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Oklahomans have long recognized the value of cereal crops for winter pasture (3, 6, 10, 16), but no general agreement prevails as to which crop is the more productive and important for grazing. Wheat has been declared the most important small grain pasture crop in Oklahoma (3, 6, 10), partially as a result of its large acreage in the state each year. Wheat is seldom planted solely for pasture but usually is grazed some during the year.

In general, barley has been considered the most productive of the cereals in the fall, while annual ryegrass and winter oats are believed to excel in forage production in the spring.

Ryegrass has been reported as a better winter forage producer than small grains (9, 12, 15). In other studies, the cereal crop rye ranked first in winter forage yields when compared with other small grains (7, 9, 12). Each of these reports could be essentially correct, depending upon which season of the year was most favorable for growth. Frequently, lack of soil mositure prevents early planting and normal growth and therefore grazing is delayed until late winter and early spring. Fall production is sometimes curtailed by insect infestations.

Adams (1) noted growth differences and reported that variations occurred not only in the period of production of the different small grains but also be-

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tween varieties within each crop. Staten (13, 14) reported that cattle preferred fertilized winter barley to other small grain pasture crops.

This publication reports results of a study designed to evaluate small grain crops for forage production and nutrient content. Major emphasis was placed on determining seasonal forage production and probable feeding value of small grain forage.

Materials and Methods

Preliminary evaluation of 22 small grain varieties for forage production was begun in the fall of 1954 under dryland conditions on the Oklahoma Agricultural Experiment Station Farm located near Perkins, Oklahoma. Three rates of seeding were used for each crop in this study: oats and barley 2, 4, and 6 bushels per acre; wheat and rye 1, 2, and 3 bushels per acre. The soil is classified as a Norge, fine sandy loam. Lime was applied in the summer of 1954 at the rate of two tons per acre and 250 pounds of 0-20-0 applied per acre prior to planting on October 23 and 24. Elbon rye was planted on November 8 as the only exception. Design of this experiment, as all others reported in this study, was a randomized block with four replications.

Each plot in 1954 consisted of 5 rows, 7 inches apart and 20 feet long. When the forage reached an arbitrary grazing height of about 4 to 6 inches, the inside 3 rows of each plot were harvested with a reel-type lawn mower adjusted on a hard surface for a 1½ inch height of clip. Each of the three rates of seeding was treated as a separate study for statistical analyses as they were arranged in different blocks.

Following the 1954-55 season, the field plots were changed to the Agronomy Research Farm at Stillwater where trials continued through the 1958-59 season. The soil was loamy Port. Seven of the most promising small grain varieties and common (annual) ryegrass were tested 4 years under irrigation. The cereals were planted each year in the first two weeks of September in plots 20 feet long and replicated 4 times. In the 1955-56 and 1956-57 seasons, the plots consisted of 5 rows, 7 inches apart, with the 3 inside rows harvested. From 1957 through 1959, each plot contained 3 rows, 12 inches apart and the entire plot was harvested. The samples were placed in a cloth bag and dried in a forced air oven at about 140°F.

All protein analyses were made according to Official Methods of A.O.A.C. (2). The data is presented on a moisture free basis.

Of all varieties initially in the test only seven small grains and the common (annual) ryegrass were tested four years under irrigation.

Each year, prior to planting the small grains, the soil was fertilized with 16-20-0 fertilizer at the rate of 250 pounds per acre. Additional nitrogen was added as needed during the growing season. Generally, two applications of ammonium nitrate were made, each at the rate of 100 pounds per acre, one in the latter part of October and the other in early March.

A sickle-type mower was used to harvest the plots the first two years of this study at Stillwater, and a rotary type the last two years. In both cases the small grains were clipped at a height of approximately 2 inches above the soil surface.

Leafhoppers, in early October of 1956, inflicted severe damage to all rye and barley varieties seemingly in this order of preference with no apparent effect on oats, wheat or ryegrass.

Results and Discussion

Forage Production

The period of forage production (fall, winter or spring) for any variety or kind of small grain is in all probability just as important or even more so than the total forage yield. In this study no single crop or variety was consistently high in forage production throughout the growing season.

Variations in growing conditions from 1954 to 1959, particularly in the fall and the spring, appeared to influence the forage yields of small grain each year as much as the crop and the variety. Temperature variation in these periods, from one year to the next, possibly exerted the greatest influence.

The fall of 1954 was part of a record drouth year, and as a consequence no cereal crop was of satisfactory height for grazing (4 to 6 inches) until the latter part of February, and then only Elbon rye had sufficient growth for clipping (Table 1). Oats, which are generally considered a good spring forage producer in Oklahoma, yielded the greatest amount of forage for the year (Tables 1 and 2). The late planting date and lack of moisture during the fall and winter months contributed to the poorer showing of the other crops.

The high forage yields obtained in the spring of 1955 as shown in Table 1 compared to a 3-year average for the same period as shown in Table 12 can be explained in part by the fact a number of the varieties were in head at the time of clipping. This resulted from the rapid rate of growth during this period

and the inability to clip all varieties at the time they reached the arbitrary grazing height.

The forage produced per cutting by each variety and the yearly total from 1955 to 1959 is shown by years in Tables 4, 6, 8, and 10 with a multiple range test of these data (by cuttings), computed by the method described by Duncan (4), presented in Tables 5, 7, 9, and 11 respectively.

The average seasonal and yearly production of forage by these small grains from 1955 to 1958 is shown in Table 12. An analysis of these data by seasons show varietal differences in forage production in the fall (Table 13). The varieties which yielded the most forage in the fall months of 1955 to 1958 were Rogers and Tenkow barley, Arkwin oats, Concho wheat and common (annual) ryegrass. It would appear from this data that an increased rate of seeding, probably 2 or 3 times the usual amount, will increase forage for fall grazing. In addition, those varieties of small grains classified in general as having an intermediate or prostrate habit of growth (Table 13) may require an increased seeding rate, perhaps 2 or 3 times the normal amount, to yield as much forage for fall grazing as those varieties which in general have an upright habit of growth.

Seven varieties of small grains and common (annual) ryegrass were tested four years under irrigated conditions. The average seasonal and yearly production of these forages from 1955 to 1959 is shown in Table 14. An analysis of these data from the fall period of these four years (Table 15) indicated no varietal differences existed in forage production in the fall. This contradicts the results shown in Table 13 but this difference can be explained by the fact that all varieties of small grains, except one, were seeded at a low rate which does not appear adequate for maximum fall production.

Forage production in the winter months (December through February) appears to be associated more with variety than with the crop as shown in Tables 16 and 17. Elbon rye consistently produced more forage in the winter period than any other variety tested.

The production of forage in the spring (March through May) was good from all varieties of small grains and ryegrass (Tables 12 and 14) when compared to the yields in the fall and winter periods. Elbon and Tetraploid rye and Tenkow barley were significantly lower in yield than all other varieties in the spring period (Tables 18 and 19). There were no significant differences in the forage yields obtained from common (annual) ryegrass, Balbo rye, Rogers barley and all wheat and oat varieties for the period of this study. Variations in production for this period from year to year perhaps is a varietal response to the weather, particularly temperature.

Chemical Analysis of Forage

Proximate analyses of small grain forage in the 1954-55 season show the calcium and phosphorus content to be high (Table 3). In all cases, the forages equal or exceed the level of 0.12 to 0.15 percent phosphorus and 0.2 to 0.3 percent calcium which are generally considered the minimum amounts in rations for beef cattle. Crude protein per acre, calculated on an ash-free-basis, was figured to be equivalent to 900 to 1,500 pounds of 41 percent cottonseed meal.

The crude protein content of small grains may be best evaluated by comparing the analytical data with the known requirements of beef cattle. The recommended quantities of digestible protein needed in a ration for different classes, ages and weights of beef cattle are presented in a report prepared by Guilbert et al. (8) for the Committee on Animal Nutrition of the National Research Council. They recommend 7.5 percent digestible protein in the ration for normal growth of 400 pound heifers and steers; 5.7 percent for 600 pound animals; 4.7 percent for 800 pound animals; and 4.3 percent for 1,000 pound animals of this class.

The digestible protein content of young cereal crops, as included in this study, usually averages about three-fourth of its crude protein content (11). Beef animal requirements for digestible protein, when converted into crude protein for comparison with the analytical data reported in this study, total 10.0, 7.5, 6.3, and 5.7 percent crude protein respectively for the different weights of cattle. It may be readily ascertained from the data of Tables 20, 21, 22 and 23 that the protein level of all cereal crop varieties was always more than sufficient to meet the recommended amount proposed by the committee. Although the crude protein content was consistently adequate, there was a gradual decline in percent crude protein from fall to spring.

After this study was well in progress it was found that a considerable amount of silica was adhering to the plant tissues during the harvesting process. Silica was determined on samples selected at random and was found to represent from 15 to 30 percent of the total sample. When the percent crude protein was expressed on a silica free basis values would frequently exceed 30 percent and occasionally exceed 35 percent (17).

