Peonie in the news

Harry W. Roorda moved up to manager of research for the commercial division of Wisconsin Motor Corporation. He joined the company in 1951.

J.E. "Jim" Maples has been recently promoted to a national service manager for the Weathermatic Sprinkler Division of Telsco Industries.

Eric Bonow was named chief engineer of the commercial division of Wisconsin Motor Corporation. He has been with the company since 1955.

David Arthur Toenjes has recently joined the Spero Electric Company as the director of lighting design and application engineering.

Charles B. Mills has been appointed advisory chairman of the O. M. Scott and Sons Company. He has been with Scotts for more than five decades, and recently as chairman of the board.

Richard W. Nelson has joined Jacobsen Manufacturing Company in the position of manager of export sales. He will be responsible for all sales having to do with export customers.

John Wichman has been appointed chief engineer for Rain Bird Sprinkler Mfg. Corp. He was formerly plant manager of a Rain Bird subsidiary company.

Robert F. Morris has joined Royal Industries as v.p. of finance of the engineered products division, announced John T. McGraw, division president.

Mack O. McWhorter has joined E-Z-GO Car Division, Textron Inc., as regional sales manager for the Montgomery, Alabama office.

W.R. Krause has been appointed manager of industrial engineering for Certain-teed Products Corporation. This was announced by A. E. Alpine, director of manufacturing and engineering.

Clifford T. Boettcher has joined Midwest Utility Plow and Equipment Corp. as its chief of manufacturing, engineering and design. Don Kiloreen, president, announced recently.

Dudley B. Batchelor moved up to director of purchasing for Mallinckrodt Chemical Works. Mr. Batchelor has been with Mallinckrodt since 1947.

J. Williams Jones, Jr. has joined Royal Industries as vice president of operations. Prior to joining Royal, Jones was V. P. of General Dynamics Corp.
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Bermudagrass variety effects
on winter overseeding in 1965-66.
W. R. Kneebone and G. L. Major.
1966 Report on Turfgrass Research
at the University of Arizona. Report
240. pp. 1-3. (from the Department
of Agronomy, University of
Arizona, Tucson, Arizona 85721).

Sixteen bermudagrass varieties
were overseeded using the follow-
ing: (a) roughstalk bluegrass (Poa
trivialis) at six pounds per 1,000
sq. ft., (b) Pennlawn red fescue
(Festuca rubra) at six pounds per
1,000 sq. ft., (c) annual ryegrass
(Lolium multiflorum) at 15 pounds
per 1,000 sq. ft., and (d) a mix-
ture of Highland bentgrass, Penn-
lawn red fescue, and Kentucky
bluegrass at 10 pounds per 1,000
sq. ft. The bermudagrass was main-
tained at 3/4 inch. In November
the seed was applied, the area ren-
ovated with a vertical mower leav-
ing the debris as a mulch, and
irrigated. All four seed sources
had excellent initial stands.

In early February, thinning in
stands of the overseeded turfs
became evident. Stand data was
taken on February 18 and March
14. The stands for roughstalk had
the highest density followed  close-
ly by Pennlawn red fescue. The
densities for annual ryegrass and
the mixture were significantly less.
From February 18 to March 14
the roughstalk bluegrass density
remained constant, while the other
three overseeding treatments in-
creased in stand density.

The bermudagrass varieties var-
ied in their response to overseed-
ing by certain grasses. These dif-
fferences must be recognized in
evaluating overseeding practices.
Stands from overseeding were sig-
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A comparison of colonial and creeping bentgrasses for 1/2-and 3/4-inch turf.

New Jersey Ag. Exp. Sta. Bulletin 816. pp. 45-47. 1966. (from the Department of Soils and Crops, Rutgers, the State University, New Brunswick, New Jersey).

The objective of this study was to compare the performance of colonial and creeping bentgrasses when mowed at fairway mowing heights. Five colonial bentgrasses (Astoria, Exeter, Highland, New Zealand brown top, and R. J. colonial) and four creeping bentgrasses (Arlington, Dahlgren, Penncross and Seaside) were maintained at cutting heights of 1/2 and 3/4 inches. Also included were two nitrogen treatments: two and four pounds of nitrogen per 1,000 square feet per year. There were a maximum of four irrigations per year with no fungicides applied. The length of the experiment was eight years.

For the first five years, the creeping bentgrasses ranked higher in turfgrass quality than the colonial bentgrasses. This advantage decreased after seven years. The advantage of the creeping bentgrasses was more apparent at a 1/2-inch cut than at 3/4-inch. The incidence of dandelions and annual bluegrass was less in the creeping bentgrasses than in the colonial types.

