960. Seed drilled at 2½ bushels per acre: Mar 18. Combine harvested: Aug 15. Variety: Herta.

Standard errors per plot. Test crops.

| | | | | |
|-------------|----------------------------|-------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Sugar beet. | Total sugar. | Whole plot: | 6.05 cwt per acre | or 11.4% |
| | | | | (4 d.f.) |
| | | ½ plot: | 4.07 cwt per acre | or 7.6% |
| | | | | (4 d.f.) |
| | | ⅓ plot: | 4.76 cwt per acre | or 8.9% |
| | | | | (24 d.f.) |
| Tops. | | Whole plot: | 1.875 tons per acre | or 12.0% |
| | | | | (4 d.f.) |
| | | ½ plot: | 0.709 tons per acre | or 4.5% |
| | | | | (4 d.f.) |
| | | ⅓ plot: | 1.223 tons per acre | or 7.8% |
| | | | | (24 d.f.) |
| Barley. | Grain (at 85% dry matter). | Whole plot: | 4.95 cwt per acre | or 16.0% |
| | | | | (4 d.f.) |
| | | ½ plot: | 0.64 cwt per acre | or 2.1% |
| | | | | (4 d.f.) |

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Summary of Results

Treatment crops

Ley, sheep days of grazing per acre

| 1st year | 2nd year | 3rd year |
|----------|----------|----------|
| 1458 | 2253 | 1397 |

Lucerne, dry matter: cwt per acre

| | 1st cut | 2nd cut | 3rd cut | Total |
|-----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|-------|
| <u>1st year</u> | | | | |
| Dung in 1958: tons per acre | | | | |
| None | 14.0 | 15.1 | | 29.1 |
| 15 | 20.1 | 21.3 | | 41.4 |
| Difference | +6.1 | +6.2 | | +12.3 |
| Previous rotation | | | | |
| Lucerne | 15.6 | 17.0 | | 32.6 |
| Arable with hay | 18.4 | 19.4 | | 37.8 |
| Mean | 17.0 | 18.2 | | 35.2 |
| <u>2nd year</u> | | | | |
| Dung in 1957: tons per acre | | | | |
| None | 25.5 | 20.5 | 18.3 | 64.3 |
| 15 | 28.5 | 24.8 | 20.4 | 73.7 |
| Difference | +3.0 | +4.3 | +2.1 | +9.4 |
| Previous rotation | | | | |
| Lucerne | 27.3 | 22.1 | 18.7 | 68.1 |
| Arable with roots | 26.7 | 23.2 | 20.0 | 69.9 |
| Mean | 27.0 | 22.6 | 19.4 | 69.0 |

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Treatment crops

| | Potatoes | | Rye | |
|---------------------|--------------------------------|--|---|------------------------|
| | Total tubers: tons per acre | Percentage ware ($1\frac{5}{8}$ " riddle) | Grain: (at 85% D.M.) cwt per acre | Straw: cwt per acre |
| Dung: tons per acre | | | | |
| None* | 12.86 | 94.2 | 39.4 | 45.6 |
| 15 | 13.76 | 92.6 | 39.4 | 46.0 |
| Difference | +0.90 | -1.6 | 0.0 | +0.4 |
| Previous rotation | | | | |
| Ley | 15.36 | 94.4 | 39.8 | 47.7 |
| Lucerne | 14.85 | 96.6 | 39.8 | 45.2 |
| Arable with hay | 12.44 | 91.4 | 40.7 | 46.9 |
| Arable with roots | 10.60 | 91.1 | 37.2 | 43.4 |
| Mean | 13.31 | 93.4 | 39.4 | 45.8 |

Hay

Yield, dry matter: cwt per acre

| | 1st cut | 2nd cut |
|------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Dung in 1956: tons per acre | | |
| None | 34.4 | 12.4 |
| 15 | 39.7 | 15.6 |
| Difference | +5.3 | +3.2 |
| Previous rotation | | |
| Ley | 37.6 | 17.0 |
| Arable with hay ⁺ | 36.4 | 11.1 |
| Mean | 37.0 | 14.0 |

Carrots

| | Roots washed: tons per acre | Tops tons per acre |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Dung in 1956: tons per acre | | |
| None | 6.39 | 3.71 |
| 15 | 8.58 | 6.14 |
| Difference | 2.19 | 2.43 |
| Previous rotation | | |
| Lucerne | 7.10 | 4.72 |
| Arable with roots ⁺ | 7.86 | 5.12 |
| Mean | 7.48 | 4.92 |

*Dung applied: Potatoes for test crop sugar beet in 1958.
Rye for test crop sugar beet in 1957.

⁺See note on page 60/B/5.1

Mean dry matter % as harvested: Rye, Grain: 78.4
Straw: 82.6

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| 1st Test crop | | | | | |
|---|-------|---------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------|
| Sugar beet | | | | | |
| Previous rotation | | | | | |
| | Ley | Lucerne | Arable with hay | Arable with roots | Mean |
| <u>Roots (washed): tons per acre</u> | | | | | |
| Mean | 17.30 | 16.51 | 14.62 | 16.63 | 16.26 |
| Dung: tons per acre | | | | | |
| None | 15.37 | 14.64 | 13.12 | 13.55 | 14.17 |
| 15 | 19.22 | 18.38 | 16.13 | 19.71 | 18.36 |
| Difference | +3.85 | +3.74 | +3.01 | +6.16 | +4.19 |
| Response to additional 0.72 cwt N per acre | | | | | |
| No dung | +0.28 | +1.47 | -0.75 | +3.03 | +1.00 |
| Dung 15 tons per acre | -1.03 | -1.67 | -0.12 | +1.68 | -0.28 |
| Response to additional 0.9 cwt K ₂ O per acre | | | | | |
| No dung | +0.32 | -1.33 | +0.32 | -0.67 | -0.34 |
| Dung 15 tons per acre | +1.67 | +0.07 | +0.04 | +0.67 | +0.61 |
| <u>Sugar Percentage</u> | | | | | |
| Mean | 16.3 | 16.4 | 16.4 | 16.5 | 16.4 |
| Dung: tons per acre | | | | | |
| None | 16.4 | 16.3 | 16.6 | 16.6 | 16.5 |
| 15 | 16.2 | 16.5 | 16.2 | 16.3 | 16.3 |
| Difference | -0.2 | +0.2 | -0.4 | -0.3 | -0.2 |
| Response to additional 0.72 cwt N per acre | | | | | |
| No dung | -0.6 | -0.5 | -0.5 | -0.3 | -0.5 |
| Dung 15 tons per acre | -0.9 | -0.5 | -0.5 | -0.6 | -0.7 |
| Response to additional 0.9 cwt K ₂ O per acre | | | | | |
| No dung | 0.0 | +0.3 | +0.1 | -0.1 | +0.1 |
| Dung 15 tons per acre | -0.3 | +0.5 | -0.3 | +0.4 | +0.1 |

