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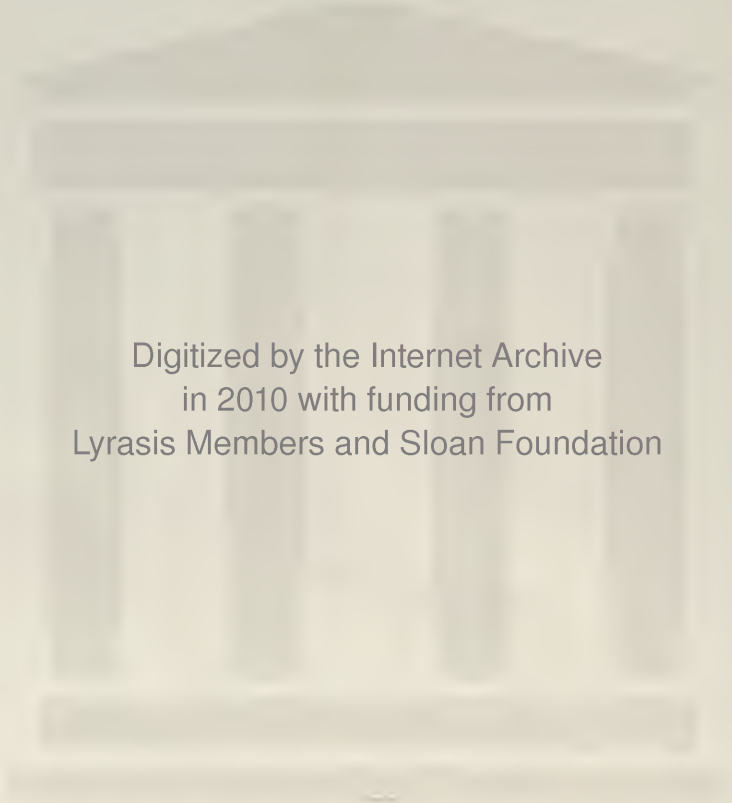
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Chemical Analyses and Fertility of West Virginia Soils¹

In 1914 the Department of Soils of the West Virginia Agricultural Experiment Station began a chemical and field study of the important agricultural soils in the State². Experiment Station Bulletins 161 and 168, dealing with this investigation, have already been published. The present report is a continuation of these investigations and includes the results of the analyses of 485 soil samples representing the important soils in the State. The data given in the two previous bulletins have been revised, and a number of corrections have been made. The revised data are included in this report.

Of all the nutrients required by plants from the soil, nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium are the ones most liable to be deficient. This deficiency may be due to insufficient amounts of these elements in the original soil material; to the removal of these elements through the sale of farm products; or to losses due to the processes of leaching and erosion. In this investigation, the content of nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, and carbon, as well as the requirement of lime, was determined. The results thus found have been compared with the fertility. The organic carbon was determined in order to ascertain whether or not a correlation existed between either the carbon and the nitrogen, or the carbon and the fertility, of the soils. Calcium as a nutritive element in the soil is seldom deficient as such, but many crops are often limited because of the lack of calcium carbonate to neutralize the acidity. For this reason, the lime requirement was determined.

The availability of the different plant nutrients varies with the crops grown, and the treatment of the soil; hence, no attempt was made in this investigation to determine the immediate availability of the plant nutrients. With soils of similar conditions and treatments it seems that the nutrients would become available in proportion to their amounts present in the soil. However, there are exceptions to this which have not been satisfactorily explained.

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²This investigation was started by Professors Firman E. Bear and R. M. Salter who are now on the faculty of Ohio State University. The authors wish to express their appreciation to them; to Messrs. M. F. Morgan, H. J. Barnett, C. F. Wells, E. B. Wells, R. E. Stephenson and to others who assisted in the progress of this work.

The methods used in collecting the soil samples and in analyzing about two-thirds of the soils are described in West Virginia Agricultural Experiment Station Bulletin 159. For the remaining one-third, the same analytical procedures were followed in determining the nitrogen and carbon, but a modification of Hillebrand's methods¹ for phosphorus and potassium proved to be shorter and was, therefore, used. The lime requirement was determined by the Veitch method. Field records were kept of the soil treatment, the crops grown, and the general fertility of the areas from which the samples were taken. In some cases, however, the field men were unable to secure all of this information.

The classification of the soils into provinces and series is essentially that described by the United States Bureau of Soils². Some of the counties in the state have not been surveyed and for this reason a few soils may not be classified correctly. The field men could not always follow the classification used by the Bureau. According to the Bureau of Soils, West Virginia is divided into three provinces in each of which the soils have been produced by the same force or group of forces. Within each province there are several series which are groups of soils having a similar color, character of subsoil, relief, and origin. Soils of the same series may differ in texture. Soils of the same texture in a series form a soil type. Thus a clay loam in the Upshur series would be Upshur Clay Loam type.

The description of the provinces and important series in West Virginia has been abstracted from Bulletin 96 of the United States Bureau of Soils as follows:

LIMESTONE VALLEYS AND UPLANDS PROVINCE

The soils in this province were derived from the limestone formations in the eastern section of the State, including portions of the Eastern Panhandle and of counties along the Virginia border line. Soils of this province are also found, in small areas, in other sections of the State, particularly in the northern counties, including the Northern Panhandle. These soils vary from gently rolling lands to hills. They are well drained and are fertile.

Brooke Series

The soils in this series are grayish-brown to brown, with yellowish-brown to slightly reddish-brown subsoils. They were derived from pure limestone, with occasional admixtures of material from sandstone and shale. This series is typically developed on the crest of ridges and hills, and in plateau-like situations. They have good drainage, are easy to cultivate, and are fertile.

¹United States Department of Interior, Bulletin 700.

²United States Bureau of Soils, Bulletin 96.

Hagerstown Series

The surface soils in this series are prevailingly brown in color, with light-brown to reddish-brown subsoils. They were derived from the limestone formations located in the eastern section of the State. They have an undulating to gently rolling surface, and are well drained. These soils are very fertile and are admirably adapted to general farming.

APPALACHIAN MOUNTAINS AND PLATEAU PROVINCE

The soils in this province were derived from the disintegration of the sandstones and shales of the Appalachian mountains and plateaus. They have a rolling to mountainous surface which is well drained. They are not very fertile.

Dekalb Series

The surface soils of the Dekalb series are gray to brown, while the subsoils are some shade of yellow. They are derived from sandstones and shales. The surface consists of gently rolling lands, table-lands, hills, and mountains. They are well drained, but are not very fertile.

Meigs Series

This series is variable in character and particularly in color, ranging from Indian red to a pale gray. This series includes some Upshur and Dekalb soils and intermediate types. The soils were derived from red and gray sandstones and shales. They are prevailingly steeply rolling, or mountainous. Some of the smoother slopes are suitable for farming, but are not very fertile.

Upshur Series

Both the surface and subsoil of this series are Indian red. Some types have a grayish-red surface. They were derived from Indian red sandstones and shales, frequently of a calcareous nature. The surface is rolling to mountainous, well drained, and is generally more fertile than the corresponding members of the Dekalb series.

Westmoreland Series

The soils of this series consist of a grayish-brown to a yellowish-brown surface, and a yellowish-brown to yellow subsoil. The surface soils have a mellow structure and the subsoils have a friable structure. They were derived from sandstone and shale with interbedded limestone and calcareous shale. The topography ranges from gently rolling lands to steep hills. They are well drained and are fertile.

RIVER FLOOD PLAINS PROVINCE

These soils are variable in color, drainage, and fertility. They consist of washed material from limestone, sandstone, and shale soils, and form strips of varying widths along rivers and streams.

Elk Series

The soils of this series have a light-brown to brown surface, and a pale-yellow to yellow subsoil. They are above the overflow but are entirely alluvial. These soils were derived from limestone, sandstone, and shale soils. Gravel is generally found in the substratum. The soils are level to slightly rolling, and have poor drainage in wet seasons. When properly managed and well drained, these soils are fairly fertile.

Holston Series

These soils have a yellowish-brown to brown surface, and a yellow subsoil. They are entirely alluvial, consisting of material washed from sandstone and shale soils. They are above the overflow and are fairly well drained. In general, they are less fertile than the members of the Elk series.

Tyler Series

The surface soils are grayish-brown, while the subsoils are yellowish to mottled gray. Some of these soils have a slightly plastic structure. They consist of material washed from sandstone and shale soils. They are fairly level, and poorly drained in many cases. These soils are best suited to grazing and hay. They have a fertility about equal to the Holston series.

Wheeling Series

The soils of this series are brown to yellowish-brown with a slight difference between the surface and subsoil. They are underlain with gravel, usually within three feet of the surface. These soils are alluvial, consisting of material washed from the glaciated area along the Ohio and other rivers. These soils have good drainage and are fertile.

Huntington Series

These soils are light-brown to brown. The subsoils are yellow to light brown. They consist of material washed from limestone, sandstone, and shale soils. They represent the best drained soils of the first bottom and are very fertile.

Moshannon Series

These soils comprise the reddish-brown to Indian red first bottom alluvial soils. They were derived largely from material washed from the Dekalb soils, but they sometimes contain washed material from limestone soils. They are fairly well drained and are fertile.

The greater portion of the soils in the State are composed of the Dekalb, Meigs, and Upshur series as will be seen in Table 1, which gives the area of the different series that had been surveyed in West Virginia up to 1921.

Table I.—Area of the Different Soil Series Surveyed in West Virginia.¹

	Number of Acres Surveyed to 1921
Brooke	46,594
Colbert	960
Decatur	4,992
Frankstown	43,392
Frederick	16,384
Hagerstown	123,136

¹The samples from Berkley, Jefferson, and Morgan counties were collected before the survey was completed in these counties and it is possible that some of the soils classified as Dekalb series in this report belong to the Berks series. The Frankstown and Frederick series are of limestone origin and somewhat similar to the soils in the Hagerstown series. Very likely some of the soils classed as Hagerstown series belong to the Frankstown, or Frederick series. The Berks, Frankstown, and Frederick series have been noted in this state only in the Eastern Panhandle.

Berks	41,856
Dekalb	5,028,224
Meigs	2,896,512
Rough stony land	947,136
Steep broken land	53,696
Lickdale	1,216
Upshur	581,120
Westmoreland	183,488
Atkins	11,712
Elk	35,840
Holly	28,928
Holston	140,352
Huntington	385,280
Moshannon	129,280
Pope	62,280
Tyler	60,672
Riverwash	2,432
Wheeling	40,768
TOTAL	10,866,250

This table was furnished through the courtesy of the U. S. Bureau of Soils.

RESULTS

The nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, and carbon are given as percentages in this report rather than as pounds per acre, as was the case in the two previous bulletins. On the basis of 2,000,000 pounds of soil per 6 2-3 acre inches, 1 per cent equals 20,000 pounds and .1 per cent equals 2,000 pounds. The analyses do not include the mineral, rock, and organic particles which would not pass a .2mm. sieve.

The chemical analyses and field data of the various soils are given in Table II. The most important information in this table is the total store of the plant nutrients (nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium) and the lime requirement. These are an index to the potential fertility of the soils. In general, the higher the content of nitrogen and phosphorus and the lower the lime requirement, the greater the fertility, provided the drainage and other factors are favorable. The crop yields observed by the owner of the land and by members of the Soils Department are used as a basis to determine the fertility which is compared with the chemical analyses. There seems to be a fairly definite correlation between the amounts of plant nutrients present and the crop yields on those soils which have like conditions and treatments. This is particularly true with the soils in the same province. A similar correlation with soils in other provinces has been noted by previous investigators.¹ The

¹U. S. Bureau of Soils, Bulletin 54, and annual reports of field operations from 1903 to 1907.

data indicate a low fertility when the phosphorus is less than .04 per cent, and the nitrogen less than .12 percent.

