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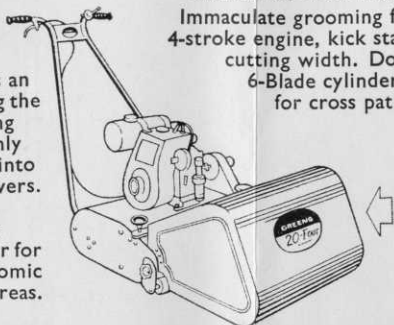
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TEE SHOTS



by the Editor

What will happen when Man becomes extinct? It is, perhaps, unfair to bother you with frivolous questions of this sort when the grass is growing strongly and four-balls crawl endlessly across the green. You and I will not be concerned at the critical times unless the end comes explosively (and even then, not for long). But, in order to keep up with our apprentices, we ought, now and again, to turn our minds to the wider scene unfolding in the Out of Bounds.

The question seems likely to be resolved much sooner, relatively, than the few billion years it needed for the Brontosaurus and the Diplodocus to go out of circulation. Those competitors, as you will remember, developed boots too big for their brains and had to drop out of the race. Man has developed his extremities the other way round and, consequently, seems likely to do himself in by overeating, starvation through overbreeding, or stagnation in traffic jams.

It so happens that the natural successor to Homo Sapiens is one that we know better than most. The family name is Graminae, vulgarly known as Grass.

The grasses are very well placed to take over where we leave off. They scratch out an existence in situations far less favourable than those which our ancestors survived. They have never, so far as we know, complained of being under privileged and one grass seems able to look at another without wishing to do it violent injury. The colour problem does not arise—even a fescue at St Andrews may turn brown while Zoysia in

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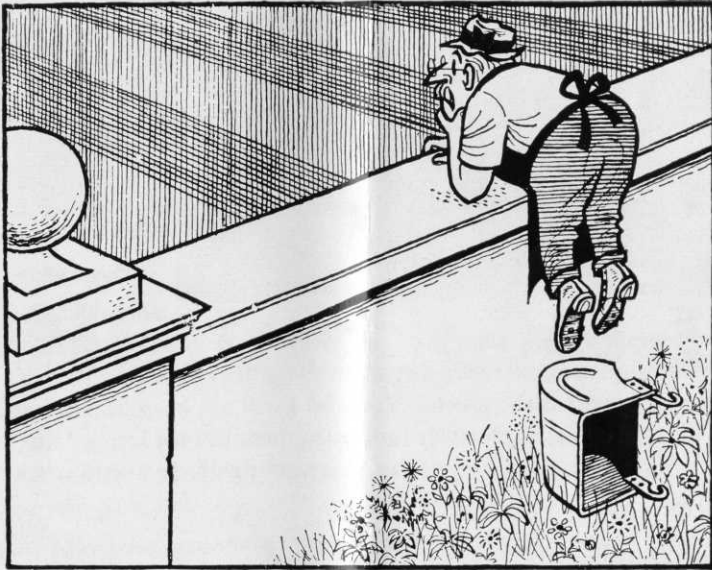
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GRASS VARIETIES

By

B. C. CLAYTON

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MANY professional men in green-keeping these days like to know exactly what species of grass are contained in the mixtures supplied to them by their seedsmen—and rightly so. In fact they like to order their seed to a specific prescription either composed by themselves or recommended to them by an advisory organisation like the one at Bingley. Best results are obtained from using a seeds mixture which is specially designed to suit particular conditions.

Species and Variety

It is not enough, however, just to specify the *species* of grass (Perennial ryegrass for example). The *variety* (S.23 or Kent Indigenous or whatever else) is almost equally important. The plant breeders and selectors have been quite busy in recent years and there is often a wide choice of variety

Perennial Ryegrass

To take Perennial ryegrass first. This is a grass which is usually included in mixtures for fairways and sometimes for tees—perhaps something like 20 per cent of the whole seeds mixture. There are about 20 varieties (of those now commercially available) which are useful in sports turf. Some of the best are S.23, S.101, New Zealand, Kent Indigenous, Brabantia, and Sceempter (two Dutch varieties) and Melle (Belgian)—all good, dwarf, persistent varieties of Perennial ryegrass. At the other end of the scale, varieties like Irish commercial will not last long in regularly mown turf

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Browntop

Most of the browntop available is either the Oregon variety or Dutch—Holfior for example. New Zealand browntop is now practically extinct.