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| | | 1st Test Crop | | | | |
|--|-----------|----------------------------------|---------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|
| | | Sugar beet | | | | |
| | | Previous rotation | | | | |
| | | Ley | Lucerne | Arable with hay | Arable with roots | Mean |
| | | <u>Total sugar: cwt per acre</u> | | | | |
| Mean | (±4.28) | 56.5 | 54.3 | 47.9 | 54.6 | 53.3 |
| Dung: tons per acre | | | | | | |
| None | (±4.74)* | 50.4 | 47.8 | 43.4 | 45.0 | 46.6 |
| 15 | | 62.7 | 60.7 | 52.4 | 64.2 | 60.0 |
| Difference | (±4.07) | +12.3 | +12.9 | +9.0 | +19.2 | +13.4 |
| Response to additional 0.72 cwt N per acre | | (±3.37) | | | | (±2.03) |
| No dung | | -0.7 | +3.4 | -4.0 | +9.1 | +1.9 |
| Dung 15 tons per acre | | -7.1 | -7.1 | -2.2 | +2.9 | -3.4 |
| Response to additional 0.9 cwt K ₂ O per acre | | (±3.37) | | | | (±1.68) |
| No dung | | +0.8 | -3.2 | +1.3 | -2.7 | -0.9 |
| Dung 15 tons per acre | | +3.8 | +1.9 | -0.9 | +3.5 | +2.0 |
| | | <u>Tops: tons per acre</u> | | | | |
| Mean | (±1.326) | 18.60 | 13.51 | 16.19 | 14.21 | 15.63 |
| Dung: tons per acre | | | | | | |
| None | (±1.372)* | 16.72 | 10.87 | 14.24 | 12.51 | 13.58 |
| 15 | | 20.48 | 16.15 | 18.14 | 15.90 | 17.67 |
| Difference | (±0.709) | +3.76 | +5.28 | +3.90 | +3.39 | +4.09 |
| Response to additional 0.72 cwt N per acre | | (±0.865) | | | | (±0.354) |
| No dung | | +3.71 | +6.02 | +3.79 | +6.27 | +4.95 |
| Dung 15 tons per acre | | +2.72 | +3.32 | +3.77 | +3.75 | +3.39 |
| Response to additional 0.9 cwt K ₂ O per acre | | (±0.865) | | | | (±0.432) |
| No dung | | +0.91 | -0.25 | +1.19 | +0.47 | +0.58 |
| Dung 15 tons per acre | | +0.97 | +0.11 | -0.93 | -0.33 | -0.05 |

*For use in horizontal and diagonal comparisons only.

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1st Test Crop

Sugar beet

Plots receiving no additional N or K

Previous rotation

| Dung: tons per acre | Ley | Lucerne | Arable with hay | Arable with roots | Mean |
|--------------------------------------|-------|---------|-----------------|-------------------|-------|
| <u>Roots (washed): tons per acre</u> | | | | | |
| Mean | 16.90 | 17.22 | 14.58 | 16.30 | 16.25 |
| None | 15.11 | 14.83 | 13.22 | 13.53 | 14.17 |
| 15 | 18.68 | 19.61 | 15.94 | 19.07 | 18.33 |
| Difference | +3.57 | +4.78 | +2.72 | +5.54 | +4.16 |
| <u>Sugar percentage</u> | | | | | |
| Mean | 16.7 | 16.3 | 16.6 | 16.7 | 16.5 |
| None | 16.7 | 16.1 | 16.7 | 16.8 | 16.6 |
| 15 | 16.8 | 16.4 | 16.4 | 16.5 | 16.5 |
| Difference | +0.1 | +0.3 | -0.3 | -0.3 | -0.1 |
| <u>Total sugar: cwt per acre</u> | | | | | |
| Mean (±3.93) | 56.8 | 56.1 | 48.2 | 54.3 | 53.8 |
| None (±5.25)* | 50.5 | 47.8 | 44.1 | 45.6 | 47.0 |
| 15 | 63.1 | 64.3 | 52.3 | 63.0 | 60.7 |
| Difference (±5.79) | +12.6 | +16.5 | +8.2 | +17.4 | +13.7 |
| <u>Tops: tons per acre</u> | | | | | |
| Mean (±1.105) | 16.81 | 11.63 | 14.47 | 11.93 | 13.71 |
| None (±1.474)* | 14.36 | 8.01 | 11.99 | 9.63 | 10.99 |
| 15 | 19.26 | 15.25 | 16.96 | 14.23 | 16.42 |
| Difference (±1.274) | +4.90 | +7.24 | +4.97 | +4.60 | +5.43 |

*For use in horizontal and diagonal comparisons only.

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2nd Test Crop

Barley

Previous rotation

| Dung in 1959: tons per acre | Previous rotation | | | | Mean | |
|--|-------------------|---------|-----------------------|-------------------------|------|-----------------|
| | Ley | Lucerne | Arable with hay | Arable with roots | | |
| <u>Grain (at 85% dry matter): cwt per acre</u> | | | | | | |
| None | | 33.5 | 32.9 | 26.7 | 29.6 | 30.6 |
| 15 | (±3.51)* | 32.4 | 33.7 | 27.8 | 31.6 | 31.4 |
| Mean | (±3.50) | 32.9 | 33.3 | 27.3 | 30.6 | 30.9 |
| Difference | (±0.64) | -1.1 | +0.8 | +1.1 | +2.0 | +0.8 (±0.32) |

Straw (at 85% dry matter): cwt per acre

| | | | | | |
|------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| None | 26.2 | 22.7 | 21.3 | 22.4 | 23.1 |
| 15 | 26.4 | 26.3 | 23.0 | 24.9 | 25.1 |
| Mean | 26.3 | 24.5 | 22.1 | 23.6 | 24.1 |
| Difference | +0.2 | +3.6 | +1.7 | +2.5 | +2.0 |

*For use in horizontal and diagonal comparisons only.

Mean dry matter % as harvested: Grain 80.1
Straw 77.4

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WOBURN MARKET GARDEN EXPERIMENT

Organic manures and nitrogen - Lansome Field 1960, the 19th year.

For treatments etc., see "Details of the Classical and Long Term Experiments" 1956.

Note: The results for the 1960-61 leeks will be included in the 1961 report.

Area of each plot (acres): 0.0125. Area harvested: Leeks - 0.0104; globe beet - 0.0113; early potatoes - 0.0070.

Cultivations, etc.:

Leeks 1959-60. Organic manures applied: July 16, 1959. Ploughed: July 17. 'Nitro-Shell' and basal fertilisers applied: July 27. Planted: July 27 - 29. Second dressing of 'Nitro-Shell' applied: Oct 7. Harvested: Mar 4 - Apr 26, 1960. Variety: Musselburgh.
Early potatoes. Ploughed: Sept 4, 1959. Organic manures applied, ploughed second time: Jan 8, 1960. Fertilisers applied on the flat: Apr 4. Machine planted: Apr 5. Earthed up: May 17. Lifted: July 12. Variety: Arran Pilot.
Globe beet. Ground chalk applied at 18 cwt per acre: May 2, 1960. Organic manures applied, ploughed: May 3. 'Nitro-Chalk' and basal fertilisers applied: May 12. Seed drilled at 14 lb per acre: May 16. Sprayed with miscible DDT at 3 pints in 40 gallons per acre: May 30. Second dressing of 'Nitro-Chalk' applied: June 28. Harvested: Aug 4 - Sept 7. Variety: Detroit.
There was no singling owing to poor stand.

