In 1981, Jacklin Seed Company bought Jenks-White Seed Company and International Seeds, Inc., purchased the turf seed division of North American Plant Breeders. These mergers consolidate production and research data. Instead of reducing competition, these mergers might actually increase competition between the large companies. The powers in the seed business have developed lines of improved turfgrasses to compete with each other.

Whereas retail seed tended to be either high quality or common, improved varieties by growing seed companies are making inroads. For example, International Seed's Derby perennial ryegrass is rapidly gaining popularity by retail garden center customers. The retail powerhouse has been and still is O.M. Scott & Sons, which recently purchased Burpee Seed Co. to further expand its consumer line. Vaughan Jacklin, Lofts, and others are regionally strong in retail. These professional turf seed companies are offering improved varieties thereby teaching retail customers the benefits of improved grasses over common ones for fine lawns. This demand is then passed on to the sod grower and landscape contractor when customers ask for improved grasses by name.

Seed companies will moderate price increases to compete with sluggish demand this fall. However, if demand picks up dramatically, there may be spot shortages of some varieties, including common ones. Sod producers in many locations have acres unharvested. They will likely not speculate and plant large acreage this fall. Spring seeding may be a safer alternative for them at this time. This would further aggravate shortages in the spring if dramatic recovery is experienced.

Sod producers in many areas have large unharvested acreage.

As a result, this fall may not be a bad time to replenish seed inventories whether or not you intend to use it this fall.

If the market for turf improves this fall and winter, you can bet the seed companies are going to let out all stops to produce record quantities of improved varieties in 1982.

Koket chewings	100	100	Jackpot	50	75	
Olympic tall	Ltd	Ltd	Loretta	100	100	
Pennlawn	100	50	LP-200	100	100	
Rebel tall	10	20	Manhattan	75	75	
Reliant hard	Ltd	Ltd	NK-200	100	100	
Ruby red	70	70	Omega	80	80	
Scaldis hard	70	40	Pennant	80	70	
Shadow chewings	Ltd	Ltd	Pennfine	75	80	
Shannon tall	Ltd	Ltd	Premier	80	70	
Tournament hard	50	50	Regal	100	100	
Waldina hard	Ltd	Ltd	Yorktown	75	50	
Waldorf chewings	100	90	Yorktown II	100	100	
Ryegrass Varieties	% forecasted	% harvested	Bentgrass Varieties	% forecasted % harvested		
Annual	100	90	Bardot colonial	100	100	
Barry	100	100	Emerald	100	100	
Belle	100	40	Exeter colonial	100	75	
Birdie	100	100	Carmen	Ltd	Ltd	
Blazer	80	80	Highland	100	100	
Caravelle	100	100	Kingstown velvet	100	75	
Citation	100	80	Penncross	100	100	
Common perennial	100	75	Penneagle	78	80	
Dasher	80	80				
Delray	80 80		Other Turfgrasses	% forecasted % harvested		
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Elka	75	75	Redtop Agrostis alba	100	100	
Fiesta	80	80	Reubens Canada bluegrass	100	100	
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PREPARING FOR THE PGA: SUPERINTENDENT TELLS ORDEAL

By Bruce F. Shank, executive editor

Sports announcers covering major golf tournaments rarely provide information on preparation and maintenance of the course or on the individuals who worried and sweated for more than two years to get everything ready for perhaps six hours of television exposure.

The television viewer assumes, for the most part, that any course could host a major tournament with minor adjustments. The Professional Golfers' Association and the superintendents involved in the PGA Championship will tell you otherwise.

The 1981 PGA was held at the Atlanta Athletic Club in Duluth, Georgia. The historic club, home course of professional Bob Jones and early employer of football trophy namesake John Heisman, had a reputation to protect.

The president of the Atlanta Athletic Club, Merriell Autry and the tournament committees knew the selection of a superintendent was critical to the success of the event. The 2,500 members were not to be embarrassed by mistakes.

With the advise of the PGA, the Club selected Jim Ganley in 1979, then superintendent of Forest Oaks Country Club in Greensboro, North Carolina. Ganley managed the preparation of that course for the Greater Greensboro Open for three years.