A conversion of the seasonal average crude protein content of these forage crop yields into pounds of crude protein produced per acre for each of the years 1955 to 1958 is shown in Tables 24, 25, and 26. Based on a three-year average (1955-1958) as shown in Table 27 the crude protein production per acre annually would be near the quantity contained in 1,200 to 2,000 pounds of 41 percent cottonseed meal.

Summary

Forage yields of all the small grains tested were higher in the spring (March) through May) than any other season. None of the varieties was consistently high in forage production throughout the fall, winter, and spring growing periods. Variations in growing conditions, mainly temperature, in the fall and spring, apparently influenced forage yields as much as the crop or variety.

Of all varieties tested during the three-year period 1955 to 1958, best forage yields in the fall months were obtained from irrigated Rogers and Tenkow barley, Arkwin oats, Concho wheat and common (annual) ryegrass. The varieties of small grains classified in general as having an intermediate or prostrate habit of growth seemed to require an increased rate of seeding to yield as much forage for fall grazing as those varieties classified as having an upright habit of growth.

Forage production in the winter months (December through February) appeared to be more of a characteristic of the variety than of the crop. Elbon rye consistently produced more forage in the winter period than any other small grain variety tested.

Elbon and Tetraploid rye and Tenkow barley were significantly lower in yield in the spring period than other varieties when averaged for the three years 1955 to 1958.

The protein level of all cereal crop varieties produced from 1954 to 1958 was always more than sufficient to meet the recommended protein allowance for normal growth of different classes, ages and weights of beef cattle set forth by the Committee on Animal Nutrition of the National Research Council. Based on an average of the three years, 1955 to 1958, the crude protein production per acre annually from small grain forage would be near the quantity contained in 1,200 to 2,000 pounds of 41 percent cottonseed meal. There was a gradual decline in percent crude protein in all small grains from the fall to the spring period.

The calcium and phosphorus content of small grains harvested in 1954-55 season equalled or exceeded the amounts generally considered adequate in the rations of beef cattle.

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TABLE 1. Small Grains Forage Production on Dryland in 1954-55 at the Agronomy Research Farm. Perkins, Oklahoma

								n Dry Forag			
Total	Se	eeding		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Yield		Rate									
Rank	Variety	bu/A	Total	Feb.15-28	Mar.1-15	Mar.16-31	Apr.1-15	Apr.16-30	May 1-15	May 16-31	June 1-15
1	Wintok oats	2	4032			1506		1289	770		467
•	Cimarron "	Z 11	3958			1701		1311	638		308
2	-	11				1363		1204	805		481
3	rius carry	11	3853			1 240		1218			500
4	Traveler "		3793						835		
5	Forkedeer''		3690			1308		1121	901		360
6	c.1.6988 "		3627			1470		959	775		423
_	(Cimarron x 1					1606		1100		0=0	
7	Forkedeer	6	3608			1624		1132		852	
8	Balbo rye	1	3578		1154	638	998	368	420		
9	DeSoto oats	2	3483			1237		789	811		646
10	Balbo rye	2	3468		1413	599	912	544			
11	Arkwin oats	2	3439			1267		1031	756		385
12	Traveler oats	4	3426			1198		1382		846	
13	Cimarron "	6	3397			1715		1108		574	
14	Dubois "	2	3394			1190		1 286	668		250
15	Forkedeer "	4	3378			1171		1393		814	
16	Wintok "	4	3375			1094		1503		778	
17	Tetraploid rye	e 3	3334			1635	945	588		166	
18	Traveler oats	6	3306			1440		1157		709	
19	Arlington "	2	3245			904		890	912		539
20	Cimarron "	4	3215			1 264		1415		536	
21	Wintok "	6	3207			1319		1226		662	
22	Balbo rye	3	3202		1369	555	822	456			
23	Tetraploid ry	e 2	3190			1349	1022	563		256	
24	Arkwin oats	6	3185			1426	-, -	1163		596	
25	Tetraploid ry	e Î	3183			1141	998		569		
26	Arkwin oats	4	3117			1108		1272		737	

Yield-Pounds of Oven Dry Forage Per Acre Harvest Period and Cutting Number

				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Total		eding									
Yield		Rate									
Rank	Variety b	ou/A	Total	Feb.15-28	Mar.1-15	Mar.16-31	Apr.1-15	Apr.1 6- 30	May 1-15	May 16-31	June 1-15
27	Triumph wheat	3	2866			1113	1275		478		
2 8	Tenkow barley	4	2756			1099	1226		431		
29	Elbon rye	2	2749	1053	676	393		627			
30	Harbine barley	6	272 8			1044	1261		423		
31	Clarkan wheat	1	2720			83 8	1014	632		236	
32	Ryegrass, annual	30 1bs.	2702			481		934		671	616
33	Harbine barley	4	2688			929	1267		492		
34	Ryegrass,	20 lbs.	2676		, - -			1742		643	291
35	Tenkow barley	2	2774		1097		1008	382		187	
36	Clarkan wheat	3	2668			860	1154		654		
37	Concho	3	2666			904	1193		569		
38	Harbine barley	2	2606		962		1226	418			
39	Tenkow "	6	2605			970	1231		404		
40	Clarkan wheat	2	2600			874	1220	506			
41	Colonial "2" barley	2	2 550		1011		956	393		190	
42	Elbon rye	1	2542	890	690	346		616			
43	Ponca wheat	1	251 2			857	1075	580			
44	Concho "	1	2 486			893	959	634			
45	Concho "	2	2481			857	1165	459			
46	Triumph "	2	2435			852	1215	368			
47	Comanche	1	2405			811	992	60 2			
48	B-400 barley	2	2402		937		1042	423			
49	Triumph wheat	1	2309			811	896	602			

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TABLE 2. Multiple range test of the total oven-dry forage production of 22 small grain varieties seeded at the rate of 1 bushel of wheat and rye and 2 bushels of oats and barley per acre on dryland in 1954-55 at the Agronomy Research Farm. Perkins, Oklahoma.

	Total Yield	Multiple Range
Varieties	Lbs./Acre	5% *
Wintok oats	4032	1
Cimarron oats	3958	1 1
Mustang oats	3853	
Traveler oats	3793	1111
Forkedeer oats	3690	1111
C.I. 6988 (cxt)**oats	3627	1 1 1 1
Balbo rye	3578	1 1 1 1
De Soto oats	3483	1 1 1
Arkwin oats	3439	1 1 1
Dubois oats	3394	11
Arlington oats	3 2 45	
Tetraploid rye	3183	
Clarkan wheat	2720	· 1
Tenkow barley	2674	i
Harbine barley	26 06	
Colonial "2" barley	2550	
Elbon rye	2542	
Ponca wheat	2512	
Concho wheat	2486	l
Comanche wheat	2405	
B-400 barley	2402	
Triumph wheat	2309	i

^{*} Any two yields underscored by the same line are not significantly different.

^{**}C.I. 6988 (Cimarron x Traveler) oats.

TABLE 3. Pounds of crude protein produced per acre on an ash-free basis and the average proximate analyses (in-percent) of small grain varieties produced in the spring of 1955 on dryland at the Agronomy Research Farm, Perkins, Oklahoma

	Seeding	Aver	age Composi	tion - Percen	t	Pounds Crude
Variety	Rate bu/A	Protein	Calcium	Phosphorus	Ash	Protein/A Ash-Free Basis
B-400 barley	2	21.10	•55	.66	25.42	378
Colonial "2" barley		22.15	.45	.92	22.52	438
Harbine* barley	2	23.45	.51	.34	20.88	484
ii ii	4	21.38	.51	.34	20.88	455
	6	16.72	.51	.34	20.88	361
Tenkow* "	2	19.94	.49	.24		423
II II	4			.24	23.53	426
	6	20.23	.49		23.53	
	2	19.06	.49	.24	23.53	398
Arkwin* oats		19.64	.45	.38	24.55	510
	4	17.65	.45	.38	24.55	415
	6	18.38	-45	.38	24.55	442
Arlington oats	2	20.61	.41	•35	21.03	528
Cimarron* oats	2	20.42	•33	.34	13.78	697
11 11	4	18.67	•33	-34	13.78	518
11 11	6	19.23	•33	.34	13.78	563
C.I. 6988 oats	2	18.53	.41	.32	24.34	508
(Cimarron x Travele	r)					
De Soto oats	2	19.44	.48	.67	24.69	510
Dubois oats	2	19.68	.48	.35	16.34	559
Forkedeer* oats	2	19.34	.40	.42	16.74	597
н н	4	17.19	.40	.42	16.74	484
11 11	6	16.55	.40	.42	16.74	497
Mustang oats	2	22.32	.41	.53	18.78	698
Traveler* oats	2	21.06	.40	.35	18.03	665
11 11	4	21.08	.40	.35	18.03	592
11 11	6	19.48	.40	.35	18.03	528
Wintok* oats	2	19.24	.34	.41	17.17	643
11 11	4	18.63	.34	.41	17.17	521
11 11	6	18.64	.34	.41	17.17	495
Balbo rye	ĭ	25.09	•,,-			898 **
11 11	2	23.20				805**
11 61	3	22.55				722 **
Elbon*** rye	ì	25.16				640**
Elboliana Tye	2	25.67				706**
Tetraploid* rye	1		.38			
retrapiold rye	2	25.43		.35	23.50	619
11 11		20.48	.38	.35	23.50	500
	3	18.23	.38	.35	23.50	465
Clarkan* wheat	1	21.68	.38	•37	21.37	464
11 11	2	21.38	.38	•37	21.37	437
	3	20.21	.38	.37	21.37	424
Comanche wheat	1	22.60	.42	.59	19.15	439
Concho* wheat	ļ	22.22	•37	.34	20.40	440
11 11	2	22.82	•37	.34	20.40	451
, 11 11	3	19.83	-37	.34	20.40	421
Ponca wheat	1	22.26	.44	.43	26.94	408
Triumph* wheat	1	22.76	•39	.23	23.04	404
	2	21.49	.39	.23	23.04	403
	3	20.84	.39	.23	23.04	460
Annual ryegrass	20#	17.99				481**
	30#	22.86				618**