Standard errors per plot:

| | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|--|
| Leeks 1959-60. | Saleable produce: | 0.476 tons per acre or 6.6% (17 d.f.) |
| Early potatoes. | Total tubers: | 0.565 tons per acre or 6.2% (17 d.f.) |
| Globe beet. | Saleable bulbs: | 1.006 tons per acre or 14.7% (17 d.f.) |

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Summary of Results

| Organic manures | Level of manuring: tons per acre | N: cwt per acre | | | | Mean |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------|------|--------------------|
| | | None | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.9 | |
| <u>Leeks 1959-60. Saleable produce: tons per acre</u> | | | | | | |
| | | | (±0.336) | | | (±0.238) |
| None | | 5.37 | 6.70 | 6.90 | 6.57 | 6.04* |
| Dung | 10 | 7.45 | 7.67 | | | 7.56 |
| | 20 | 8.35 | 8.14 | | | 8.24 |
| Sludge compost | 10 | 7.40 | 7.28 | | | 7.34 |
| | 20 | 6.87 | 7.50 | | | 7.18 |
| Sludge | 10 | 7.11 | 6.81 | | | 6.96 |
| | 20 | 6.43 | 7.27 | | | 6.85 |
| Vegetable compost | 10 | 7.69 | 7.98 | | | 7.84 |
| | 20 | 7.81 | 7.62 | | | 7.72 |
| Mean (±0.119) | | 7.39 ⁺ | 7.54 ⁺ | | | 7.25 ^{**} |

Leeks 1959-60. Percentage saleable (by number)

| | | | | | | |
|-------------------|----|-------------------|-------------------|------|------|--------------------|
| None | | 98.4 | 98.7 | 98.8 | 99.2 | 98.6* |
| Dung | 10 | 99.5 | 98.8 | | | 99.2 |
| | 20 | 98.9 | 99.1 | | | 99.0 |
| Sludge compost | 10 | 98.9 | 99.2 | | | 99.1 |
| | 20 | 98.3 | 98.5 | | | 98.4 |
| Sludge | 10 | 99.4 | 98.7 | | | 99.0 |
| | 20 | 98.5 | 98.8 | | | 98.6 |
| Vegetable compost | 10 | 99.5 | 99.6 | | | 99.6 |
| | 20 | 99.0 | 99.2 | | | 99.1 |
| Mean | | 99.0 ⁺ | 99.0 ⁺ | | | 99.0 ^{**} |

Early potatoes. Total tubers: tons per acre

| | | | | | | |
|-------------------|----|-------------------|-------------------|------|------|--------------------|
| | | | (±0.400) | | | (±0.282) |
| None | | 6.25 | 7.16 | 8.35 | 9.27 | 6.70* |
| Dung | 10 | 9.40 | 10.80 | | | 10.10 |
| | 20 | 10.39 | 10.69 | | | 10.54 |
| Sludge compost | 10 | 8.68 | 8.96 | | | 8.82 |
| | 20 | 9.41 | 9.20 | | | 9.30 |
| Sludge | 10 | 8.19 | 8.78 | | | 8.48 |
| | 20 | 9.22 | 9.25 | | | 9.23 |
| Vegetable compost | 10 | 8.87 | 10.78 | | | 9.83 |
| | 20 | 9.32 | 9.52 | | | 9.42 |
| Mean (±0.141) | | 9.19 ⁺ | 9.75 ⁺ | | | 9.12 ^{**} |

* Mean over None and 0.3 cwt N per acre only. ** General mean.
⁺ Excluding 'no organics'.

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Globe beet

| Organic manures | Level of manuring: tons per acre | N: cwt per acre | | | | Mean |
|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|-------|---------------------|
| | | None | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.9 | |
| <u>Saleable bulbs: tons per acre</u> | | | | | | |
| | | | (±0.711) | | | (±0.503) |
| None | | 1.46 | 3.31 | 5.60 | 4.23 | 2.39* |
| Dung | 10 | 5.62 | 8.66 | | | 7.14 |
| | 20 | 10.64 | 11.01 | | | 10.82 |
| Sludge compost | 10 | 4.98 | 6.93 | | | 5.95 |
| | 20 | 7.20 | 7.75 | | | 7.47 |
| Sludge | 10 | 6.42 | 5.19 | | | 5.80 |
| | 20 | 5.20 | 8.14 | | | 6.67 |
| Vegetable compost | 10 | 6.80 | 8.60 | | | 7.70 |
| | 20 | 8.34 | 10.90 | | | 9.62 |
| Mean (±0.252) | | 6.90 ⁺ | 8.40 ⁺ | | | 6.85 ^{**} |
| <u>Total produce (whole plants): tons per acre</u> | | | | | | |
| None | | 3.61 | 7.04 | 10.52 | 8.34 | 5.33* |
| Dung | 10 | 8.86 | 14.39 | | | 11.62 |
| | 20 | 17.45 | 17.52 | | | 17.49 |
| Sludge compost | 10 | 9.31 | 13.18 | | | 11.24 |
| | 20 | 13.79 | 13.54 | | | 13.66 |
| Sludge | 10 | 11.57 | 10.33 | | | 10.95 |
| | 20 | 11.47 | 15.89 | | | 13.68 |
| Vegetable compost | 10 | 11.26 | 13.36 | | | 12.30 |
| | 20 | 12.70 | 17.97 | | | 15.34 |
| Mean | | 12.05 ⁺ | 14.52 ⁺ | | | 12.10 ^{**} |
| <u>Plant number: thousands per acre</u> | | | | | | |
| None | | 86.6 | 116.8 | 119.3 | 113.5 | 101.7* |
| Dung | 10 | 80.4 | 126.2 | | | 103.3 |
| | 20 | 117.8 | 105.7 | | | 111.8 |
| Sludge compost | 10 | 83.7 | 137.5 | | | 110.6 |
| | 20 | 133.9 | 68.4 | | | 101.2 |
| Sludge | 10 | 92.3 | 92.1 | | | 92.2 |
| | 20 | 131.7 | 134.5 | | | 133.1 |
| Vegetable compost | 10 | 102.3 | 97.0 | | | 99.7 |
| | 20 | 62.7 | 102.8 | | | 82.8 |
| Mean | | 100.6 ⁺ | 108.0 ⁺ | | | 105.3 ^{**} |

* Mean over None and 0.3 cwt N per acre only. ** General mean.
⁺ Excluding 'no organics'.

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IRRIGATION EXPERIMENT

Revised 1960 (the 10th year)

The effects of irrigation and nitrogen - Woburn Butt Close 1960.

For details of previous cropping, treatments etc. see "Details of the Classical and Long Term Experiments" 1956.

The 3 course rotation is now as follows:-

- 1st year: early potatoes (following 1959 sugar beet).
- 2nd year: barley (following 1959 spring beans).
- 3rd year: winter beans (following 1959 spring wheat).

The fourth series carries a long term ryegrass ley for cutting.

Area of each whole plot (acres): Winter beans: 0.0555.

Sub plots (acres): Grass: 0.0264; remainder: 0.0277.

Area harvested (acres): Early potatoes: 0.0075; barley: 0.0110;
winter beans: 0.0177; grass: 0.0165.

Design: 4 series (1 in each crop) each containing 12 whole plots.
The bean plots are no longer split for the application of dung.

Treatments.

Early potatoes: all combinations of:-

Whole plots: Irrigation: None (0); full (C).

Weed control: normal cultivations after planting (no spray);
simazine spray at 2 lb in 40 gallons per acre (used as
pre-emergence weedkiller) without cultivations.

Sub plots: Nitrogen: None, 0.6 cwt N per acre as sulphate of
ammonia.

Note: After the early potatoes are lifted certain plots are sown
with trefoil as a green manure for barley. Provision is made
for a comparison of none v. irrigation applied to the trefoil.
No irrigation was applied in 1960.

Barley: All combinations of:-

Whole plots: Irrigation: None (0), full (C).

Sub plots: Nitrogen*: None, 0.2 cwt N per acre as 'Nitro-Chalk'.

Winter beans:

Whole plots: Irrigation: None (0), three systems (A, B, C -
see below).

Grass: all combinations of:-

Whole plots: Irrigation: None (0), full (C).

Potash: None, 0.6 cwt K_2O per acre as muriate of potash
applied after the 1st cut and once again in mid-season.

Sub plots: Nitrogen*: None, 0.3 cwt N per acre as 'Nitro-Chalk'
in spring and after each cut except the last.

*Note: In addition to basal dressing.

