LECTURES AND FUNCTIONS

JANUARY	
14th	S.G.G.A., Christian Institute, Bothwell Street, Glasgow (F. W Hawtree on "Golf Course Construction"), 7-0 p.m.
15th	As above. Nicoll & Smithbert, Nethergate, Dundee, 7-0 p.m.
16th	As above. Free Gardeners' Institute, Piccardy Place, Edinburgh, 7-0 p.m.
28th	North-West Section Lecture, "Simple Science of Turf Culture", Garrick Hotel, Fountain Street, Manchester, 7-15 p.m.
30th	Sheffield Section, President's Evening.
FEBRUARY	
17th	North-West Section Lecture, Garrick Hotel, Fountain Street, Manchester, 7-15 p.m.
18th	Northen Section Lecture, "Weeds and Weedkilling"
MARCH	
9th	North-West Section Lecture, "Turf Topics, What do you know?",

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Hon. Editor, B.G.G.A. Journal.

Dear Sir,

May I, through the medium of the Journal, say a word or two in answer to an article by Henry Cotton in a National Newspaper, on 1st December, 1963.

He said "Modern greenkeeping, which calls for soft watered greens during the summer, really has produced very wet and spongy putting surfaces just now, in fact many courses are on temporary greens already"

I think what Mr Cotton should have said, is, that Modern Golf calls for—I should say demands—soft watered greens during summer Mr Cotton must also know that the deciding factor on when to use temporary greens falls on climatic conditions which in turn make fine turf vulnerable to heavy damage, and not the calendar It appears to me that Mr Cotton is out of touch with greenkeepers at present and I would suggest—if he can find the time—he attend a debate at one or more of the B.G.G.A. Section meetings, he will most certainly be welcome to the Sheffield Section.

If Mr Cotton is sufficiently interested in greenkeeping, I'm sure he will find the time to read our excellent journal and probably give us greenkeepers the opportunity to put our side of the picture.

Yours faithfully,

(signed) J J Dearlove, Head Greenkeeper, Hillsborough G.C. Hon. Sec., Sheffield Section B.G.G.A.

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