

Tee Shots

THE 20th APRIL ISSUE of *Farmers Weekly* carries a useful feature on drainage. It also has a supplement which might appeal to some readers: 'Cash in on Grass'.



Burnham & Berrow Golf Club is expanding from 18 to 27 holes. The new nine holes will be on the seaward side of the links with one green right by the shore. The club hopes to be playing on them by summer 1975.

At the same time, the old Sunday Hole will disappear and a new 12th and 13th will enable the Sunday round to be the same as the weekday round. The present 12th plays past the front of Berrow church and cars and churchgoers oblige Sunday golfers to play an alternative arrangement, with a long walk round the back of the church.



Some time ago the Shrewsbury golf club moved to a new site and left their old course to the local authority for new roads. Now the Borough has plans to retain what is left as a nine hole course for the general public.



We looked at a new golf course site in Tenerife in April. 150 acres of lava lumps. This material varies from small boulder size down to a fairish pebble. Pushed about by the bulldozer, it is possible to get a firm level surface which looks like the bottom six inches of a green drainage layer. The local technique is then to seal this foundation with a national cement which looks rather like Breerton gravel; top it with sand and spread the top-soil. How much per hole did you say? Time alone will tell. Where tourist developments are concerned, cost does not seem to matter. And they use the same system for bananas.



The response to a long letter, from the Hon. Editor in *Golf Illustrated*, about greenkeepers and greenkeeping, was not overwhelming. One greenkeeper's wife wrote to say that she agreed with it. From golf generally, not a word.



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