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GOLFDOM editor's new book published on history of PGA

The Building of golf as a great American game and the one dominant organization in that movement is detailed in a new book entitled *The PGA* by GOLFDOM Senior Editor Herb Graffis.

Graffis tells about the why and whereof of the PGA and how it became a major element in this country's sports scene. The author indicates the influence of the association on the development of the countryside's courses, the impetus it gave American sportswear and the PGA's leadership in the social elevation of paid athletes.

With colorful descriptions, Graffis remembers the characters who helped golf grow in this country and turned the tour into the \$9 million property it is today. *The PGA* contains over 500 pages and 100 pages in illustrations.

The authoritative history of the PGA is available from the Thomas Y. Crowell Co., 666 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y. 10019 for \$16.95.

Toro exec named recipient of Green Section Award

Dr. J. R. Watson, of Minneapolis, has been named recipient of the 1976 USGA Green Section Award for distinguished service to golf through work with turfgrass. Dr. Watson has been active in turfgrass research and is now vice-president of customer relations with the Toro Company, Minneapolis.

Before entering private business, Dr. Watson directed the turfgrass research program at Texas A&M University, College Station, Tex. and at the same time taught in the agronomy department.

A native of Leesville, La., Watson received a degree at Texas A&M in 1947 and then earned a PhD at Penn State in 1950. Dr. Watson held a USGA Green Section Fellowship at Penn State where he studied under Dr. H. Burton Musser, an earlier recipient of the Green Section Award. After receiving his PhD, Dr. Watson returned to Texas

A&M and became a joint employee of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and the college.

He was a member of the organizing committee for the first International Turfgrass Research Conference held in Harrogate, England, in 1969, and now serves on the editorial board for the proceedings of the second International Research Conference.

Granular linuron effective in Poa control in bluegrass

Poa annua in Kentucky bluegrass varieties grown for sod production purposes can be satisfactorily controlled with 2.5 to 5.0 kg/ha of granular linuron, according to Dr. Paul Henderlong and Paul L. Jacquemin, professor at The Ohio State University and research agronomist at the O. M. Scott & Sons Co., respectively.

In their paper, "Selective Control of *Poa annua* in Kentucky Bluegrass," presented during the 30th Annual Meeting of the Northeastern Weed Science Society in January in Boston, the Ohio researchers noted their studies were conducted to determine the minimum effective application rates of granular linuron under varying environment and soil conditions.

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