Table II shows that the average soils in the Dekalb, Meigs, Upshur, Tyler, and Holston series are relatively low in nitrogen and phosphorus. The Tyler and Holston series belong to the River Flood Plains Province, but compare favorably in fertility with the sandstone and shale soils. The Upshur series frequently has calcareous formations and is a little more fertile than the strictly sandstone and shale soils. The Elk and Pope series also belong to the River Flood Plains Province, and sometimes contain material washed from limestone formations. They are more fertile than the Tyler and Holston series. About 50 per cent of the Dekalb and Meigs series, 33 per cent of Holston, Tyler, and Upshur series, and about 30 per cent of the miscellaneous soils have less than .04 per cent phosphorus. More than 45 per cent of the soils in the Dekalb, Meigs, Holston, and Upshur series contain less than .12 per cent of nitrogen. More than 90 per cent of all the sandstone and shale soils are acid, and require an average of 3000 pounds of lime per acre to neutralize the acidity. Practically all of the soils in the above series are of low fertility.

The data in Table II indicate that most of the well drained soils that are low in nitrogen and phosphorus will respond favorably to acid phosphate and nitrogenous fertilizers. Most of the acid soils will not grow clover without lime and, in many instances, without phosphates. Field experiments in West Virginia¹ and in Pennsylvania² show that the Dekalb soil responds favorably to phosphates, and nitrogen, and in a lesser degree to potassium and lime. Very likely all of the well drained soils which have as low phosphorus and nitrogen content and as high a lime requirement as the average of the Dekalb series will respond favorably to fertilizers containing phosphorus, nitrogen, and potassium. Poor drainage conditions, no doubt, limit the productivity of the Tyler and Holston soils in many cases. Most of the soils studied are fairly high in potassium. A few of them are low in this nutrient, and will probably respond to potash fertilizers. All of the soils which are low in organic matter will likely respond to potash fertilizers.

The organic matter seems to be a good index to the nitrogen content and is no doubt an important factor in determining the fertility. The percentage content of organic matter may be calculated by multiplying the carbon content by 1.724.

¹ West Virginia Agricultural Experiment Station, Bulletin 155.

² Pennsylvania Agricultural Experiment Station, Bulletin 166.

The content of nitrogen varies from 8 to 10 per cent of that of the organic carbon in practically all the soils studied. Some of the sandstone and shale soils have a high content of nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium; and a low lime requirement, yet produce poor crops. This is possibly due to poor management, or to unfavorable drainage conditions.

The Brooke, Hagerstown, Westmoreland, Huntington, Moshannon, and Wheeling soils are much more fertile than those of sandstone and shale origin. They have a higher content of nitrogen and phosphorus and are in general, less acid. All of these, except the Wheeling series, have wholly or partly a limestone or calcareous origin. The last three named soils belong to the River Flood Plains Province, but compare well in fertility with those of strictly limestone origin. The phosphorus in all these soils averages .06 per cent, or more and the nitrogen about .15 per cent. The high content of phosphorus in the limestone soils is probably due to a more rapid leaching of the carbonates than of the phosphates. The correlation between the high content of phosphorus, nitrogen, and lime carbonate, and the fertility has been noted by McHarague and Peter¹ and others. Some of the limestone soils, however, will respond to nitrogen and phosphate fertilizers as is indicated in Table II.

The organic carbon in the Hagerstown soils averages less than that in any of the other series. This is perhaps due to a very rapid decomposition of the organic matter, brought about by the presence of calcium carbonate. The content of nitrogen averages about .12 per cent of that of the organic carbon in the Hagerstown soils, and from 8 to 10 per cent of that of the average soils in the other series. Most of the limestone soils have a good supply of potassium. Indeed, some of them are very high in this nutrient. However, those which are low in organic matter will probably respond to potash fertilizers.

The average content of nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, and carbon, and the lime requirement of the important soil series in West Virginia are given in Table III (page 21). The general fertility of the series is also indicated in this table.

¹Kentucky Agricultural Experiment Station Bulletin 236.

TABLE II.—Chemical Analyses and Field Data of West Virginia Soils Arranged According to Series.
LIMESTONE VALLEYS AND UPLANDS PROVINCE
BROOKE SERIES

Soil No.	Percentage of Elements				Req'd CaCO ₃ Lbs. Per A.	Kinds and Amounts of Fertilizers Used	Crops Generally Grown and Yield	Owner, Address, and County
	N	P	K	C				
42	.182	.061	2.40	2.65	0	Some M	Corn, wheat, hay	F. R. Patterson, Wellsburg, Brooke
64	.117	.081	2.01	1.50	0	None	Corn, wheat, clover	G. A. F. Bonar, Belleville, Wood
114	.153	.056	1.56	1.54	2800	Some M, AP, L	Corn, oats, timothy	F. W. Brady, Collier, Brooke
172	.214	.076	0.85	2.01	3000	Med amts AP, L	Alfalfa	G. A. R. Jacobs, Short Creek, Ohio
300	.191	.064	1.92	1.96	3800	None	Oats, clover	De Garmo Bros., Wellsburg, Brooke
361	.191	.043	1.85	1.99	0	None	Pasture for 10 years	F. C. Bowers, Wellsburg, Brooke
365	.152	.065	1.41	1.46	3200	Med amts L, heavy M, AP	Truck crops	G. Ohio Co. Home Farm, Roney's Point, Ohio
Ave.	.176	.064	1.71	1.87	1800			

HAGERSTOWN SERIES

5	.120	.061	2.55	1.35	0	Some M, AP	Corn, rye, pasture	F. C. D. Wysong, Shepherdstown, Jefferson
24?	.117	.081	2.03	0.98	1000	Med amts 4-8-4 yearly	Orchard, grass	G. J. Miller, Martinsburg, Berkeley
28	.104	.101	2.69	0.77	800	Med amts 4-8-4 yearly	Orchard, grass	G. J. Miller, Martinsburg, Berkeley
29	.111	.054	2.45	1.15	0	4-10-8 occasionally	Orchard, clover	G. Mrs. Lupton, Martinsburg, Berkeley
32	.107	.064	2.48	1.08	0	400 lbs 2-10-8 yearly	Orchard, clover	G. J. W. Stewart, Tablers, Berkeley
33	.114	.045	5.44	1.19	1000	Some M & 4-10-8	Orchard, clover	G. D. G. Miller, Inwood Station, Berkeley
36?	.141	.052	2.75	1.58	2200	Some M & comp fert	Orchard, clover	G. H. L. Smith, Martinsburg, Berkeley
37?	.124	.066	2.75	1.36	2200	Some M & comp fert	Orchard, clover	G. Gr't. Golden Or. Co., Martinsburg, Berkeley
38	.154	.055	2.63	1.52	0	Heavy amts comp fert	Orchard, clover	G. Gray Silver, Martinsburg, Berkeley
47	.144	.064	1.37	1.32	1200	Some M	Bluegrass pasture	G. H. G. Murrill, Lewisburg, Greenbrier
121	.275	.078	1.38	3.14	200	Some M, AP	Corn, wheat, clover, timothy	G. W. G. Cochran, Onoto, Pocahontas
127	.132	.041	0.47	1.59	100	Some M, AP	Corn, grain, clover	G. J. D. Humphry, Ronceverte, Greenbrier
135	.154	.076	0.66	1.66	1100	None	Not cropped	G. Baxter Nell, Gap Mills, Monroe
436	.203	.068	0.74	2.13	400	None	Bluegrass and clover pasture	G. R. C. Scott, Shaks Grove, Monroe
138	.100	.053	0.94	1.32	1900	None	Corn, grain, clover	G. C. A. Kadel, Union, Monroe
192	.191	.052	2.37	1.01	0	M every 3-4 years	Corn, wheat, clover, timothy	G. J. Harman, Franklin, Pendleton

The crops listed are the most recent ones grown:
 G—Good yield (more than 50 bus. corn per acre).
 F—Fair yield (30 to 50 bus. corn per acre).
 P—Poor yield (less than 30 bus. corn per acre).
 *—Soil drainage is not good.
 ?—Soil possibly belongs to another series.

Known complete fertilizer formulas given as 4-8-4, N, P₂O₅, K₂O

199	.131	.050	1.551	0	None	0	Corn, corn, bluegrass	G J. Callahan, Martinsburg, Berkeley
200	.143	.082	1.37	0	Some AP, L, M	0	Corn, wheat, clover, bluegrass	G J. W. Small, Bedington, Berkeley
201?	.179	.051	1.44	0	Some AP, L	0	Corn, wheat, clover	G I. A. R. Small, Bedington, Berkeley
202	.118	.044	2.41	0	Some AP, M, L	0	Corn, wheat, clover	F A. R. Tabler, Martinsburg, Berkeley
203?	.083	.030	2.855	900	Some M, AP	0	Corn, grain, clover	F A. R. Tabler, Martinsburg, Berkeley
205?	.128	.060	5.06	0	AP for wheat	0	Corn, wheat, clover	C Flo. Ramsburg, Martinsburg, Berkeley
207?	.123	.032	1.71	0	Med amts M & 8-10-0	0	Corn, grain (Good)	C Downey & Thompson, Jones Springs, Berk'ly
209	.111	.054	4.01	0	None	0	Potatoes, rye	Wm. H. Snyder, Shenandoah Jct., Jefferson
211	.179	.151	3.45	1.97	Heavy amts M, AP	0	Corn, wheat, clover	G N. T. Snyder, Shenandoah Jct., Jefferson
212	.103	.046	4.84	0.54	Some M, AP, L	200	Virgin soil (Good)	G Ed. Jarrett, Shepherdstown, Jefferson
214?	.113	.099	1.91	0.62	None	0	Corn, wheat, clover, timothy	F R. Gearhardt, Charleston, Jefferson
216	.132	.054	5.54	0.67	Some M, AP	1000	Corn, wheat, clover	G H. McDonald, Summit Point, Jefferson
217	.118	.045	2.92	0.61	Some M	0	Corn, wheat, clover, grass	G I. S. Carr, Middleway, Jefferson
218	.204	.055	1.92	1.02	Some M	0	Corn, wheat, clover, grass	
Ave.	.138	.062	2.48	1.11		500		

APPALACHIAN MOUNTAINS AND PLATEAU PROVINCE
DEKALB SERIES

2	.111	.035	1.42	3000	None	Timothy, grass	P W. Va. U. Farm, Morgantown, Monongalia
9	.083	.034	1.31	1200	Med amts M	Grain, clover	F J. A. Creel, Davisville, Wood
10	.113	.044	0.90	2400	Some L, M	Corn, wheat, clover, timothy	F Mr. Henry, Stotlers, Cross Roads, Morgan
16	.103	.036	1.30	3000	None	Corn, wheat, clover	P W. Va. U. Farm, Morgantown, Monongalia
17	.111	.039	1.51	190	None	Weeds, orchard	F Somers Orchard, Cherry Run, Morgan
19	.117	.046	1.48	157	None	Orchard, clover	F Somers Orchard, Cherry Run, Morgan
26	.022	.027	1.19	140	Some AP, 4-10-7, L	Corn, buckwheat, clover	F Black Cr. Or. Co., Hedgesville, Berkeley
39	.060	.021	0.53	1.26	Heavy amts comp fert	Pasture	F B. H. Fieshman, Fayetteville, Fayette
52	.103	.061	1.33	1.01	None	Sedge, clover	G R. Pickens, Ravenswood, Jackson
58	.156	.037	0.92	1.59	None	Grass	F L. V. Showyer, Corliss, Fayette
61	.104	.043	0.80	1.52	None	Corn, grain, hay	F L. P. Willis, Mt. Cove, Fayette
65	.130	.033	0.56	1.62	Some comp fert	Corn, wheat, potatoes	G A. F. McMillen, Masontown, Preston
66	.168	.034	1.00	2.36	Heavy amts M, AP, L	Corn, oaks, pasture, hay	G S. Watson, Masontown, Preston
67	.216	.109	1.30	2.36	Med amts AP, M, L	Grain, buckwheat, potatoes	F Preston Co. Farm, Kingwood, Preston
70	.193	.060	1.35	2.07	Med amts AP, L, M	Potatoes, oats, buckwheat	F J. A. Hodge, Terra Alta, Preston
72	.207	.056	1.17	2.48	Med amts AP, M, L	Corn, wheat, clover	P Perry Lawson, Milton, Cabell
74	.076	.018	0.86	1.06	Some M	Corn, wheat, bluegrass	P A. Sheeds, Lost Creek, Harrison
87	.137	.035	1.10	1.60	None	Pasture	F A. H. Davidson, Lost Creek, Harrison
91	.245	.061	1.11	2.63	None	Bluegrass pasture	F A. H. Davidson, Lost Creek, Harrison
92	.157	.045	1.29	1.60	None	Corn, wheat, timothy	F S. F. Romine, Washington, Wood
93	.095	.029	1.11	1.09	Some L	Timothy, grasses	F C. C. Hardman, Spencer, Harrison
97	.106	.024	1.37	1.14	Med amts AP	Meadow, corn, wheat	F S. S. Fans, Bridgeport, Harro
104	.152	.039	1.13	1.46	None	Oats, corn, wheat, timothy	P W. S. Metz, Ravenswood, Jackson
105	.115	.035	1.11	1.18	Some M	Fruits, vegetables	F L. Millam, Charleston Kanawha
107	.130	.033	1.29	1.43	Some AP	Orchard, clover	F W. H. Lawson, Charleston, Kanawha
108	.111	.023	0.83	1.52	None	Corn, grain, timothy	F J. B. Kesler, Clifty, Fayette
109	.169	.033	1.01	1.97	Some AP	Corn, wheat, clover, timothy	P W. G. Cochran, Onoto, Pocahontas
120	.198	.066	0.56	5200	Med amts AP, M		