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Chewings' Fescue

There are good varieties of Chewings' fescue also, including Oregon. When using this variety in the finest turf, Oregon Grade 1 (crop free) should be stipulated since Oregon Grade 2 can include impurities like Perennial ryegrass. The Dutch variety Highlight is probably the most highly regarded at the present time and Brabantia is also very good.

Creeping Red Fescue

Reliable varieties of creeping red fescue include S.59, Canadian, Brabantia, Oasis and Golfrood (the last three being Dutch). Some creeping red fescue varieties suffered a good deal from Dollar spot disease in trials at Bingley. Always bear in mind the fact that no variety of true creeping red fescue will persist long in turf which is mown at putting green height. Because of this dislike for close mowing creeping red fescue is a grass which is more useful for fairways than for greens and tees.

Crested Dogstail

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Take advice When in Doubt

Choosing the best mixture for a particular golf course can be quite a complicated business in view of the varieties available, and it is easy to go wrong unless one is familiar with all the different possibilities in the way of species of grass and their varieties. Take good advice therefore if in any doubt. When you order the seed ask the seedsman for a certificate indicating trueness to variety and country of origin, together with percentage purity and germination figures for the seed. Finally, always deal with a reliable seedsman, one with a good name whom you can trust.

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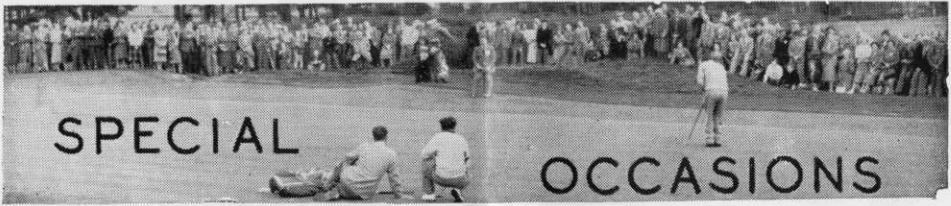
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	28th	
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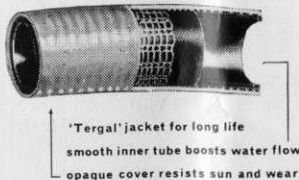


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3. Correct turf management should always be practised. After using a moss killer the factors responsible for the appearance of moss should be removed.
4. Some common causes for the appearance of moss are:
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HON. SECRETARY'S NOTES

1966 Annual Tournament

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Annual Draw

Tickets are now in the hands of Section Secretaries and it is hoped that all members will make a great effort to ensure the financial success of this draw. The prize allocation has been changed by agreement of the Executive and the usual prizes for the seller of the winning ticket and the most tickets, will again be given, although not stated on the tickets.

Open Championships

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By J. J. Dearlove
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Annual General Meeting

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING was held in the Brunswick Hotel on Thursday, 28th April, at 7 p.m.

It was decided that an annual dinner should be held this year, possibly in October, and details will be left to the Committee.

All officials were re-elected although our President, Mr A. Shardlow, expressed a point that we should seek a new president before the next A.G.M. as he feels that someone else should have the honour of guiding the section along and also that other commitments will not allow him to spend as much time with us as he would wish.

The committee, taking on a new look, now includes H. Herrington, C. Grimley, H. Gillespie, and J. Mardlin.

Mr P Booker was made an honorary life member of the section and said he looked forward to his continued association with the section and to give his services whenever required.

Handicap Revision

The following alterations were made with the new "standard scratch" in mind—F Crookes 16 to 17, A. Goldthorpe 6 to 7, R. Oakes 16 to 18, R. Whitehead 10 to 12, J. Lomas 15 to 17, B. Crookes 14 to 16, H. Tanfield 5 to 7, J. Walker 24 to 20.

Golf Competitions for 1966

The S.U.G.C. Greenkeepers competition is scheduled for the 20th June at Lindrick G.C. Other provisional arrangements are "President's Prize" at the Phoenix G.C. on the 7th or 8th June, Annual Tournament at the Renishaw Park G.C. on the 12th or 19th July and the Sheffield Section versus Northern Section at Hallamshire G.C. on the 6th September

New Member

A warm welcome to the Section for Mr K. Hewitt of the Chesterfield G.C. with the hope that he will be able to make the long journey to attend our meetings. Also to Mr F W Gee who has joined Ron Whitehead at the Wheatley Club, Doncaster

MIDLAND

By F Cashmore

Chairman:
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Spring Tournament

We were sorry our President, Mr Carl Bretherton, could not be with us as he had a meeting of the Playing Fields Association at Warwick. We were very pleased to have Bill Payne doing his usual job. The entry was very poor—two clubs were unable to compete as they had tournaments on their own courses and others had labour shortage.

