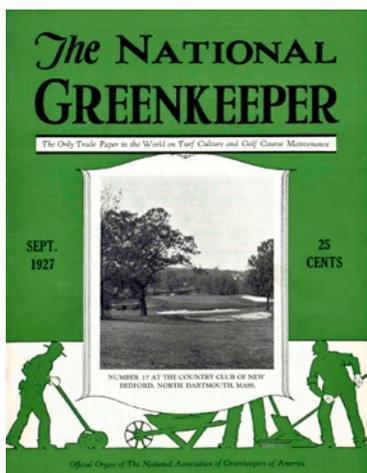


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## New Public Archive (digital) *The National Greenkeeper* Archive

*The National Greenkeeper* was launched as the National Association of Greenkeepers of America's (NAGA) official

organ, beginning in January of 1927. Publication of *The National Greenkeeper* continued through the beginnings of the Great Depression, but in October of 1933, *The National Greenkeeper* apparently folded. The National Association of Greenkeepers of America was the predecessor of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA).

Content within *The National Greenkeeper* includes wonderful period advertisements, early history of the NAGA, golf course photographs from the 1920s, suggestions for *Poa annua* control, etc., and even some golf course poetry.

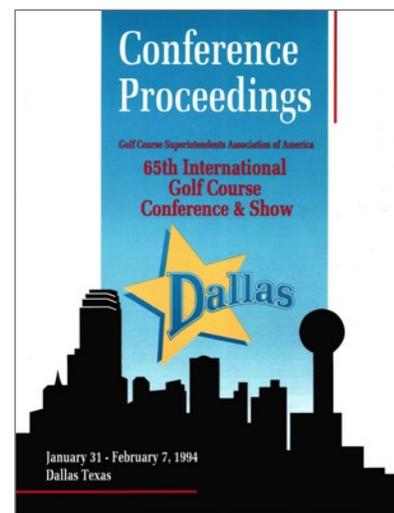
These archived issues are available through the Turfgrass Information Center's "[Browse Full-Text Resources](#)" as well as from the Turfgrass Information File's "Browse Full-Text Journals (Logs Out)" option. Use the search feature there to locate items about specific individuals, golf courses, or early turf cultural practices. In addition, all such content can be identified and viewed by searching TGIF itself.

## *Proceedings of the GCSAA Conference* Archive Now Available

The *Proceedings of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America Conference* can now be accessed through the Turfgrass Information File (TGIF), thanks to the agreement between GCSAA and the Turfgrass Information Center! These archived issues can be easily located through the Turfgrass Information File's "Browse Full-Text Journals (Logs Out)" option. From there, select *Proceedings of the GCSAA Conference* from the list of available electronic journals. The proceedings as published from 1927-1998 are available with the exception of the issues TIC does not have.

This content can also be accessed via GCSAA's website.

*Please note that there may be additional volumes or documents relating to the Conference over the years, particularly in the earliest years, which can be a made a part of this archive and which we don't yet own or have access to. We need your help to identify any such items, and enable us to digitize them if possible. Thank you for your cooperation to help improve the digital archive!*



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**Research Interests**  
**Turfgrass Pathology, Ectotrophic Root-Infecting Fungi**  
The principal focus of my research deals with the identification and control of abiotic and biotic diseases associated with cool season turfgrasses. Studies have been conducted to determine the distribution and control of root and crown-infecting fungi associated with patch diseases in the Northeast, USA. This has involved the use of field studies to assess pathogen dynamics, as well as controlled environmental and greenhouse studies to ascertain the relationship between environmental stress, cultural management and disease development. To date, research findings have been utilized by turf managers to reduced pesticide usage through improved management strategies. Research also has been initiated to develop disease forecasting and detection systems for the determination of genetic resistance in new and existing turfgrass germplasm.

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## Interesting Use of the “By or About” Fastlink Generator

Free fastlinks can be generated for any material from within TGIF by or about a particular person through the new Fastlink Generator available from the “Conditions and Terms of Use” page when searching TGIF. In the search box of the generator, type in as much of the person’s name as desired; beneath the search box there are examples of how to format the name. Click on “Go get it!” and a list of TGIF records by or about the person will display. The fastlink will be the URL that appears at the top of the results page.