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Rainfall and Irrigation: inches

| Week ending | Rain-fall | Grass | Barley | Potatoes | Beans | | |
|-------------|-----------|-------|--------|----------|-------|------|------|
| | | C | C | C | A | B | C |
| May 2 | 0.13 | 0.50 | 0.50 | 0.50 | - | 0.50 | 0.50 |
| 9 | 0.02 | 0.50 | - | - | - | 0.50 | 0.50 |
| 16 | 0.89 | 0.62 | - | - | - | 0.50 | 0.50 |
| 23 | 0.23 | - | 0.50 | - | - | 0.50 | 0.50 |
| 30 | 0.01 | 0.50 | 0.50 | 0.50 | - | 0.67 | 0.67 |
| June 6 | - | 0.67 | 0.50 | 0.50 | 0.67 | 0.67 | 0.67 |
| 13 | 1.26 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 20 | 0.68 | - | - | - | 0.20 | - | 0.20 |
| 27 | 1.68 | 0.50 | - | 0.75 | - | - | - |
| July 4 | 0.01 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 11 | 1.23 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 18 | 1.19 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 25 | 0.37 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Aug 1 | 0.38 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 8 | 0.23 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 15 | 0.88 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 22 | 0.16 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 29 | 0.87 | 0.50 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sept 5 | 1.60 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 12 | 0.16 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 19 | 1.52 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 26 | (0.63) | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Oct 3 | (0.64) | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total | 14.77 | 3.79 | 2.00 | 2.25 | 0.87 | 3.34 | 3.54 |

Basal dressings (per acre):

Early potatoes: 0.60 cwt N as sulphate of ammonia; 0.75 cwt P_2O_5 and 1.50 cwt K_2O as compound fertiliser (14% P_2O_5 , 28% K_2O).
 Barley: 0.2 cwt N, 0.2 cwt P_2O_5 and 0.3 cwt K_2O as compound fertiliser (12% N, 12% P_2O_5 , 18% K_2O).
 Winter beans: 0.3 cwt P_2O_5 , 0.6 cwt K_2O placement drilled as compound fertiliser (10% P_2O_5 , 20% K_2O).
 Grass: 0.3 cwt N as 'Nitro-Chalk' in spring and again after each cut except the last, and 0.6 cwt P_2O_5 and 1.2 cwt K_2O as compound fertiliser (14% P_2O_5 , 28% K_2O).

Cultivations, etc.:

Early potatoes: Ploughed: Nov 20, 1959. PK compound applied: Apr 4, 1960. Sulphate of ammonia applied: Apr 6. Machine planted: Apr 7. Appropriate plots sprayed with simazine: Apr 15. Earthed up (except simazine plots): June 4. Haulm destroyed mechanically: July 13. Lifted: July 15. Trefoil sown at 30 lb per acre: July 21. Variety: Arran Pilot.

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Barley: Ground chalk applied at 3 tons per acre: Sept 8, 1959.
Ploughed: Sept 9 and Nov 21. Seed drilled at $2\frac{1}{4}$ bushels per
acre: Mar 19, 1960. Fertilisers applied: Mar 21. Sprayed
with DNBP at 10 pints in 80 gallons per acre: May 16. Combine
harvested: Aug 13. Variety: Proctor.

Winter beans: Ploughed: Sept 7, 1959. Seed placement drilled at
275 lb per acre with PK compound: Nov 5. Harvested: Aug 10 and
Aug 26, 1960. Variety: Rothamsted S.Q.

Grass: Ground chalk applied at 18 cwt per acre: Sept 23, 1959.
Seed sown at 30 lb per acre: Oct 20. 'Nitro-Chalk' and PK
compound applied: Apr 1, 1960. Cut 8 times (all plots):
May 10, May 31, June 22, July 18, Aug 8, Aug 30, Sept 23,
Nov 8. 'Nitro-Chalk' applied after each cut except the last.
Muriate of potash applied to appropriate plots after 1st and
4th cuts. Variety: S22 Italian ryegrass.

Standard errors per plot.

Early potatoes. Total tubers

Whole plot: 0.708 tons per acre or 7.2% (4 d.f.)

Sub plot: 0.630 tons per acre or 6.4% (8 d.f.)

Barley, (grain at 85% dry matter)

Whole plot: 2.51 cwt per acre or 10.2% (8 d.f.)

Sub plot: 2.25 cwt per acre or 9.1% (10 d.f.)

Winter bean, (grain at 85% dry matter)

Whole plot: 2.80 cwt per acre or 9.5% (6 d.f.)

Cut grass, dry matter

1st cut:

Whole plot: 0.58 cwt per acre or 7.3% (6 d.f.)

Sub plot: 1.44 cwt per acre or 18.2% (8 d.f.)

Total of cuts 2-4

Whole plot: 2.03 cwt per acre or 4.2% (6 d.f.)

Sub plot: 1.98 cwt per acre or 4.1% (8 d.f.)

Total of cuts 5-8

Whole plot: 1.48 cwt per acre or 3.7% (6 d.f.)

Sub plot: 2.59 cwt per acre or 6.6% (8 d.f.)

Total of all 8 cuts

Whole plot: 2.55 cwt per acre or 2.7% (6 d.f.)

Sub plot: 3.96 cwt per acre or 4.1% (8 d.f.)

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Summary of Results

Early potatoes, Total tubers: tons per acre

| Weed control | Irrigation | | Weed control | | Mean |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|-------|--------------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| | 0 | C | Normal cultivation | Simazine spray | |
| Normal cultivation | 9.73 | 11.97 | | | |
| Simazine spray | 7.88 | 9.56 | | | |
| N: cwt per acre including basal | | | | | |
| | $(\pm 0.483)^{**}$ | | $(\pm 0.257)^*$ | | |
| 0.6 | 8.12 | 9.65 | 9.98 | 7.79 | 8.89 |
| 1.2 | 9.50 | 11.88 | 11.71 | 9.66 | 10.69 |
| Mean | 8.81 | 10.76 | 10.85 | 8.72 | 9.79 |
| | (± 0.289) | | | | |
| Difference (± 0.364) | 1.38 | 2.23 | 1.73 | 1.87 | 1.80 (± 0.257) |

Barley, (Grain at 85% dry matter): cwt per acre

| N: cwt per acre including basal | Irrigation | | Mean |
|---------------------------------|--------------|------|---------------------|
| | 0 | C | |
| | (± 1.21) | | |
| 0.2 | 19.2 | 23.3 | 21.3 |
| 0.4 | 26.8 | 29.4 | 28.1 |
| Mean (± 1.03) | 23.0 | 26.4 | 24.7 |
| Difference (± 1.30) | 7.6 | 6.1 | 6.8 (± 0.92) |

Winter beans, (Grain at 85% dry matter): cwt per acre

| Irrigation | | | | |
|------------|--------------|------|------|------|
| 0 | A | B | C | Mean |
| 22.6 | 26.3 | 34.5 | 34.2 | 29.4 |
| | (± 1.61) | | | |

* For use in vertical and interaction comparisons only.

