Greenkeeping Instruction at State University of New Jersey

Editor's Note: This is another article in the continuing series that appeared in early editions of The Bulletin of the United States Golf Association Green Section. This month's article appeared in Vol. 10, No. 6, June 1930. This article continues in describing the early classes for greenkeepers held at various colleges.

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ur first short course of instruction in turf management was held in 1929, and was attended by 54 greenkeeping students. The following year the attendance increased to 66 students. In 1931 we shall offer, in addition to the regular course, a special course for advanced students.

The regular course will be held during the week February 16 to 21, 1931. There is no charge for tuition, but a registration fee of \$5 is payable at the time of registration, or may be sent in with the application for enrollment. A fee of \$1 also is charged for outlines of lectures. Applicants for enrollment must be at least 18 years of age. Applications should be sent to F.G. Helyar, Director of Short Courses, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J. The applicant should give his age and place of residence and indicate with what golf club he is connected and in what capacity. Registration for the regular course will be held from 9 to 10 a.m. Monday, February 16, in the Short Course Building. This is located just off Nichol Avenue, New Brunswick, opposite Suydam

Street, and may be reached by busses to South Amboy, stopping at Nichol Avenue and walking two blocks west, or by south-bound trolleys and getting off at Suydam Street and walking three blocks south. The work in the regular course will consist of lectures and discussions, supplemented by laboratory demonstrations where possible. The program is as follows:

Monday, February 16
Registration.
Modern turf management J.G. Lipman, Dean of College
Soil types and plant growth
Soil physics; structure, aeration, moisture supply, etc
moisture supply, etc
Drainage; natural and artificial E.R. Gross, Dept. Agricultural Engineering
Tuesday, February 17
Principles of soil and plant chemistry
Natural supply of plant nutrients
from the soil
Nature of commercial fertilizers
Use of commercial fertilizers
Nature of soil acidity and its detection
Forms of lime and their use on turf
Wednesday, February 18
Fertilizer tests at New Brunswick
Soil micro-organisms and plant nutrition
Compost materials and composting
Structure and function of plants
Characteristics of good turf plants
Thursday, February 19
Climatic adaptation of turf plant
Soil adaptation of turf plants E.E. Evaul, Dept. Agronomy
Seeds of turf plants Jessie G. Fiske, State Seed Laboratory
Inspection of seed testing laboratory Jessie G. Fiske, State Seed Laboratory
Turf-infesting insects and their control C.C. Hamilton, Dept. Entomology
Weeds and their control
Friday, February 20
Turf diseases and their control E.E. Evaul, Dept. Agronomy
Starting new turf
Renovating poor turf
Care of turf: watering, mowing, rolling,
top-dressing, etc
Final conference Led by H.B. Sprague, Dept. Agronomy
The advanced course, which will be held the three days February 23,
24, and 25, is open to students who have already completed the
regular one-week course. The attendance will be restricted
to 20 students. The registration fee is \$3. The subjects to be
presented in the advanced course are as follows:
Problems in irrigation
and drainage
Soil analysis
Commercial fertilizers and lime
Study of disease organisms
Seed analysis
Identification of turf plants
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