

SPREADERS WEST POINT, PENNSYLVANIA 

Crabgrass Annoys Turfmen

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Product preferences, assuming that granular prices are 1/3 higher, brought these replies:

A. Of the 59 percent	No. of	Per cent of	
who prefer liquids	Mentions	Mentions	3
Price	155	33	
Easier application	107	23	1.
Equipment on han	d 64	14	
Faster	41	9	
Better distribution	36	8	
Cheaper application	a 26	6	
Better results	24	5	1
All other	16	2	S.
	469	100	

B. Of the 38 per cent No. of Per cent of choosing granular Mentions Mentions Easier application 63 21 Cheaper application 47 16 Equipment on hand 45 15 Better distribution 11 Faster 28 10 Longer lasting 25 9 Safer (other plants & men) 20 7 Better results 19 6 All other 15 5 294 100

Problems Listed

Under the heading, "Problems Encountered in Using Chemicals", the supts. listed the following:

		Per cent of Mentions
Inexperienced applica		
or lack of help	126	19
Weather	80	12
Drift	72	11
Timing and finding		
time to apply	68	11
Uniform distribution	55	9
Burning desirable		
grasses	55	9
Golfers (busy course)		8
Proper dosage	44	7
Lack of proper		
equipment	43	7
Price	28	4
Safety to men	22	3
	647	100



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Although this survey was made with the primary intent of sizing up the chemical market, the firm which conducted it also included a question on the application of fertilizers. For the U.S. as a whole, the supts. reported the following use:

Nitrogen — lbs./acre 105.7 Phosphorus — lbs/acre 59.1 Potassium — lbs/acre 53.1 Number of applications — 2.6 Per cent using ferilizer — 81

The South is the largest user of all three elements. Supts. in that section of the country use 169 lbs. of nitrogen per acre, 107 lbs. of phosphorus and 99 of potassium. The Southwest rates second in nitrogen and the Transition area in both phosphorus and potassium. Most frequent applications of fertilizer also are made in the Transition zone with the South rating second.

Midwest Field Days

The annual Midwest regional turf field days will be held Sept. 10-11 at Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind. Work that has been carried on in crabgrass control and investigations of the performance of bluegrass will be highlighted.

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San Diego Muny Courses

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vited the USCA to hold the U.S. Open there in 1965 or 1967, and the California Public Links week-long tournament will be held at Torrey Pines South this month.

There are 25 employes, including 19 in maintenance, at Torrey Pines. Mowing and watering also are continuous here. No reservations are required to play on weekdays; reservations are made each Monday and Tuesday for the following Saturday and Sunday.

Even so, about 25 per cent of the weekend starting times are kept open so singles and doubles have little trouble getting on. This fact is not lost on many golfers who come down from Los Angeles and outlying cities to play San Diego's fee courses.

Private Firm Builds Clubhouse

A private concern is building a new clubhouse and 70 motel units at Torrey Pines and expects to have them completed by the middle of the month. All players will have access to the clubhouse, Olympicsize pool and other facilities.

In its first five years of operation, Torrey Pines had 618,023 paid rounds and more than \$1 million was turned over to the City of San Diego's general fund.

Veteran pro Frank Rodia, who has held both private and fee course positions, heads Torrey Pines' five-pro staff. Says Rodia:

"Fee courses get heavier play, but I've found they spend less than private club players for pro shop goods on a per capita basis. Where I sell a \$19.95 sweater here, it may have been a \$60 one in a private club. In the old days we didn't sell clothes in our shops. The pros were clubmakers, teachers and club sellers, and also had to know something about greenkeeping.

Competing with Downtown

"I believe pro shop people can sell at the same price as downtown sporting goods stores and still make a profit. There's this difference, too: A fellow buys a set of clubs downtown, uses it five or six times and wants to trade it in. The downtown people usually don't take tradeins. We pros should stress the advantages of dealing with the pro shops. If the guy had been fitted properly for clubs, he wouldn't be wanting to trade them in so soon. And I want to stress there's nothing sold downtown we can't sell at the same price for the same profit." The Municipal (downtown) course is one of San Diego's oldest layouts. It has 27 holes and gets steady play with about the same reservation setup as Torrey Pines.

Head pro Harry McCarthy's shop recently was enlarged and beautified. Mc-Carthy says, "We have added 300 feet to the shop and believe business will improve correspondingly. We have four new showcases and the lighting has been improved." McCarthy gives about 450 lessons a year besides overseeing the shop.

Green Fee Gross \$200,000

Muni had 163,800 paid rounds for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1961, and the current fiscal year should be about the same. Green fees grossed \$200,000 in the 1961 fiscal year. Maintenance is handled by 13 men, fairways are mowed twice weekly (the greens three times a week). Patrolling is a problem, though, because the course, situated in the middle of town, is not fenced. Twenty-five people, not counting the leased restaurant operation employees, operate Muni.

Carlton Oaks Country Club in Santee, a San Diego suburb, is another links recently opened to public play. It's owned by Bill Mast, Los Angeles developer. Charlie Rizzo is head pro. It's a river-bottom layout cut out of

It's a river-bottom layout cut out of brush and tall trees, and on the order of Cottonwood, offers many excellent shots. As at Cottonwood, the architect has made good use of existing trees in building a challenging layout.

Clubhouses on Boards

Carlton Oaks has a par 72, lots of doglegs and some spectacular water shots. Cottonwood and Carlton Oaks have clubhouses on the drawing boards. Carlton Oaks eventually may revert to private status.

In addition to the courses named, San Diego County has four other public courses and four public pitch-putt places where the fee player can sharpen his game.