** For use in horizontal and diagonal comparisons only.

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Cut grass, Dry matter: cwt per acre

| | | 1st cut | | | | |
|---|------------|---------|----------|------|---|------|
| K ₂ O: cwt per acre (including basal) in 1959 | Irrigation | | | | K ₂ O: cwt per acre including basal | Mean |
| | 0 | C | | | | |
| | (±0.33) | | | | | |
| 1.2 | 7.4 | 7.5 | | | | |
| 2.4 | 4.8 | 11.8 | | | | |
| N: cwt per acre | | | 1.2 | 2.4 | | |
| | (±0.48)* | | (±0.48)* | | | |
| 0.3 | 5.8 | 9.5 | 8.0 | 7.3 | 7.7 | |
| 0.6 | 6.4 | 9.7 | 6.9 | 9.2 | 8.0 | |
| Mean (±0.24) | 6.1 | 9.6 | 7.4 | 8.3 | 7.9 | |
| Difference (±0.83) | +0.6 | +0.2 | -1.1 | +1.9 | +0.3 (±0.59) | |

Total of cuts 2 - 4

| | | Irrigation | | | | |
|---|------------|------------|----------|------|---|------|
| K ₂ O: cwt per acre including basal | Irrigation | | | | K ₂ O: cwt per acre including basal | Mean |
| | 0 | C | | | | |
| | (±1.17) | | | | | |
| 1.2 | 41.4 | 51.5 | | | | |
| 1.8 | 44.5 | 55.7 | | | | |
| N: cwt per acre | | | 1.2 | 1.8 | | |
| | (±1.01)* | | (±1.01)* | | | |
| 0.3 | 41.7 | 48.7 | 44.2 | 46.3 | 45.2 | |
| 0.6 | 44.1 | 58.4 | 48.6 | 53.9 | 51.3 | |
| Mean (±0.83) | 42.9 | 53.6 | 46.4 | 50.1 | 48.3 | |
| Difference (±1.14) | 2.4 | 9.7 | 4.4 | 7.6 | 6.1 (±0.81) | |

*For use in horizontal and diagonal comparisons only.

Mean dry matter \bar{x} as cut:

1st cut: 20.9

Total of cuts 2 - 4: 19.0

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Cut grass, Dry matter: cwt per acre

Total of cuts 5 - 8

| K ₂ O: cwt per acre including basal | Irrigation | | K ₂ O: cwt per acre including basal | | Mean |
|---|------------|------|---|------|-----------------|
| | 0 | C | | | |
| | (±0.85) | | | | |
| 1.2 | 38.9 | 35.4 | | | |
| 2.4 | 40.8 | 43.1 | | | |
| N: cwt per acre | (±0.96)* | | (±0.96)* | | |
| | | | 1.2 | 2.4 | |
| 0.3 | 36.7 | 36.9 | 35.0 | 38.7 | 36.8 |
| 0.6 | 43.0 | 41.5 | 39.3 | 45.2 | 42.3 |
| Mean (±0.60) | 39.9 | 39.2 | 37.2 | 41.9 | 39.5 |
| Difference (±1.50) | +6.3 | +4.6 | +4.3 | +6.5 | +5.5 (±1.06) |

Total of cuts 1 - 8

| K ₂ O: cwt per acre including basal | Irrigation | | K ₂ O: cwt per acre including basal | | Mean |
|---|------------|-------|---|-------|-----------------|
| | 0 | C | | | |
| | (±1.47) | | | | |
| 1.2 | 87.7 | 94.3 | | | |
| 2.4 | 90.1 | 110.6 | | | |
| N: cwt per acre | (±1.55)* | | (±1.55)* | | |
| | | | 1.2 | 2.4 | |
| 0.3 | 84.2 | 95.2 | 87.1 | 92.3 | 89.7 |
| 0.6 | 93.5 | 109.7 | 94.9 | 108.3 | 101.6 |
| Mean (±1.04) | 88.9 | 102.5 | 91.0 | 100.3 | 95.7 |
| Difference (±2.29) | 9.3 | 14.5 | 7.8 | 16.0 | 11.9 (±1.62) |

*For use in horizontal and diagonal comparisons only.

Mean dry matter % as cut:
 Total of cuts 5 - 8: 15.0
 Total of cuts 1 - 8: 17.3

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CONCENTRATED FERTILISER ROTATION

Concentrated compound fertiliser and forms of N - West Barnfield I
1960.

Rotation: Kale, ryegrass, barley.

Design (each crop): 2 randomised blocks of 14 plots each.

Area of each plot (acres): 0.0174. Area harvested: Kale - 0.0086,
Ryegrass - 0.0056, barley - 0.0116.

Treatments (per acre): No fertiliser. (O)
P₂O₅ and K₂O each at 0.3 cwt to barley and each at 0.1 cwt to kale
and ryegrass, as triple superphosphate and potassium
bicarbonate. (B)
Compound fertiliser, 20% N, 10% P₂O₅, 10% K₂O at 0.3(1),
0.6(2) cwt N to barley and 1.0(1), 2.0(2) to kale and
ryegrass. (F)
Sulphate of ammonia, granular superphosphate and muriate
of potash at rates equivalent to treatments F (1) and
(2) (F)
PK as treatment B plus (S)
Sulphate of ammonia (C)
Calcium nitrate (U)
Urea (U)
Ammonium nitrate (A)
each at rates 1 and 2 of N.

Basal dressing: None.

Cultivations, etc.: Ploughed: Oct 30 - Nov 2, 1959. Fertilisers
broadcast for barley, barley drilled at 2½ bushels per acre:
Mar 26, 1960. Fertilisers broadcast for ryegrass: Mar 31.
Ryegrass sown at 30 lb per acre; fertilisers applied for kale:
Apr 1. Kale drilled at 3 lb per acre: Apr 8. Barley sprayed
with CMPP at 6 pints in 40 gallons per acre: May 23. Grass cut:
July 20. Barley combine harvested: Aug 17. Grass cut second
time: Oct 3. Kale harvested: Nov 8 - 16. Varieties: Kale -
Thousand head; ryegrass - S22; barley - Proctor. Previous crop:
Oats.

Standard errors per plot.

Kale, fresh weight: 1.339 tons per acre or 6.0% (13 d.f.)
Ryegrass dry matter:
1st cut 2.59 cwt per acre or 9.2% (13 d.f.)
2nd cut 1.95 cwt per acre or 15.9% (13 d.f.)
Total of 2 cuts 3.31 cwt per acre or 8.2% (13 d.f.)
Barley, grain (at 85% dry matter): 1.38 cwt per acre or 3.8%
(13 d.f.)

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| Fertiliser | Summary of Results | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|--------------------|--|-------|
| | Kale fresh weight tons per acre | Ryegrass dry matter cwt per acre | | | Barley (at 85% dry matter) cwt per acre | |
| | | 1st cut | 2nd cut | Total of 2 cuts | Grain | Straw |
| | (±0.946) | (±1.83) | (±1.38) | (±2.34) | (±0.98) | |
| O | 12.21 | 7.1 | 6.4 | 13.5 | 27.9 | 15.7 |
| B | 14.91 | 11.3 | 6.9 | 18.2 | 28.0 | 16.0 |
| F ₁ | 22.18 | 30.8 | 9.5 | 40.3 | 34.8 | 21.8 |
| F ₂ | 26.56 | 34.5 | 17.4 | 51.9 | 40.6 | 29.2 |
| P ₁ | 22.44 | 27.7 | 9.5 | 37.2 | 35.3 | 20.5 |
| P ₂ | 25.21 | 33.8 | 18.7 | 52.5 | 38.5 | 22.9 |
| S ₁ | 21.58 | 25.2 | 9.5 | 34.7 | 37.1 | 25.2 |
| S ₂ | 24.82 | 33.3 | 18.2 | 51.5 | 39.0 | 22.8 |
| C ₁ | 23.71 | 30.7 | 8.3 | 39.0 | 35.1 | 22.8 |
| C ₂ | 24.43 | 31.0 | 18.1 | 49.0 | 38.2 | 24.3 |
| U ₁ | 21.45 | 27.2 | 8.1 | 35.3 | 34.1 | 21.2 |
| U ₂ | 24.49 | 32.9 | 13.6 | 46.5 | 38.0 | 25.9 |
| A ₁ | 22.04 | 32.5 | 10.3 | 42.8 | 35.1 | 23.4 |
| A ₂ | 24.75 | 34.8 | 17.7 | 52.5 | 39.9 | 27.3 |
| Mean | 22.20 | 28.0 | 12.3 | 40.3 | 35.8 | 22.8 |
| Mean dry matter % as harvested: | | 16.3 | 20.7 | 18.5 | 82.2 | 69.2 |

Treatments

- O = No fertiliser
 B = P₂O₅ and K₂O each at 0.3 cwt to barley and each at 0.1 cwt to kale and ryegrass, as triple superphosphate and potassium bicarbonate
 F = Compound fertiliser, 20% N, 10% P₂O₅, 10% K₂O at 0.3(1), 0.6(2) cwt N to barley and 1.0(1), 2.0(2) to kale and ryegrass,
 P = Sulphate of ammonia, granular superphosphate and muriate of potash at rates equivalent to treatments F (1) and (2).
 S = Sulphate of ammonia. Plus PK as treatment B
 C = Calcium nitrate. " " " "
 U = Urea. " " " "
 A = Ammonium nitrate. " " " "

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RESIDUAL PHOSPHATE ROTATIONS

The long term and residual effects of a number of phosphate fertilisers compared with superphosphate - Great Field IV and Sawyers I 1960.