President's Match

Our President's Match is at Handworth on the 28th June when I hope all members will make a special effort to play. The arrangements will be the same as in previous years. I do not know yet if I shall be there as I have to go into hospital for an operation, but I know if I am not there Reg. Pugh will look after things for me. He has relieved me of a lot of work and I appreciate it very much.



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Spring Tournament—Report by Reg. Pugh.

THE SECTION SPRING TOURNAMENT was held at Kidderminster Golf Club on Thursday, 5th May, by kind permission of the Committee. We had a good day's sport although the weather was stormy. Considering the weather we have been having over the past few months Les Greenow and his staff are to be congratulated on the good condition of their course. The winners of the Prizes, and which were presented by the President of the Kidderminster Club, Mr Viney, were as follows 27-hole Medal (Ransome Cup and Tankard), best net J. Grealy, (Sutton Cup and Electric Coach Lamp), best gross E. Benbow, (Kidderminster Carpet), 2nd net W. Barton, (Ingram's Nurseries Prize), 3rd net H. Drewitt, (Glass Bowl), 4th net D. Brazier; (Tea Service), 5th net A. Hastilow, (Bottle Whisky), 6th net R. Pugh, (Casserole Dish), 7th net R. Smith, (Tankard), 8th net G. Woodward, (Tea Tray), 9th net N. Markham, (Cheese Board and Knife), 10th net A. Willetts, (1 doz. Dunlops), 11th net J. Greenow 9 holes (50 Cigarettes), best net J. Grealy Booby Price (1 doz. Forsums Balls), T. Rawlone. 18 Holes (Bathroom Scales), best net H. Drewitt, (Bottle Champagne), 2nd net D. Brazier Visitors (8 Golf Balls), best net D. Ballenger, (4 Golf Balls), 2nd net R. Ramsden.

After the Competition I was asked to do the M.C.'s job and in doing so paid tribute to Mr Syd Leah, Chairman of the Greens Committee, to the Professional for the loan of Caddy Carts and also for the prize he gave to the Competition. Thanks to Mr and Mrs Berry, the Steward and Stewardess, for the meals which were excellent and also to Les Greenow and his staff for the condition of the course. To our old friend, Bill Payne of Ransomes, for his kindness in doing all the clerical work for which, Bill, this section is most grateful.

Mr Viney, the President, paid tribute to the members of the Association in general. He and members of the Kidderminster Committee were delighted with the improvement in their course since Les Greenow took over last October. I thanked Captain McCarthy, the Hon. Secretary, and all concerned. Captain McCarthy replied and invited all present to take liquid refreshment with the members of the committee.

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By J. Parker

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Spring Tournament

THE ANNUAL SPRING TOURNAMENT was played over the course of the Pannal Golf Club, Harrogate, on Tuesday 26th April, by kind permission of the Captain and Committee of the Club. Forty members took part in the competition and were favoured by one of the few fine days we had for a long time.

Results

R. Barnes (Sandmoor) 79-76—156 Scratch Prize. First Division 1st D. Roberts (West Bowling) 72-68—140, 2nd D. Crosland (St Ives) 77-71 148, 3rd A. Robertshaw (Otley) 75-75—150. Second Division 1st G. Bennison (Otley) 76-69—145, 2nd D. Spurden (Otley) 73-74—147, 3rd H. Marshall (Cleckheaton) 73-76—149. Veterans Prize (One round) S. Smith (Alwoodley) 79. Vice-President's 1st E. Foulds (Keighley) 76-71—147, 2nd A. Brophy (Sandmoor) 76-71 147

Following a most satisfying and tasty tea the Prizes were presented by our President, Mr W. Mountain. In a short speech he thanked the Officials and staff of the Pannal Club for their

help and kindness to us, making it an enjoyable day out for the members. Mr D. Roberts (Chairman) seconded the vote of thanks.

