

in twelve successive horse races. Just about one chance in a million. Some other grass might have three or four of these peculiar characteristics but to turn up with all twelve is almost impossible. In fact, an examination of all of the plant patents so far issued show that we have far the best identification of any plant patent yet issued.

"So much for the technical end of getting a patent. It explains perhaps why there are something like two million mechanical patents and in four years there have been issued less than two hundred plant patents.

"So to the practical end, there is not much sense in patenting bent that takes a botanist and a microscope to distinguish from some other bent. I am sure I can tell my bent at a glance. In fact it is harder to distinguish it from a velvet than from another creeping bent.

"In regard to protecting my rights: I do not anticipate much difficulty. The patent law makes the buyer equally liable with the seller. No golf club is likely to buy bootleg bent if they may have to pay twice for it, especially as in many cases punitive damages may be collected.

**J. H. WALTER, SEED MAGNATE,
DIES IN MAINE**

North Bridgton, Me.—Julian Hazelhurst Walter, co-founder 39 years ago of Stumpp & Walter, seed and equipment merchants, died suddenly in late July at his summer home here.

He was a native of South Carolina and was active in Southern society, Masonic and religious organization work. He is survived by his widow and a daughter, Mrs. Willard Isaacs.

Since Mr. Walter formed, with George H. Stumpp, the Stumpp and Walter Co., the first year of Mr. Walter's residence in the New York district he has been a prominent figure in the golf maintenance field and had much to do with the construction and maintenance advisory work on many notable courses.

L. A. YOUNG CO., DETROIT, announces through E. E. Chapman, vice-president and gen. mgr., appointment of Paul Sage as manager of its Chicago branch. Effective January 1st. Until then, Charlie Christopher, who is well known and liked in the Chicago district, will hold down the job, later to become right hand man to Sage.

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