Ganley started his turf career under the tutelage of Dr. Joseph Troll at the University of Massachusetts. Immediately, Ganley caught golf fever and was acting superintendent of a golf course at the age of 18 during the summer. In less than ten years he and golf course architect Jeffrey Cornish of Amherst, Mass., built six courses, including the Connecticut Golf Club for Lawrence Wein, then owner of the Empire State Building. This course is now called the Golf Course at Aspituck.

To apply his experience to turf in the West Coast, Ganley worked for O.M. Scott & Sons in research and development in California. His next move was to Pinehurst, one of the largest golf facilities in the world located in North



A special touch for PGA golfers, viewers, and gallery was this annual display celebrating the event. Despite rain and clouds, the display brightened the atmosphere during the tournament.

Carolina. From there he went to Forest Oaks.

During his career Ganley made an effort to meet the touring professionals and get their opinion of tournament courses. Ganley is a close friend of Lanny Watkins. He also talked with PGA staff at every opportunity. It was the professionals and the PGA staff that knew of Ganley's experience and passed the word to tournament club officers.

Tournament preparation

The Atlanta Athletic Club has 36 holes in two different courses, the Highlands and the Riverside courses. Originally designed by Robert Trent Jones, the course had been improved by golf course architects Joe Finger and Tom Fazio.

The largest problem upon Ganley's arrival was an older irrigation system with incomplete coverage. The Highlands course was to be the tourna-

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ment course and Ganley began to build a case for an improved irrigation system on the Highlands and repair of the older system on the Riverside.

Ganley felt a misting system on the perimeter of the greens, separate from the course system, would help regulate surface temperatures in the 95 degree plus Atlanta heat. Working with Toro Irrigation Division, Ganley chose a double-row system looped in every fairway.

With evidence and drawings in hand, Ganley went before the Greens Committee and got a go ahead. In 1979, more than 77,000 ft. of pipe was

laid in the Highlands course.

With slightly more than one year before the tournament, Ganley knew green reconstruction or renovation was tricky. Instead, he chose to heavily topdress with pure sand. The greens had a percolation rate of 21/2-inches/hour and he wanted to get it up to 4-inches/hour. His crew double aerified the greens with 5%-inch spoons and topdressed with pure sand. Percolation increased 25 percent. Now this process is used in the spring and fall every year in addition to light sand topdressings 8 times per year.

All 36 greens are Penncross usually cut at 5/32-inches. The Highlands greens were doublecut at 3/32-inches for the PGA. The greens receive 6 lbs. of nitrogen per 1,000 square feet per year. The fertilizer program was not increased

from previous superintendents.

The fungicide program includes Dyrene, Tersan 1991 with Danconil, and Tersan 1991 with Actidione and Thiram. Ganley doubled fungicide applications from previous programs.

He also doubled the insecticide program



Ganley shows PGA officials the triple-cut fairways prior to the tournament.

which includes Scotts Granular 2 Insecticide, Dursban and Proxol.

The herbicide program for greens centers around two applications (April 15 and June 15) of Betasan preemergence control of crabgrass and goosegrass. Fairway weeds are controlled by two applications of Balan and spot treatments with MSMA. No treatments are made during July to prevent discoloration.

Fungicide and insecticide programs were doubled.

For the tournament the fairways were triplecut, the third cut with a greens mower, at 3/8-inch. The fairways are Tifgreen 328 Bermudagrass fertilized with 3 lbs. N/1,000 sq. ft./year. Ganley does not overseed greens or fairways.

Tees are also Tifgreen. They receive 4-41/2 lbs. N/1,000/year and are mowed at 1/4-inch. The rough is mowed at 2-inches and 4-inches de-

pending upon the location.

The course is heavily trapped. Many greens have traps both in front and back.

Other improvements

More than 5 acres of sod was purchased to renovate fairways, tees and greens prior to the tournament. Part of this was a 20,000 square foot practice green.

More than 60,000 feet of drainage tubing was installed. This proved exceptionally wise since it rained the week before and two days of the tournament. To keep playing conditions on the greens consistent Ganley misted the greens periodically during dry days.

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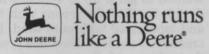
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