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send a report at your earliest opportunity.

It is my opinion that you would do well to give some of the fine Bermuda grass strains a chance to see what they would do. Your climate and your soil seem ideally suited to Bermuda. Select those types which in themselves provide excellent putting surfaces. They would be least likely to invade greens and give you trouble.

I would be loathe to advise bentgrass because of its rather difficult maintenance requirements. In a series of tests, however, there are a few bents that have a chance of giving good results. These include Arlington (C-1), Dahlgren (C-115), and an unknown of which there is only a little material. Arrangements to ship small quantities of experimental materials can be made through the U.S. Dept.

More on Poa Annua

Dear Dr. Grau:

In June GOLFDOM I saw where you had several questions on poa annua, and I thought you might be interested in knowing how I controlled it in my winter rye greens.

About the second week in March when I first noticed it coming in, I sprayed my greens with an application of PMAS (1 oz. 1000 sq. ft.) and another application of PMAS same strength in 7 days. Then in 3 days I sprayed with an application of 24-D fungicide (3½ oz. per 50 gal. of water to each green).

This spraying completely eliminated poa annua from my rye greens and, as yet, I have none in my Bermuda greens. Maybe this might help some of the southern courses keep poa annua out of their greens.

Hal Jernigan
Beechwood CC, Ahsokie, N. C.

of Agriculture. This I shall be glad to arrange for you.

Among the Bermudas that you should try are Tiffine, Uganda and Gene Tift. Should one or more of these strains appeal to you it will be possible to arrange air shipment of commercial quantities.

Bents and Bermudas tend to form thatch and mat which become objectionable for play and for maintenance. Both can be overcome mechanically so that this need not worry you.

Bermuda will give you maximum satisfaction during summer when you have most of your play. Bermuda will be far more economical on irrigation expenses although part of the saving will be spent on fertilizer — a good investment.

Q. I plan on putting in a new green, and would like to try some Polly Cross if I can locate seed. Have been referred to you for information. (Kans.)

A. "Polly Cross" now is known officially as Penncross creeping bent seed. There should be a supply of seed soon for fall planting.

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Q. I have been assigned to the job of the upkeep of the course at a U. S. Naval Base. This is a new kind of job for me. I would appreciate any kind of help you can give.

From all the complaints I have heard, and from what I can see, the big problem is the greens. The grass is green in spots only, and the greens aren't smooth. In the past they've been using potash and sand mixed for dressing the greens. Is this proper? What kind of grass seed do you recommend for this climate (90° temperature every day)? For what reason do you use an aerifier? How often should you water the greens and what time of the day?

How close should the greens mower be set to cut? As you see, I don't know anything about a golf course and I imagine I'll have a rough time learning the tricks of the trade. (Navy No. XXX)

A. A program of topdressing would seem to be in order to smooth the greens for better putting. A sandy soil usually is best, preferably rendered weed-free by sterilization with chemicals or gas.

Grass green only in spots would indicate hard soil and excessive run-off with water collecting in the low places. The answer is aeration to obtain moisture control — get the water into the soil where it falls — apply

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