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Investigations are being carried out on the use of commercial Lotus varieties for hill land improvement, especially on land which has been cleared of bracken (acid brown earths), and on peat. Various reclamation techniques are being used, both in fenced areas and on open hill grazed primarily by sheep, and I would be pleased to try out any further varieties which might be useful under these conditions. For initial tests, 1 kg of seed of each variety is needed, and this must be sown before the end of June for reasonable establishment to take place before winter.

In addition, a collection of British ecotypes of Lotus corniculatus and L. uliginosus is being built up. Seeds from a limited number of these are available this season for anyone who might be interested in using them in a breeding programme, and it is hoped to have more in October, 1976.