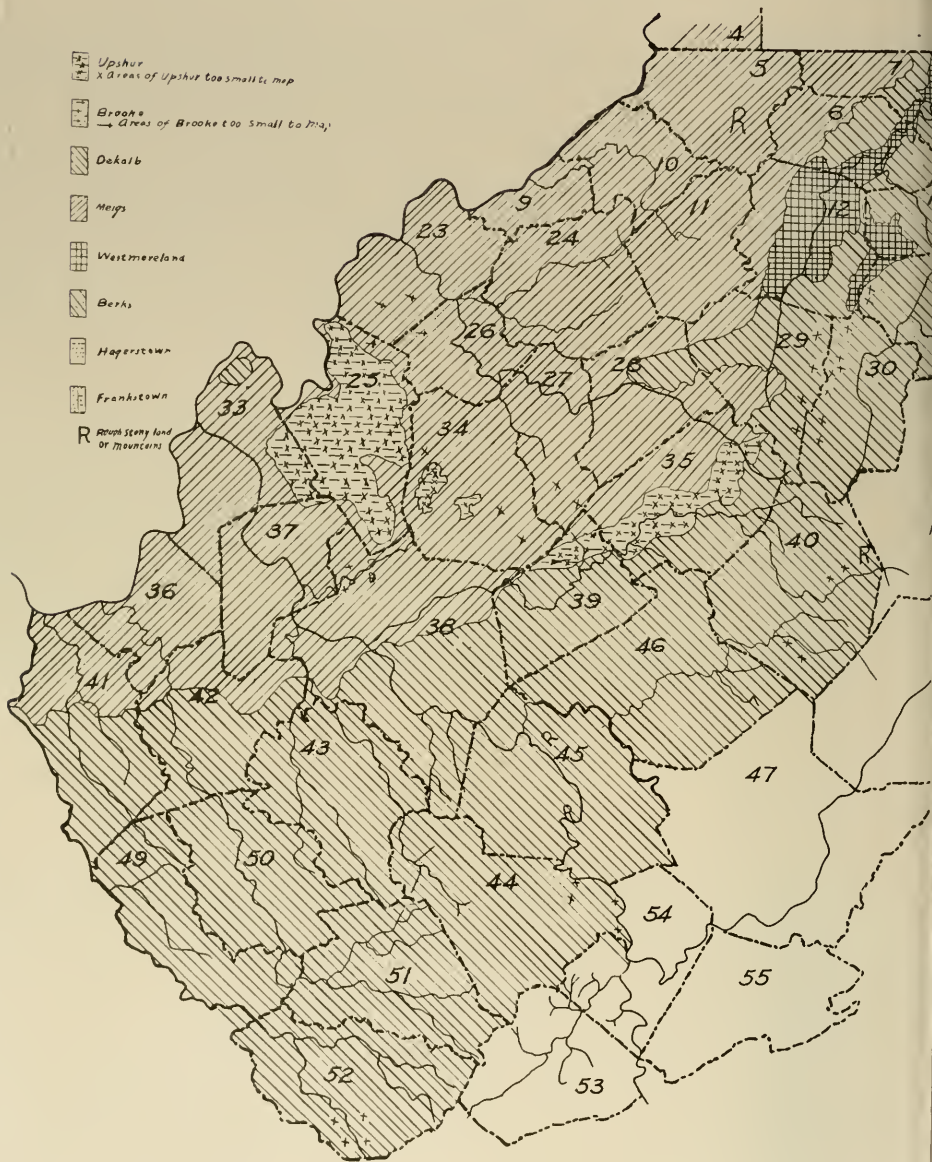
DEKALB SERIES (Continued)

Soil No.	Percentage of Elements				Kinds and Amounts of Fertilizers Used	Crops Generally Grown and Yield	Owner, Address, and County
	N	P	K	C			
131	.091	.027	0.45	1.32	Some AP, L, M.	Corn, wheat, clover, timothy	F. E. W. Woodson, Cashmere, Monroe
133	.187	.023	0.59	1.33	Some AP, M	Corn, wheat, clover, timothy	F. H. Spangler, Hallard, Monroe
137	.078	.014	0.29	1.21	Some AP, M	Corn, wheat, clover	P. O. L. McNeil, Alderson, Monroe
141	.062	.019	0.24	1.07	Some AP, M	Corn, grain, clover, grass	P. C. E. Saunders, Forest Hill, Summers
143	.054	.018	0.57	0.62	Med amts AP, M	Corn, grain, clover	P. C. E. Saunders, Forest Hill, Summers
144	.050	.019	0.52	1.47	Med amts AP	Wheat oats, truck crops	P. W. C. Anderson, Jumping Branch, Summers
145	.052	.024	0.39	1.31	AP on wheat	Buckwheat, wheat	P. L. E. McCommas, Jumping Branch, Summers
146	.103	.020	0.35	1.84	Some AP, L, M	Buckwheat, clover, corn	F. H. Mann, Jumping Branch, Summers
147	.252	.060	1.23	3.63	Med amts AP	Corn, soybeans, wheat, clover	F. O. A. Odell, Nettie, Nicholas
148	.134	.028	0.92	1.93	None	Bluegrass, broomseed	P. R. W. Sawyers, Canvas, Nicholas
150	.137	.025	0.67	2.11	Some AP	Buckwheat, grass	P. A. C. Dasey, Mt. Lookout, Nicholas
151	.166	.046	1.23	2.06	Some AP, M	Corn, grain, hay	F. A. Bryant, Summersville, Nicholas
153	.155	.042	1.71	2.21	None	Wire grass, red top	F. D. T. Callahan, Craigsaville, Nicholas
156	.154	.040	1.29	1.51	Some AP, M	Soybeans, meadow, oats	F. T. Smith, Frew, Tyler
157	.112	.034	1.33	1.11	Some AP, M	Corn, soybeans, clover, wheat	F. E. Archer, Middlebourne, Tyler
163	.105	.071	1.24	1.11	None	Corn, weeds	F. E. Reynolds, Memo. Hosp., Glendale, Marshall
166	.144	.084	0.84	1.44	Some M	Corn, wheat, clover, grass	F. E. W. Dorsey, Mountsville, Marshall
169	.116	.076	0.83	1.14	Some M	Grass, weeds	F. J. S. Supter, Triadelphia, Ohio
178	.131	.044	1.06	1.51	None	Bluegrass pasture	F. Clark Leap, New Martinsville, Wetzel
185	.096	.023	1.08	1.03	Heavy amounts M	Corn, clover, grain	G. J. P. Harmon, St. Marys, Pleasants
195	.084	.024	0.76	0.67	Some AP, M	Corn, wheat, grass	P. G. F. Mitchell, Franklin, Pendleton
196	.104	.035	1.41	0.48	Some AP, M	Corn, wheat, grass	P. J. D. Trumbo, Franklin, Pendleton
215	.103	.024	2.36	0.65	None	Corn, mostly	P. Chas. Dally, Harpers' Ferry, Jefferson
219	.133	.024	1.93	0.70	None	Corn, truck crops	P. E. Vannenslaer, Berkeley Springs, Morgan
220	.101	.043	1.31	0.76	Some M & comp fert	Truck crops	P. H. Henry, Berkeley Springs, Morgan
222	.157	.034	1.26	1.38	None	Peach orchard	P. Mrs. G. Allen, Berkeley Springs, Morgan
224	.095	.034	1.69	0.54	None	Wheat, orchard, grass, clover	P. J. W. Grove, Berkeley Springs, Morgan
225	.107	.026	1.46	0.60	Some L	Rye, weeds, grass	P. Wm. Grove, Berkeley Springs, Morgan
228	.145	.051	1.79	1.02	None	Rye, corn	P. Cherry Run, Morgan
232	.153	.041	1.58	0.71	Some AP, M	Corn, wheat, clover	G. Mathias, Mathias, Hardy
242	.128	.041	1.28	1.63	None	Pasture	F. A. Mason, Greenwood, Doddridge
248	.120	.034	1.28	1.28	Some AP every 2 years	Corn, grain, grass	G. Dr. Floyd, Harrisville, Ritchie
249	.135	.039	1.15	1.43	Med amts AP	Orchard, clover	F. J. D. Cunningham, Smithville, Ritchie
262	.089	.044	2.51	0.72	None	Corn, soybeans, grain	P. Hurricane, Putnam
269	.101	.028	1.38	1.60	None	Timberland, stony	P. Mrs. W. S. Edwards, Millikin, Kanawha
271	.210	.068	1.22	2.05	None	Pasture	G. A. B. Huffman, Palestine, Wirt
273	.070	.015	1.40	1.14	None	Bluegrass, vetch	P. Near Black Hill Church, Wirt
276	.117	.071	1.45	2.13	None	Corn, grain	F. J. F. Lanon, Blueville, Taylor