A new \$750,000 Par 58 public course is under construction in Mission Bay, and another course of that length will be built soon by Sam Snead and associates in the northern section of the city.

There also are six "semi-public" courses where the fee player usually can get on; seven private courses, where fee players often are guests of members, and two regulation and two short courses restricted to San Diego's many service people, active and retired.



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Grounds of the new national headquarters of the American Society of Agronomy, being completed in Madison, Wis., were a testing plot for establishing grass quickly. (It put in an appearance, by the way.) In the photo are (I to r): Dr. Edward Engelbert, head of the U. of Wisconsin's soils; Charles O. Finn; Rex Harper; G. H. Chidester; Dr. A. E. Peterson, associate professor of soils at Wisconsin; and Dr. Matthias Stelly, executive secy. of the American Society of Agronomy.

Labor Problems Aren't A Golf Monopoly

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edly could be expanded to cover the page. The few questions above, however, could serve to determine what the supt's attitude is toward the persons with whom he works and his job. If, in giving honest answers, he flunks this questionnaire, you can be just about 100 per cent sure that he has a labor problem. How could it be avoided?

Many persons who work in a supervisory capacity become too arbitrary. They may begin to demand perfection even though they may not have been perfectionists when they were working as underlings. What they lose sight of is that every job on a course can't be handled perfectly too many elements are working against it. Another thing to keep in mind is that the perfectionist often is a thief of time. Ninety per cent is well above passing. Why not settle for that?

Let Them Make Decisions

I am not a psychologist, but I am a great believer in allowing the people under me to make some decisions on their own. The reason: It gives them confidence in me. In the final analysis that is what I want more than anything else. If they mistrust me, or get the impression that I am too demanding, or feel that I don't give them credit for having enough intelligence to do some things on their own, then they are going to start undermining me. When they start that, you have to marvel at their ingenuity, treacherous though it may be.

Golfdom

I have put quite a few things up to my staff simply because there is more than one way of doing most jobs, or more than one sequence for carrying out a series of jobs. By talking over some of these things with your employees, it is surprising to learn how many different operations around a course can be smoothed out. In addition, it gives you an idea of which employees have given their jobs and, for that matter, the whole maintenance operation, more than just casual thought. It tips you off to which men you can depend on in an emergency or when the pressure is on.

Most employees want to be graded as to the kind of work they turn out. If you obviously never pay any attention to them, they are going to start wondering if some bright morning or evening the axe isn't going to be suddenly lowered on them. Either that, or they are going to suspect that you're hidden behind a tree or a clump of bushes and are spying on them.

Why not review the employee's production record frequently. Is he giving you quality work? Does he have the right attitude? Have him fill out a work sheet every day. He may not like it at first, but eventually he will realize that it saves him having to explain where every minute of the day went in case you ever decide to ask him. Whether he admits it or not, that work sheet makes him feel just a little more secure.

As far as you are concerned the work sheets that employees fill out shouldn't be used for gestapo purposes. You should analyze them with the idea of constantly improving the maintenance operation at your course. And, don't get the idea that you can't do that.

Finally, be frank with the fellows who work for you. If the work sheet or your observations indicate they aren't giving you a reasonably honest day's work, don't hesitate to talk it over with them. Who knows, they may be victims of the schedules you have laid out for them? Maybe they have to hide out back of the fourteenth tee or throttle down that tractor because you haven't assigned them enough work to keep them busy through the day. When you discuss these things with them, be sure it is in private. The only time you should speak where their co-workers can overhear you is when you have something complimentary to say to them.

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Merry Christmas

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around it, using it as a lure to bring gift buyers into their shops.

One who has used it for several years, and with notable success, is Jim Fogertey, the shopmaster at Sunset CC in Sappington, Mo. But Fogertey's sales effort isn't fixed on the guide or catalog — it revolves around its use.

Many Ideas Tested

Over the years, Jim Fogertey has tested dozens of ideas for conducting his Christmas gift sales campaign. He has retained what he thinks are the best for his own operation, but that doesn't mean that he is standing pat on all of them, or doesn't recognize that some of them can be improved upon. Both Jim and Colfdom would like to hear from other professionals if they think his program has weak points, or if he is overlooking anything that should be included in it.

It is as Fogertey says: "Like practically all pros who have used the Christmas shopping guide, I feel that a new and very profitable selling season has been added to the calendar for us. In 1961, our gift business easily topped that of 1960, which • Knit orlon CLUB SOX for No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 Woods. Red, Black, Gold, Green, White, Pink, Sky Blue, Sapphire with 2-tone Pom. Packed bulk any assortment, or Gift Bagged in sets of 4. Sug. Retail, \$1.75 each Sox.

had been a record year. It has been like that through the years — each new season bettering the previous one.

"But still I'm not satisfied," Fogertey continues. "As far as I am concerned, I only have been scratching the surface where Christmas business is concerned. Patronage by my members is good, but it isn't what it should be. I have tried most of the selling ideas that are supposed to be in the book, but that doesn't mean I haven't overlooked quite a few that have been used successfully in other shops. I'd like to have them called to my attention."

Christmas Sales Campaign

Here is an outline of Fogertey's complete Christmas sales routine including tooling up for it:

• Gift wrapping paper in about 10 different colors is purchased along with ribbon in green, red, white, gold, light green, etc. Ribbon comes in ¾ and ¼ inch widths and in 100 yard rolls. The paper is bought in reams or ¼ reams or in packages of six different color rolls to a carton. Invest in a bow-tying machine if you don't already have one.

• Greeting cards are purchased to be attached to all gifts.