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you hold off on the seeding until fall. The spring application of fertilizer will give a decided impetus to the grass now remaining on the fairways and the lead arsenate application will hold the crabgrass down and give the fine turf grasses a chance to fill in all during the growing season. By fall you may find that you have a pretty good fairway after all, so that maybe a bit of seeding here and there will round out the job.

B. R. Leach.

### "Raincoats" for Greens.

Dear Mr. Leach:

It has been called to our attention that some of the clubs in the east have been using waterproof canvas covers to throw over their greens from time to time to prevent excessive moisture during heavy rains, as an aid to the control of brown-patch. I saw a newspaper article to this effect some time ago, but I am not able to locate it at the present time. If you have any information, as to the benefits to be derived from such procedure, I would be very glad to hear from you.

N. E. E. (Georgia).

### Reply.

This idea, like many others of the same apparent simplicity, is a whole heap sim-

pler in theory than in practice. Covers are costly and you would find in practice that most of the rain had already fallen before the covers could be put in place. Just about as many rain storms begin after dark as during daylight. If it begins to rain at 2 a. m. how are you going to get your help on the job to put the covers in place? If on the other hand, you cover the greens every night, you'll have more trouble with disease than ever, for covering in this way will effectively prevent the night cooling of the soil surface.

B. R. Leach.

### Bent Won't Grow.

Dear Mr. Leach:

Our grounds are in a creek valley and adjacent bluffs, the valley soil being a water-deposited silt, the bluffs a clay, both underlaid with gravel at a depth of four to six feet. Our greens were made by plowing up the soil, cultivating, and adding thereto ten tons of humus per green.

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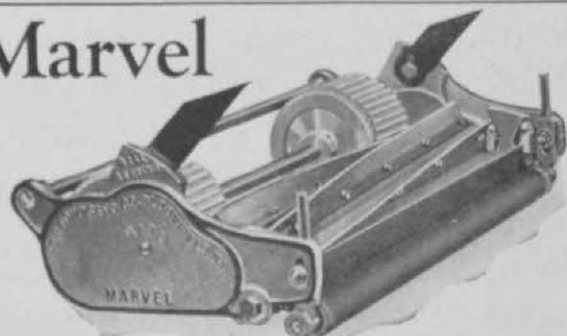
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