

Pacific Northwest Crop Report

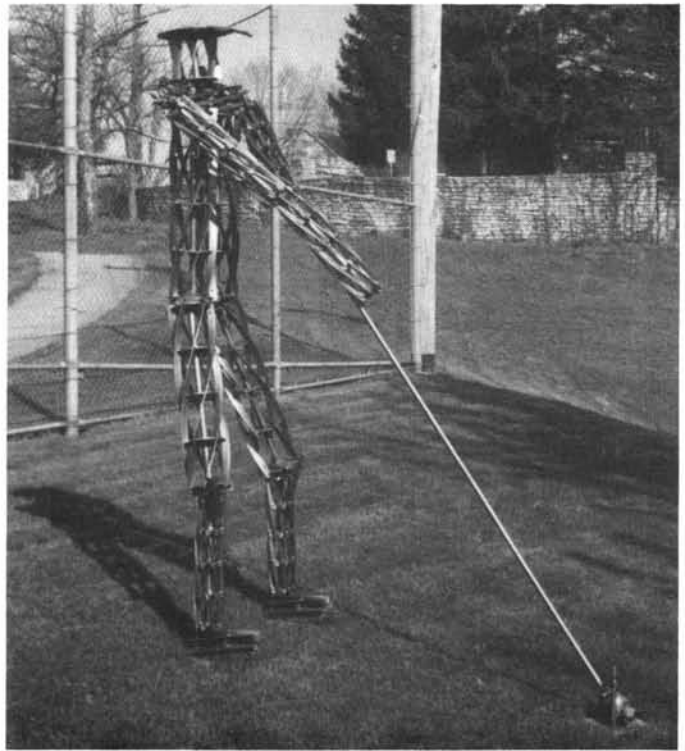
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Seed yield of proprietary and common varieties are down for 1992, due to a dry fall in 1991 and an early, dry spring in 1992. Some species and varieties were hurt more than others.

In general, common Kentucky bluegrass yields were down 60-70%, whereas yields on proprietary blues were only off approximately 5-15%. In Washington and Idaho, where much common bluegrass is grown, only 150-200 pounds of seed per acre were harvested. Yields generally average 6-700 pounds per acre.

Fine fescue yields were also quite poor this year. Poor regrowth in the dry fall of 1991 compounded by the early dry spring reduced yields 40-50% from average.

Tall fescue and ryegrass yields were 15-25% below average. This year's harvest plus carry over seed from 1991 should carry most companies until 1993.



The "Reel" Golfer

John Stephenson created this "Reel" golfer this past winter from parts around the shop. This has been erected by the first tee at Pottawatomie Golf Course in St. Charles.

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