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New Member Clubs of the Green Section

(For Previous Lists See Pages 190, 220 and 248 of This Volume) Augusta Country Club, Augusta, Maine. Kittansett Club, Watertown, Mass. Mount Kisco Golf Club, Mount Kisco, N. Y. Asbury Park Golf and Country Club, Asbury Park, N. J. Suburban Golf Club of Elizabeth, Elizabeth, N. J. Corry Country Club, Corry, Pa. Somerset Country Club, Somerset, Pa. Lakewood Country Club, Dover, Ohio. Culver Military Academy, Culver, Ind. Bryn Mawr Country Club, Morton Grove, III. Watertown Country Club, Watertown, Wis. Wakonda Country Club, Des Moines, Iowa. Westfield Country Club, Westfield Centre, New Brunswick, Canada. Mexico City Country Club, Mexico.

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Questions and Answers

1. Germinating ability of Kentucky bluegrass seed.—Before ordering the seed for the fairways on an eighteen-hole golf course which we are constructing here, we would like to have your opinion as to the advisability of requiring that the Kentucky bluegrass seed be all from the present year's crop. We understand that the harvesting season was very wet and that there is a likelihood that the 1922 crop will not reach full germinating power by the first of September. In case we could get some strictly high-grade Kentucky bluegrass of the 1921 crop, which would you advise us to use?—(Ohio.)

Experience and careful tests, we think, very generally have shown that bluegrass seed germinates better a year after it is harvested than it does the year in which it is harvested, provided, of course, it is properly cured and stored. We have no information as yet with regard to the germinating ability of this year's crop of bluegrass seed, and therefore we would hesitate to advise you as to whether it would be more economical to buy last year's crop than this year's crop. We think you will find it difficult to get bluegrass seed of last year's crop, and if you can get a supply of it we are quite sure the price will be high. Since it will soon be time to sow seed, we would suggest that you get samples at once and make germination tests, as indicated in the Bulletin. It takes twenty or more days to get a complete and satisfactory test of the Kentucky bluegrass seed, even when placed under the most satisfactory conditions for germination.

2. Customary percentage of germination for Colonial bent seed.—We have bought some Colonial bent seed and have had it analyzed, the analysis showing a germination of $45\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. Will you be good enough to advise us what, in your opinion, would be an average germination test for this seed?—(Pennsylvania.)

As for the germination of Colonial bent seed, our experience indicates that most of the seed imported (and all of it is imported) is sufficiently viable upon arrival to germinate 75 per cent.