An interesting use of the “By or About” Fastlink is to have one on your web page that links to your publications that are included in TGIF. See any of the faculty in the *Department of Plant Biology and Pathology* at Rutgers: The State University of New Jersey such as *Dr. Bruce Clarke* or *Dr. Joseph Heckman*.

<http://aesop.rutgers.edu/~plantbiopath/faculty/clarke/clarke.html>

## RSS Feed for Refereed Content for Subscribers and Users

Over the years, we have had several requests to somehow develop the means to routinely ‘push’ content out from within TGIF (unlike the ‘pulled’ content which requires a user to go to TGIF and do a search or browse to find something).

We are pleased to announce a new RSS feed which, once a user registers to receive it, will automatically deliver soon after the first of the month a listing of all records for (recently published) refereed turf materials added to TGIF in the previous month. What is delivered is a table listing all recent TGIF records added for turf-related articles from all the journals we monitor, and which we classify as peer-reviewed. This link is available to all TGIF subscribers and users – i.e. from inside TGIF; logon to TGIF as you regularly do, and note the new RSS feed labeled “Recent Refereed Added” on the left navigation bar of the “Conditions and Terms of Use” page.

Special thanks to Dr. Aaron Patton of the University of Arkansas for his considered ideation regarding this concept.

Let us know if you find this kind of delivery useful, and suggestions for other kinds/types/audiences for RSS feeds from TGIF are welcomed.

## RSS Feed for TERO Website

<http://usgatero.msu.edu/>

The USGA Turfgrass and Environmental Research Online (TERO <http://usgatero.msu.edu/>) website now features an RSS Feed (<http://usgatero.msu.edu/taero.xml>). RSS stands for Really Simple Syndication and is a popular technology for notifying users of updates to content in a website or a blog. With the RSS feed for the TERO website, you will be notified when there is a new TERO article available online.

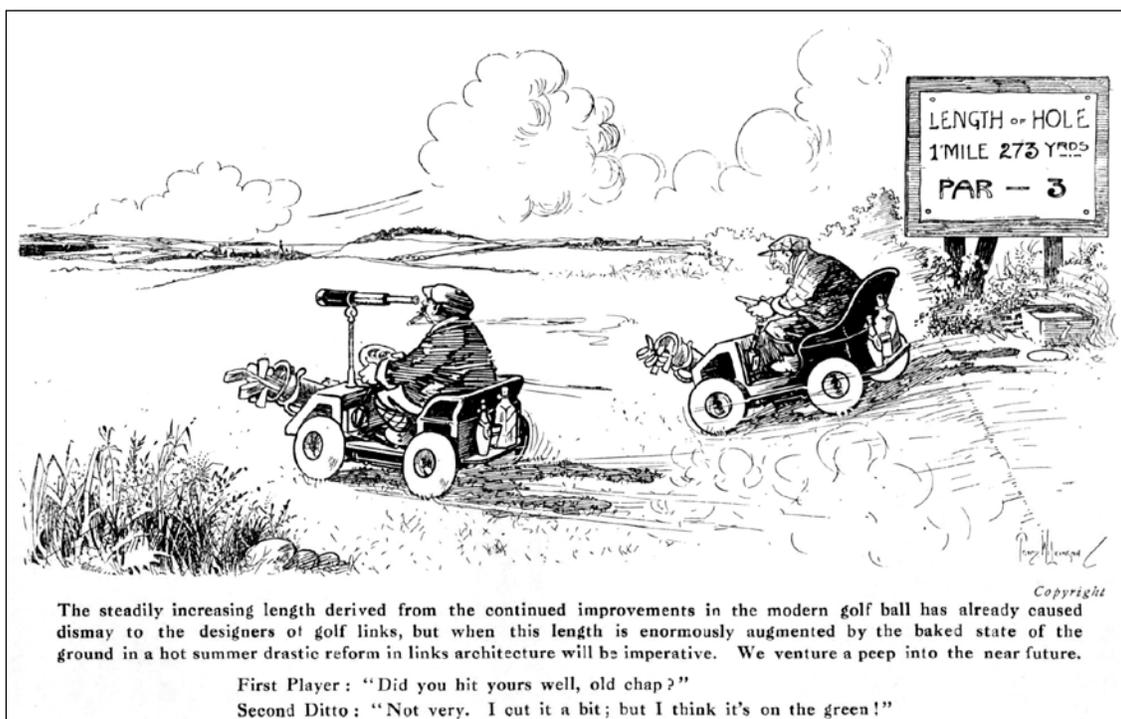
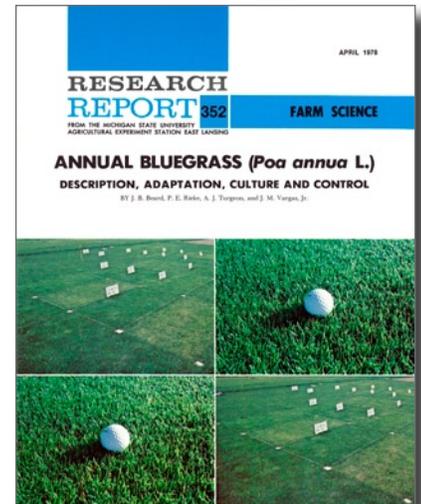
## Two newly available digitized items now online