Thatch accumulation was greater at the higher (3/4 inch) and nitrogen level (four pounds nitrogen). The thatch accumulation was greater with the creeping bentgrasses, but it did not appear to offer unusual increases in trouble through eight years. The greater thatch accumulation was attributed, at least partially, to the greater natural density of growth of the creeping types. Dollar spot incidence resulted in a late summer and early fall slump in turf performance greater in the creeping bentgrasses than in the colonials. Dollar spot infestations were greater at the lower cut.

A comparison among the seven bentgrasses showed Arlington to give the best performance under fairway management and New Jersey conditions. Seaside showed no advantages over the colonial bentgrasses. In spite of the high cut and vigorous growth characteristics, Penncross had good overall quality. Among the colonial bentgrasses, Exeter and R. I. colonial had a decided advantage. At the 3/4-inch mowing height all the bentgrasses except Seaside, Arlington, and Penncross had good dollar-spot resistance.

Comments—These results indicate that some creeping bentgrass selections are just as desirable as the colonial types for use under fairway management. The creeping types have a greater thatching tendency but also have a greater density of growth and thus can compete more favorably against invading weeds such as Poa annua. The net result is better quality. One should not conclude from these

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results that all creeping bentgrasses are desirable for fairways. Certain creeping bentgrasses thatch excessively and/or have a high susceptibility to certain turfgrass diseases. These characteristics are not desired in a bentgrass for fairway use.
swell "soft sell" for golf to prospective homeowners... This guy Dale has a new pattern and I think he's got something well worth copying by pros for other promoters of golf-home site operations.

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**Dunlop Tire and Rubber Corp.** have come out with a new idea for their 1968 Maxfli irons. Each iron has its own name imprinted on the sole of the club. These names were given to the clubs by the clubmakers of the early days.

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**Container Development Corp.** has introduced a new golf flagpole for 1968. The fire-orange Day-glo (R) Lewis flagpole appears to have increased thickness and size from 100-150 yards out from the green. The pole has a halo around it, preventing "fade out" against a bright sky, under hazy conditions or at twilight.

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Harley-Davidson Motor Company announces its new Utilicar for 1968. It is available in either gas or electric and can be used from maintenance to light hauling. Both cars feature individual coil springs, double acting hydraulic damper and a torsional stabilizer.

Brillion Iron Works, Inc. announce a new grass seeder, the Turf-Maker. It minimizes pre-planting labor and costs by crushing, seeding and rolling in one operation. A reversible two-speed sprocket combination affords a dual range of seeding rates for light and heavy seeding by interchanging sprockets on the driver shaft.

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built in 1897 as first course on Pacific coast, getting its latest remodeling... Will reduce normal playing length from 6,338 to 6,173 yds... Pro Nick Lombardo and superintendent Lawrence Lloyd are doing the work with Roger Larson, Del Monte Properties golf department manager... A $3 million Hyatt House is to be built on the old site of the 18th green.

 Tie-up between motels and new courses (convention or short) is increasing... It won't be long until you can golf your way from border to border of the USA and sleep and eat convenient to the courses... Among notes I made on where to spend my money this year is one about Headlands Club being organized on Monterey Peninsula, Calif... Membership is $200,000... Will have fine course and each member gets a five acre homesite... Nice thing sponsors of Greater Dallas Open (April 25-28) did in changing name of the event to Byron Nelson Classic.

 Arthur Hills, Toledo, O., architect, is making changes in the famed Inverness CC course at Toledo and the course of the Bowling Green (O.) University... Kenneth Flanders, now superintendent, Willow Wisp CC, Houston, Tex., moved from Brae Burn CC at Houston... Elm Fork GC in Dallas area scheduled to open in early summer... Jerry Andrews is pro-manager... Dale Pinge is superintendent.

 Thomas W. Tatnall now pro at Crawford County CC, Robinson, Ill... He came from pro post at Pine Lakes CC, Morton, Ill... Tatnall holds a master's degree in economics from U. of Chicago and a bachelor's degree in business from U. of Illinois... He studied at Chicago under an Ingersoll Foundation fellowship and at Illinois as an Evans Caddie Scholar... He was one of the top ten graduating seniors in U. of I. College of Commerce... His wife, Anby, also an Illinois graduate, is a CPA... The Tatnalls expect a degree in multiplication in March... Then with the first baby they'll really start studying and learning... Don't we all?

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