^{*} Average percent calcium, phosphorus and ash was computed by combining the determinations of each component from all seeding rates.

^{**} Yield of crude protein per acre was not calculated on ash-free basis.

^{***} One cutting of all Elbon rye plots, made in February, is included in this table of spring production.

TABLE 4. Small Grain Forage Production in 1955-56 on Irrigated Land at the Agronomy Research Farm. Stillwater, Oklahoma

	Seedin	n				Yiel			Dry Forag d Cutting		:			
	Rate	9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
lo.* Variety	bu/A	Total	Oct.11	0ct.27	Nov.11	Dec.20	Feb.17	March 2	March 16	March 27	April 6	April 21	May 4	May 3
(1)Common ryeg	rass **	5347	265	154				5 2 7		657	1136	1049	1061	498
(2)Wintok oats	2		78			373				915	971	722	840	702
(3)Wintok oats	4	4430	250		174	134				803	971	940	844	314
(4) Traveler oa	ts 2	4417	227			231				750	915	697	888	709
(5)Traveler oa	ts 4	4336	418	99						906	962	772	816	363
(6) Forkedeer o	ats 4	4326	175		162					816	859	865	981	468
(7) Ponca wheat	1	4136	279			327			989	567	529	576	869	
(8) Clarkan whe	at 2	4136	316			253		199		1136	747	682	803	
(9) Forkedeer o	ats 2	4061	41			289				688	766	809	756	712
(10)Concho whea	t 1	4037	163			274			1230	68 2	458	529	701	
(11)Arkwin oats	2	3949	289	153	33					619	651	859	978	367
(12)Concho whea	t 2	3844	311	49					1149	695	439	554	647	
(13)Clarkan whe	at 1	362 8	158			143			7 2 8	610	638	604	747	
(14)Tenkow barl	ey 4	3439	505	251					619	433	604	595	432	
(15)Rogers barl	ey 2	3268	26 8	198				321	283	399	744	501	554	
(16)Balbo rye	2	3236	395	106					800	449	424	654	408	
(17)Rogers barl	ey 4	2 870	445	248		277		517		523	234	308	318	
(18)Balbo rye	1	2859	204		183				685	520	386	508	373	
(19)Tetraploid	rye l	2632	171		144	392			352	324	330	536	383	
(20)Tenkow bari	ey 2	2545	239	168		271		644	205	3 05	227	218	268	
(21)Elbon rye	2	2514	225	111	61	206	296	442		548	87		538	
(22)Tetraploid	rye 2		131		182				492	361	352	520	383	
(23)Elbon rye	1	1885	105	71		308	299	2 80	122	156	97		447	

^{*}Number refers to variety and corresponds to those used in the multiple range table, Table 5. **Common annual ryegrass was seeded at the rate of 20 pounds per acre.

TABLE 5. Multiple Range Table (5% level of probability)** of Small Grain Forage Production in 1955-56 Analyzed by Cutting Dates.

Cutting Date

Cut	tring b	ate																				
1.	(14)*	(17)) (5	(16	5) (8) (12)	(11)	(7)	(15)	(1)	(3)	(20)	(4)	(21)	(18)	(6) (19) (1	0) (13) (:	22) (2	23) (2) (9)
2.	(14)	(17)	(15	(20	<u>)</u> (1) (11)	(21)	(16)	(5)	(23)	(12)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(6) (7) (8)	(9)	(10)	(13)	(18)	(19)	(22)
3.	(18)	(22)	(3)	(6)	(19)	(21)	(11)	(1)	(2)	(4) (5	5) (7) (8)	(9)	(10)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(20)	(23)
4.	(19)	(2)	(7)	(23)	(9)	(17)	(10)	(20)	(8)	(4) (2	21) (13) ((3)	1) (6) (11)	(12)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(22)
5.	(23)	(21)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4) (5) (6)	(7) (8) (9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13) (14) (15)	(16)	(17)	(18)) (19	∍) (:	20)	(22)
6.	(20)	(1)	(17)	(21)	(15) (23)	(8)	(2)	(3)	(4) (5	5) (6) (7)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13) (14) (16) (1	18) (1	19) (22)
7.	(10)	(12)	(7)	(16)	(13) (18)	(14)	(22)	(19)	(15)	(20) (23) (1) (2)	(3)	(4)	(5) (6)) (8)) (9)	(11)	(17)	(21)
8.	(8)	(2)	(5)	(6) ((3)	4) (12) (9)	(10)	(1)	(11)	(13)	(7)	(21)	(17)	(18)	(16)	(14)	(15)	(22)	(19)	(20)	(23)

TABLE 5. Multiple Range Table (5% level of probability)** of Small Grain Forage Production in 1955-56 Analyzed by Cutting Dates. (Cont'd)

Cut	ting																						
9.	(1)	. (2)	(3)	(5)	(4)	(6)	(9)	(8)	(15)	(11)	(13)	(14)	(7)	(10)	(12)	(16)	(18)	(22)	(19)	(17)	(20)	(23)	(21)
	-																						
	`																						
10.	(1)	(3)	(6)	(11)	(9)	(5)	(2)	(4)	(8)	(16)	(13)	(14)	(7)	(12)	(19)	(10)	(22)	(18)	(15)	(17)	(20)	(21)	(23)
10.	(1)		=		(3)	(5)	(2)	(+)		(10)	(())	(17)	(/)	(12)	(13)	(10)	(22)	(10)	(15)	(17)	(20)	(21)	(23)
							-==																
11.	(1)	(6)	(11)	(4)	(7)	(3)	(2)	(5)	(8)	(9)	(13)	(10)	(12)	(15)	(21)	(23)	(14)	(16)	(22)	(19)	(18)	(17)	(20)
													===										
12.	(9)	(4)	(2)	(1)	(6)	(11)	(5)	(3)	(7)	(8)	(10)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)

st Numbers in parenthesis refers to varieties and correspond to those used in Table 4.

^{**} Any two varieties (ranked by mean yield highest to lowest from left to right) underscored by the same line are not significantly different in mean yield at the 5% level of probability.

TABLE 6. Small Grain Forage Production In 1956-57 On Irrigated Land at The Agronomy Research Farm. Stillwater, Oklahoma.

		Seeding					Oven Dry Fo		e	
		Rate		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
No.*	Variety	bu/A	Total	0ct. 9	0ct. 29	Dec. 5	March 12	March 30	April 24	May 10
(1)	Concho wheat	1	3541	508	565	130	467	677	1077	117
(2)	Rogers barley	2	3126	466	311	77		881	1285	106
(3)	Wintok oats	4	3033	346	459	101		468	1460	199
(4)	Ponca wheat	1	2946	490	410	105	340	453	1027	121
(5)	Concho wheat	2	2939	637	552	80	192	461	918	99
(6)	Rogers barley	4	2798	630	29 8	54		523	1192	101
(7)	Balbo rye	2	2787	459			238	5 2 2	1516	52
(8)	Wintok oats	2	2680	241	325	78	162	287	1 345	242
(9)	Forkedeer oats	4	266 9	338	372	75		517	1102	265
(10)	Arkwin oats	2	2614	451	552	121		3 55	890	245
(11)	Traveler oats	2	2543	238	281	88		551	1149	236
(12)	Traveler oats	4	2541	335	410	129		394	1046	227
(13)	Tetraploid rye	2	2525	398				560	1482	85
(14)	Common ryegrass	かか	2516	212	444	236	266	222	890	246
(15)	Tenkow barley	4	2451	817	309	81		365	784	95
(16)	Tenkow barley	2	2410	638	406	81	250	197	775	63
(17)	Elbon rye	2	2386	518			739	365	638	126
(18)	Forkedeer oats	2	2283	201	289	90		318	1096	289
(19)	Balbo rye	1	2119	223			443	435	878	140
(20)	Elbon rye	1	2099	403			514	400	722	60
(21)	Composite 222 rye	2	1835	473		·	143	337	766	116
(22)	Tetraploid rye	1	1793	199				302	1226	66
(23)	Composite 222 rye	1	1585	264			103	265	850	103

^{*} Number refers to variety and correspond to those used in the multiple range table, Table 7. $\star\star$ Common (annual) ryegrass was seeded at the rate of 20 pounds per acre.

