

National Farm Survey 1941.

County	Lancs
Code No	L388/187
District	5
Name of Holding	Springhill Farm
Name of Farmer	Wm Spencer (sic)
Address of Farmer	Cloughfold
Acerage	32 acres

Number and edition of 6 inch Ordnance Survey Sheet containing farmstead LXXII SW 1930

Tenure

Tenure owner
Full time farmer +4 hours daily milk retailing, farmer and son.

Farmer does not occupy other land

Farmer does not have grazing rights over land not occupied by him

Condition of farm

Soil described as 100% heavy
The farm is conveniently laid out
Proportion of farm which is naturally bad 100%
Situation in regard to road good
Situation in regard to railway good
Condition of farmhouse good
Condition of buildings fair
Condition of farm roads fair
Condition of ditches fair
General condition of field drainage fair
Condition of cottages fair

Number of cottages within farm area 1

No infestation with rabbits, moles, rats, mice, rooks, wood pigeons, other birds or insect pests

Heavy infestation with weeds.

No derelict fields.

Water and electricity

Water supply to farmhouse	well
Water supply to farm buildings	well
Water supply to fields	well
No seasonal shortage of water	

Electricity supply 'public light', used for household purposes

Management

Is the farm classed as A, B or C?	B
Reasons for B or C	personal failings
If personal failings, details:	lack of experience in arable farming
Condition of arable land	bad
Condition of pasture	fair
Use of fertilisers of arable land	to some extent
Use of fertilisers on pasture	adequate
Field information recorded by	R Briggs
Date of recording	2/10/41
This primary record completed by	F R Lowrie
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AGRICULTURAL RETURN 4 JUNE 1941**Crops and grass**

Barley	1 acre
Potatoes, main crop and second earlies	½ acre
Turnips and swedes for fodder	½ acre
Kale for fodder	1 acre
Cabbage, savoy and kohlrabi for fodder	½ acre
Permanent grass for mowing this season	10 acres
Permanent grass for grazing	15½ acres
Rough grazing	check

Labour

Whole time family workers	3 male
Wholetime regular workers (excluding owner and spouse)	2, under 18 years old
casual seasonal or part time workers	none

Livestock

Cows and heifers in milk	12
Bulls being used for service	1
Female cattle 2 yrs old and above	1
Female cattle 1 yr old and under (no other cattle)	1

(no sheep)

gilts in pig	3
all other pigs over 5 months old	4
poultry over 6 months old	30

ducks of all ages	4
geese of all ages	3
mares	1
geldings	2
(no other horses)	

(no small fruit)

(no vegetables for human consumption, flowers or crops under glass)

stocks of hay and straw	nil
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Motive power

Fixed or portable engines, oil or petrol	1, 2 hp
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Rent

If the holding is owned by you, give the best estimate you can of the annual rental value	£75
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Length of occupation

20 years

Grass fields ploughed up – for 1940 harvest	fodder crop 3½ acres Only paid for 3 acres.
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