



Merion Kentucky bluegrass tee at Seaview CC. This is one of country's older courses.



One of the fine fairways. It's a mixture of Merion Kentucky and K-31.

Seaview Uses Mixture of K31 and Kentucky Blue on New 9

WHEN Seaview, Absecon, N. J., built a new nine holes, Warren Bidwell handled the construction and William Gordon was the architect.

Bidwell decided to use Merion Kentucky bluegrass on the tees. He seeded the fairways with a 50-50 mixture of Merion Kentucky blue and Kentucky 31 fescue. On the

roughs he used Kentucky 31 fescue only.

Turf Tips

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The soil at Seaview is light textured. It varies from a loamy sand to a sandy loam.

The Merion tees have held up very well under generous feeding and moderate watering. The fairway turf has been very good. It is adequately fertilized and never overwatered.

The Merion blue holds the fescue erect so mowers cut clean. Ordinary Kentucky bluegrass does not do this. The roughs are very fine and are not cut close.

Bidwell tested the Merion, K-31 combination in the nursery for four years before using it on fairways.

Warren Bidwell recently left Seaview to become supt. at Olympia Fields (Ill.) CC.



Fine turf on this approach is a 50-50 mixture of Merion and K-31.



This and all rough on new 9 are seeded to K-31. When it's cut at 2½ to 3 ins., players are penalized about half a shot.