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TABLE 7. Multiple Range Table (5% level of probability)** of Small Grain Forage Production in 1956-57 Analyzed by Cutting Dates.

Da	_																						
1.	(15)*	(16)	(5)	(6)	(17)	(1)	(4)	(21)	(2)	(7)	(10)	(20)	(13)	(3)	(9)	(21)	(23)	(8)	(11)	(19)	(14)	(18)	(22)
2.	(1)	(5)	(10)	(3)	(14)	(12)	(4)	(16)	(9)	(8)	(2)	(15)	(6)	(18)	(11)	(7)	(13)	(17)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)
3.	(14)	(1)	(12)	(10)	(4)	(3)	(18)	(11)	(16)	(1	5) (5	(8) (2)	(9)	(6)	(7)	(13)	(17)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)
4.	(17)	(20)	(1)	(19)	(4)	(14)	(16	(7)	(5)	(8)	(21)	(23) (2)	(3)	(6)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(15)	(18)	(22)
5.	(2)	(1)	(13)	(11)	(6)	(7)	(9)	(3) (5) (¹	+) (19)	(20)	(12)	(17)	(15)	(10)	(21)	(18)	(22)	(8)	(23)	(14)	(16)
6.	(7)	(13)	(3)	(8)	(2)	(22)	(6)	(11)	(18)	(9)	(1)	(12)	(4)	(5)	(14)	(10)	(19)	(23)	(15)	(16)	(21)	(20)	(17)
7	/10\	(0)	(1/.)	(10)	(9)	(11)	(12	\ (2\	(10)	/1	7) (/	ı) (1) (2	1) (2) (6)	(22)	(5)	(15)	(12)	(22)	(16)	(20)	(7)
/.	(18)	(9)	(14)	(10)	(8)	(11)	(12	(3)	(19)	(1)	/) (*	+) (1	, (2	l) (2 	, (6,	(23)	· (5) -	(15)	(13)	(22)	(10)	(20)	(7)

^{*} Numbers in parenthesis refers to varieties and correspond to those used in Table 6. * Any two varieties (ranked by mean yield highest to lowest from left to right) underscored by the same line

are not significantly different in mean yield at the 5% level of probability.

TABLE 8. Small Grain Forage Production In 1957-58 On Irrigated Land At The Agronomy Research Farm. Stillwater, Oklahoma.

	Seeding		Yields-Pounds of Oven Dry Forage Per Acre Harvest Date and Cutting Number										
	Rate		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8			
No.* Variety	bu/A	Total	Oct. 17	Nov. 21	Feb. 24	March 22	April 4	April 22	May 5	May 25			
(1) Common ryegrass	verk	3978	393	2 94	156	209	362	1537	440	587			
(2) Wintok oats	4	2966	438	236	119	173	350	1331	319				
(3) Wintok oats	2	2815	246		232	215	415	1359	348				
(4) Rogers barley	2	2782	348		292	317	490	1126	209				
(5) Tenkow barley	4	2775	486	301	326	2 69	316	867	210				
(6) Rogers barley	4	2761	430	243	240	243	433	9 59	213				
(7) Forkedeer oats	4	2717	2 79	201	87	132	331	1301	386				
(8) Forkedeer oats	2	2594	261	227	108	140	326	1084	448				
(9) Elbon rye	1	2578	377	311	309	267	2 96	737	281				
(10) Tenkow barley	2	2574	426	293	362	273	340	656	224				
(11) Concho wheat	2	2569	465		174	286	449	1023	172				
(12) Ponca wheat	1	25 68	367		168	265	448	1075	245				
(13) Concho wheat	1	2558	2 99		178	381	485	968	247				
(14) Traveler oats	4	2532	348	232	76	113	282	1184	297				
(15) Arkwin oats	2	2503	369	255	81	109	2 80	1100	309				
(16) Traveler oats	2	2467	283		215	187	345	1109	3 2 8				
(17) Balbo rye	1	2377	304		224	265	354	967	263				
(18) Balbo rye	2	2343	410		205	255	383	88 2	2 08				
(19) Composite 222 rye	1	2342	233		244	318	430	813	304				
(20) Tetraploid rye	2	2280	3 2 0	218	75	99	279	1100	189				
(21) Composite 222 rye	2	2275	377	27 9	188	254	352	610	215				
(22) Elbon rye	2	2227	405	2 70	259	254	2 58	582	199				
(23) Tetraploid rye	1	2203	229		189	183	364	975	263				

^{*} Number refers to variety and corresponds to those used in the multiple range table, Table 9.

to see the common (annual) ryegrass was seeded at the rate of 20 pounds per acre.

.. TABLE 9 Multiple Range Table (5% level of probability)** of Small Grain Forage Production in 1957-58 Analyzed by Cutting Dates.

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(5)* (11) (2) (6) (10) (18) (22) (1) (21) (9) (15) (12) (4) (14) (20) (17) (13) (16) (7) (8) (3) (19) (23)
(9) (5) (1) (10) (21) (22) (15) (6) (2) (14) (8) (20) (7) (3) (4) (11) (12) (13) (16) (17) (18) (19) (23)
(10) (5) (9) (4) (22) (19) (6) (3) (17) (16) (18) (23) (21) (13) (11) (12) (1) (2) (8) (7) (15) (14) (20)
(13) (19) (4) (11) (10) (5) (5) (17) (12) (18) (22) (21) (6) (3) (1) (16) (23) (2) (8) (7) (14) (15) (20)
(4) (13) (11) (12) (6) (19) (3) (18) (23) (1) (17) (21) (2) (16) (10) (7) (8) (5) (9) (14) (15) (20) (22)
(1) (3) (2) (7) (14) (4) (16) (20) (15) (8) (12) (11) (23) (13) (17) (6) (18) (5) (19) (9) (10) (21) (22)
(8) (1) (7) (3) (16) (2) (15) (19) (14) (9) (17) (23) (13) (12) (10) (21) (6) (5) (4) (18) (22) (20) (11)

^{*} Numbers in parenthesis refers to varieties and correspond to those used in Table 8.

^{**} Any two varieties (ranked by mean yield highest to lowest from left to right) underscored by the same line are not significantly different in mean yield at the 5% level of probability.

TABLE 10. Small Grain Forage Production In 1958-59 on Irrigated Land at The Agronomy Research Farm. Stillwater, Oklahoma

				Yield-Pounds of Oven Dry Forage Per Acre Harvest Date and Cutting Number									
		Seeding		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
		Rate	l										
No.*	Variety	Bu/A	Total	0ct. 9	Oct. 22	Nov.22	Feb. 16	Mar. 18	Mar. 23	Apr. 14	Apr. 30		
1	Elbon rye	1	5209	670	703	926	715	1162		686	347		
2	Rogers barley	2	4350	610	985	904			889	737	225		
3	Balbo rye	1	4107	525	609	884	307		801	620	361		
4	Common ryegrass	161 6	3939	127	810	927			637	931	507		
5	Dayton barley	4	3815	760	773	832			546	621	283		
6	in n	2	3475	445	708	846			537	602	337		
7	Arkwin oats	4	3455	992	793	678				545	447		
8	Wintok oats	4	3442	6 2 5	839	624				812	542		
9	Bronco oats	4	3220	654	798	656				575	537		
10	Cimarron oats	4	3139	400	796	712				744	487		
11	Wintok oats	2	2893	214	838	525				685	631		
12	Arkwin oats	2	2771	655	719	518				477	402		
13	" " Sel.	2	2635	584	706	491				497	357		
14	C.I.12871 wheat	1	2558	218	540	634			289	488	389		
15	Bronco oats	2	2377	216	652	483				437	589		
16	Concho wheat	1	2232	113	325	538			396	543	317		
17	Ponca wheat	1	2219	225	401	573			266	489	265		
18	Cimarron oats	2	2200	122	691	550				443	394		
19	Triumph wheat	1	2134	222	372	532			213	510	285		

^{*} Number refers to variety and corresponds to those used in the multiple range, Table 11. *** Common (annual) ryegrass was seeded at the rate of 20 pounds per acre.

TABLE 11 Multiple Range Table (5% level of probability)** of Small Grain Forage Production in 1958-59 Analyzed by Cutting Dates.