TIC is pleased to announce the availability of the two full-text versions of very different but separately influential works in the history of turf science: a book from 1912 and a booklet from 1978. They are:

*The Book of the Links: A Symposium on Golf.* 1912. Sutton, Martin Hubert Foquett (ed.). London, England: W.H. Smith & Son. 234pp. This important early work, which ranges widely over golf and golf course issues, includes not only a plethora of early, well-known writers on things-golf, such as Bernard Darwin and H. S. Colt, but also includes some extraordinary cartoons about course issues.

A certain pre-war innocence characterizes this effort, which sees course management, including turf management, as a fully integrated, well appreciated, and important part of the essence of the game. TGIF includes separate records for each of the 11 chapters present. <http://www.lib.msu.edu/cgi-bin/flink.pl?recno=33326>

*Annual Bluegrass (Poa annua L.): Description, Adaptation, Culture, and Control.* 1978. Beard, J. B., Rieke, P. E., Turgeon, A. L., and Vargas, J. M. East Lansing, MI: Michigan State University, Agricultural Experiment Station. 32pp. The state of knowledge on things-Poa is documented, synthesized, and recommended in this benchmark Extension publication by an all-star team of researchers. This is what we knew, then, about the ever-wiley nemesis for so many turf managers worldwide. <http://www.lib.msu.edu/cgi-bin/flink.pl?recno=2214>



*The Book of the Links*, 1912, between pages 90-91.

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## Journal Archives Online

### Journal Online Archives Recently Launched

- *Proceedings of the GCSAA Conference*
  - *The National Greenkeeper*
- both cooperatively with the GCSAA

### Now Under Construction

- *On Course/Bull Sheet* – cooperatively with the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents (MAGCS)
- *The Golf Course* (Published by Peterson, Sinclair & Miller Inc., in conjunction with Carter's Tested Seeds, Inc.) – cooperatively with GCSAA and the Center for Research Libraries (CRL)

### Forthcoming

- *SportsTurf* – cooperatively with the Sports Turf Managers Association (STMA)

We welcome and seek additional digitization candidates and cooperators. What content would you like to see? Email Pete Cookingham ([cooking1@msu.edu](mailto:cooking1@msu.edu)) to discuss your ideas!

## Most Recent Current TGIF Feature:

### *Flooding*

With recent extreme weather occurrences, flooding has affected many turf areas in the United States and worldwide. In an effort to make TGIF more informative to users, TIC features topics related to current events that may affect turf and golf course conditions. We hope you will find this information useful if you are experiencing these unfortunate situations. In the future, a variety of current topics will be highlighted.

## Testimonials Sought – Let Us Know How TGIF Has Helped You

Over the years, the TGIF database has been utilized for everything from academic research to tips on sprucing up a lawn. At TIC, we would like to hear from you about how TGIF has helped you in your endeavors. User testimonials may be featured on the website, in promotional brochures, and to promote various database uses. To help us spread the news about the benefits of using TGIF, please email your testimonial to [tgif@msu.edu](mailto:tgif@msu.edu).

## The Box Score

Number of TGIF Records: **136,000+**

Number of turf-related theses and dissertations listed in TGIF, including 226 available in full-text form: **2053**