277	.169	.068	1.52	2.04	1000	None	Corn, grain	F. J. Lanon, Blueville, Taylor
278	.256	.081	1.52	2.71	4000	None	Pasture	P. Mrs. E. F. Fleming, Grafton, Taylor
279	.181	.072	1.43	2.49	4600	Heavy amts M	Truck crops	F. J. A. Thomas, Grafton, Taylor
280	.161	.061	1.40	1.97	1000	Heavy AP, M, & med L	Truck crops	F. S. R. Jenkins, Grafton, Taylor
281	.151	.055	1.37	1.52	400	Med amts AP, L	Alfalfa, grass	F. S. R. Jenkins, Grafton, Taylor
282	.173	.079	1.55	1.70	5600	Med amts AP, L, M	Corn, grain, grass	F. I. M. Rucker, Grafton, Taylor
284	.116	.036	1.31	1.19	7800	Med amts AP	Corn, soybeans	F. A. M. Allender, Grafton, Taylor
287	.224	.088	1.69	2.09	5200	Some AP	Corn, pasture, meadow	P. Jake Zinn, Philippi, Barbour
289	.159	.084	1.12	1.98	3200	AP every 3 years	Pasture	P. G. W. Gaul, Philippi, Barbour
290	.217	.061	1.35	2.62	8400	None	Corn, wheat, clover	E. R. Dyer, Philippi, Barbour
293	.099	.038	1.26	1.39	8000	Some AP	Corn, oats, weeds, grass	P. R. E. Burner, Philippi, Barbour
295	.148	.052	1.74	1.63	4800	None	Corn, wheat, clover	F. J. G. Vanscoy, Kerns, Randolph
295a	.160	.050	1.53	1.97	4200	None	Corn, wheat, clover	F. J. G. Vanscoy, Kerns, Randolph
297	.082	.032	1.47	1.04	8200	None	Weeds, grass	P. Kirk Wees, Elkins, Randolph
297a	.134	.037	1.20	2.13	8200	None	Weeds, grass	P. Kirk Wees, Elkins, Randolph
298	.214	.045	1.35	2.07	4600	None	Weeds, grass	P. D. O. Harper, Elkins, Randolph
298a	.128	.038	1.30	1.61	4600	None	Weeds, grass	P. D. O. Harper, Elkins, Randolph
307	.132	.063	1.74	1.67	7800	Med amts AP, L, M	Corn, wheat, clover	F. J. Ireland, Buckhannon, Upshur
308	.122	.049	1.22	1.48	4000	None	Pasture, some clover	F. S. E. Marple, Buckhannon, Upshur
311	.178	.043	1.20	1.81	8800	Med amts AP, L, M	Corn, wheat, clover	F. P. G. Groves, Buckhannon, Upshur
315	.153	.046	1.15	2.57	5800	Heavy amts M, AP	Corn, wheat, clover	F. P. G. Groves, Buckhannon, Upshur
320	.143	.047	1.32	1.62	8000	Some AP, L	Corn, grain	P. A. Starcher, Berlin, Lewis
326	.129	.067	0.67	1.79	2800	Some AP	Corn, grain, soybeans	P. J. B. McLaughlin, Strange Creek, Braxton
327	.075	.023	1.47	1.46	5400	Some AP	Corn, grain, soybeans	P. J. B. McLaughlin, Strange Creek, Braxton
332	.122	.020	1.04	1.71	3400	None	Corn, wheat, clover	P. Adonis Bros., Flatwoods, Braxton
332a	.056	.019	0.67	1.06	4000	None	Weeds, grass	P. L. D. Smith, Cowen, Webster
335a	.116	.030	1.38	2.30	4800	None	Corn, hay, wheat	P. L. D. Smith, Cowen, Webster
337	.184	.038	1.71	3.02	4800	None	Briers, sedge	P. L. B. Bobbitt, Cowen, Webster
339	.174	.046	0.65	2.77	5400	AP every 2 yrs	Corn, oats, grass	P. Floyd Miller, Cowen, Webster
342	.193	.055	1.34	2.41	4200	None	Corn, clover, bluegrass	P. W. H. Cunningham, Webster Sp'gs, Webster
343	.159	.042	0.45	2.49	3600	None	Bluegrass, and clover pasture	P. H. Conrad, Orlando, Braxton
346	.131	.050	1.31	1.44	800	None	Japan clover meadow	P. N. F. Snowden, Chester, Hancock
349	.125	.052	0.19	1.23	800	Med amts AP, M, L	Corn, grain, clover	F. Geo. Papp, Chester, Hancock
350	.098	.060	0.99	0.84	2800	Some AP, M	Corn, wheat, meadow	F. S. Stephens, Chester, Hancock
351	.103	.060	0.83	1.24	3000	Some AP, L, M	Corn, oats, wheat	F. S. Stephens, Chester, Hancock
352	.092	.063	0.77	0.91	2600	Some AP, L, M	Meadow for several years	F. J. Krisinger, New Cumberland, Hancock
355	.092	.051	1.05	0.96	3600	M, L once	Corn, oats, hay	F. M. Headley, New Cumberland, Hancock
356	.121	.059	0.90	1.28	4800	Some AP	Corn, oats, hay	Welton Steel Co., Weirton, Hancock
357	.117	.072	1.15	1.19	4800	None	Not cultivated	F. H. F. Hindman, Hollidays Cove, Hancock
358	.141	.060	1.22	1.27	2200	Some M, L	Alfalfa for five years	F. E. M. Smith, Wellsburg, Brooke
359	.128	.060	1.42	1.26	3600	Some M, L	Corn, grain, meadow	F. E. M. Smith, Wellsburg, Brooke
362	.231	.081	0.45	2.36	200	M & L once	Millet, pasture	G. W. L. McCleary, Warwood, Ohio
363	.221	.067	0.70	2.20	5000	None	Bluegrass pasture for years	F. W. L. McCleary, Warwood, Ohio
366	.136	.050	1.02	1.29	4800	Some M	Meadow for several years	G. W. L. McCleary, Warwood, Ohio
369	.183	.047	0.77	1.70	2400	None	Corn, wheat, hay	F. J. D. Holsward, Spencer, Roane
372	.145	.038	2.12	1.91	2600	None	Few weeds and sedge	P. D. A. Arnold, Keyser, Mineral
374	.145	.048	0.20	3.13	600	None	Corn, wheat, clover	G. Russell Farm, Keyser, Mineral
375	.113	.042	0.70	1.17	2600	None	Corn, wheat, clover	G. Russell Farm, Keyser, Mineral
379	.096	.018	0.77	1.30	3200	None	Clover, grass pasture	H. H. Boggs, Ivydale, Clay
385	.195	.037	1.28	2.33	2800	Med amts AP, L	Rye, vetch, soybeans	P. J. N. Combs, Romney, Hampshire

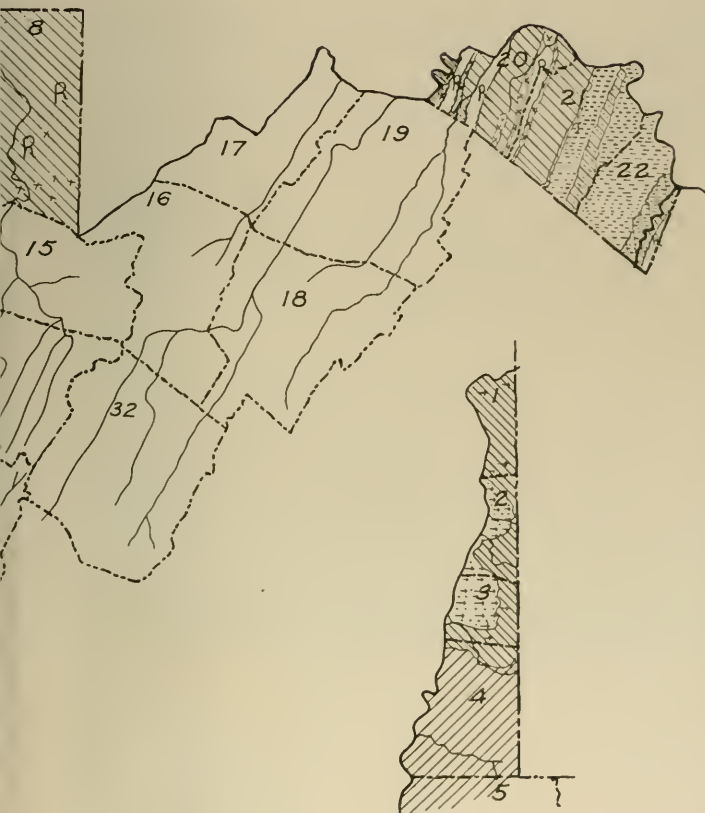
SOIL MAP OF

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WEST VIRGINIA

SOIL SURVEYS OF WEST VIRGINIA



COUNTIES

- 1—Hancock
- 2—Brooke
- 3—Ohio
- 4—Marshall
- 5—Wetzel
- 6—Marion
- 7—Monongalia
- 8—Preston
- 9—Pleasants
- 10—Tyler
- 11—Doddridge
- 12—Harrison
- 13—Taylor
- 14—Barbour
- 15—Tucker
- 16—Grant
- 17—Mineral
- 18—Hardy
- 19—Hampshire
- 20—Morgan
- 21—Berkeley
- 22—Jefferson
- 23—Wood
- 24—Ritchie
- 25—Jackson
- 26—Wirt
- 27—Calhoun
- 28—Gilmer
- 29—Lewis
- 30—Upshur
- 31—Randolph
- 32—Pendleton
- 33—Mason
- 34—Roane
- 35—Braxton
- 36—Cabell
- 37—Putnam
- 38—Kanawha
- 39—Clay
- 40—Webster
- 41—Wayne
- 42—Lincoln
- 43—Boone
- 44—Raleigh
- 45—Fayette
- 46—Nicholas
- 47—Greenbrier
- 48—Pocahontas
- 49—Mingo
- 50—Logan
- 51—Wyoming
- 52—McDowell
- 53—Mercer
- 54—Summers
- 55—Mingo

NOTE: No attempt has been made to show the extent of the River Flood Plain Soils. Reports have not yet been published for the unshaded counties. Reports for Tucker (15) and Grant (16), however, are on the press at this time. Field work has been completed for Mineral (17), and is being completed for Mercer (53), Summers (54), and Monroe (55). A preliminary geological survey has been made for Hardy (18) and Hampshire (19). The work on the four remaining counties is to be done shortly.

DEKALB SERIES (Concluded)

Soil No.	Percentage of				C C C	Req't (CaCO ₃) Lbs. Per A	Kinds and Amounts of Fertilizer Used		Crops Generally Grown and Yield	Owner, Address, and County
	N	P	K	C						
386	.093	.032	0.64	1.24	2600	None		Corn, wheat	P. J. C. Hott, Romney, Hampshire	
387	.119	.039	1.60	1.12	1000	None		Not cultivated	N. Augusta, Romney, Hampshire	
390	.057	.022	0.77	0.40	4800	None		Not cultivated	Athens, Mercer	
397	.123	.030	1.15	1.35	5000	None		Fair woodland	Sandlick, Mercer	
409	.085	.033	1.74	1.34	3000	None		Not cultivated	W. F. Black, Myria, Lincoln	
413	.158	.060	1.60	1.36	2400	None		Pasture	F. May Everette, Griffithsville, Lincoln	
417	.172	.053	1.67	1.74	1600	None		Corn for several years	F. Tom Bias, Danesville, Boone	
420	.095	.043	1.51	1.43	2600	None		Japan clover, pasture	F. Madison, Boone	
421	.166	.061	1.26	1.64	1400	None		Japan clover, pasture	F. Greenview, Boone	
434	.139	.033	0.83	1.95	2400	None		Pasture	R. F. Armentrout, Parsons, Tucker	
437	.294	.069	0.57	4.06	5200	None		Bluegrass pasture	F. Sugar Land Farm, Ben Bush, Tucker	
438	.301	.041	0.85	4.77	5200	None		Fair cut-over land	Davis Coal Co., Thomas, Tucker	
439	.135	.019	0.57	2.65	4400	None	Some M	Fair cut-over land	Davis Coal Co., Thomas, Tucker	
441	.163	.053	0.64	2.50	2400	None		Oats, buckwheat, clover	D. Aarhalt, Mt. Storm, Grant	
442	.185	.048	1.02	2.27	2600	None		Hay, meadow	F. Parker Bros., Mt. Storm, Grant	
443	.243	.070	1.22	2.57	3400	None		Grass	P. J. W. & L. M. Lee, Gorman, Grant	
449	.156	.047	1.41	1.75	2800	None		Wheat, corn, soybeans	P. C. Wade, Mt. Morris, Pa. Monongalia	
450	.163	.040	0.90	1.81	2400	None	Some AP	Wheat, grass	P. C. A. Reed, Glenville, Gilmer	
455	.134	.034	1.02	1.49	1800	AP once		Corn, wheat, clover, timothy	F. C. L. Reed, Glenville, Gilmer	
456	.128	.044	1.22	1.30	3400	AP every year		Corn, soybeans, wheat	P. R. E. Davis, Dekalb, Gilmer	
462	.123	.032	1.09	1.87	3200	None		Clover, bluegrass	F. H. S. Knight, Big Ben, Calhoun	
466	.092	.025	0.83	1.31	2000	Some M		Oats, corn, meadow	F. F. W. Pringle, Ripley, Jackson	
467	.038	.040	0.83	1.79	3800	Some M		Wheat, corn, grass	P. J. M. Bailey, Mt. Hope, Raleigh	
468	.107	.028	0.77	1.48	3000	None		Corn, meadow	P. P. Bailey, Prosperity, Raleigh	
469	.123	.032	0.90	1.71	3000	None		Fallow land, barren	P. Raleigh Coal Co., Raleigh, Raleigh	
470	.114	.032	.070	2.41	3800	None		Corn, grass	P. D. R. Lilley, Ghent, Raleigh	
472	.131	.034	0.77	1.75	3000	Med amts M		Corn, grass	F. Raleigh Co. Farm, Daniels, Raleigh	
473	.128	.035	0.45	1.71	3200	Med amts M		Meadow, some clover & timothy	F. Lewis Heirs, Daniels, Raleigh	
474	.140	.047	1.15	1.66	4000	None		Corn, buckwheat	G. P. Daniels, Daniels, Raleigh	
477	.079	.021	0.45	1.03	2200	None		Meadow	P. P. Daniels, Daniels, Raleigh	
478	.129	.036	1.09	1.81	2600	Med amts AP, M		Pasture, weeds	P. Pocahontas Fuel Co., Pineville, Wyoming	
480	.128	.047	1.15	1.66	2600	Some AP		Meadow, corn	F. O. F. Brooks, Rockview, Wyoming	
483	.131	.041	1.28	1.71	3800	None		Pasture	P. R. S. Collins, Baileysville, Wyoming	
485	.151	.040	1.09	1.71	3800	None		Corn, oats, meadow	P. H. C. Presley, Gary, Wyoming	
Ave.	.136	.043	1.12	1.65	3300	None		Timberland (Fair)	Forest Reserve, Crumpler, McDowell	