(7)*	(5)	(1)	(12)	(9)	(8)	(2)	(13) (3	3) (6) (10) (17)	(19)	(15)	(11) (14) (4)	(18)	(16)
			-	~-1														
(2)	(8)	(11)	(4)	(9)	(10)	(7)	(5)	(12	2) (6) (13) (1)	(18)	(15)	(3)	(14) 	(17)	(19)	(16)
(4)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(6)	(5)	(10)	(7)	(9)	(14)	(8)	(17)	(18)	(16)	(19)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(15)
(1)	(3)	(2)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)
(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(16)	(14)	(17)) (1	9) (1) (7	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(15)	(18)
																		
(4)	(8)	(10)	(2)	(1)	(11)	(5)	(3)	(6)	(9)	(7)	(16)	(19)	(13)	(17)	(14)	(12)	(18)	(15)
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^{*} Numbers in parenthesis refers to varieties and correspond to those used in Table 10.

^{**} Any two varieties (ranked by mean yield highest to lowest from left to right) underscored by the same line are not significantly different in mean yield at the 5% level of probability.

TABLE 12. Three-Year Average Seasonal and Total Production as Oven-dry Forage of 12 Small Grain Varieties and Common Domestic Ryegrass (Fall 1955 through Spring 1959)

	Seeding	Fall	Winter	Spring	
	Rate	SeptNov.	DecFeb.	March-May	Total
Variety	bu./A	Lbs./A	Lbs./A	Lbs./A	Lbs./A
Common ryegrass	**	587	131	3229	3947
Wintok oats	2	2 97	22 8	2841	3366
Wintok oats	4	634	118	2724	3476
Traveler oats	2	343	178	2621	3142
Traveler oats	4	614	6 8	2454	3136
Forkedeer oats	2	34 0	162	24 77	2 97 9
Forkedeer oats	4	509	54	2674	3237
Arkwin oats	2	701	67	2254	3022
Concho wheat	1	512	194	2673	3379
Concho wheat	2	671	85	2361	3116
Ponca wheat	1	515	20 0	2501	3216
Rogers barley	2 4	5 3 0	123	2405	3058
Rogers barley	4	765	190	1855	2810
Tenkow barley	2	723	238	1548	2 809
Tenkow barley	4	890	136	1863	2889
Balbo rye	1	305	75	2072	2452
Balbo rye	2	457	68	2264	2789
Elbon rye	1	422	305	1460	2187
Elbon rye	2	530	254	1592	2376
Tetraploid rye	1	248	194	1768	2210
Tetraploid rye	2	416	25	1967	2408

^{**} Common ryegrass was seeded at the rate of 20 pounds per acre.

TABLE 13. Fall Production (September through November) of Oven-Dry
Forage Per Acre for Each of Three Years and Multiple Range
Test (5% level of probability) of Eleven Small Grains and Common (annual) Ryegrass.

	Habit	S	eeding	Fa	11 Producti	on		
	of		Rate	Oven-Dry Fo	rage Po	unds per ac	re	Multiple Range
No.	Growth/1	Variety	bu/A	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	Mean	(5% level*)
1	1	Tenkow barley	4	756	1126	787	890	ı
2	P	Rogers barley	4	693	928	673	765	1 1
3	1	Tenkow barley	2	407	1044	719	723	1 1
4	U	Arkwin oats	2	475	1003	624	701	1 1
5	1	Concho wheat	2	360	1189	465	671	1 1 1
6	P	Wintok oats	4	424	805	674	634	
7	1	Traveler oats	4	517	745	580	614	
8		Common ryegrass	**	419	656	687	587	
9	P	Rogers barley	2	466	777	348	530	.
10	U	Elbon rye	2	397	518	675	530	
11	1	Ponca wheat	1	2 79	900	367	515	1 1 1
12	1	Concho wheat	1	163	1073	299	512	1 1 1
13	P	Forkedeer oats	4	337	710	480	509	
14	P	Balbo rye	2	501	459	410	457	1 1 1
15	U	Elbon rye	1	176	403	688	422	
16	P	Tetraploid rye	2	313	398	538	416	
17	ı	Traveler oats	2	227	519	283	343	
18	P	Forkedeer oats	2	41	490	488	340	1
19	Р	Balbo rye	ī	387	223	304	305	1
20	Р	Wintok oats	2	78	566	246	297	1
21	P	Tetraploid rye	ī	315	199	229	248	

to the soil surface: U = upright

I = intermediate

P = prostrate

TABLE 14. Four-Year Average Seasonal and Total Production as Oven-dry Forage of 8 Small Grain Varieties and Annual Ryegrass. (Fall 1955 through Spring 1959).

		Producti	ion - 4 Year A	verage	
	Seeding	Fall	Winter	Spring	
	Rate	SeptNov.	DecFeb.	March-May	Total
<u>Variety</u>	(bu/A)	Lbs./A	Lbs./A	Lbs./A	Lbs./A
Common ryegrass	**	907	98	2941	3946
Wintok oats	2	617	171	246 0	3248
Wintok oats	4	998	89	2382	3469
Arkwin oats	2	999	51	1910	2960
Concho wheat	1	6 2 8	146	2319	3093
Ponca wheat	1	686	150	2131	2967
Rogers barley	2	1023	92	2267	3382
Balbo rye Elbon rye	1	733 892	1 33 408	2000 1644	2866 2944

^{**} Common ryegrass was seeded at the rate of 20 pounds per acre.

Any two means underscored by the same line are not significantly different.
 Common (annual) ryegrass was seeded at the rate of 20 pounds per acre.
 Habit of growth refers to vegetative characteristics of stem and leaf position in relation

TABLE 15. Fall Production (September through November) of Oven-Dry Forage Per Acre for Eight Small Grains and Common (annual) Ryegrass.

	Fall	Pı	roc	duc	ction		
Oven-Dry	Forac	jе	-	-	Pounds	per	acre

No.	Variety	Seeding Rate bu/A	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	Mean'
1	Rogers barley	2	466	777	348	2499	1023
2	Arkwin oats	2	475	1003	624	1892	999
3	Wintok oats	4	424	805	674	2088	998
4	Common ryegrass	rick:	419	656	687	1864	907
5	Elbon rye	1	176	403	688	2299	892
6	Balbo rye	1	387	223	304	2018	733
7	Ponca wheat	1	279	900	367	1199	686
8	Concho wheat	1	163	1073	299	976	628
9	Wintok oats	2	78	566	246	1577	617

^{*} No significant differences could be shown in the means at the 5% level of probability in an analysis of Variance.

TABLE 16. Winter Production (December through February) of Oven-Dry Forage Per Acre for Each of Three Years and Multiple Range Test (5% level of probability) of Eleven Small Grains and Common (annual) Ryegrass.

		Seeding		Winter Pro ry Forage -			
No.	Variety	Rate bu/A	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	Mean	Multiple Range (5% level*)
1.	Elbon rye	1	607	(397)***	309	438	1
2.	Elbon rye	2	502	(319)	259	360	•
3.	Tenkow barley	2	271	81	362	238	1
4.	Wintok oats	2	373	78	232	231	1 1
5.	Ponca wheat	1	327	105	168	197	1 1
6.	Tetraploid rye	l	392	.0	189	194	1 1
7.	Concho wheat	1	274	130	178	194	1 1
8.	Rogers barley	4	277	54	240	190	1 1
9.	Traveler oats	2 2	231	88	215	178	
10.	Forkedeer oats		289	90	108	162	1 1
11.	Tenkow barley	4	0	81	326	136	}
12.	Common ryegrass	**	0	236	156	131	1
13.	Rogers barley	2	0	77	292	123	ł
14.	Wintok oats	4	134	101	119	118	Į.
15.	Balbo rye	1	0	(51)	224	9 2	1
16.	Concho wheat	2	0	80	174	85	}
17.	Balbo rye	2	0	(41)	205	82	ì
18.	Traveler oats	4	0	129	76	68	}
19.	Arkwin oats	2	0	121	81	67	
20.	Forkedeer oats	4	0	75	87	54]
21.	Tetraploid rye	2	0	0	75	25	1

^{*} Any two means underscored by the same line are not significantly different.

^{**} Common (annual) ryegrass was seeded at the rate of 20 pounds per acre.

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^{***} Numbers in parentheses were calculated as missing plots. Insects killed these varieties.

TABLE 17. Winter Production (December through February) of Oven-Dry Forage per Acre for Each of Four Years and Multiple Range Test (5% level of probability) of Eight Small Grains and Common (annual) Ryegrass.