Our thanks are due to the following Trade firms who so kindly donated to our Prize Fund Hayter Ltd., Ransomes, Sims & Jeffries, H. Pattison & Co., Stewart & Co., Anderton Richardson Ltd., Pressure Jet Markers Ltd., Fisons Ltd., Woodhead Seeds Ltd., Rigby Taylor Ltd., Thomas Green & Sons Ltd., Stephen Toulson Ltd., E. G. Jepson & Sons Ltd., and Sisis Ltd.

New Members

We welcome to the Section the following new members G. H. Bryant, Greenfield Lodge, Barkisland, Halifax, and J. Tynan, 63 Moorend Road, Pellon, Halifax, both of Halifax.

West End Golf Club

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Annual Subscriptions

I WOULD LIKE TO REMIND MEMBERS that their annual subscriptions are now due as from the 1st May. For all those who have already paid, thank you, and I hope that others will do likewise.

Spring Tournament

Our Spring Tournament had an entry of 54 but owing to the very bad weather a number gave up and did not attempt to go out in the afternoon. For those who did prizes were awarded to the following 27 holes—P Ainsworth, 1st net 72-36—108, L. F. Millar, scratch, 74-39—113, E. Maule, best morning Prize, 71, P Ainsworth, best afternoon Prize, net 36. 1st Year Competitors, B. Payne. Coming of Age, T. Mason. 2nd aggregate 27-hole—W. Machin, with other prizes going according to merit. R. plain, P. Staines, F. Ford, L. F. Millar, J. Kirk-Patrick, F. Dulake, A. Millar, E. Maule, T. Mason, S. Freeman, E. Foulkes, D. Mayer, B. Pearse, J. Corner, C. Stillwell, C. A. Moore. Among these prizes were four vouchers given by the S. Herts G.C., a. to the value of £3 to be spent in the shop.

Mr W. E. Moore, our Chairman, thanked the Captain for presenting the prizes, also Mr P. Marshall and D. Craig for attending to the cards, etc. Thanks, too, to the inside staff for the most excellent luncheon and tea, and the outside staff. The Captain, in reply, thanked all greenkeepers for their good work and said that he would do his best to encourage young apprentices to come along and fill the gaps left by the older ones.

I would like to thank all members of the Trade who contributed towards our prize list, including yourself, Mr Editor, for the lovely Tankard to go with your Coming of Age Challenge Cup.

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Members

Mr J. Greenfield writes to say he has been appointed Head Greenkeeper to the Goodwood Golf Club, his new address is Goodwood G.C., Nr Chichester, Sussex.

New Members

A welcome to the Section to the following new members A. W. Anderson, J. Hearn, and G. C. Bates.

Obituary

Mr A. Thompson, whom I wrote about and wished many happy years and good health in his retirement, has passed away and was buried on the 6th May. I feel sure you would all wish me to add a note of sympathy to his family. Mr Torrenses, Head Greenkeeper at North Middlesex, represented the Section with a wreath at the funeral.

NORTH-EAST

By D. Earsman

Hon. Secretary:

Chairman:
J. SIMPSON
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Spring Competition

OUR SPRING COMPETITION WAS played on Thursday, 28th April, at the City of Newcastle Golf Club, by kind permission of their Committee. Results President's Putter was won by R. Hinson (Banburgh), R. Derham (South Shields) 2nd, A. Gunn (Ravensworth) 3rd.

Our President, Mr L. A. Jones, was unable to attend owing to other commitments, but the Vice-President, Mr J. Wroath, kindly consented to present the President's Putter and other prizes. Our Chairman, Mr J. Simpson, thanked Mr Wroath and said how pleased he was to see such a large turn out for our Spring Competition, and a special welcome to our young Greenkeepers. We hope to see more at our Competitions and Meetings. Mr Simpson thanked the Committee of the City of Newcastle Golf Club for allowing us the use of the course, the Steward and Stewardess and Staff for a very enjoyable meal, Mr S. McRae, the Professional, for the use of the Caddy Cars, and again our thanks to Mr L. Lowery for attending to the cards.

New Members

We welcome to the Section the following new members George Gainford, 22 Lime Grove, Parkfield, Ryton-on-Tyne, Co. Durham, Duncan Blair, 3 Urpeth Hilltop, Beamish, Stanley, Co. Durham, Vice-President John McKenzie, Tulloch Ard, Ponteland Road, Blakelaw, Newcastle Upon Tyne, 5.

Vice-President Wroath I am sure you will join me in wishing the following all the best in their new appointments M. Hudson, who has been appointed Assistant Greenkeeper at Leicester Golf Club, and R. Robb as Professional Greenkeeper to Kirkcaldy Golf Club, Kirkcaldy, Scotland.

