is similar in growth habit, rate of spread, and ease of establishment, but produces more rhizomes, is more winterhardy, and is immune to the rust (*Puccinia cynodontis* Lacrymx) to which Callie is very susceptible.

In a 3-yr replicated clipping trial planted in 1978, Tifton 78 produced 25% more dry matter and had 7.4% higher in vitro dry matter digestibility (IVDMD) than Coastal. When compared with Coastal bermudagrass in a replicated 3-yr grazing trial (1983–1985), Tifton 78 produced 19% more steer days, 36.5% more liveweight gain, and 15.5% better average daily gains (1). In 1984, when fertilized with 168 kg N ha⁻¹ plus adequate P and K, Tifton 78 produced 1147 kg of live-weight gain per hectare. Steers (*Bos taurus*) on Tifton 78 averaged gains of 0.77 kg d⁻¹ from April 10 to October 3.

Numerous reports suggest that Tifton 78 is as winterhardy as Coastal bermudagrass. Tifton 78 in 2-yr-old grazed pastures survived −18°C at Tifton, GA, in 1984 to 1985 without loss of stand. Since Callie lacks winterhardiness and was one of the parents of Tifton 78, we would not expect Tifton 78 to be as winterhardy as Tifton 44 and hence will not replace it in the northern part of the bermudagrass belt.

The Georgia Coastal Plain Experiment Station, Tifton, GA, will maintain breeder stock.

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**REGISTRATION OF ‘CLASSIC’ KENTUCKY BLUEGRASS**

‘Classic’ Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis* L.) (Reg. no. 32) (PI 511338) was released in August 1985 by the Jacklin Seed Company of Post Falls, ID, and the Peterson Seed Company of Savage, MN. It was developed by Jacklin Seed Company and Peterson Seed Company using germplasm obtained from the New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station in November 1974. Classic is the progeny of a single highly apomictic plant selected from a hybridization program using NJE P-59 Kentucky bluegrass × ‘Baron’ Kentucky bluegrass. NJE P-59, the maternal parent, was selected from the 15th fairway of the Colonia golf course located near Colonia, NJ. NJE P-59 is a moderately low-growing, turf-type bluegrass with medium texture and a bright, medium-dark green color. It has an exceptionally attractive early spring color.

Classic is a facultative apomict with about 92% of all progeny in a spaced planting appearing to be genetically identical to their maternal parent. Some aberrant plants are taller and coarser than the maternal plants, and the rest, smaller and weaker than the maternal plants. Most of the aberrant plants are the result of sexual reproduction, a wide array of variations in color, leaf texture, and panicle characteristics are generally crowded out in solid-seeded turf. In full sun of very minor consequence in affecting turf appearance, or uniformity. Jacklin 225 is one of the parents of Tifton 78, we would not expect Tifton 78 to be as winterhardy as Tifton 44 and hence will not replace it in the northern part of the bermudagrass belt.

Classic is a moderately low-growing, turf-type cultivar with a bright, medium-dark green color. It has good winterhardiness and good heat tolerance. Classic is a facultative apomict with about 92% of all progeny in a spaced planting appearing to be genetically identical to their maternal parent. Some aberrant plants are taller and coarser than the maternal plants, and the rest, smaller and weaker than the maternal plants. Most of the aberrant plants are the result of sexual reproduction, a wide array of variations in color, leaf texture, and panicle characteristics are generally crowded out in solid-seeded turf. In full sun of very minor consequence in affecting turf appearance, or uniformity. Jacklin 225 is one of the parents of Tifton 78, we would not expect Tifton 78 to be as winterhardy as Tifton 44 and hence will not replace it in the northern part of the bermudagrass belt.

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