

Cleveland, Ohio, August 25, 1927.

United States Golf Association Green Section,
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen :

In reference to *Poa annua* in putting greens.

We have two greens of bent of the Inverness strain. These two greens have been a great disappointment but have improved as *Poa annua* came in.

We have several old greens, seeded in 1921 with the good Lord knows what, but with considerable clover, and these also have improved as regards putting as they have been invaded with *Poa annua*.

At present we have six creeping bent greens of a good strain. We will have nine or ten more greens next year of the same strain of bent.

While *Poa annua* has improved the putting qualities of the old greens we do not think that they compare with the new greens. Therefore we are fighting out all *Poa annua* from the good bent greens.

What we do is cut it out with a hole cutter just as soon as we see it, and replace with a plug from the bent nursery. From thirty to fifty plugs are needed to keep a green clean of *Poa annua*, chickweed, etc., most of the plugs of course being used during the spring and early summer.

As we change our greens we are doing away with excessive grades, either by reshaping the green, or by moving the putting surface to a more level portion of the original green, many of the greens being a great deal larger than is necessary.

Yours truly,

SPENCER M. DUTY,
Chairman, Green Committee,
The Canterbury Golf Club.