



Operating aerifier on West Shore green. Plugs are pushed aside, placed in bushel baskets and deposited in dump truck.



Deep roots in greens profile sample are white and healthy looking, extending to a 12-in. depth.

How Ed Tabor Got . . .

Deep Rooted Turf at West Shore



Delmonte raking of greens before mowing.

New Pennlawn fescue in disc slits. Seeded into fairway fall of 1959.



Until recently turf on the greens at West Shore CC in Harrisburg, Pa., was shallow rooted. Soil tests showed a satisfactory reaction and ample quantities of phosphorus, potassium, calcium and magnesium. Compaction at the surface from player traffic and power equipment seemed like the probable cause.

Supt. Ed Tabor decided upon a program of aerification and light top-dressing.

A TURF TIP from O. J. Noer

He uses a Greensaire. The top-dressing is a soil, sand and humus mixture. In late May roots extended below a 12-inch depth. They were white and healthy looking.

Greens are cut regularly and a Delmonte rake is used as needed to raise stemmy grass so the greens mowers can cut clean.

Maintenance Simplified

This program has simplified maintenance and created satisfied playing members.

In late fall of 1959 the unwatered fairways were seeded with Pennlawn fescue. The stand obtained was excellent. Cross-discing to a depth of half an inch with straight discs preceded seeding. A heavy stand of seedlings was secured in every slit.