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causing considerable concern. Will we have acceptable substitutes for controlling weeds, diseases and insects? Will they be available in time to avoid wholesale destruction of turf? Where do we look for relief? (Illinois)

A—First, keep in close touch with your county agent and your turfgrass specialist from the state university. It is their business to keep in close touch with such developments as these. They may not know all the answers, but they know where to get them. I am confident that our chemical industries will find acceptable, efficient, biodegradable materials that will not add to environmental pollution.

Q—We have Seaside greens and we are not completely happy with them. Can we reseed them with Certified Penncross and expect good results? (Arizona)

A—Yes, I've recommended this procedure many times and shall continue to do so. Be sure that the green is thatched and well spiked so that the seed comes in contact with the soil. One-half pound of seed per thousand usually is considered sufficient.

For farms, not golf courses

Q—An official at our club engaged a private independent soil testing laboratory to sample and test the soils on our new course. We are quite unfamiliar with their figures and their terminology. They reported the quantity of nitrogen in the soil and used that to calculate the N needed to establish the turf. We think that their recommendations are too low. We enclose a copy of the test results. May we have your comments? (Virginia)

A—Nor am I familiar with their method of reporting. It seems that they are farm-oriented because their explanations revolve around manure, legumes-plowed-down and crop residue. I must agree that the nitrogen recommendations for establishment are too low. Ureaform was recommended but the quantity was too small to be significant.

My suggestion is to contact your state extension turf specialist who can assist in management problems during maintenance. Close correlation between establishment and maintenance is basic to success.

Q—Some heated discussions arise around here concerning artificial turf. You have been in this turf business a