Results are listed below:

pH 6.3
Available phos. 700 lbs. per acre
Available potash 400 lbs. per acre
Available calcium 9000 lbs. per acre.
Available magnesium 1600 lbs. per acre.

Reaction and content of calcium and magnesium of the light brown sandy loam were good, so lime was not needed. The levels of phosphorus and potash were excellent.

An exact measurement of the green was made. It contained 3,823 sq. ft. A data sheet for recording the green weight of clippings was provided. Each Monday a 5 pound, exact weight, sample was collected and forwarded to the Milwaukee Sewerage Commission Lab. for the determination of dry weight and chemical composition.

The green had not been overseeded for winter play, so no fertilizer had been applied from Nov. through Mar.

The fertilizer program for the 1958 season has been recorded in Table 1. The cyanamid had been used to sterilize the topdressing mixture. In round numbers, the green received 12 pounds nitrogen, 6 pounds phosphoric acid, and 2.75 pounds potash per 1,000 sq. ft. for the season.

Yield Figures

The yield of Tifgreen dry clippings per 1,000 sq. ft. is shown in Table 2. For the 24 week period the total yield was 131.94 pounds, or 5.49 pounds per week. During 18 weeks, the yield of common Bermuda was 119.5 pounds, or 6.64 pounds per week.

The weekly comparison is not significant because the heavy rate of growth is from early June to late August. Tifgreen continued to grow in fall after growth of common had stopped. This is desirable from the play point of view where overseeding is not practiced for winter play.

The percentage of major nutrient elements is summarized in Table 3, and the corresponding pounds per 1,000 sq. ft are given in Table 4.

The average percentage content of major nutrient elements in the clippings for the season were 5.28 per cent nitrogen, 1.27 per cent phosphoric acid, 2.05 per cent potash, and 1.35 per cent sulfur trioxide. Nitrogen content was significantly higher, phosphoric acid was slightly, and potash was definitely lower than comparable results for common Bermuda. These differences were reflected in the quantities of nutrient elements removed during the season.

Even though more phosphoric acid and potash were used on Tifgreen than on common Bermuda in 1956, the Tifgreen clippings contained less of both elements percentagewise. Nitrogen applications were about equal, yet Tifgreen clippings contained almost one per cent more nitrogen than common Bermuda.

Comparison with Washington

In comparable trials at Brynwood in Milwaukee, potash content of Washington bent grass clippings was 3.24 per cent, definitely more than in common or in Tifgreen Bermuda.

The results at Memphis substantiate the practices of supt's who know the secret of good Bermuda grass greens. They emphasize nitrogen to keep the grass vegetative and furnish minimum requirements of phosphoric acid and potash. If used in excess they promote stubby growth and encourage seedhead formation. Phosphoric acid and potash are used generously before seeding with rye grass for winter play. Nitrogen is not used then. The large seed contains enough to start seedling growth. With the smaller seeded blue grasses, poa trivalis, and bents, the seedlings need some nitrogen right from the start.

S. C. CMAA Honors Zuckerman

Edward K. Zuckerman of Brentwood CC, Los Angeles, and former president and now a director of Southern Calif. GA, recently was presented a plaque by the CMAA of Southern Calif. in recognition of his dedication to the welfare of golf clubs, their members and management over the years. The presentation was made at a dinner attended by about 165 managers and their guests. Zuckerman was particularly cited for leading resistance to oppressive tax measures that would have driven many clubs out of business if they had been enacted.