MEIGS SERIES

4	.068	.029	1.34	0.96	4400	None	Corn, corn, grass	F Mr. Wilson, Ona, Cabell
118	.116	.035	0.75	1.08	3100	Med	Corn, wheat, clover, timothy	F J. A. Young, Marlinton, Pocahontas
155	.121	.032	1.63	1.39	2800	Some M	Corn, corn, corn	F J. W. Smith, Frew, Tyler
175	.115	.045	0.86	1.20	2500	None	Corn, wheat, clover	F T. H. Cornett, Steelton, Wetzel
184	.190	.052	1.56	1.83	1300	None	Bluegrass pasture	G G. K. Hottenkutter, St. Marys, Pleasants
250	.146	.039	1.41	1.56	5200	None	Meadow	F J. F. Hardy, Burnt House, Ritchie
251	.117	.041	1.58	1.19	2200	None	Bluegrass pasture	F Geo. Hardman, Fanzo, Ritchie
257	.145	.063	1.95	1.42	3000	None	Oats, clover, pasture	F D. H. Thomas, Red House, Putnam
272	.142	.048	1.38	1.51	4200	None	Bluegrass pasture	F A. B. Huffman, Palestine, Wirt
286	.173	.057	1.20	2.21	4600	Some AP, L	Corn, soybeans, wheat	F R. D. Talbott, Phillip, Barbours
303	.165	.033	1.57	1.73	0	None	Weeds, grass	F M. Moore, Mingo, Randolph
324	.136	.060	1.24	1.40	4400	None	Bluegrass and clover pasture	F Jim Evans, Reeds Station, Lewis
393	.071	.017	0.30	1.01	2000	None	Oats, grass	F _____ Gardner, Mercer
395	.130	.047	1.73	1.26	3000	AP occasionally	Corn, wheat, clover	F Tom Bowling, Spanishburg, Mercer
402	.147	.062	0.64	1.50	1400	None	Wild grass pasture	F Wm. Ferguson, Kenova, Wayne
403	.076	.046	0.77	0.60	1800	None	Wild grass pasture	F Wm. Purdue, Ceredo, Wayne
404	.227	.048	2.26	1.88	3400	None	Pasture, some clover	F U. Howe, Ceredo, Wayne
405	.073	.023	1.09	0.68	2000	None	Pasture (sandy)	F T. E. McQuin, Kenova, Wayne
407	.108	.034	1.51	0.86	5200	None	Japan clover pasture	F W. A. Carroll, Hamlin, Lincoln
425	.117	.085	1.18	1.18	4200	Med	Corn, wheat, hay	F R. L. Shepherd, Spencer, Boone
445	.183	.071	1.47	1.88	2200	None	Poverty grass, hay	F S. Tennant, Pentress, Monongalia
446	.126	.034	1.28	1.24	3800	None	Meadow, pasture	F S. Tennant, Pentress, Monongalia
454	.094	.027	0.90	1.42	4000	None	Meadow with some clover	F Bush Heirs, Glenville, Gilmer
457	.095	.027	1.28	1.45	3200	None	Pasture (Japan clover only)	F E. L. Ash, Latonia, Gilmer
458	.144	.028	0.57	1.47	2800	None	Corn, wheat, oats, grass	F M. H. Knight, Cherry Creek, Calhoun
459	.122	.041	1.28	1.39	2400	M occasionally	Pasture	F R. R. Low, Grantsville, Calhoun
Ave.	.128	.043	1.23	1.36	3100	None		

UPSHUR SERIES

8	.127	.047	1.88	1.29	5200	None	Orchard, clover	F J. A. Greel, Davisville, Wood
18	.124	.061	2.49	1.08	0	None	Orchard, clover	F Mr. Clark, Ona, Cabell
56	.087	.027	1.04	1.05	2600	None	Pasture, briars, bluegrass	F M. E. Morgan, Ravenswood, Jackson
59	.103	.031	1.82	0.92	6400	M & AP once	Grass, underbrush, clover	* J. J. Dean, Parkersburg, Wood
60	.140	.036	1.72	1.34	5000	Comp fert once	Corn, wheat, pasture	G J. T. Lowther, Pullman, Ritchie
71	.149	.038	1.23	1.86	0	Some AP, L, M	Corn, oats, timothy, clover	F T. B. Taylor, Terra Alta, Preston
82	.088	.021	1.95	1.04	3800	None	Corn, wheat, timothy	F Jer. Plants, Ambrosia, Mason
112	.205	.062	2.48	1.61	1600	Med	Alfalfa, cowpeas, clover	G W. D. Zinn, Phillip, Barbours
123	.068	.037	1.57	0.96	2200	AP occasionally	Corn, wheat, clover	F C. A. Jackson, Lewisburg, Greenbrier
126	.095	.033	1.73	1.14	2300	Some AP	Corn, wheat, timothy, clover	F J. D. Siles, Vago, Greenbrier
132	.112	.047	1.50	1.32	1200	None	Weeds, wild grass	G E. W. Woodson, Cashmere, Monroe
158	.105	.031	1.26	1.16	1400	None	Potatoes, clover, buckwheat	P A. Thomas, Middlebourne, Tyler
186	.110	.047	1.59	1.43	2100	None	Corn, orchard	F E. R. Smith, St. Marys, Pleasants
229	.077	.032	1.50	0.41	0	None	Bluegrass pasture	F Sleepy Cr. Cr. Co., Berkeley Springs, Morgan
241	.324	.100	1.87	3.14	400	None	Corn, soybeans, clover	G L. Maxwell, Grove, Doddridge
247	.161	.060	1.85	1.94	6000	Med	Japan, white clover pasture	G E. E. Cokerley, Harrisville, Ritchie
258	.070	.072	2.43	0.47	6000	None	Bluegrass pasture	F B. A. Brown, Red House, Putnam
274	.168	.039	1.26	1.19	8400	None		F D. Shepherd, Elizabetht, Wirt

UPSHUR SERIES (Continued)

Soil No.	Percentage of Elements				Kinds and Amounts of Fertilizer Used	Crops Generally Grown and Yield	Owner, Address, and County
	N	P	K	C			
304	.214	.046	1.66	2.28	None	(Rocky soil) weeds	P C. A. Scott, Mingo, Randolph
306	.222	.048	0.97	2.52	M & AP occasionally	Corn, wheat, clover	G Chas. Betts, Lorentz, Upshur
318	.247	.088	1.67	2.37	None	White clover, bluegrass	F W. B. Lawson, Berlin, Lewis
323	.193	.064	1.37	1.88	AP & L occasionally	Corn, grass, weeds	F Jim Evans, Reeds Station, Lewis
324	.136	.060	1.24	1.40	AP & L occasionally	Corn, grass, weeds	F Mr. Floyd, Braxton
328	.112	.044	1.28	1.20	None	Weeds, grass	F J. C. Shaver, Heaters, Braxton
329	.142	.041	1.06	1.82	Med ams AP, M, L	Corn, cowpeas, grain, clover	F E. Morrison, Flatwoods, Braxton
333	.108	.047	1.39	1.24	Some AP, L	Wheat, clover, bluegrass	F J. Woodzell, Webster Springs, Webster
345	.154	.052	0.90	1.76	None	Wheat, clover, grass, corn	F H. Conrad, Orlando, Braxton
347	.232	.052	1.86	2.39	None	Pasture, meadow, bluegrass	F Harry Boggs, Ivydale, Clay
369	.162	.027	1.67	1.39	None	Corn, clover, grain, weeds	G Knobly Mt. Orchard, Keyser, Mineral
373	.243	.064	1.41	3.06	None	Apple orchard	G W. Smith, Romney, Hampshire
388	.066	.019	1.28	0.58	None	Corn, soybeans, wheat, clover	P J. B. Eannells, Romney, Hampshire
389	.140	.033	0.64	1.37	None	Weeds, wild grass	F W. L. Lowe, Spencer, Roane
426	.100	.041	1.28	1.08	3600	Corn, wheat, clover, weeds	P J. E. Helmick, Ben Bush, Tucker
435	.208	.048	0.96	2.59	Med ams AP, M	Corn, oats, clover, timothy	F W. Jennings, Ben Bush, Tucker
436	.260	.052	1.02	3.27	M once 10 yrs ago	Not cultivated	F Fred Lewis, Glenville, Glmer
453	.118	.053	0.83	1.20	None	Clover and grass pasture	F H. S. Knight, Big Bend, Calhoun
461	.127	.029	1.60	1.33	None	Bluegrass pasture	G Mrs. J. Strum, Arnoldsburg, Calhoun
464	.117	.026	1.02	1.77	None	Bluegrass pasture	F Thos. Harman, Anawalt, McDowell
481	.192	.033	1.28	1.17	None	Pasture, some bluegrass	
Ave.	.146	.046	1.48	1.56	3100		

WESTMORELAND SERIES

1	.146	.061	2.12	1.56	2800	Bluegrass, clover	F Fred Whitman, Adamston, Harrison
14	.161	.059	1.25	1.71	3000	Corn, oats, clover, potatoes	G F. B. Haller, Rosemont, Taylor
23	.341	.081	1.54	3.86	2000	Potatoes, clover, pasture	F G. C. Starvigg, Morgantown, Monongalia
69	.237	.107	1.50	2.46	1400	Corn, oats, wheat, hay	G J. F. Copeman, Kingwood, Preston
81	.137	.051	1.78	1.72	2400	Corn, oats, clover, bluegrass	G Marion Co. Farm, Fairmont, Marion
89	.203	.076	1.74	2.00	None	Corn, oats, clover	G J. S. Nuzum, Colfax, Marion
90	.209	.062	1.37	2.19	2000	Corn, clover, soybeans, pasture	G W. D. Ziun, Philippi, Barbour
167	.147	.091	0.78	1.26	3200	Corn, oats, wheat, alfalfa	G M. B. Pierce & Son, Moundsville, Marshall
179	.181	.103	1.46	1.81	2500	Bluegrass pasture	G R. M. Whitman, New Martinsville, Wetzel
187	.158	.057	1.91	1.56	0	Bluegrass, clover, pasture	G Pleasants Co. Farm, Meimont, Pleasants
285	.220	.062	1.53	2.00	5200	Corn, wheat, clover, grass	F I. L. Burner, Philippi, Barbour
Ave.	.194	.073	1.54	2.01	2300		

