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TURF IMPORTANT TO ATHLETIC PROGRAM

In the past three months your magazine has published two articles on football field maintenance by Dr. W. H. Daniel and myself. I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank you and your magazine for publishing these articles.

As an exponent of natural grass for athletic fields, I feel that the responsibility lies with the turfgrass people to show that the artificial turf is not always the best answer for football fields ... MELVIN J. ROBEY, Superintendent of Athletic Facilities, Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind.

MORE INTEREST IN SPORT TURF

I continue to receive your excellent magazine, and enjoy reading several of the features each month. On pages 26 and 27 of your November issue is a very fine feature concerning athletic field maintenance. I wish I could get this article into the hands of about twenty persons in Monroe County, Michigan who have charge of our various athletic fields ... EDGAR C. KIDD extension agricultural agent, Monroe, Michigan.

TREE INJECTION CRITICISM

I have just finished reading the latest issue of your excellent publication. I always enjoy the factual information given in the articles you print.

This time, however, I must take exception to the article: The Widening Potential of Tree Injection ... Although the article is well-written, and contains a lot of information for those not familiar with the process, it is misleading in creating the impression that this method is a cure-all for all types of trees. This is definitely not the case ... Apparently the translocating ability of trees differs with species, and some, such as fruit trees do very well, but some like oak do very poorly. This phenomena was substantiated by several researchers at U.C. Berkeley. Consequently, the statement that tree injection works for all trees would seem to be fallacious, and should be qualified. Y. LEE HUANG, greens superintendent, Walnut Creek Golf Course, Walnut Creek, Calif.

REPRINTS? YES

I want to convey the sincere appreciation of the administration and faculty of our school in the spread ... of our new Recreational Grounds Management curriculum.

May we have permission to make reprints of the page for use in student recruitment for the coming year ... You may also be interested to know that two of the students in the picture, Mr. Avery and Mr. Hollar, have just been notified that they are recipients of scholarships from the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America. WILLIAM S. STOKES, Community Services Officer, Catawba Valley Technical Institute, Hickory, N. C.

INSPECTED SEED

The October 1971 article, "Turfgrass Seed and Fertilizer Bidding Specifications," by William E. Knoop, posed the question — "How to be sure the seed obtained is indeed the mixture ordered." He suggested the grass varieties should be purchased separately and then mix them yourself. ... the New Jersey Department of Agriculture offers a service to prospective purchasers of grass seed mixtures which will assure him that the mixture obtained is the mixture ordered ... ROY M. ATKINSON, Chief, Bureau of Seed Certification, Department of Agriculture, Trenton, N. J.

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