NORTH-WEST

By **H. M. Walsh**

Hon. Secretary:
78 Hadfield Street,
Oldham, Lancs.

Chairman:

D. PATE
(Royal Birkdale G.C.)

Spring Tournament

OUR SPRING TOURNAMENT WAS held at the Wallasey Golf Club on Thursday, 28th April. We thank the Captain and the Council most sincerely for the courtesy of the course and the facilities of the Club. Our thanks also to Mr Bridges and his staff for the wonderful condition of the course, to the Steward and Stewardess for the two excellent meals. We were very fortunate with the weather, it being both warm and sunny. We played nine holes in the morning and eighteen in the afternoon. In the afternoon our honorary members and visitors also played an 18-hole competition.

Our Prize list consisted of prizes and donations presented by the following The Wallasey Golf Club, The Ladies, Wallasey Golf Club, Mr W. Bridges, Mr H. Needham, Mr Hesford, Mr Bishop, Messrs Rigby Taylor Ltd., Sutton and Sons, Carters Tested Seed, Lunivale Products, W. Sowerbutts, Ltd., S.A.I. Edinburgh, W. Burrows Ltd., Fisons Ltd. (Horticulture), J. Peak & Co. Ltd., W. Wilcock & Son.

These were won by the following Scratch, G. Davey 118 (Tartan Rug), Best Score, J. Gillett 106½ (Rose Bowl and Umbrella), 2nd Best Score, G. Davey 107½ (President's Cup and Holdall), 3rd, T. Brennan 109 (Travelling Case), 4th, W. Sumner, 110 (Tankard), 5th, R. Janouskis 111½ (Tray), 6th, K. J. Gardiner 112 (Tankard), 7th, J. MacDonald 114 (Holdall), 8th, R. Fielding 114½ (Travelling Clock), 9th, K. Holmes 116 (Tankard), 10th, H. Smith 117½ (Travelling Clock), 11th, E. Macavoy 117½ (Watch), 12th, H. W. Walsh 118½ (Whisky), 13th, F. Halstead 119 (Mats), 14th, R. Hayhurst 119 (Token).

The Visitor's Prize was won by K. Gibson, Esq., with a net score (18 holes) of 73, a shirt.

We are indebted to Messrs W. Earnshaw, J. Wilcock and N. D. Barlow for their valuable help in marking and checking of cards, also the collection of moneys. The prizes were presented by the Captain, who said how pleased he and his council were to have us play on their course. The members of the Section showed their appreciation in the time-honoured manner.

Annual General Meeting

The A.G.M. was held at the Garrick Hotel, Fountain Street, Manchester, on Monday, 9th May.

The meeting opened with Mr D. Pete in the chair. He asked the members to stand in silence for a short time in memory of the late Mr T. Bridges and Mr H. Jackson.

The minutes for the last A.G.M. were read and confirmed. The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were also read and approved. The Chairman then gave his report and thanked all the members for their support during his term of office. He also thanked the Officers and Committee for their valuable support given wholeheartedly during the past twelve months.

Other items that came up were the trip to Atco's, Charles H. Pugh Ltd., Birmingham, which was a great success, the series of Winter Lectures and where the next annual trip was to be

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a suggestion that Mr R. Fielding and the Secretary should get together to see about visiting one of the Dunlop factories was carried.

A suggestion that the Section hold a Dinner and Dance some time in October or November was passed over to the Secretary for insertion in the Journal so that members could write to him with their views for or against—so come on and let me know how you feel as early as possible so that arrangements can be made if the support is strong enough.

Election of Officers

The election of officers was as follows: President, Mr W Kinsey, Chairman, Mr W Burgess, Vice-Chairman, Mr F Halstead, Secretary, Mr H. M. Walsh, Treasurer, Mr E. Macavoy

The Vice-Presidents were elected en bloc with the addition of Mr B. Ellis, who was unanimously elected a V.P. to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr T Bridges. There were seven nominations for the five vacancies on the Com-

mittee and the following were elected, Messrs W Earnshaw, W Bridges, D. Pate, O. P. Jones and M. Vizard. T Brennan and H. Needham did not seek re-election.

Congratulations to Mr J. Metcalf of Haydock Park Golf Club on completing 46 years as a Greenkeeper, also to wish him every happiness in his retirement. Also the honour afforded him and Mrs Metcalf by his Club in making them Honorary Life Members.