RIVER FLOOD PLAINS PROVINCE
Second Bottom
ELK SERIES

15	.184	.061	1.10	2.02	3400	None	Meadow	F. M. G. Lawson, Flemington, Taylor
95	.164	.049	1.15	1.81	0	Some M, AP, L	Corn, bluegrass, alfalfa	G. F. Phillips, Fairmont, Marion
98	.126	.035	1.28	2.000	2000	Med amts M, AP, L	Corn, wheat, grass	F. A. Sheets, Lost Creek, Harrison
99	.137	.042	1.16	1.34	2000	None	Red top weeds, briars	P. W. F. Boyers, Fairmont, Marion
106	.163	.068	1.19	1.48	2000	None	Weeds, grass	F. R. E. L. Stont, Bridgeport, Harrison
124	.080	.019	0.51	1.24	2300	AP once	Corn, wheat, timothy, clover	P. C. A. Jackson, Lewisburg, Greenbrier
Ave.	.142	.045	1.00	1.53	1600			

HOLSTON SERIES

12	.114	.040	1.06	1.31	1200	None	Corn, hay, grass	P. W. J. Smith, Centerville, Wayne
13	.169	.057	1.68	1.71	3400	Some AP	Meadow	P. W. F. Plymale, Centerville, Wayne
21	.076	.041	0.88	0.76	1400	None	Tobacco, grain, hay	P. Mr. Sias, Ona, Cabell
43	.166	.076	1.86	1.60	3200	Some M	Corn, wheat, timothy	F. E. C. Crane, Poca, Kanawha
55	.108	.037	0.99	1.14	0	Med amts M, AP	Corn, timothy, cowpeas	G. I. Sturkey, Ravenswood, Jackson
57	.056	.018	1.07	0.83	2800	M, AP occasionally	Corn, wheat, clover, timothy	F. M. E. Morgan, Ravenswood, Jackson
75	.217	.059	1.77	3.14	0	Some M & comp fert	Corn, tobacco, wheat	G. J. H. Moore, Milton, Cabell
76	.081	.032	1.16	0.77	1600	M once	Corn, oats, wheat, timothy	P. L. T. Kincade, Pt. Pleasant, Mason
84	.088	.018	0.72	1.01	2200	M once	Corn, wheat, timothy	F. (Near) J. White, Cynthian, Cabell
110	.094	.036	0.50	0.90	2000	None	Corn, wheat, timothy, watermelons	F. Geo. Johnson, Charleston, Kanawha
113	.162	.040	1.49	1.73	1800	Some M, AP	Corn, briars, weeds	P. J. E. Colman, West Union, Doddridge
243	.148	.050	1.23	1.58	8400	None	Pasture (weedy)	P. F. Smith, West Union, Doddridge
239	.127	.040	1.18	1.36	2000	None	Bare soil	P. Mt. Vernon, Putnam
294	.120	.040	1.65	1.28	5400	None	Meadow, weeds	P. W. B. Waldon, St. Albans, Kanawha
265	.112	.040	1.43	1.54	3000	None	Corn every year	F. E. Workman, St. Albans, Kanawha
316	.129	.053	1.08	1.45	7400	M regularly	Garden, truck crops	F. S. Buchannon, Buckhannon, Upshur
317	.184	.061	0.73	2.15	4400	None	Not cultivated	Ed. Swisher, Berlin, Lewis
317a	.131	.056	0.88	1.54	4000	None	Corn, soybeans, wheat, hay	Ed. Swisher, Berlin, Lewis
325	.193	.060	1.31	1.34	2800	Med amts M, AP, L	Corn, wheat, clover	F. J. A. McLaughlin, Strange Creek, Braxton
368	.117	.057	1.28	1.74	3400	None	Woodland	F. A. Stephenson, Clay, Clay
380	.185	.037	1.28	2.88	0	Med amts M, AP, L	Corn, wheat, clover	F. Harry Boggs, Ivydale, Clay
396	.100	.026	0.12	1.23	1000	None	Hay, grass	F. Mrs. J. C. Hollway, Rock, Mercer
400	.076	.019	0.64	0.88	3400	Some M, L	Corn, clover, grain	F. Mrs. H. Hatter, Kenova, Wayne
401	.103	.052	1.15	0.86	2000	None	Corn, oats, hay	C. A. Hatter, Kenova, Wayne
411	.096	.052	0.53	0.94	3000	Some M, AP	Corn, wheat, hay	County Farm, Hamlin, Lincoln
445	.117	.061	1.09	1.94	3200	Med amts M, AP, L	Corn, wheat, clover	G. W. W. McComas, Wayne, Wayne
418	.125	.046	1.47	1.07	1800	None	Corn, wheat, hay	P. L. J. Vance, W. Hamlin, Lincoln
419	.108	.047	0.96	1.22	4000	None	Meadow	F. Danville, Boone
422	.165	.061	1.02	1.28	2000	None	Corn, hay, weeds	Unesda, Boone
432	.121	.034	0.57	2.27	2600	None	Corn, grain, grass	Greenview, Boone
433	.205	.051	0.78	2.17	5000	Med amts M, AP, L	Clover, corn, potatoes, oats	F. H. C. Long, Parsons, Tucker
447	.148	.050	0.83	1.39	3600	None	Poverty grass, sedge	F. I. C. Long, Parsons, Tucker
								P. J. T. Tennant, Press, Monongalia

HOLSTON SERIES (Continued)

Soil No.	Percentage of Elements				Reqd't (CtO ₂) Lbs. Per A.	Kinds and Amounts of Fertilizer Used	Crops Generally Grown and Yield	Owner, Address, and County
	N	P	K	C				
451	.142	.054	1.02	1.53	3200	AP once	Grass, hay, soybeans	P F Kinderberger, Glenville, Gilmer
476	.054	.025	0.40	0.77	800	AP occasionally	Corn, millet, weeds	P Pocahontas Coal Co, Pineville, Wyoming
479	.229	.079	1.28	2.56	2600	None	Pasture, wild grass	F Newberry Heirs, Oceana, Wyoming
Ave.	.129	.047	1.06	1.36	2800			
TYLER SERIES								
7	.184	.058	1.26	1.37	3400	Some M	Hay, corn, oats, wheat	F Mr. Creel, Davisville, Wood
77	.195	.035	1.74	2.07	5200	None	Corn, oats, grass	*P Davisville, Wood
85	.161	.042	0.93	1.77	1800	Heavy amts M, AP, L	Corn, meadow, clover	G W. D. Zinn, Philippi, Barbour
159	.157	.032	1.04	1.67	700	None	Corn, grass, hay	P B. F. Kile, Next, Tyler
177	.122	.038	1.06	1.18	2300	None	Briers, sedge, weeds	F Wise Estate, New Martinsville, Wetzel
183	.114	.033	1.00	1.20	2100	Some M	Corn, grass, hay	P G. K. Ruttencutter, St. Marys, Pleasants
246	.138	.047	1.10	1.42	3200	None	Corn, wheat, clover	*P Mrs. S. P. Dyer, Harrisville, Ritchie
255	.190	.072	1.92	1.88	4200	None	Corn every year	G L. E. Hartley, Red House, Putnam
256	.093	.044	1.20	0.96	3400	M occasionally	Corn, oats, truck crops	*P L. E. Hartley, Red House, Putnam
260	.104	.033	1.51	1.00	2600	M, AP occasionally	Corn, wheat, meadow	*P C. S. Handley, Teays, Putnam
275	.140	.035	1.33	1.38	6600	None	Bluegrass for 30 years	*P C. R. Hansman, Elizabeth, Wirt
392	.163	.025	0.70	1.48	3800	None	Marsh grass	*P Lilly Land Co., Princeton, Mercer
408	.080	.046	0.45	0.71	2600	M occasionally	Corn, soybeans, hay	P L. R. Sweetland, Hamlin, Lincoln
428	.141	.082	1.02	1.44	4800	None	Meadow	F Spencer suburb, Spencer, Roane
448	.148	.050	1.02	1.53	3600	M occasionally	Corn, oats, clover	*P L. R. Shriver, Mt. Morris, Pa., Monongalia
463	.117	.051	0.96	1.10	1800	M occasionally	Corn every year	F Matt Wyatt, Grantsville, Calhoun
Ave.	.137	.046	1.14	1.38	3200			

WHEELING SERIES

6	.171	.112	1.15	1.92	3000	Some M, AP	Meadow, some clover	G J. B. Kester, Belmont, Pleasants
79	.091	.044	1.28	0.89	2000	Some M, L	Wheat, corn, timothy, grass	G Ed Kyle, Cox's Landing, Cabell
83	.189	.181	1.17	1.58	0	Heavy amts M	General crops	G W. A. Proctor, Ravenswood, Jackson
94	.174	.078	1.31	1.57	1400	Some M	Corn, wheat, timothy	G Dr. Keefer, Belleville, Wood
111	.097	.077	1.08	1.07	3600	None	Wheat, wheat, timothy	P Follansbee, Brooke
160	.175	.102	1.25	1.75	700	Med amts AP, M	Clover, corn, alfalfa	G J. R. Wells, Bens Run, Tyler
162	.145	.173	0.75	1.73	1500	Some M	Clover, corn	F Reynolds Memo. Hosp. Glendale, Marshall
165	.190	.105	0.83	2.01	2800	Some M	Corn, wheat, timothy	G Thos. Scott, Moundsville, Marshall
173	.220	.159	0.78	2.70	4000	M every 3 years	Corn, grass	F A. F. Cochran, New Martinsville, Wetzel
174	.121	.077	0.94	1.25	3000	None	Corn, soybeans, grain	F J. D. Morgan, Steelton, Wetzel
181	.072	.084	0.78	0.76	2100	M once	Corn, wheat, clover	G G. W. Bills, Billsville, Pleasants
186	.161	.105	1.26	1.79	1700	Some AP	Meadow, corn	G County Farm, Belmont, Pleasants
353	.143	.059	1.71	1.94	2600	Some AP, L	Corn, clover, oats, wheat	G J. G. Watson, New Cumberland, Hancock
Ave.	.149	.104	1.10	1.61	2100			

