Connecticut Abandons War Teeing-up Practice

CONNECTICUT STATE Golf Assn. is campaigning to get all member clubs to abandon the preferred lie rules they made earlier in wartime. It was found that the improvement of lies was not helping to preserve turf to any extent and was reducing the ability of the majority of players to hit a shot unless the ball was practically pegged up.

Clubs in the state have responded heartily to the association's appeal. They've welcomed it as clarifying a situation that resulted in some players teeing almost every shot but putts.

Sec. Robert D. Pryde of the Connecticut State GA informed member clubs of the organization's action, by the following bulletin:

"At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Association held at the Graduates Club in New Haven, there was considerable discussion of the general breakdown in the observance of the Rules of Golf as established by the U.S.G.A. which are still in full force and effect. This condition seemed to be a by-product of the war situation and the tendency has probably been somewhat accelerated by the extreme drought encountered last Summer and by the difficulty that many clubs are experiencing in maintaining their respective courses under existing conditions.

"The committee was unanimous in its expression of disapproval of the situation and was particularly astonished at hearing to what extent the privilege of preferred lies or teeing up in the rough or traps was being indulged in at some courses.

"I was instructed by the meeting to address a letter to all member clubs, advising of the action taken by the Executive Committee and urging that the letter be appropriately referred to the Chairman of the Golf Committee, the Chairman of the Greens Committee and the Board of Directors of each respective member club with a request that action be taken to curb the tendency and to correct the situation."

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