

Meditations of a Peripatetic Golfer

Commercial humus has some virtue. Sawdust has more.

Topdressing with one-fourth inch of sand! A topdressing should never be over one-sixteenth inch; less is better.

Whenever any new thing of plausible merit comes along, better let it alone until the experimenters test it fully and report. Then use your own judgment.

Putting greens require constant skilful care. It is astonishing how fast they deteriorate with neglect.

Prime requisites for good greens of creeping bent:

1. Good drainage.
2. Ample use of water.
3. Topdressing with compost occasionally.
4. Sulfate of ammonia frequently.
5. Avoid any other treatment, especially lime.

White clover in the putting greens is something that should injure the pride of any good greenkeeper. It is a bad hall-mark.

Fescue greens. "Rotten," as usual. Topseeded to bent in late August. Perfect the following April. (This is the usual story, but it is always astonishing.)

Starving the grass on a putting green is the most futile of all methods.

Put suitable flowering plants that take care of themselves in the places not otherwise used. They will add to the charm of any golf course.