

soil of arsenated turf. I don't think there is much danger as regards dogs or cats. Poultry had best be barred from turf so treated while birds such as robins, etc., are an open question. Personally I believe that these latter birds stick their bills into turf only in pursuit of grubs and worms. If the grub and worm population is low as a result of the arsenate the bird question should pretty well take care of itself.

B. R. Leach.

**Acid Phosphate of Small Value in Correcting Soil Acidity**

Sir:

Our greens, composed of poa annua and bent, ranging from solid poa annua to solid bent, on a heavy clay soil, have a high degree of acidity. Some are acidity of 4.7.

What, in your opinion, should be used to lessen the degree of acidity? Could acid phosphate be used? What are its advantages or disadvantages in comparison with lime?

J. G.

(New Jersey.)

**Answer**

Sir:

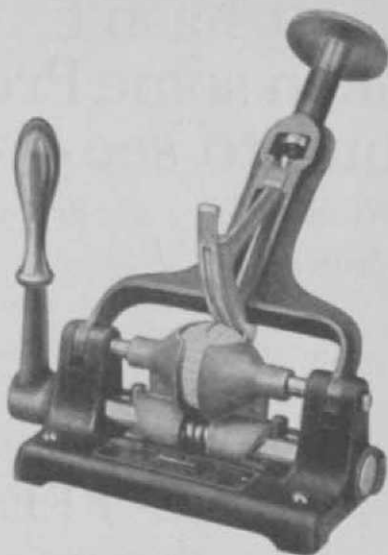
If you desire to decrease the acidity of your greens you can gradually accomplish this result by the continued use of lime, preferably ground limestone, in the top dressing, say five pounds of lime per thousand square feet of turf with each application of top dressing.

Acid phosphate is of little value as regards its ability to correct a soil acidity.

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**Bureau Bulletin Warns of Bent Seed Price Increase**

ON TUESDAY, MAY 7, the proposed new tariff schedule was reported out of the House, stating that a tax of ten cents a pound would be made on bent



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grasses of all specifications. The new tariff is due to go into effect some time during the summer so that fall buyers of bent grass will have to pay this additional duty," reminds the New England Service Bureau Bulletin, which adds the following quotation from the Seed Trade Report:

"BENT GRASS: This market will undoubtedly be higher, not only because of the proposed duty increase but because the reservoir of seeds is low, even in spite of a light Spring planting, especially in the East. While the import records show a greater importation of bent grass seed for the past year over the year before, yet a great deal of seed reported as bent turned out to be wholly or part red-top and a great many of these parcels were returned or were used in commercial lawn grass mixtures. It is said on very reliable information that the quantity of true bent grass imported in this country during the past season was much smaller than that imported the previous season. A survey has just been completed of the available stocks of South German bent remaining in Germany and this survey shows that the quantity of seed will be below normal. In other words, the importation of South German mixed bent from now on will be below that of last year. These two conditions tend to make a firm market for Fall delivery."

The Service bureau suggests that member clubs place all orders for fall delivery of bent immediately.

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