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later. After that, maintain a high N level to encourage the grass to thicken. Be very sparing with topdressing for a couple of months. Make sure that the pH range is not limiting.

10-6-4 or Straight?

Q. We had soil samples taken from our fairway for tests at three different laboratories. Results were in agreement showing pH 5.6, very high phosphorus and very high potash. We will apply limestone to correct the acidity. One source of information recommends a 10-6-4 fertilizer; another recommends straight nitrogen. We have mostly Bermudagrass. What should we do? (Missouri)

A. The limestone is essential. With ample supplies of P and K in your fairway soils it is hard to see why you should apply anything but straight nitrogen. Eventually the levels of P and K will drop to the point where a complete fertilizer can be justified. Until that time you will get the greatest value for your fertilizer dollar in straight nitrogen.

Bentgrass Seeding

Q. We have used your suggested procedure for hydroseeding bentgrass seed with very good results. We seem to notice that we get quicker germination with hydroseeding than with ordinary dry broadcast seeding. Can you suggest a reason for this? (Indiana)

A. Research has shown that many seeds have substances in their seed coats that inhibit or delay germination. Soaking the seed overnight or washing the seed seems to remove the inhibitor. In the hydroseeder tank (spray tank) the seed is churned and agitated in a water-and-fertilizer slurry. This effectively removes the inhibiting substances so that, when the seed-fertilizer mix is sprayed on the prepared seed bed, it is ready to germinate at once. Records show that bent seeds often show sprouts in three days.

Chicagoland Golf Assn. Officers

Dan Taggart, Arlington (Ill.) CC, was elected president of the CGA at the November meeting of the association held at Long Grove (Ill.) CC. Fred Willey of White Pine CC was elected vp; John Coghill of Silver Lake CC was elected secretary; and George Gee, Sr. of Big Run CC was elected treasurer.

Second Pittsburgh Golf Show

The second annual golf show, sponsored by the Tri-State PGA, will be held in the Civic Arena in Pittsburgh, Mar. 12-14. Last year the show attracted more than 5,000 golf followers.