		Seeding	0ven-l	Winter P Dry Forage -	roduction - Pounds	per acre		Multiple
No.		Rate bu/A	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	Mean	Range 5% level*
1.	Elbon rye	1	607	(508)***	3 09	715	539	1
2.	Wintok oats	2	373	78	232	0	171	٠ ١
3.	Balbo rye	1	0	(141)	224	3 07	168	ļ
4.	Ponca wheat	1	327	105	168	0	150	1
5.	Concho wheat	1	274	130	178	0	146	1
6.	Common ryegras	s xx	0	236	156	0	98	ľ
7.	Rogers barley	2	0	77	292	0	92	1
8.	Wintok oats	4	134	101	119	0	89	1
9.	Arkwin oats	2	0	121	81	0	51	1

 $^{\,\,^{*}}$ Any two means underscored by the same line are not significantly different. $\,^{*}\!\!\!$ Common (annual) ryegrass was seeded at the rate of 20 pounds per acre.

TABLE 18. Spring Production (March through May) of Oven-Dry Forage Per Acre for Each of Three Years and Multiple Range Test (5% level of probability) of Eleven Small Grains and Common (annual) Ryegrass.

		Seeding	0ven-l	Spring Ory Forage	per acre		
		Rate					Multiple Range
No.	Variety	bu/A	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	Mean	(5% level*)
1.	Common ryegrass	**	4928	1624	3135	3229	1
2.	Wintok oats	2	4150	2036	2337	2841	
3.	Wintok oats	4	3872	2127	2173	2724	1 1
4.	Forkedeer oats	4	3989	1884	2150	2674	1 1
5.	Concho wheat	1	3600	2338	2081	2673	1 1
6.	Traveler oats	2	3959	1936	1969	2621	1 1 1
7.	Ponca wheat	1	3530	1941	2033	2501	1 1 1 1
8.	Forkedeer oats	2	3731	1703	1998	2477	1 1 1 1
9.	Traveler oats	4	3819	1667	1876	2454	1 1 1 1
10.	Rogers barley	2	2 80 2	2272	2142	2405	
11.	Concho wheat	2	3484	1670	1930	2361	
12.	Balbo rye	2 2	2735	2328	1728	2264	1 1 1 1
13.	Arkwin oats	2	3474	1490	1798	2254	1
14.	Balbo rye	1	2472	1896	1849	2072	
15.	Tetraploid rye	2	2108	2127	1667	1967	
16.	Tenkow barley	4	2683	1244	1662	1863	
17.	Rogers barley	4	1900	1816	1848	1855	
18.	Tetraploid rye	1	1925	1594	1785	1768	1 ()
19.	Elbon rye	2	1615	1868	1293	1592	1 1
20.	Tenkow barley	2	1867	1285	1493	1548	'
21.	Elbon rye	1	1102	1696	1581	1460	i

^{*} Any two means underscored by the same line are not significantly different.

tommon (annual) ryegrass was seeded at the rate of 20 pounds per acre.

Numbers in parentheses were calculated as missing plots. Insects killed these varieties.

^{**} Common (annual) ryegrass was seeded at the rate of 20 pounds per acre.

TABLE 19. Spring Production (March through May) of Oven-Dry Forage Per Acre for Each of Four Years and Multiple Range Test (5% level of probability) of Eleven Small Grains and Common (annual) ryegrass.

Spring Production Oven-Dry Forage - - Pounds per acre Seeding Multiple Rate Range Variety bu/A 1955-56 1956-57 1957-58 1958-59 (5% level*) No. Mean Common ryegrass ** 4928 1624 3135 2075 2941 4150 2460 2. Wintok oats 2 2036 2337 1316 2382 Wintok oats 4 3872 2127 2173 1354 4. 1 3600 2338 2081 1256 2319 Concho wheat 2802 Rogers barley 2272 2142 1851 2267 5. 2 6. Ponca wheat 3530 1941 2033 1020 2131 2472 1896 Balbo rye 1849 1782 7. 1 2000 Arkwin oats 2 3474 1490 1798 879 1910 9. Elbon rye 1102 1696 1581 2195 1644

 $[\]star$ Any two means underscored by the same line are not significantly different. $\star\star$ Common (annual) ryegrass was seeded at the rate of 20 pounds per acre.

TABLE 20. Crude Protein Content (in percent) of Small Grain Varieties Harvested at Various Periods in 1954-55.

Total Forage		Seeding		Perce	ent Crude Pro	otein at Va	rious Harves	t Periods		
Yield	•	Rate		10100	one grade in	Jeorn de va	11005 1101 105	1011043		
Rank	Variety	bu/A	Feb.15-28	Mar.1-15	Mar.16-31	Apr.1-15	Apr.16-30	May 1-15	May 16-31	June 1-15
1	Wintok oats	2			25. 19		17.75	17.19		16.81
2	Cimarron "	2			24. 06		24.75	14.59		18.28
3	Mustang !!	2			2 6.87		22.50	16.06		23.84
4	Traveler "	2			24.88		25.25	16.88		17.22
5	Forkedeer oats	2			26.69		15.63	15.09		19.94
6	C.1.6988 (cxt) oats	2			20.75		18.75	16.44		18.19
7	Forkedeer "	6			25.38		10.85		13.41	
8	Balbo rye	1		29.72	29.30	24.88	24.88	16.65		
9	DeSoto oats	2			24.31		18.19	16.06		19.19
10	Balbo rye	2		27.05	22.63	21.56	21.56			
11	Arkwin oats	2			21.25		21.06	17.81		18.44
12	Traveler oats	4			24.88		23.25		15.12	
13	Cimarron "	6			24.06		18.88		14.75	
14	Dubois "	2	_ `_		25.21		20.81	15.49		17.22
15	Forkedeer "	4			26.69		12.06		12.81	
16	Wintok "	4			2 5.19		17.19		13.50	
17	Tetraploid rye	3			17.59	20.31	19.94		15.09	
18	Traveler oats	6			2 4.88		19.69		13.87	
19	Arlington "	2			25. 63		22.25	16.41		18.13
20	Cimarron "	4			24.06		17.94		14.00	
21	Wintok "	6			25.19		17.09		13.63	
22	Balbo rye	3		- , -	28.58	19.53	19.53			
23	Tetraploid rye	2			17.44	21.19	22.38		20.90	
24	Arkwin oats	6			21.25		18.19		15.69	
25	Tetraploid rye	1			28.89	22.19	25.22	19.68		
26	Arkwin oats	4			21.25		18.19		14.13	
27	Triumph wheat	3			24.72	20.80		17.00		
28	Tenkow barley	4			21.41	19.19		20.09		
29	Elbon rye	2	25.53	27.63	28. 53		21.00			
30	Harbine barley	6			21.09	10.85		18.22		

TABLE 20. (continued)

Total Forage		Seeding		Perce	ent Crude Pro	otein at Va	rious Harves	t Periods		
Yield R <u>ank</u>	Variety	Rate bu/A	Feb.15-28	Mar.1-15	Mar.16-31	Apr.1-15	Apr.16-30	May 1-15	May 16-31	June 1-15
31	Clarkan wheat	1				22.09	23.00		19.94	
3 2	Ryegrass, annual	30 lbs.			28.90		23.40			16.28
33	Harbine barley	4			24.28	18.69		21.16		
34	Ryegrass, annual	20 lbs.					16.00		21.97	16.00
35	Tenkow barley	2		21.41		19.50	22.31		16.53	
36	Clarkan wheat	3			23.50	18.94		18.19		
37	Concho wheat	3			23.25	19.06		17.19		
38	Harbine barley	2		24.28		27.56	18.50			
39	Tenkow "	6			19.56	19.69		17.94		
40	Clarkan wheat	2			24.50	23.16	16.47			
41	Colonial 2 barle	y 2				27.44	21.78		17.22	
42	Elbon rye	1	25.69	21.13	28.66					
43	Ponca wheat	1			21.88	22.75	22.16			
44	Concho !!	1			24.93	20.72	21.00			
45	Concho "	2			25.66	21.48	21.31			
46	Triumph "	2			25.03	19.53	19.91			
47	Comanche !!	ī			25.18	21.44	21,18			
48	B-400 barley	2				21.39	20.81			
49	Triumph wheat	ī			26.46	21.81	20.00			

Table 21.--Crude Protein Content (in percent) of Small Grain Varieties
Harvested at Various Periods in 1955-56.

