Cool-season grasses, trials highlight field day

Growers, grass seed producers, distributors, educators, trade publication editors and turf management professionals gathered in mid-June for the seventh annual Turf-Seed, Inc./Pure Seed Testing, Inc. Field Day in Hubbard, Ore.

The two-day event included seed yield trials and promising new coolseason turfgrasses, presented by Dr. Bill Meyer and Crystal Rose Fricker, as well as an endophyte presentation by Dr. Bruce Clarke from Rutgers University.

The program also included displays of Kentucky bluegrass, perennial ryegrass, fine and tall fescue maintenance trials and wildflower plantings. Several Oregon State University instructors and plant pathologist Clarke discussed the latest research in the field of grass and plants.

Also featured at the field day were an Oregon-style barbecue, an oyster feeder, tennis, volleyball, and a whiffle-golfball driving range.

The eighth annual event will be held on June 20-21, 1990. For further details and registration call Turf-Seed at 1-800-247-6910.

USA writers top UK team

American golfwriters finally had the last word in the World Writers Cup matches.

Competing on four northern Michigan courses, the USA team led by non-playing captain Bob Drum defeated Great Britain/Ireland counterparts, 14.5 to 9.5.

The winning team comprised Furman Bisher, Ray Kosowski, Ed Gowan, Bruce Berlet, Bill Roland, Jim Waters, John May, Terry Moore, David Earl, Doug Neumann, Roy Livingstone, Varton Kupelian and Parker Smith.

Irish/British team members were non-playing captain Percy Huggins, Alister Nicol, Peter Dobereiner, Colin Callander, Ron Moseley, Michael Williams, Martin Hardy, Bill Elliott, Mitchell Platts, Bill Blighton, James Mossop, Tim Glover and Neil Elsey.

Industrial Appraisal the right name

A story in the June issue mistakenly named Independent Appraisal Co. as the firm providing golf courses the Asset Records/Certified Appraisal Program in conjunction with FAI Insurance Counseling. The firm's name is actually Industrial Appraisal Co., and it is located in Pittsburgh, Pa.

The program is being overseen by FAI's Tom Marks at 10 Waterview Blvd., Parsipanny, N.J.



Dr. Warren Kronstad speaks to attendees at the Turf-Seed, Inc./Pure Seed Testing Inc. field day.

Western Texas adds golf course mechanic program

Western Texas College in Snyder, Texas, is starting a new one-year golf course mechanic program that will coincide with its golf course operations and landscape technology program.

The course, which begins in September, will be instructed by specialists in the repair of Toro and Jacobson equipment.

Among the classes offered within the program are turfgrass maintenance, precision measurements, repair and maintenance of machinery, small-engine diagnosis and repair, electrical systems, sprinkler irrigation maintenance, introduction to computer science, applied physics and diesel service.

Western Texas College offers various certificate and associate degree programs in golf course operations, landscape technology, irrigation management, landscape contracting, nursery and greenhouse operations and park operations

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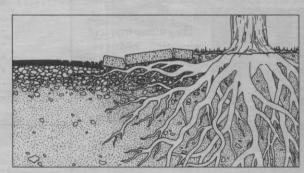
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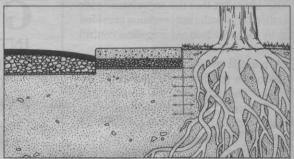
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