

TRENDS IN GRASSES - Jack Harper

Cool season grasses such as Kentucky blue grass and the fescues will not tolerate the close mowing that modern fairway management requires. Heavy increases in play shows a need for better grasses on small teeing areas.

Bermuda grass is proving to be a popular grass around swimming pools, both belong to hot weather.

Hall's U-3 appears to be the best bermuda for the Mid-Atlantic area.

Bermudas like the bents can be divided into many different strains, some good, some bad.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF GOLF COURSE MANAGEMENT - Bob Scott, Sr.

Search for progress endless.

If drainage is good, roots are deep and the grass plant has a pleasing appearance as to density and texture.

Good soil composition is necessary for the above.

FUNDAMENTALS OF TURF MANAGEMENT - H.B. Musser

Too much fertilizer encourages large brown patch - too little can be a factor in the development of dollar spot.

The best policy is not to go to extremes in either direction, keep to the middle of the road.

Kind of fertilizer is not important, but method and time of application is.

MANagement :

Man is needed for management.

Men, tools and equipment he needs in order to secure results.

Men must be efficiently trained in their jobs, if not, the management program fails.

Tools must be plentiful and must be kept at a high precision level or results will not be good.

We must continue to improve ourselves and our courses. Golfers won't let us go backwards.

Think perfection and strive for it.

Consider soil bacteria first - grass second. Bacteria must eat before the grass can.

Work from the roots up.

TURFGRASS FIELD DAY

Dr. Felix Juska announces a turfgrass field day (morning and afternoon), Tuesday, August 4th. The new comparison strains of bent plots will be exhibited for the first time. These include approved strains now on greens on several courses, and several unnamed strains of creeping bent from Agriculture Experiment stations.

Plots of bermuda include strains from Africa, Florida, Georgia and Texas. All the bermudas in the trials survived the recent cold winter temperatures.

Selections of individual creeping red fescue are most interesting. Several plants have leaves as wide as Kentucky bluegrass, and appear hardy to summer temperatures and humidity.

Speakers will include representatives of the U.D. Dept. of Agriculture who will tell of their work in the Plant Industry Stations auditorium following the lunch hour.