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### Reports and memoranda

Index	Format	Pages	Year	Date	Title	Scope and content
D77/29/A1-8	File of papers				Sir Donald Ferguson's Grassland Improvement Committee, Ministry of Agriculture	outer file
D77/29/A1	Memorandum		1939	29th September 1939	Supply of Vegetables in the Aberystwyth District	Aberystwyth imports a considerable amount of horticultural produce and the supply is largely dependent on road transport, which is already reduced owing to petrol restrictions.
D77/29/A2	Report	9	1939	10th November 1939	General Summary of the Meeting of the Grassland Committee, Ministry of Agriculture, Friday	
D77/29/A3/1	Draft Report - annotated	19	1939	23 November 1939	Grassland Improvement Committee	
D77/29/A3/2	Draft Report	24	1939	1939-40	Grassland Improvement Committee	
D77/29/A3/3	Draft Report - annotated	24	1939	1939-40	Grassland Improvement Committee	

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D77/29/A3/4	Draft Report - annotated	24	1939	1939-40	Grassland Improvement Committee	Extend the period of payment for the ploughing up grant. Publicise to farmers the need to utilise their grassland which cannot be brought under the plough better including modern methods of ensilage. Improve drainage, water and fencing. Overcome obstacles in the way of adoption of the ley system. Ensure adequate supplies of grass and clover seeds for re-seeding grassland.
D77/29/A4	Memorandum - annotated	11	1939	1939-40	Discussions with Advisory Economists, Grassland Improvement	Outlines various means of grassland improvement including ploughing and re-seeding, conservation management and livestock policy, as well as relations to the arable ploughing up campaign.
D77/29/A5	Memorandum	18	1939	1939-40	Methods of Dealing With Newly Ploughed Permanent Grassland	There is a strong case for making the subsidy applicable to everybody who ploughed up grassland for a minimum term of years. The subsidy would only be given after approval by an appropriate technical officer.
D77/29/A6	Report	14	1939	1939-40	Condition of Fences	Report on each English county.
D77/29/A7	Typescript - memorandum	20	1940	c1940	County Allocations and Quotas with Notes on the Several Counties With Rather Particular Reference to the Sowing Season 1939-40	Concerning allocations of and methods of dealing with newly ploughed up grassland
D77/29/A7/1	Memorandum	124	1940	c 1940	Appendices to A/7	Appendix 1 - County Balances, Appendix 2: Rotations
D77/29/A8	Memorandum	5	1940	1940	Utilization of Grass in 1940	By W.R. Peel, S.J. Watson Covers the contribution that can be made by early bite, balanced manuring, rotational grazing and conservation.

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D77/29/A9	Report	10	1940	c1920	Progress of Grassland Survey in Wales	In connection with the BA course at Cardiff. "I feel sure we have not yet got hold of all the leading types of grassland"
D77/29/A10	Report	6	1938	(3 Mar) 1938	Visit to the Island of Skye	"I am satisfied that large areas could be successfully and relatively speaking cheaply and quickly reclaimed."

### Lectures, speeches and articles

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D77/29/B1	Press cutting	1	1943	23rd February 1943	Report of speech by R.G. Stapledon on permanent grassland at conference of Worcester WAEC	from 'Farmer and Stockbreeder'
D77/29/B2	Manuscript Lecture	49	1953	1953-54	Modern Collaborative Lectures, Farmers and Scientists	Lecture to Kent NFU. Reactions to the Canterbury 'try out' and conversations with the people there.
D77/29/B3	Speech - duplicated typescript	14			Presidential Address to the 4th International Grassland Congress	If people are to be adequately fed with fresh food of the highest quality then it is necessary to make the most of our grasslands.
D77/29/B4	Manuscript Article	23			Hill Grazings: Marginal Land	

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D77/29/B5	Typescript Article	16			Improvement of Hill Land	About hill land in Scotland. Much hill land in Scotland is improvable even the open sheep walks. What is needed is local endeavour and trials under as many different sets of conditions as possible.

## Biographical

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D77/29/C1	Press cutting	1	1943	7th Oct 1943	From the Listener.	Biographical information.
D77/29/C2	Newsletter	22	1960	Dec-60	Breeders Digest: Magazine of the Welsh Plant Breeding Station Social Club	Contains quote from Stapledon's talk 'Points of View Relative to the Study of Grassland' given at Harper Adams Agricultural College, Newport, Salop 11 Nov 1932
D77/29/C3	Draft script for radio broadcast - BBC Home service	16	1961	1961	Life of RG Stapledon	Appreciation of Sir George's life and work compiled and introduced by Robert Waller

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Notes on the preliminary draft of the report appended
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final draft? Plus appendix

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William Davies, W.R. Peel, Sir R.G. Stapledon, S.J. Watson
Annotated "based on the survey"
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