Design: Great Field IV: 1 randomised block of 12 plots per crop.
Sawyers I: 2 randomised blocks of 12 plots each per crop.

Rotation: Potatoes, Barley, Swedes.

Area of each plot (acres):

Great Field IV: 0.0193. Area harvested: Potatoes and Barley - 0.0129, Swedes - 0.0096.
Sawyers I: 0.0212. Area harvested: Potatoes and Barley - 0.0141, Swedes - 0.0106.

Treatments:

Granular superphosphate treatments broadcast in spring before sowing or ridging:-

1. No phosphate.
2. 0.25 cwt P_{205} per acre per year.
3. 0.50 cwt P_{205} per acre per year.
- 4 & 5. No phosphatic fertiliser in 1960 or 1961, but later at rates to be decided.

Phosphate fertilisers ploughed in (to a depth not exceeding 6 inches) at 3.0 cwt P_{205} per acre in September 1959 and rotary hoed in in spring:-

- | | |
|-------------------------------|---|
| 6. Nitrophosphate I | (17.1% P_{205} , none water soluble) |
| 7. Nitrophosphate II | (18.8% P_{205} , one quarter water soluble) |
| 8. Nitrophosphate III | (22.4% P_{205} , half water soluble) |
| 9. Gafsa rock phosphate | (28.9% P_{205}) |
| 10. Bessemer basic slag | (15.2% P_{205}) |
| 11. Potassium metaphosphate * | (57.9% P_{205} , 38.8% K_2O) |
| 12. Granular superphosphate | (20.4% P_{205}) |

*Note. To balance the K_2O content of potassium metaphosphate, all the other treatments included 2.0 cwt K_2O per acre as sulphate of potash in autumn 1959.

Basal dressings per acre: Broadcast in spring before sowing or ridging:

N as 'Nitro-Chalk' 21:-

To potatoes: 1.2 cwt; to barley: 0.6 cwt; to swedes: 0.5 cwt.

K_2O as sulphate of potash:-

To potatoes: 1.0 cwt; to barley: 1.0 cwt; to swedes: 1.0 cwt.

Cultivations, etc. (both fields, except as indicated):

Phosphate fertilisers applied: Sept 23 - 24, 1959. Ploughed: Sept 25 - 26. Balancing potassium sulphate applied: Nov 3. Ploughed second time: Nov 9 - 27. Rotary hoed twice: Mar 7 - 8, 1960.

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Potatoes: Basal fertilisers and spring superphosphate applied: Apr 8, 1960. Planted: Apr 13. Earthed up: June 20 - 21. Sprayed with copper fungicide at 5 lb in 40 gallons per acre: July 16. Sawyers I sprayed with sulphuric acid, 15% BOV, at 100 gallons per acre: Aug 31; and again, 10% BOV, at 100 gallons per acre: Sept 13. Great Field IV sprayed with sulphuric acid, 15% BOV, at 100 gallons per acre: Sept 13. Haulm on Great Field IV destroyed mechanically: Sept 19. Lifted: Oct 4 - 5. Variety: Majestic.

Barley: Basal fertilisers and spring superphosphate applied, seed drilled at 2½ bushels per acre: Mar 18, 1960. Sawyers I sprayed with TCB/MCPA at 4 pints in 40 gallons per acre: May 10. Great Field IV sprayed with CMPP at 6 pints in 40 gallons per acre: May 25. Combine harvested: Aug 17. Variety: Proctor.

Swedes: Basal fertilisers and spring superphosphate applied: May 10 - 11, 1960. Hand drilled at 3 lb per acre: May 16. Singled: June 16 - 19. Lifted: Oct 28 - 31. Variety: Wilhelmsburger.

Previous crop (both fields): Fallow.

Standard errors per plot.

Sawyers I

Potatoes, Total tubers: 0.927 tons per acre or 5.9% (13 d.f.)

Barley, Grain (at 85% dry matter): 2.06 cwt per acre or 5.6% (13 d.f.)

Swedes, roots: 3.597 tons per acre or 18.4% (13 d.f.)

Summary of Results

| Phosphate | Potatoes | | | | | | | |
|--------------|-----------------------------|----------|----------------------|----------|------------------------------|----------|-----------|----------|
| | Total tubers: tons per acre | | | | Percentage ware (1½" riddle) | | | |
| | Great Field IV | | Sawyers I | | Great Field IV | | Sawyers I | |
| | Mean | Increase | Mean | Increase | Mean | Increase | Mean | Increase |
| | | | (±0.655) | (±0.757) | | | | |
| None (1,4,5) | 15.52 | | 13.63 ⁽¹⁾ | | 95.8 | | 95.4 | |
| 2 | 15.38 | -0.14 | 13.69 | +0.06 | 94.0 | -1.8 | 93.4 | -2.0 |
| 3 | 18.04 | +2.52 | 14.20 | +0.57 | 91.7 | -4.1 | 94.5 | -0.9 |
| 6 | 19.66 | +4.14 | 17.80 | +4.17 | 91.9 | -3.9 | 92.7 | -2.7 |
| 7 | 19.28 | +3.76 | 17.38 | +3.75 | 92.2 | -3.6 | 92.1 | -3.3 |
| 8 | 20.27 | +4.75 | 17.97 | +4.34 | 92.9 | -2.9 | 93.1 | -2.3 |
| 9 | 18.64 | +3.12 | 15.90 | +2.27 | 91.7 | -4.1 | 93.8 | -1.6 |
| 10 | 21.09 | +5.57 | 16.67 | +3.04 | 91.2 | -4.6 | 93.2 | -2.2 |
| 11 | 20.36 | +4.84 | 17.44 | +3.81 | 93.6 | -2.2 | 94.2 | -1.2 |
| 12 | 19.59 | +4.07 | 17.85 | +4.22 | 94.7 | -1.1 | 92.9 | -2.5 |
| Mean | 18.24 | | 15.81 | | 93.4 | | 93.8 | |
| (1) | (±0.378) | | | | | | | |

