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REPORT GIVEN ON FERTILIZER EXPERIMENTS OF GIBBS' FARM Carolina and the greater development of the State's fishing industry.

Federal Biochemist Made Tests Over 3-Yr. Period

Ammoniated triple superphosphate potassium chloride, ammouium sulplate and urea, with an acidity eqnivalent of 750 pounds of calcium carbonate per ton neutralized with dolmitic limestone produced an average of 171 bushels of Irish potatoes per acre over a three year period on the Tom Gibbs farm, according to a report furnished the County Farm agent here by J. J. Skinner, senior biochemist of the soil fertility investigations division of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. This is the greatest quantity of bushels produced following the use of a series of fertilizer used in the test over a three year period. On soil in which no fertilizer at all was used over a three year period only 94 bushels per acre was realized.

Ten different compositions of fertiilzer was used in the experiments by Mr. Skinner on the Tom Gibbs farm during 1935, 1936 and 1937. The fertilizer analysis number, composition and the average yield of potatoes per acre follows:

(7-6-5) Superphosphate, ammon ium sulphate (87.% N) cottonseed meal (12.5% N.) potassium sulphate, acidity equivalent 680 pounds caco per ton-122 bushels.

7-6-5) Same as above composition with calcium limestone produced 133 bushels per acre.

(7-6-5) Same as first composition but neutralized with calcium limestone and with magnesium sulphate added, produced 146 bushels per

(7-6-5) Same composition as first but neutralized with dolomitic limestone produced 144 bushels per acre.

(7-6-5) Superphosphate, ammonium sulphate (87% N.) urea (12. 5%) potassium sulphate; neutralized with dolomitic limestone, produced 149 bushels per acre.

14-12-10 Amo-phos, ammonium sulphate (2-3 or remainder of N), urea (1-3 of N), potassium sulphate; acidity equivalent 707 pounds Co--CO3 per ton, a fertilizer containing no calcium of magnesium produced 128 bushels per acre.

(14-12-10) Same as foregoing composition but neutralized with dol mitic limestone produced 156 bushels.

(14-12-10) Same as above composition but with calcium sulphate added equivalent to calcium produced 151 bushels per acre.

(14-12-10) Ammoniated trpile superphosphate, potassium chloride, ammonnium sulphate and Urea, with acidity equivalent 780 pounds calcium carbonate per ton produced only 126 bushels per acre, but this same composition neutralized with dolmotic limestone produced the top yield of the experiments of 171 bushels per acre.

In a letter to the county agent relative to the experiments on the Tom Gibbs Farms, Mr. Skinner wrote: "You will note that fertilizer which contained limestone have given larger yields than acid forming fertilizers. It is also of interest to note that double strength fertilizers, No. 6-10, have given as large or larger yields than the single strength fertilizers,

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'Fish is fish," says Frank Dunlap. State highway chairman, of the big being used in feeding the inmates of State institutions.

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But Mr. Dunlap's statement is not unfamiliar in North Carolina. Too Beaufort many other inland citizens have taken the sad and ignorant position that fish is fish. The State's fishereis have suffered from this indiscriminate lumping together of the best and the worst Old Ocean provides.

That may be the reason so many North Carolinians fling all fish into the frying pan. And, indeed, the flavor having been fried out of them all, it is no wonder that thousands of eaters, who ought to be making markets of themselves for our fishermen, believe that 'fish is fish" and

Something ought to be done about the sad case of Mr. Dunlap. The State Board of Conservation and Development, the North Carolina Fisheries. Inc., or the independent fishermen, or all of them together, ought *****

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