	Seeding				Percent	Crude P	rotein by	Cutting D	ates				
Variety	Rate bu/A	Oct.ll	0ct.27	Nov.11	Dec.20	Feb.17	March 2	March 16	March 27	April 6	April 21	May 4	May 30
Common ryegrass	**	26.72	27.72				23.58		18.84	30.49	25. 70	21.00	26.00
Wintok oats	2	34.20			26.96				21.31	21.68	28.34	14.75	15.31
Wintok oats	4	33.31		33.34	25.15				17.43	28.43	27.48	25.25	15.38
Traveler oats	2	29.11			24.02				20.90	21.31	28.00	24.25	16.13
Traveler oats	4	31.94	32.78						18.99	27.21	27.89	25.19	14.31
Forkedeer oats	4	28.94		31.41					19.87	28.06	26.79	23.69	14.00
Ponca wheat	1	29.31			25.18			25.46	23.59	26.84	31.63	26.69	
Clarkan wheat	2	30.82			24.12		23.00		19.62	26.90	28.51	26.69	
Forkedeer oats	2	32.34			26.34				21.37	23.91	27.34	25.81	14.13
Concho wheat	1	29.50			28.09			23.93	24.18	28.99	31.13	27.94	
Arkwin oats	2	28.83	30.20	30.41					21.06	27.09	27.97	25.75	16.69
Concho wheat	2	29.33	33.41					22.77	22.65	27.74	30.29	27.06	
Clarkan wheat	1	27.21			23.93			21.24	24.09	26.96	30.94	27.19	
Tenkow barley	4	2 9.00	35.16					23.17	19.43	27.45	29.17	26.56	
Rogers barley	2	33.75	36.34				23.40	25.1 7	23.34	30.06	2 9.73	28.31	
Balbo rye	2	2 9. 3 4	31.09					23.93	23.90	30.00	29.95	26.56	
Rogers barley	4	32.91	34.66		25.71		20.12		17.68	28.09	31.73	29.25	
Balbo rye	1	28.40		30.7 2				22.15	23.56	27.97	31.37	27.63	
Tetraploid rye	1	30.14		32.03	27.37			19.74	22.59	30.71	31.36	30.44	
Tenkow barley	2	31.72	35.54		25.74		21.80	19.74	2 3.56	27.50	30.98	27.88	
Elbon rye	2	28.13	32.22	30.59	28.93	23.62	2 3.63		20.33	25.31	:	22.69	
Tetraploid rye	2	30.66		31.34				22.65	23.49	30.33	32.26	30.94	
Elbon rye	1	31.19	34.28		26.74	23.94	23.64	20.85	25.77	24.67		23.75	

Table 22.--Crude Frotein Content (in percent) of Small Grain Varieties
Harvested at Various Periods in 1956-57.

	Seeding		D -		- D+-! D	C		
Variety	Rate bu/A	0ct. 9	Oct. 29	Dec. 5	e Protein By March 12	March 30	es April 24	May 10
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Concho wheat	1	28.69	28.37	25.94	23.00	24.44	16.50	16.00
Rogers barley	2	25.87	21.87	26.31		23.16	15.69	15.38
Wintok oats	4	3 2. 19	29.69	24.94		20.25	20.38	14.56
Ponca wheat	1	28.50	31.50	25.56	22.81	24.88	16.31	15.50
Concho wheat	2	30.13	26.37	24.63	18.75	23.16	14.06	17.31
Rogers barley	4	29.81	24.00	26.63		20.31	13.38	13.13
Balbo rye	2	28.00			27.31	30.56	17.94	13.94
Wintok oats	2	29.00	28.44	27.50	25.19	25.69	15.75	13.75
Forkedeer oats	4	34.87	29.75	26.63		22.81	14.44	13.69
Arkwin oats	2	22.81	30.31	22.56		21.13	14.81	14.69
Traveler oats	2	34.50	27.81	25.00		24.19	16.88	13.94
Traveler oats	4	32.19	31.19	25.50		22.81	13.94	15.13
Tetraploid rye	2	24.50				29.06	18.25	11.88
Common ryegrass	**	27.19	25.13	21.94	20.75	22.25	14.50	13.81
Tenkow barley	4	24.87	25.19			19.56	14.94	14.69
Tenkow barley	2	26.13	23.25	20.75	21.56	25.50	16.63	17.63
Elbon rye	2	25.56			21.69	2 7.88	20.69	14.44
Forkedeer oats	2	35.81	27.37	25.81		22.63	14.81	13.50
Balbo rye	ī	26.63			25. 50	29.31	21.00	15.31
Elbon rye	i	27.13			22.44	28.50	21.44	17.38
Composite 222 rye	2	28.63			24.19	23.31	15.69	16.13
Tetraploid rye	ī	29.56				28.69	13.69	22.38
Composite 222 rye	i	27.31			24.44	26.88	18.44	15.31

^{**} Common ryegrass was seeded at the rate of 20 pounds per acre.

Table 23.--Crude Frotein Content (in percent) of Small Grain Varieties
Harvested at Various Periods in 1957-58.

	Seeding		Percent Crude Protein by Cutting Dates										
Variety	Rate bu./A	Oct. 17	Nov. 21	Feb. 24	Mar. 22	Apr. 4	Apr. 22	May 5	May 25				
Common ryegrass	**	17.31	31.49	19.87	17.31	26.44	20.81	20.38	14.94				
Wintok oats	4	20.94	21.12	21.02	17.94	24.94	20.69	17.56					
Wintok oats	2	21.38		18.96	18.31	24.81	18.06	16.44					
Rogers barley	2	18.06		20.35	17.63	23.16	20.31	20.19					
Tenkow barley	4	20.38	20.33	22.29	17.94	23.44	20.31	18.44					
Rogers barley	4	17.06	20.42	22.33	17.94	23.81	21.75	18.25					
orkedeer oats	4	20.06	21.12	20.83	16.81	24.94	20.19	17.25					
orkedeer oats	2	20.56	21.11	19.99	16.69	22.94	18.50	18.13					
lbon rye	ī	21.31	22.20	21.89	17.56	20.69	24.06	20.50					
Tenkow barley	2	17.38	23.00	20.09	14.88	17.25	23.00	19.75					
Concho wheat	2	16.88		20.78	20.19	25.31	22.44	19.31					
Ponca wheat	ī	19.63		21.48	20.69	23.44	19.19	19.69					
Concho wheat	ì	20.69		21.74	20.06	23.56	19.69	18.88					
raveler oats	4	20.31	22.12	19.88	17.19	24.88	18.88	18.81					
Arkwin oats	2	14.31	22.42	19.37	15.69	23.75	19.31	18.44					
raveler oats	2	18.06		18.76	17.88	24.56	18.94	18.75					
Balbo rye	ī	21.25		20.56	19.69	24.06	23.16	18.69					
Balbo rye	2	14.13		20.83	18.94	25.56	23.31	20.19					
Composite 222 rye	ī	18.56		20.78	19.94	22.69	22.56	19.31					
Tetraploid rye	2	16.75	14.69	19.05	16.81	26.94	22.06	18.56					
Composite 222 rye	2	20.00	22.35	22.05	19.38	23.00	23.88	18.00					
Elbon rye	2	17.25	21.15	22.28	16.06	22.44	25 .94	18.31					
Tetraploid rye	ī	14.44		17.71	17.81	24.19	22.13	18.88					

^{**} Common ryegrass was seeded at the rate of 20 pounds per acre.

TABLE 24. Seasonal yield of oven-dry forage, the average crude protein content (in percent) and pounds of crude protein produced per acre by irrigated small grains in 1955-56.

		Fall (Se	otNov.		Winter	(DecFe	eb.)	Spring			
Variety	Seed Rate bu/A	Oven-Dry Forage	Crue Prote	ein	Oven-Dry Forage	Cruc Prote	ein	Oven-Dry Forage	Cruc Prote	ein	Total Yield Crude Prot.
		Lbs./A	AV. %	Lbs./A	Lbs./A	AV. %	Lbs./A	Lbs./A	AV. %	Lbs./A	Lbs./A
Common ryegrass	**	419	27.22	114	0			4928	24.27	1196	1310
Wintok oats	2	78	34.20	27	373	26.96	101	4150	20.28	842	970
11 11	4	424	33.33	141	134	25.15	34	3872	22.79	882	1057
Traveler oats	2	227	29.11	66	231	24.02	55	3959	22.12	876	997
0.00	4	517	32.36	167	0		0	3819	22.72	8 6 8	1035
Forkedeer oats	4	337	30.18	102	0		0	3989	22.48	897	999
Ponca wheat	1	279	29.31	8 2	327	25.18	8 2	3530	26.84	947	1111
Clarkan wheat	2	316	30.82	97	253	24.12	61	3567	24.94	890	1048
Forkedeer oats	2	41	32.34	13	2 89	26.34	76	3731	22.51	840	929
Concho wheat	1	163	29.50	48	274	28.09	77	360 0	27.23	980	1105
Arkwin oats	2	475	29.81	142	0		0	3474	23.71	824	966
Concho wheat	2	360	31.37	113	0		0	34 84	26.10	909	1022
Clarkan wheat	1	158	27.21	43	143	23.93	34	3327	26. 08	868	945
Tenkow barley	4	756	32.08	243	0		0	2683	25.16	675	918
Rogers barley	2	466	35.05	163	0		0	2 80 2	26.67	747	910
Balbo rye	2	501	30.22	151	0		0	2735	26. 87	735	886
Rogers barley	4	693	33.79	234	277	25.71	71	1900	25.37	482	787
Balbo rye	1	387	29.56	114	0		0	2472	26.54	656	770
Tetraploid rye	1	315	31.09	9 8	392	27.37	107	1925	26.97	519	724
Tenkow barley	2	407	33.63	137	271	25.74	70	1867	25.24	471	678
Elbon rye	2	397	30.31	120	50 2	26.28	132	1615	22.99	371	623
Tetraploid rye	2	313	31.00	97	0		0	2108	27.93	589	686
Elbon rye	1	176	32.74	58	607	25.34	154	1102	23.74	262	474

^{**} Common ryegrass was seeded at the rate of 20 pounds per acre.