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| Phosphate | Great Field IV | | Sawyers I | | Great Field IV | | Sawyers I | |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|----------|---------------------|----------|----------------------------------|----------|-----------|----------|
| | Mean | Increase | Mean | Increase | Mean | Increase | Mean | Increase |
| | <u>Barley</u> | | | | | | | |
| | <u>Grain (at 85% dry matter)</u> | | | | <u>Straw (at 85% dry matter)</u> | | | |
| | cwt per acre | | | | cwt per acre | | | |
| | | | (±1.46) (±1.69) | | | | | |
| None (1,4,5) | 31.3 | | 30.2 ⁽¹⁾ | | 30.6 | | 18.9 | |
| 2 | 33.0 | +1.7 | 35.4 | +5.2 | 28.3 | -2.3 | 21.1 | +2.2 |
| 3 | 33.1 | +1.8 | 36.1 | +5.9 | 29.7 | -0.9 | 20.7 | +1.8 |
| 6 | 33.9 | +2.6 | 37.7 | +7.5 | 31.9 | +1.3 | 23.5 | +4.6 |
| 7 | 37.5 | +6.2 | 35.5 | +5.3 | 35.7 | +5.1 | 26.9 | +8.0 |
| 8 | 33.5 | +2.2 | 39.0 | +8.8 | 37.4 | +6.8 | 27.3 | +8.4 |
| 9 | 35.4 | +4.1 | 41.4 | +11.2 | 37.1 | +6.5 | 22.8 | +3.9 |
| 10 | 35.0 | +3.7 | 42.6 | +12.4 | 36.8 | +6.2 | 25.3 | +6.4 |
| 11 | 37.7 | +6.4 | 41.5 | +11.3 | 35.3 | +4.7 | 24.1 | +5.2 |
| 12 | 40.2 | +8.9 | 39.8 | +9.6 | 39.6 | +9.0 | 24.0 | +5.1 |
| Mean | 34.4 | | 36.6 | | 33.6 | | 22.7 | |
| Mean dry matter | | | | | | | | |
| % as harvested: | 82.4 | | 79.7 | | 62.8 | | 67.4 | |
| (1) (±0.84) | | | | | | | | |

Swedes, Roots: tons per acre

| | | | | |
|--------------|-------|--------|----------------------|--------|
| | | | (±2.543) (±2.937) | |
| None (1,4,5) | 10.97 | | 10.53 ⁽¹⁾ | |
| 2 | 19.08 | +8.11 | 15.18 | +4.65 |
| 3 | 18.97 | +8.00 | 18.40 | +7.87 |
| 6 | 20.06 | +9.09 | 23.41 | +12.88 |
| 7 | 23.09 | +12.12 | 23.81 | +13.28 |
| 8 | 22.09 | +11.12 | 21.54 | +11.01 |
| 9 | 24.12 | +13.15 | 24.13 | +13.60 |
| 10 | 19.23 | +8.26 | 27.17 | +16.64 |
| 11 | 23.71 | +12.74 | 25.25 | +14.72 |
| 12 | 24.00 | +13.03 | 24.57 | +14.04 |
| Mean | 18.94 | | 19.59 | |
| (1) (±1.468) | | | | |

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N LEVELS AND RESIDUES ROTATION

Direct and residual effects of sulphate of ammonia - Long Hoos III
1960 (preliminary year).

Rotation: Wheat, potatoes.

Design (each crop): 3 randomised blocks of 9 plots each.

Area of each plot (acres): 0.0212. Area harvested: Wheat - 0.0141;
Potatoes - 0.0035.

Treatments:

Nitrogen (applied as sulphate of ammonia).
To wheat: None; 0.5; 1.0 cwt per acre.
To potatoes: None; 0.75; 1.5 cwt per acre.
(Three plots per block for each treatment in 1960.)

Basal dressing (per acre):

To wheat: $2\frac{1}{2}$ cwt compound fertiliser, 12% P_2O_5 , 24% K_2O combine
drilled.
To potatoes: 6 cwt compound fertiliser, 12% P_2O_5 , 24% K_2O ,
broadcast on the flat.

Cultivations, etc.: All land ploughed: Nov 3, 1959.

Wheat: Combine drilled with basal fertiliser, sulphate of ammonia
broadcast by hand: Mar 19, 1960. Sprayed with TCB/MCPA at
4 pints in 40 gallons per acre: May 10. Combine harvested:
Sept 13. Variety: Jufy I. Previous crop: Spring wheat.

Potatoes: Basal fertiliser and sulphate of ammonia broadcast on
flat: Apr 13, 1960. Ridged, potatoes planted: Apr 14.
Earthed up: June 21. Sprayed with copper fungicide at 5 lb
in 40 gallons per acre: July 15 and Aug 9. Sprayed with
undiluted BOV at 15 gallons per acre: Aug 31. Haulm destroyed
mechanically: Sept 21. Lifted*: Dec 1. Variety: Ulster
Supreme. Previous crop: Spring wheat.

*Hand dug. Harvested area very much reduced, because of wet
conditions.

Standard errors per plot.

Wheat, grain (at 85% dry matter): 2.48 cwt per acre or 10.4%
(22 d.f.)

Potatoes, total tubers: 0.942 tons per acre or 6.1% (22 d.f.)

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Summary of Results

Wheat, (grain at 85% dry matter): cwt per acre

| | N: cwt per acre | | Mean |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|------|------|
| None | 0.5 | 1.0 | |
| 16.4 | 24.8 | 30.3 | 23.8 |
| | (±0.83) | | |
| Mean dry matter % as harvested: 82.3 | | | |

Potatoes

| | N: cwt per acre | | Mean |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-------|-------|
| None | 0.75 | 1.50 | |
| <u>Total tubers: tons per acre</u> | | | |
| 11.99 | 16.33 | 17.71 | 15.34 |
| | (±0.314) | | |
| <u>Percentage ware (1½" riddle)</u> | | | |
| 96.1 | 97.5 | 98.0 | 97.2 |

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TRIAZINE WEEDKILLER ROTATIONS

The direct and residual effects of triazine weedkillers - Rothamsted (R)
Great Knott II and Woburn (W) Great Hill I and II 1960.

Owing to the unsuitability of the Rothamsted site this experiment is discontinued. The Woburn experiment will be continued in 1961 in an altered form.

Rotations: Great Knott II (R): Winter beans, winter wheat, potatoes, barley.
Great Hill I and II (W): Potatoes, barley.

Design (each field): 2 randomised blocks of 9 plots each per crop.

| Area of each plot (acres): | Area harvested (acres): |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Great Knott II (R): 0.0636 | Winter beans - 0.0139, winter wheat - 0.0150, potatoes - 0.0035, barley - 0.0139. |
| Great Hill I and II (W): 0.0482 | Potatoes - 0.0107, barley - 0.0115. |

Treatments.

Great Knott II (R): All plots were ploughed and received normal cultivations before planting. The potato plots were also rotary cultivated. Cultivations described below were carried out after planting.

To potatoes and beans:

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| No cultivations | (0) |
| Normal weed control cultivations ⁺ | (N) |
| No cultivations, 1 lb simazine ⁺ | (1) |
| No cultivations, 2 lb simazine ⁺ | (2) |

To potatoes only:

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| 2 lb simazine ⁺ , then potatoes grubbed and earthed up | (2E) |
| Potatoes grubbed and earthed up and later 2 lb simazine ⁺ applied before crop emergence | (2L) |

To beans only:

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|---|------|
| Normal weed control cultivations, 1 lb simazine ⁺ in autumn and 1 lb simazine ⁺ in spring | (2D) |
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The barley and wheat plots were split* for 0 v. hormone spray for weed control.

Great Hill I and II (W):

To potatoes only:

As above (excluding treatment 2D) except that the plots were not rotary cultivated.

The barley plots were split* for 0 v. hormone spray for weed control.

* 1 plot per block was not split, but received hormone spray only. It was intended that it should be followed by a "No weed control" treatment. The yields from these plots are not presented.

⁺In 40 gallons per acre

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Note: 2 plots for each of treatments 1, 2, N, 2D were included in each block to accommodate a comparison between ploughing and no ploughing in later seasons.

Basal dressings per acre:

Great Knott II (R):

Beans: $4\frac{1}{2}$ cwt compound fertiliser (12% P_2O_5 , 24% K_2O) placement drilled.

Wheat: $2\frac{1}{2}$ cwt compound fertiliser (6% N, 15% P_2O_5 , 15% K_2O) combine drilled: $3\frac{1}{2}$ cwt sulphate of ammonia top dressed.