First Bottom
HUNTINGTON SERIES

46	.213	.980	1.62	2.87	2400	None	Meadow, clover	G. G. Smith, Flemington, Taylor
49	.295	1.32	1.90	3.35	3000	None	Corn, oats, timothy, clover	G. R. Underwood, Wellsburg, Brooke
50	.099	.643	0.95	2.74	0	None	Corn, corn, watermelons	G. W. C. Scott, Sherman, Jackson
52	.077	.639	1.21	1.82	0	None	Corn, corn	G. W. C. Adams, Sherman, Jackson
62	.136	.672	0.71	1.88	800	None	Corn, wheat	G. J. W. Miller, Mineral Wells, Wood
63	.058	.646	0.71	1.82	800	Some M, AP	Corn, grass	G. H. T. Humphrey, Belleville, Wood
73	.048	.671	1.13	1.50	2200	None	Corn, wheat, timothy	G. L. Z. Swisher, Pt. Pleasant, Mason
80	.148	.677	1.37	2.07	3800	None	Old meadow	*P. M. McCreith, Fairmont, Marion
86	.192	.656	1.13	2.16	1800	None	Corn, oats, meadow	G. L. D. Blake, Lost Creek, Harrison
88	.216	.682	1.25	2.16	3600	Some AP, M	Grasses, some clover	F. Jackson Arnold, Lost Creek, Harrison
100	.291	.668	1.37	3.12	3600	None	Corn	G. A. J. Lodge, Harrison
101	.220	.692	1.61	2.56	2200	None	Grasses, pasture	F. A. A. Long Bros., Bridgeport, Harrison
103	.252	.671	1.40	2.42	1200	None	Corn, clover, soybeans	G. Tyler Co. Farm, Middlebourne, Tyler
154	.171	.665	2.06	1.64	4000	Some AP	Corn, corn, clover	G. Chas. Kull, Moundsville, Marshall
161	.182	.669	1.39	3.95	800	None	Corn, wheat, sweet clover	G. Thos. Scott, Moundsville, Marshall
164	.136	.654	0.85	3.18	0	None	Potatoes, alfalfa	G. P. Burkle, Wheeling, Ohio
168	.228	.108	0.72	3.33	300	Some AP, L	Corn, clover	G. E. M. Williams, New Martinsville, Wetzel
170	.164	.105	0.87	1.81	1900	None	Corn, meadow	G. J. W. Bills, St. Marys, Pleasants
176	.120	.081	0.93	3.46	0	None	Bluegrass meadow	F. W. M. Hammond, Mole Hill, Ritchie
182	.128	.080	1.30	1.41	2300	None	Corn, clover	*F. Mrs. R. B. Cokley, Harrisville, Ritchie
244	.123	.033	1.30	1.17	3000	None	Meadow, no clover	G. Irving Ingram, Elizabeth, Wirt
245	.127	.047	1.60	1.27	4200	AP yearly	Corn, clover for several years	G. Allen Workman, St. Albans, Kanawha
252	.132	.052	1.46	1.32	5400	None	Millet, grass	F. Mrs. W. S. Edwards, Millikin, Kanawha
261	.116	.038	1.55	1.27	1200	None	Iron, rag weeds	F. W. J. Strader, Beverly, Randolph
263	.122	.063	1.67	1.25	400	None	Unknown	F. W. J. Strader, Beverly, Randolph
268	.156	.049	1.66	2.60	1800	None	Corn, clover, wheat, timothy	G. E. H. Crouch, Huttonsville, Randolph
288	.240	.074	1.68	2.64	6000	None	Corn, oats, wheat, meadow	G. E. H. Crouch, Huttonsville, Randolph
299	.153	.079	1.56	2.35	4000	None	Corn every year	F. A. Stephenson, Clay, Clay
299a	.266	.079	1.53	2.62	4000	None	Corn, wheat, wheat, timothy	G. S. L. Dodd, N. Mountain, Berkeley
301	.199	.052	1.25	1.40	4800	Some M, AP	Corn, every year	G. S. L. Dodd, N. Mountain, Berkeley
301a	.169	.035	1.05	1.47	4800	Some M, AP	Corn, wheat, timothy, clover	G. S. L. Dodd, N. Mountain, Berkeley
254	.171	.064	0.64	2.46	2600	Some AP, M, L	Corn, wheat, timothy, clover	G. Tom Bowling, Spanishburg, Mercer
367	.196	.048	1.35	2.24	2600	M occasionally	Corn, every year	Mrs. J. W. Hatters, Kenova, Wayne
376	.136	.058	1.28	1.61	2000	Med amts M, AP, L	Corn, wheat, hay	F. W. T. Black, Myria, Lincoln
377	.143	.055	1.15	1.65	1800	Med amts M, AP, L	Orchard	F. H. W. Miller, Griffithsville, Lincoln
378	.117	.070	0.90	1.33	400	Med amts M, AP, L	Corn every year	P. Ben Polly Farm, Danville, Boone
394	.172	.029	1.73	1.91	0	AP every 2 years	Corn, wheat, hay	*F. A. D. Hersman, Spencer, Roane
399	.199	.059	1.92	4.56	600	None	Corn, wheat, corn, oats	F. E. M. Jones, Parsons, Tucker
410	.063	.023	1.02	0.55	800	None	Corn, oats, grass	F. C. L. Crim, Gorman, Grant
412	.133	.059	1.41	1.31	4400	Small amts M, L	Clover, potatoes, corn, oats	*P. Wolverton, Grantsville, Calhoun
414	.104	.056	0.90	0.97	3000	None	Meadow	
416	.168	.070	1.69	1.62	3200	None		
424	.133	.062	0.70	1.19	2800	Med amts M, AP		
429	.249	.084	1.47	3.01	1600	Some AP		
431	.203	.072	1.15	2.13	3000	Med amts M, AP, L		
444	.193	.065	1.02	2.86	3000	Small amts M, AP		
460	.172	.052	1.09	1.99	2400	M occasionally		

HUNTINGTON SERIES (Continued)

% Soil	Percentage of Elements				Kinds and Amounts of Fertilizer Used	Crops Generally Grown and Yield	Owner, Address, and County
	N	P	K	C			
465	.190	.089	0.83	1.96	None	Meadow, corn	G F. L. Hays, Arnoldsburg, Calboun
471	.335	.052	0.96	4.03	None	Meadow	*P C. R. Lilly, Ghent, Raleigh
475	.132	.045	1.02	1.78	None	Meadow	G Bill Brewer, McCraw, Wyoming
482	.062	.027	0.51	0.84	M every 2 years	Corn, mostly	P Pocahontas Fuel Co., Pageton, Wyoming
Ave.	.169	.062	1.26	2.08	2400		

MOSHANNON SERIES

% Soil	Percentage of Elements				Kinds and Amounts of Fertilizer Used	Crops Generally Grown and Yield	Owner, Address, and County
	N	P	K	C			
51	.107	.052	1.08	1.13	None ³	Corn, wheat, clover, timothy	G Virgil Bowser, Crow Summit, Jackson
53	.083	.044	1.25	0.84	None ¹	Corn, grass	F F. A. Morgan, Ravenswood, Jackson
54	.107	.048	1.21	1.19	None	Corn, clover, grass	F F. A. Morgan, Ravenswood, Jackson
78	.165	.036	1.95	1.58	None	Corn, grain, timothy	F John McCausland, Buffalo, Mason
96	.172	.061	1.63	1.52	Some M, AP, L	Corn, oats, grass	G L. N. Beatty, Mannington, Marion
102	.121	.043	1.24	1.02	Some M, AP, L	Corn, wheat, timothy, clover	F Cnas. Kalt, Crow Summit, Jackson
116	.171	.051	1.23	1.82	Some M, AP, L	Corn, wheat, clover	E J. S. McNeal, Hillsboro, Pocahontas
194	.292	.100	1.44	1.69	0	Corn, wheat, grass	G H. Anderson, Franklin, Pendleton
253	.149	.058	1.25	1.62	None	Meadow	*F L. E. Finharty, Elizabeth, Wirt
254	.115	.049	1.26	1.26	None	Meadow	F C. E. McCoy, Elizabeth, Wirt
305	.211	.043	1.06	2.68	Some M, AP	Corn, wheat, clover, grass	G E. Smith, Buckhannon, Upshur
312	.157	.059	1.23	1.81	Some M, AP	Corn, hay	R. S. Reger, Buckhannon, Upshur
313	.175	.057	1.28	1.95	Some M, L	Corn, hay, clover	G W. H. Young, Buckhannon, Upshur
319	.167	.063	1.67	1.66	None	Bluegrass meadow	F Berlin, Lewis
322	.168	.042	1.00	1.96	AP, L once	Corn, corn	F Geo. White, Freemansburg, Lewis
331	.196	.057	1.37	1.97	None	Unknown	J. C. Shaver, Heaters, Braxton
344	.145	.051	1.02	1.66	None	Bluegrass pasture	F C. Hoover, Webster Springs, Webster
348	.111	.061	1.03	1.03	Some M	Corn, wheat, clover	*F N. G. Moore, Orlando, Gilmer
370	.113	.041	0.83	1.06	Med amts M, AP, L	Meadow	G W. A. Leatherman, Keyser, Mineral
427	.111	.062	1.41	1.30	Med amts M, L	Truck crops	F State Hospital, Spencer, Roane
430	.220	.074	1.35	2.19	Some M, AP	Corn, grain, timothy, clover	G J. W. Minear, St. George, Tucker
452	.137	.056	1.35	1.76	Med amts AP, M	Corn, wheat, meadow	F Floyd Bell, Glenville, Gilmer
Ave.	.154	.055	1.27	1.57	3000		

RIVER FLOOD PLAINS PROVINCE
First Bottom
POPE SERIES

202	.216	.052	1.371	2.541	7200	Med amts	M, AP	Corn, clover	F. R. S. C. Green, Philippi, Barbour
309	.155	.034	1.14	2.08	10000	None		Sage grass, weeds	P. R. G. Smith, Rock Cave, Upshur
314	.265	.076	1.33	3.24	9600	Some L		Corn, hay, clover	H. C. Carper, Buckhannon, Upshur
330	.164	.081	0.75	1.84	3600	None		Not cultivated	G. C. Shaver, Heaters, Braxton
334	.167	.057	0.61	1.97	1000	Some L		Corn, grain	* F. Brewster Estate, Holly, Braxton
340	.068	.030	0.65	0.91	3600	Some M, AP		Hay, weeds, grasses	F. J. F. Miller, Cowen, Webster
341	.272	.059	1.41	3.19	4200	None		Not cultivated	W. H. Cunningham, Webster Spr'gs, Webster
Ave.	.186	.055	1.03	2.25	5600				

MISCELLANEOUS SOILS

11	.075	.031	0.951	0.88	800	Mixed fert & L	once	Tomatoes, wheat, clover	F. M. Henry, Stodiers Cross Roads, Morgan
20	.324	.038	0.37	8.78	3800	Unknown		Orchard	F. Ed. Leatherman, Keyser, Mineral
22	.144	1.03	2.83	1.58	1800	Some M		Corn, wheat, clover	F. C. R. Morris, Martha Cabell
25	.121	.071	2.57	1.45	1800	400 lbs	4-10-8 yearly	Orchard	G. John Miller, Martinsburg, Berkeley
27	.215	.057	2.01	1.24	1400	Some M	4-8-7	Orchard	P. Gray Silver, Martinsburg, Berkeley
30	.123	.065	1.96	1.24	1800	Some M & comp fert		Corn, oats, wheat	P. O. Aler, Martinsburg, Berkeley
31	.085	.037	1.08	1.01	200	Some M		Orchard	G. A. R. Feitner, Martinsburg, Berkeley
34	.127	.066	1.57	1.30	3000	Some M		Orchard	P. Dr. Shipper, Martinsburg, Berkeley
35	.130	.088	1.93	0.90	2400	Some AP		Corn, clover, grass	F. Geo. Schroades, Martinsburg, Berkeley
41	.106	.074	0.60	1.33	5000	None		Unknown	E. P. Poster, Gauley Bridge, Nicholas
44	.255	.079	1.10	2.85	6800	None		Meadow	* F. L. E. McClung, Rupert, Greenbrier
45	.184	.035	0.85	1.92	4000	None		Meadow	* F. J. O. McClung, Rupert, Greenbrier
46	.141	.058	0.69	1.42	2600	Some M, AP		Corn, grain, hay	F. D. Tuckwiler, Lewisburg, Greenbrier
48	.116	.061	1.62	1.45	5600	None		Unknown	M. R. Bradberry, Sherman, Jackson
68	.199	.046	1.23	2.28	1600	None		Pasture, swamp grass	* P. B. T. Gibson, Masontown, Preston
117	.161	.074	1.38	1.66	3300	Some M, AP		Corn, wheat, timothy, clover	F. L. E. Moore, Huntersville, Pocahontas
119	.211	.080	0.85	2.33	4900	Heavy M, AP		Corn, wheat, timothy, clover	G. W. G. Cochran, Onoto, Pocahontas
122	.274	.086	1.46	2.80	5400	Med amts AP, M		Corn, grain, clover, alfalfa	G. Uriah Heavener, Boyer, Pocahontas
125	.133	.040	0.76	1.59	2000	None		Corn, grain, clover	* M. R. White, Lewisburg, Greenbrier
128	.182	.070	2.09	1.58	3100	None		Bluegrass, red top	Union, Monroe
129	.216	.090	1.96	1.93	2100	Med amts AP, M		Corn, wheat, clover, timothy	F. J. E. Hansbarger, Peterstown, Monroe
130	.134	.028	0.91	1.32	2100	Some AP, L, M		Corn, wheat, clover, timothy	F. J. E. Hansbarger, Peterstown, Monroe
134	.128	.059	0.56	1.40	2700	None		Corn every year	Gap Mills, Monroe
139	.130	.043	0.95	1.18	2500	Some M, AP		Corn, grain, clover, timothy	I. Grimmer, Buck, Summers
140	.118	.028	0.96	1.11	3000	Some comp fert		Corn, wheat, clover, timothy	F. T. G. C. Grimmett, Buck, Summers
142	.091	.031	0.88	0.89	3000	Some comp fert		Corn, wheat, clover	F. I. W. Serrell, Forest Hill, Summers
149	.281	.054	1.05	3.36	6100	None		Red top, swamp grass, timothy	* N. T. Nutter, Persinger, Nicholas
152	.244	.057	1.49	2.81	6300	None		Meadow	* K. B. McCue, Muddlety, Nicholas
171	.194	.093	0.87	2.01	6700	None		Red top, grass	* Dr. McCleary, Wheeling, Ohio
190	.172	.083	1.92	0.81	1200	Some AP, L, M		Corn, wheat, clover, timothy	F. A. C. Boggs & Son, Harman, Pendleton
191	.081	.025	1.52	0.56	1300	Med amts AP, L		Corn, wheat, meadow	F. C. E. Hedrick, Harman, Pendleton
193	.043	.022	1.50	0.21	2300	None		Bluegrass sod	F. J. F. Bennett, Franklin, Pendleton
197	.152	.053	1.75	0.78	2800	None (muck soil)		Corn, wheat, timothy	G. S. B. McClung, Franklin, Pendleton
198	.164	.063	2.04	0.84	400	Med amts AP, M		Corn, wheat, clover, timothy	G. O. R. Mallow, Franklin, Pendleton
204	.185	.033	1.26	1.07	0	Some M		Corn, grain	G. H. Whiting, Shepherdstown, Jefferson