TABLE 25. Seasonal yield of oven-dry forage, the average crude protein content (in percent) and pounds of crude protein produced per acre by irrigated small grains in 1956-57.

		Fall (SeptNov.)			Winter	(DecFe	eb.)	Spring			
Variety	Se e d Rate	Oven-Dry Forage	Protein		0ven-Dry Forage	Crude Protein		Oven-Dry Forage	Crude Protein		Total Yield Crude Prot.
	bu/A	Lbs./A	Av. %	Lbs/A	Lbs./A	Av. %	Lbs/A	Lbs./A	Av. %	Lbs/A	Lbs./A
Concho wheat	1	1073	28.53	306	130	25.94	34	2338	19.99	467	807
Rogers barley*	2	777	23.87	185	77	26.31	2 0	2272	18.08	411	616
wintok oats	4	805	30.94	249	101	24.94	25	2127	18.40	3 91	665
Ponca wheat	1	900	30.00	270	105	25.56	27	1941	19.88	386	683
Concho wheat	2	1189	28.25	336	80	24.63	20	1670	18.32	310	666
Rogers barley*	4	9 2 8	26.91	250	54	26.63	14	1816	15.61	283	547
Balbo rye*	2	459	28.00	129	0		0	232 8	22.44	522	651
wintok oats	2	566	28.72	163	78	27.50	21	2036	20.10	409	593
Forkedeer oats	4	710	32.31	229	75	26.63	20	1884	16.98	320	569
Arkwin "	2	1003	26.56	266	121	22.56	27	1490	16.88	252	545
Traveler "	2	519	31.16	162	88	25.00	22	1936	18.34	355	539
11 11	4	745	31.69	236	129	25.50	33	1667	17.29	2 88	557
Tetraploid rye*	2	398	24.50	98	0		0	2127	19.73	420	518
Common ryegrass	**	656	26.16	172	236	21.94	52	1624	17.83	290	514
Tenkow barley*	4	1126	25.03	282	81			1244	16.40	2 04	486
11 11 %	2	1044	24.69	25 8	81	20.75	17	1285	20.33	261	536
Elbon rye≭	2	518	25.56	132	0		0	1868	21.18	396	528
Forkedeer oats	2	490	31.59	155	90	25.81	23	1703	16.98	2 89	467
Balbo rye*	1	223	26.63	59	0		0	1896	22. 78	432	491
Elbon 🗓 *	1	403	27.13	109	0		0	1696	22.44	381	490
Composite 222 rye	* 2	473	28.6 3	135	0		0	1362	19.83	27 0	405
Tetraploid ''	* 1	199	29.56	59	0		0	1594	21.59	344	403
Composite 222 "	* 1	264	27.31	72	0		0	1321	21.27	2 81	353

^{*} All rye and barley varieties were severely injured by leafhoppers in October, 1956. All were replanted Nov. 8, 1956.

** Common ryegrass was seeded at the rate of 20 pounds per acre.

TABLE 26. Seasonal yield of oven-dry forage, the average crude protein content (in percent) and pounds of crude protein produced per acre by irrigated small grains in 1957-58.

		Fall (SeptNov.)			Winter	(DecFe	eb.)	Spring (MarMay)				
Variety	Seed Rate	Oven-Dry Forage	Crude Protein		Oven-Dry Forage	Crude Protein		Oven-Dry Forage	Crude Protein		Total Yield Crude Prot	
	bu/A	Lbs./A	Av. %	Lbs/A	Lbs./A	Av. % Lbs/A	Lbs./A	Av. %	Lbs/A	Lbs./A		
Common ryegrass	**	687	24.40	168	156	19.87	31	3135	19.98	626	825	
Wintok oats	4	674	21.03	142	119	21.02	25	2173	20.2 8	441	608	
wintok oats	2	246	21.38	53	232	18.96	44	2337	19.41	454	551	
Rogers barley	2	34 8	18.06	63	292	20.35	59	2142	20.32	435	557	
Tenkow barley	4	787	20.36	160	326	22.29	73	1662	20.03	333	566	
Rogers barley	4	673	18.74	126	240	22.33	54	1848	20.44	378	558	
Forkedeer oats	4	480	20.59	99	87	20.83	18	2150	19.80	426	543	
Fork e deer oats	2	488	20.84	102	108	19.99	22	1998	19.07	381	505	
Elbon rye	1	688	21.76	150	309	21.89	68	1581	20.70	327	545	
Tenkow barley	2	719	20.19	145	362	20.09	73	1493	18.72	279	497	
Concho wheat	2	465	16.88	78	174	20.78	36	1930	21.81	421	535	
Ponca wheat	1	367	19.63	72	168	21.48	36	2033	20.75	422	53 0	
Concho wheat	1	299	20.69	62	178	21.74	39	2081	20.55	428	529	
Traveler oats	4	580	21.22	123	76	19.88	15	1876	19.94	374	512	
Arkwin oats	2	624	18.37	115	81	19.37	16	1798	19.30	347	478	
Traveler oats	2	283	18.06	51	215	18.76	40	1969	20.03	394	485	
Balbo ry e	1	304	21.25	65	224	20.56	46	1849	21.40	396	507	
Balbo rye	2	410	14.13	58	205	20.83	43	1728	22.00	380	481	
Composite 222 ry	e l	233	18.56	43	244	20.78	51	1865	21.13	394	488	
Tetraploid rye	2	538	15.72	85	75	19.05	14	1667	21.09	352	451	
Composite 222 ry	e 2	656	21.18	139	188	22.05	41	1431	21.07	302	482	
Elbon rye	2	675	19.20	130	2 59	22.28	58	1293	20.69	268	456	
Tetraploid rye	1	229	14.44	33	189	17.71	33	1785	20.75	370	436	

** Common ryegrass was seeded at the rate of 20 pounds per acre.

TABLE 27. Three-year average seasonal yield of oven-dry forage, crude protein content (in percent) and pounds of crude protein produced per acre by irrigated small grains, 1955-58.

		Three Year Average										
		Fall (SeptNov.)			Winter	Winter (DecFeb.)			Spring (MarMay)			
	Seed	Oven-Dry	Crude Protein		Oven-Dry Forage	Crue	de	Oven-Dry	Cru	de	Total Yield	
Variety	Rate bu/A	Forage Lbs./A				Protein		Forage	Protein		Crude Prot	
			Av. %	Lbs./A	Lbs./A	Av. %	Lbs./A	Lbs./A	Av. %	Lbs./A	Lbs./A	
Rogers barley	2	530	25.66	136	123	23.33	29	2405	21.69	5 22	6 87	
11 11	4	765	26.48	203	190	24.89	47	1855	20.47	380	63 0	
Tenkow barley	2	723	26.17	189	23 8	22.19	53	1548	21.43	332	574	
11 11	4	890	25.82	230	136	22.29	30	1863	20.53	382	642	
Arkwin oats	2	701	24.91	175	67	20.97	14	2254	19.96	450	639	
Forkedeer ''	2	340	28.26	96	162	24.05	39	2477	19.52	484	619	
11 11	4	509	27.69	141	54	23.73	13	2674	19.75	5 2 8	682	
Traveler ''	2	343	26.11	90	178	22.59	40	2621	20.16	5 2 8	65 8	
11 11	4	614	28.42	174	6 8	22.69	15	2454	19.98	490	679	
Wintok "	2	297	28.10	83	231	24.47	57	2841	19.93	566	706	
11 11	4	634	28.43	180	118	23.70	2 8	2724	20.49	558	766	
Balbo rye	1	3 05	25.81	79	92	20.56	19	2072	23.57	488	586	
n ii	2	457	24.12	110	8 2	20.83	17	2264	23.77	5 3 8	665	
Elbon ''	1	422	27.21	115	438	23.62	103	1460	22.29	325	543	
n u	2	5 3 0	25.02	133	360	24.28	87	1592	21.62	344	564	
Tetraploid rye	1	248	25.03	62	194	22.54	44	1768	23.10	408	514	
n' it	2	416	23.74	99	25	19.05	5	1967	22.92	451	555	
Concho wheat	1	512	26.24	134	194	25.26	49	2673	22.59	604	787	
11 11	2	671	25.50	171	85	22.71	19	2361	22.08	521	711	
Ponca ''	1	515	26.31	135	197	24.07	47	2501	22.49	562	744	
Common ryegrass	**	587	25.93	152	131	20.91	2 7	3229	20.69	668	847	

^{**} Common ryegrass was seeded at the rate of 20 pounds per acre.