Potatoes: 10 tons dung: 8 cwt compound fertiliser (10% N, 10% P_2O_5 , 18% K_2O).

Barley: $3\frac{1}{2}$ cwt compound fertiliser (16% N, 9% P_2O_5 , 9% K_2O) combine drilled.

Great Hill I and II (W):

Potatoes: 14 tons dung: 12 cwt compound fertiliser (10% N, 10% P_2O_5 , 18% K_2O).

Barley: 4 cwt compound fertiliser (16% N, 9% P_2O_5 , 9% K_2O) combine drilled.

Cultivations, etc.:

Great Knott II (R):

Beans: Ground chalk applied at 2 tons per acre: Oct 1, 1959.

Ploughed: Oct 3. Seed placement drilled at 275 lb per acre with basal fertiliser: Oct 16. Simazine applied to appropriate plots: Oct 30 and Mar 22, 1960. Treatment N harrowed: Apr 4. Treatment N horse-hoed: Apr 12, Apr 29, May 2. Combine harvested: Aug 20. Variety S.Q. The crop was poor and on one block certain plots were discarded.

Wheat: Ground chalk applied at 2 tons per acre: Oct 1, 1959.

Ploughed: Oct 3. Seed combine drilled at $2\frac{3}{4}$ bushels per acre with basal fertiliser: Oct 16. Top dressed with sulphate of ammonia: Apr 14, 1960. Appropriate sub plots sprayed with CMPP at 6 pints in 40 gallons per acre: Apr 22. Combine harvested: Aug 30. Variety: Cappelle.

Potatoes: Ploughed: Oct 3, 1959. Dung applied: Jan 15 - Feb 9, 1960. Ploughed 2nd time: Feb 10. Basal fertiliser applied:

Mar 28. Rotary cultivated: Apr 14. Potatoes planted: Apr 19. Simazine applied (excluding treatment 2L): Apr 30. Treatments N and 2L tractor weeded: May 16 and May 25.

Treatments N and 2L grubbed: May 26. Treatment 2L earthed up and sprayed with simazine: May 27. Treatments N and 2E grubbed: June 17. Treatments N and 2E earthed up: June 20. Sprayed with copper fungicide at 5 lb in 40 gallons per acre: July 16 and Aug 10. Sprayed with undiluted BOV at 15 gallons per acre: Aug 31. Haulm destroyed mechanically: Sept 22. Lifted: Nov 30. Variety: Ulster Supreme.

* Hand dug. Harvested area much reduced owing to wet condition.

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Barley: Ploughed: Oct 3, 1959. Seed combine drilled at 2 bushels per acre with basal fertiliser: Mar 7, 1960. Appropriate sub plots sprayed with TCB/MCPA at 4 pints in 40 gallons per acre: May 10. Combine harvested: Aug 16. Variety: Proctor. Previous crop (whole area): Spring wheat Great Hill I and II (W):

Potatoes: Dung applied at 14 tons per acre; ploughed: Feb 24, 1960. Basal fertiliser applied: Apr 19. Potatoes planted: Apr 20. Simazine applied (excluding 2L plots): May 2. Treatments N, 2L tractor weeded: May 7. Treatment 2L grubbed and earthed up and simazine applied: May 23. Treatment N tractor weeded: May 31. Treatment N grubbed: June 14. Treatment 2E grubbed, treatments N, 2E earthed up: June 18. Sprayed with zineb at 2 lb in 40 gallons per acre: July 15. Sprayed with copper fungicide at 5 lb in 40 gallons: July 26. Sprayed with undiluted BOV at 15 gallons per acre: Sept 8. Haulm destroyed mechanically: Sept 15. Lifted: Sept 26. Variety: Ulster Supreme. Previous crop: Barley

Barley: Ploughed: Jan 4 - 5, 1960. Seed combine drilled at $2\frac{1}{4}$ bushels per acre with basal fertiliser: Mar 25. Appropriate sub plots sprayed with TCB/MCPA at 4 pints in 40 gallons per acre: May 7. Combine harvested: Aug 22. Variety: Proctor. Previous crop: Potatoes.

Standard errors per plot.

Great Knott II (R).

Winter wheat, grain (at 85% dry matter): 3.23 cwt per acre or 8.3% (13 d.f.)

Potatoes, total tubers: 0.615 tons per acre or 5.3% (11 d.f.)

Barley, grain (at 85% dry matter): 0.87 cwt per acre or 2.5% (15 d.f.)

Great Hill I and II (W).

Potatoes, total tubers: 2.142 tons per acre or 10.0% (11 d.f.)

Barley, grain (at 85% dry matter): 1.33 cwt per acre or 6.0% (15 d.f.)

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Summary of Results

Winter beans Great Knott II (R)

| 0 | Treatment | | | | Mean |
|--|-----------|------|------|------|------|
| | N | 1 | 2 | 2D | |
| <u>Grain (at 85% dry matter): cwt per acre</u> | | | | | |
| 24.4 | 26.8 | 28.1 | 23.0 | 25.2 | 25.6 |

Mean dry matter % as harvested: 79.1

Winter wheat Great Knott II (R)

| Hormone | | Mean | Difference |
|--|---------|------|-------------|
| None | Sprayed | | |
| <u>Grain (at 85% dry matter): cwt per acre</u> | | | |
| 38.8 | 39.3 | 39.0 | +0.5(±1.22) |

Mean dry matter % as harvested: 79.7

Potatoes

| | Treatment | | | | | | Mean |
|---|------------------|-------|-------------------|-------|-------------------|-------|-------|
| | 0 | N | 1 | 2 | 2E | 2L | |
| <u>Total tubers: tons per acre Great Knott II (R)</u> | | | | | | | |
| Mean | 8.71 (±0.435) | 14.16 | 9.86 (±0.307) | 11.86 | 11.84 (±0.435) | 12.14 | 11.61 |
| Increase | | +5.45 | +1.15 (±0.533) | +3.15 | +3.13 (±0.615) | +3.43 | |

Total tubers: tons per acre Great Hill I and II (W)

| | | | | | | | |
|----------|-------------------|-------|-------------------|-------|-------------------|-------|-------|
| Mean | 21.61 (±1.514) | 24.24 | 19.56 (±1.071) | 21.01 | 22.38 (±1.514) | 19.15 | 21.42 |
| Increase | | +2.63 | -2.05 (±1.906) | -0.60 | +0.77 (±2.201) | -2.46 | |

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Potatoes

| | Treatment | | | | | | Mean |
|--|-----------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | 0 | N | 1 | 2 | 2E | 2L | |
| <u>Percentage ware (1$\frac{1}{2}$" riddle) Great Knott II (R)</u> | | | | | | | |
| Mean | 96.0 | 97.8 | 96.4 | 97.0 | 96.8 | 98.0 | 97.0 |
| Increase | | +1.8 | +0.4 | +1.0 | +0.8 | +2.0 | |
| <u>Percentage ware (1$\frac{3}{8}$" riddle) Great Hill I and II (W)</u> | | | | | | | |
| Mean | 99.5 | 99.4 | 99.4 | 99.6 | 99.6 | 99.1 | 99.4 |
| Increase | | -0.1 | -0.1 | +0.1 | +0.1 | -0.4 | |

Barley

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

| | Hormone | | Mean | Difference |
|---------------------------------|---------|---------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| | None | Sprayed | | |
| <u>Great Knott II (R)</u> | | | | |
| 34.8 | | 33.9 | 34.3 | -0.9 (± 0.31) |
| <u>Great Hill I and II (W)</u> | | | | |
| 21.9 | | 22.6 | 22.3 | +0.7 (± 0.47) |
| Mean dry matter % as harvested: | | | | |
| | | | Great Knott II (R) | 81.2 |
| | | | Great Hill I and II (W) | 79.0 |