

## RECYCLED WATER FOR GOLF GREENS STUDIED

A research project conducted by John Dunn, turfgrass specialist, and graduate student, Tom McKay, at the University of Missouri-Columbia, is comparing turf treated with both sewage and drinking water. They are also comparing irrigation by sprinkler with irrigation through porous pipes laid under the green.

The green was constructed according to U.S. Golf Association standards and planted with creeping bentgrass. Irrigation pipes were set six-inches below the grass surface and 12-inches apart.

Problems may arise with pipes being blocked from lime build-up, effluent particles or root hairs. Other problems could be from the gradual accumulation of salt, but the research team says that conventional irrigation with sewage effluent will likely cause the grass even more salt problems.

"It's too early to reach firm conclusions," Dunn said. "But we have found no difference in green quality since the turf was laid last fall."

## NURSERY FIELD DAY

The annual Nursery Field Day of the Hampton Roads Agricultural Experiment Station takes place July 15 in Virginia Beach, VA.

The tour of ongoing research will include landscape weed control, azalea insect resistance, tissue culture, and *Euonymus* scale biocontrol.

An auction of landscape plants and hardgoods donated by Virginia nurseries and suppliers will be held to raise money for research projects.

For registration information, contact the Hampton Roads Agricultural Experiment Station at 1444 Diamond Springs Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23455, or call (804) 363-3900.

## GENTRY JOINS IRWIN

Stanley B. Gentry has joined the golf course design division of Hale Irwin Golf Services, Inc. As the company's project architect, he will work with development executives to produce planning, construction documents and specifications for golf course designs.

Gentry has a degree in horticulture from the University of Missouri and a master's in landscape architecture from Kansas State University. He has worked for Dick Nugent Associates of Chicago, IL, and Rees Jones Inc., of Montclair, NJ.



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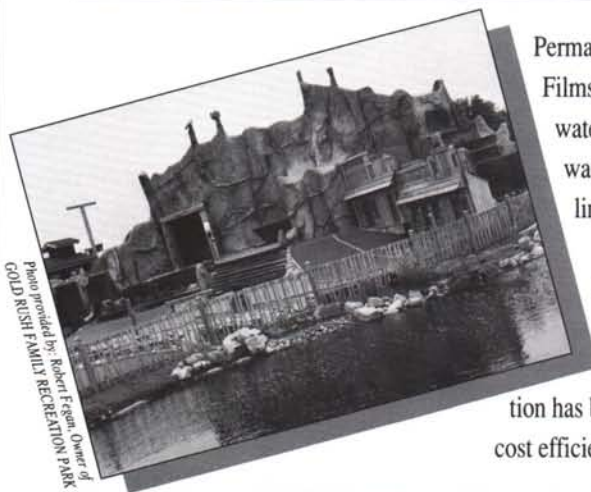
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