

green by one person. Automatic sprinkling devices are not good for this purpose before the grass is well rooted and they have only served to damage the plantings where they have been tried. (Figure 6.)

SIZE OF CREW. The work of cutting up the stolons, picking the pieces apart, sowing the pieces on the green, covering with top-dressing, rolling, and watering should go along simultaneously. It is poor economy to work short-handed. A crew of about the right size consists of a foreman, one man to operate the cutting box, six men or boys to pick the grass apart, two men to scatter the cut pieces, two men to spread top-dressing, and two men to water, or fourteen in all. Caddy boys can sometimes be used for a few hours a day picking the grass apart. The foreman can look after the rolling, as that is not a very strenuous job. Such a crew should plant from 1,500 to 2,000 square feet of green an hour.

CARE AFTER PLANTING. The surface of the green should not be allowed to become dry after it is planted, until the grass has covered the green. It should be watered twice a day during dry weather for the first ten days or two weeks. After that, watering thoroughly once a day will suffice. The grass begins to send up green shoots in four or five days. In about three weeks it is usually far enough advanced to need a light top-dressing (about one-eighth of an inch) and a rolling. A week later it should have its first cutting. The clippings may be allowed to fall on the ground, and if the stand is thin they may be covered with a little top-dressing, as the clippings will take root and grow. The grass should be kept cut down to putting condition, and whenever loose runners appear a light top-dressing should be applied. With such care as has been indicated above the green should be in condition to play on after six weeks of good growing weather from the time of planting. (See figures 7, 8, and 9.)

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