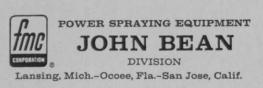


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ture at dozens of institutions in the United States and Canada. In 1970 he and Mrs. Burton visited Australia where they took scores of fascinating pictures, which were shown to the 200 banquet guests at the Tifton conference in April.

Suffice to say that the world of warm-season turf has advanced immeasurably because of Tifton and Dr. Burton.

Q—We have converted to the triplex system of putting green mowers and we are very pleased. One thing worries us, though, and that is the possibility of losing turf as the result of a blown-out hydraulic line or hose. If this should happen, what might be done to save the turf? (North Carolina) A-Two excellent remedies were discussed at the Tifton conference: 1) Douse the affected area with a wetting agent and use water copiously to flush the offending oil off the green. 2) Spread topdressing thickly on the oil slick and leave it on for a few hours, then remove it. The oil will be absorbed.

Calcined clay also may be used because it is a good "oil soaker-upper" on garage floors. The detergent flush may be used after most of the spill has been removed by the dry method.

Q—Our company plans to build a golf facility in the Carribean where water is at a premium. In considering the several grasses available for fairways, we have thought that common bermudagrass seed might be suitable. Could we develop quality fairway turf from seed? (Pennsylvania)

A-In the frost-free climate of the Carribean you may expect to develop excellent quality fairway turf from seed. It will require occasional irrigation and generous fertilization during the first two years, especially. Economy of seed may or may not be a factor but the cost of common bermuda turf from seed will be significantly less than vegetatively planting a monoculture of a specific strain or variety. If cost is not a consideration, and if highest quality and uniformity are paramount, then consider vegetating the fairways to a selected variety (Tifway, Ormond or even Tifgreen).

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