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TURFGRASS VARIETY EVALUATION IN THE BAY AREA

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A turfgrass variety evaluation trial was established at the new San Leandro Golf Course in the Fall of 1970 when the number 18 fairway was seeded. This is part of a statewide program of the U.C. Agriculture Extension to determine the best adapted turfgrasses for the various plant climates in California. Dr. Victor Gibeault, Extension Horticulture Specialist at U. C. Riverside, is coordinating the program.

The San Leandro trial includes 30 varieties of cool season grasses. Within the last couple of months seven more similar trials have been established in other climatic zones in the San Francisco Bay Area.

During the past year considerable changes have been noted in the condition of grass in the San Leandro trial. Rate of establishment, disease resistance, uniformity, color, cutting quality and other minor characteristics have differed quite widely at times between plots. It is really too soon to make any firm recommendations from the information gathered to date. Changes in adaptability of thegr sses are continuing.

A summary of the results to date indicate that new perennial rvegrasses, such as Mannhatten, have been the most outstanding from the very beginning. Of the Kentucky bluegrasses, Pennstar and Fylking have been leading a group of eleven. Reptans and Ruby have copped the list of red fescues with Chewings at the bottom. Mener meadow fescue appears better than Common but neither are really outstanding mainly because of non-uniformity. The Colonial bentgrass had a very difficult time establishing themselves. In fact nearly three fourths of the plots were lost to disease.

The trial has been included in three turfgrass field days during the