



# Grass Clippings

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## AUGUST MEETING

The August meeting of the New Jersey Golf Course Superintendents Association will be held in conjunction with the Turf Field Day at Rutgers University on Tuesday, August 3.

Dr. Ralph Engel, Turf Research Specialist, who is in charge of the turf plots at the College of Agriculture has set up the following schedule for the day:

### 10:00 - 12:00 Noon

Turf grasses  
Red Fescues cut to  $\frac{3}{4}$ ,  $1\frac{1}{2}$ , and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches  
Warm season grasses  
Kentucky bluegrass strains  
Combination turf of Merion bluegrass and Meyer Zoysia

### 1:45 - 4:30 P.M.

Rates and ratios of fertilizing  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch bentgrass turf  
Time of fertilizing  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch bentgrass turf  
Cultivation of  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch bentgrass turf  
Cultivation of  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch bentgrass turf  
Fertilization of bentgrass turf  
Disease control treatments  
Bentgrass strains cut to  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch  
Bentgrass strains cut to  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch

Our Association is in charge of the evening affair which will be a dinner meeting at the Roger Smith Hotel in New Brunswick. Dinner is scheduled for 6:00 P.M. sharp.

For our after dinner entertainment we have secured Toney Mascaro, formerly of West Point Lawn Products, who will give us an illustrated talk on his recent trip through Europe. You can be sure that it will be interesting as there is not much Toney missed on his travels through Great Britain, France, Switzerland and Italy.

Let's turn out in force and support our own Turf Field Day. It should prove to be a very educational day and evening -- one you cannot afford to miss. Will see you on August 3.

### CRABGRASS CONTROL

Ralph E. Engel

The very dry spring and early summer has kept crabgrass to a minimum. Yet this may be setting the stage for a severe crabgrass infestation later in the season. The dry weather has thinned the turf cover to the extent that crabgrass will find little trouble in invading many turf areas as soon as some rains occur.

Fortunately, we have some good tools for combating crabgrass. The phenyl mer-

cury acetates can be used to selectively control crabgrass on lawns or the finest bentgrass greens. The secret to their successful use is proper adjustment of the time interval between applications and the rate of application to keep injury at a minimum and still obtain a satisfactory kill. Phenyl mercury acetate preparations are poisonous and they can irritate the skin on contact.

Potassium cyanate preparations give their best results on Kentucky bluegrass type of turf. The best time of applica-  
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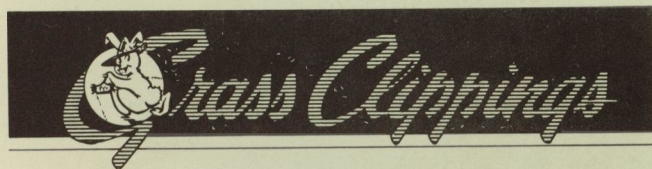
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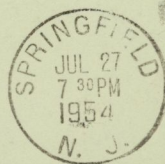
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