



Growing Turf the Hard Way

First in a series by TOM MASCARO



In getting this series underway, we don't like to remind supts. of those trying days of the last two or three winters. But this shows you what can happen when flood waters float huge ice cakes (some estimated to weigh more than a ton) over a course and more specifically, a green. This photo was taken at the Indianapolis, Ind., munny course where John Vaughn is the supervisor.

dominate and form excellent putting surfaces with only two pounds of nitrogen a year. Creeping bent, fed with 8 to 10 pounds of N a year as in the U.S., simply would not be tolerated, we learned.

We Grow More Grass

It can be said that we in the U.S. grow and dispose of much more grass than they do in the United Kingdom. Our higher temperatures, variable soils and weather "burn" organic matter more rapidly, necessitating the application of additional nitrogen to supply the grass. The accumulated organic matter in England seems to hold the soluble N in sulphate of ammonia, causing it to release more slowly than in U.S. By contrast, sulphate is rapid in action and quickly dissipated in our climate.

The visit of Escritt and Slater was too short and too crowded as so many are when it is desired to see as much as possible in limited time. It is hoped that

more visits of reciprocal nature will be arranged in the near future to enhance an exchange of ideas and experiences between our countries.

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Golf Car Tax

The Internal Revenue Service has ruled that club members' payments for the right to use their golf cars on the course are dues subject to the federal excise tax. The IRS says that the privilege of using the cars as well as club facilities for storing and servicing them is so closely related to playing golf itself as to be indistinguishable from it.