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tinually. It suffers and may disappear when moisture levels drop and poa wilts.

Poa invades best when competition is weak. You may have weak grasses to begin with, or the grasses you have may have been weakened by disease or by malnutrition. Damage to turf during the period when poa is germinating will provide ready means for invasion.

With frequent light watering, poa will thrive at the expense of sturdier grasses which can survive with infrequent deep soakings. When drainage is poor, it may be necessary to water lightly and often to maintain any growth. Under these conditions we may expect to live with poa.

Maximum balanced nutrition will strengthen perennial grasses, helping them to resist poa. Periodic hunger cycles are an aid to poa.

Chemicals will kill poa. Sometimes they kill bents, too. Lead arsenate is a relatively mild chemical that will discourage poa if the phosphorus content of the soil is low. With high soil P, lead does not work well. Some of the newer materials kill poa easily at very low concentrations. The results are not always happy. We greatly prefer the management approach.

Briefly summarizing, poa can be discouraged by less watering; by letting the turf show moisture stress occasionally; by feeding the bents at maximum levels; by controlling diseases so that they do not weaken turf and invite poa invasion; by twice-a-year use of arsenate of lead; by allowing phosphorus levels to drop; by using the strongest bents; by improving drainage.

Men's Amateur

The USGA Amateur Championship will be played at Broadmoor GC, Colorado Springs, Colo., Sept. 14-19. Entries are open to male amateurs with handicaps not over four strokes and must be received by the USGA by Aug. 12. Sectional qualifying rounds will be played at 34 sites throughout U. S. on Aug. 31 and Sept. 1. The championship proper will be played at match in eight rounds. Charley Coe of Oklahoma City is defending champion.

Women's Amateur

USGA Women's Amateur Championship will be played Aug. 24-29 at Congressional CC, Washington, D. C. Entries must be received by the USGA by Aug. 6. There are no qualifying rounds and the championship will be played at match in seven rounds. Entries are open to women amateurs with handicaps not over six strokes and will be accepted from the 128 applicants with lowest handicaps. Last year's vacancies will be offered to alternates in order of handicaps. The field is being limited for the first time. Anne Quast, Marysville, Wash., a June graduate of Stanford University is defending titleholder.