MISCELLANEOUS SOILS (Continued)

Soil No.	Percentage of Elements			Kinds and Amounts of Fertilizer Used	Crops Generally Grown and Yield	Owner, Address, and County
	P		C			
	lbs. P ₂ O ₅ per A.	Reg. unit CaCO ₃	Reg. unit			
206	.101	.042	7.54	None	Poverty grass	P Martinsburg, Berkeley
208	.128	.030	2.67	Heavy M, AP, some L	Corn, wheat, clover, grass	C. N. Stuckey, Jones Springs, Berkeley
210	.136	.034	1.10	Heavy M	Corn, wheat, clover	William Linton, Jones Springs, Berkeley
213	.121	.047	3.11	None	Corn	G. M. Knott, Shepherdstown, Jefferson
221	.152	.068	2.24	None	Barren soil	E. Vannorsellaer, Berkeley Springs, Morgan
223	.145	.040	1.36	None	Corn	J. W. Hovernale, Berkeley Springs, Morgan
226	.105	.030	1.44	None	Orchard grass, crimson clover	F. Sleepy Cr. Or. Co., Berkeley Spr'gs, Morgan
227	.184	.093	2.07	None	Tomatoes, corn, wheat	C. F. Miller, Cherry Run, Morgan
230	.147	.056	1.62	None	Orchard, wheat, clover	F. W. S. Funkhouser, Moorefield, Hardy
231	.099	.035	1.63	Med amts M, AP	Corn, grass	G. C. Methias, Methias, Hardy
233	.538	.071	1.31	None	Grass, weeds	*F. Snyder, Wardensville, Hardy
234	.074	.024	0.71	None	Corn, grass	*F. State Farm, Wardensville, Hardy
235	.108	.037	0.92	Some M	Corn, grass	*F. State Farm, Wardensville, Hardy
236	.260	.063	1.28	None	Corn	G. H. Bosley, Moorefield, Hardy
237	.195	.051	2.20	Some AP, L	Corn, wheat, grass	G. A. Cunningham, Moorefield, Hardy
238	.292	.072	2.38	None	Corn, wheat, clover	A. Workman, St. Albans, Kanawha
267	.166	.114	1.43	None	(Soil along river)	Not cultivated
283	.161	.048	0.92	None	Corn, rye, vetch, clover	A. M. Allender, Grafton, Taylor
291	.153	.066	1.19	Med amts AP, L, M	Rough stony land	W. D. Zinn, Philippi, Barbour
294	.088	.032	0.66	None	Corn, grain, clover	A. H. Bolyard, Philippi, Barbour
296	.124	.057	0.97	Med amts AP, L, M	Weeds, grass	Elkins, Randolph
300	.148	.037	2.00	None	Corn, grass	F. H. W. Hutton, Huttonsville, Randolph
302	.267	.065	1.13	Some AP, M, L	Garden, truck crops	F. F. P. Marshall, Mingo, Randolph
321	.244	.172	1.03	Heavy M	Corn, wheat, grass	*F. J. H. Bailey, Weston, Lewis
336	.238	.055	1.10	Some AP, L	Moss, weeds	F. L. D. Smith, Cowen, Webster
338	.491	.149	0.90	None	Corn, wheat, clover	*P. F. Smith, Cowen, Webster
371	.489	.097	1.80	Some AP, L, M	Corn, wheat, clover	G. W. A. Leatherman, Keyser, Mineral
381	.123	.054	0.64	Some M, & L once	Corn, wheat, clover	G. S. H. Williams, Romney, Hampshire
382	.279	.066	0.58	None	Orchard	Mr. Taylor, Romney, Hampshire
383	.159	.076	0.70	Med amts AP	Corn, wheat, hay	G. S. H. Williams, Romney, Hampshire
384	.107	.016	1.37	None	Grass, clover	G. S. H. Williams, Romney, Hampshire
391	.133	.023	0.77	Some M	Potatoes	*P. Mr. Johnson, Princetown, Mercer
423	.112	.046	1.03	None	Meadow, some clover	Low Gap, Boone
440	.257	.045	0.57	L once	Corn, oats, clover	F. Polly Farm, Davis, Tucker
484	.297	.116	1.28	None	Meadow, some clover	F. R. Lambert, Crumpler, McDowell
Ave.	.178	.058	1.44	1.83		

TABLE III.—Average Content of Nitrogen, Phosphorus, Potassium, and Carbon, and the Average Lime Requirement of the Important Soils in West Virginia.

Soil Series	Analyzed Samples	Percentage of Elements				Average CaCO ₃ Lbs. per Acre	Remarks
		Average					
		N	P	K	C		
Brooke	7	.176	.064	1.71	1.87	1800	Good soil
Hagerstown ..	30	.139	.062	2.48	1.11	500	Good soil
Huntington	51	.169	.062	1.26	2.08	2400	Good soil
Moshannon	22	.154	.055	1.27	1.57	3000	Good soil
Westmoreland ..	11	.194	.073	1.54	2.01	2300	Good soil
Wheeling	13	.149	.104	1.10	1.61	2100	Good soil
Dekalb	151	.137	.043	1.11	1.65	3200	Poor to fair soil
Meigs	26	.128	.043	1.25	1.36	3100	Poor to fair soil
Holston	36	.129	.047	1.06	1.43	2800	Poor to fair soil
Tyler	16	.137	.046	1.14	1.38	3200	Poor to fair soil
Upshur	39	.146	.046	1.48	1.56	3100	Fair soil
Elk	6	.142	.045	1.00	1.53	1600	Fair soil
Pope	7	.186	.055	1.03	2.25	5600	Fair soil
Miscellaneous Soils	70	.178	.058	1.44	1.82	2300	
Weighed Ave.	485	.150	.052	1.31	1.65	2700	

Soil fertility problems can not always be solved in a short time. Several years of field investigation may be necessary to determine the limiting factors. However, the conclusions in this report should not be very far from correct because of the large number of soils studied. The correlation between the amounts of plant nutrient elements in the soil with the fertility is important both from a scientific and a practical viewpoint.

In general, the data indicate that the availability of the plant nutrients is proportional to the amounts of the elements in the soil and to the degree to which good soil management is practiced. Most crops are indirectly dependent for a large part of their nutrients upon the decomposition of roots, stems, leaves and other forms of organic matter in the soil. The nutrients in the organic matter are made available during the process of decomposition, and the carbon dioxide evolved aids in the solution of mineral matter. There is to a certain extent a rotation of the nutrients from one crop to another. Frequent and liberal applications of farm manures, green manures, and other forms of organic matter are highly recommended to help maintain the supply of available plant nutrients in the soil.

It must be recognized that maximum crops can not be produced on soils which are low in phosphorus and nitrogen, unless these are added in a form which can be easily utilized by the plants. This is true for potassium and lime also. If the soil is very acid no permanent improvement can be made without the addition of lime. It should be understood, however, that lime alone will not restore the fertility to all acid soils. Lime will correct the acidity and make the soil more active, but it does not supply any of the other plant nutrients that may be deficient. Under a careful system of crop rotation, including a legume every two or three years, the greater part of the nitrogen may be supplied from the atmosphere, but the phosphorus, potassium, and lime must be added in case they are deficient. When clovers fail, very likely the soil needs lime and phosphates.

Recent investigations¹ show that the value of the crop yields on many of the soils in West Virginia is less than the cost of production. In order to avoid this loss, the farmer will have to adopt a system of crop rotation including more legumes, a more economical use of farm manures and the use of liberal amounts of phosphate fertilizers and lime. Many of the less productive soils will give profitable returns with the use of complete fertilizers.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

The content of nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, and carbon, and the lime requirement of 485 soil samples representing the important series in West Virginia have been determined. The general fertility and conditions of these soils are discussed. The results may be summarized as follows:

1.—The soils derived from sandstone and shale have a lower content of nitrogen and phosphorus than do the soils derived from limestone. The sandstone and shale soils are more acid and less fertile than the limestone soils.

2.—About 50 per cent of the Dekalb and Meigs series, and about 33 per cent of the Tyler, Holston, and Upshur series have less than .04 per cent phosphorus. These soils are of low fertility.

3.—More than 45 per cent of the Dekalb, Meigs, Upshur, and Holston soils contain less than .12 per cent nitrogen. In general, the nitrogen is in proportion to the organic carbon in all the soils studied; it is about 8 to 10 per cent of the carbon for most of them.

¹Unpublished data, Department of Farm Economics, W. Va. Agr. Exp. Sta.

4.—More than 90 per cent of all the sandstone and shale soils are acid, and are not very fertile. An average of 3000 pounds of lime per acre is required to neutralize the acidity of the sandstone and shale soils.

5.—Poor drainage conditions, no doubt, limit the productivity of many of the soils in the state. This is particularly true with some of the Tyler and Holston soils.

6.—All of the soils average 1 per cent potassium or more. A few sandy ones are low in potassium. Many of these sandy soils and others which are low in organic matter will probably respond to potash fertilizers.

7.—There is a fairly good correlation in all the soils studied between the nitrogen, phosphorous, the carbon, the lime requirements, and the fertility. In general, the higher the nitrogen and phosphorus, and the lower the lime requirement, the higher is the fertility.

8.—Most of the sandstone and shale soils respond to acid phosphate, nitrates, manures, and lime. These soils comprise over 80 per cent of the soils in West Virginia.

9.—The Brooke, Hagerstown, Westmoreland, Huntington, Moshannon, and Wheeling soils are in general more fertile and less acid than the sandstone and the shale soils. The first three soils have a limestone origin; the last three are river flood plain soils, but contain some material washed from limestone formations.

10.—The limestone soils contain an average of .06 per cent phosphorus or more, and about .15 per cent nitrogen. The potassium in the Hagerstown soils averages much higher than in the other soils, but the organic carbon is lower.

11.—Soils which contain less than .12 per cent nitrogen, and less than .04 per cent phosphorus have, in general, a low fertility. There are, however, many soils in the state which contain much higher amounts of nitrogen and phosphorus, and are still unfertile.

12.—Lime, acid phosphate, and nitrogenous fertilizers will very likely give profitable returns on most of the sandstone and shale soils, and in many cases also on the limestone soils.