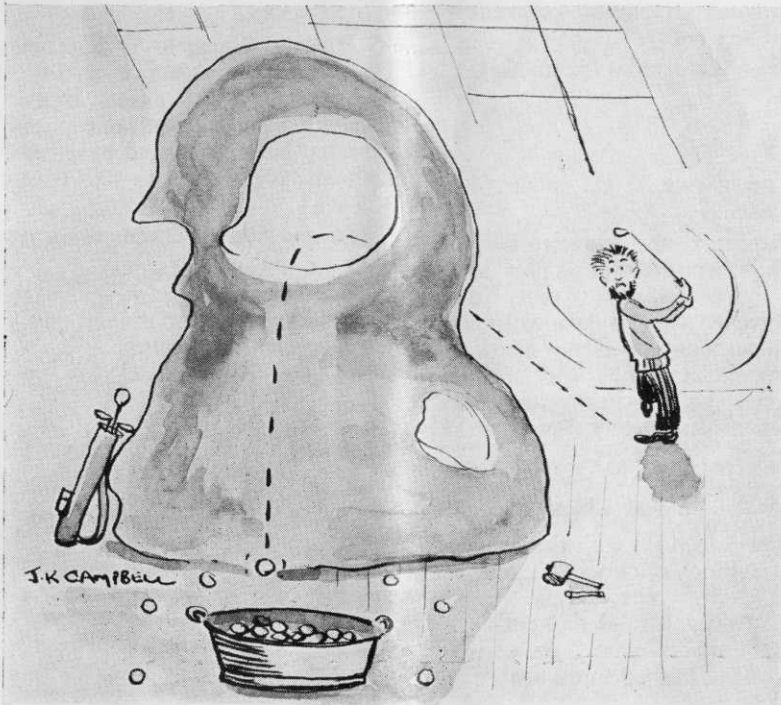
Autumn Tournament

Mr H. Needham invited us to play our Autumn Tournament at his course, Hazel Grove. I am happy to say I have now confirmed this with the Club and the date is 22nd September. Further details will be given in the Journal nearer the time.

If you have missed the Section notes for the last month you will find them with our friends' notes of the Welsh Section.

New Members

We welcome to the Section Mr J. H. Pearson of Bramhall Golf Club, Cheshire.



(Tee Shots contd. from page 3)

Kenya can be as green as the best of them given the right tippie (which happens to be water).

Their health, once Man leaves them alone, is good and the absence of heart, liver, and teeth gives them a clear lead over the obsolete mammal. The risk of social distinctions arising between the finer and the coarser grasses is not a serious one when one considers that the Bamboo would be one of the underdogs.

We can be sure that our present change is the one best fitted to take over where we leave off.

As a matter of fact, so far as you and I are concerned, it has taken over already

Mrs Greenkeeper's Own Corner

with Ann Mawson

I do hope I am not too late with this Elderflower Champagne recipe. You will require:—

1 gal. cold water, 2 large heads of Elderflower, 1½ lb. of sugar, 2 tablespoons of white vinegar, 2 lemons.

Pour the cold water over the Elderflower heads, sugar, vinegar and rind and juice of two lemons, stir well to dissolve the sugar; now leave for 24 hours. Bottle and cork it tightly (after straining it through a fine muslin cloth). It is very fizzy, and true to its name. Leave for 14 days, then it is ready.

Here are a few recipes for holidays and weekends.

Oat Crisps

4 oz. margarine, 3 oz. sugar, 5 oz. porridge oats.

Beat the marg. and sugar to a cream, then with a wooden spoon stir in the porridge oats. Spread evenly on a shallow greased tin. Bake until golden brown, in a moderate oven. Mark into squares or fingers while still hot, then leave to cool before turning out. This will keep for quite a long time in an airtight tin.

Chocolate Walnut and Cherry Delight

Line a swiss roll tin with tin foil, place on it a 4 oz. block of chocolate, melt in a very cool oven. Now spread the soft chocolate evenly all over the tin foil, leave to go cold. Cream 2 oz. of marg. with 2 oz. of sugar, add one beaten egg,

4 oz. coconut, 2 oz. cherries (chopped) 2 oz. walnuts (chopped), 1 oz. currants, 1 oz. sultanas; mix well. Spread this mixture over the cold chocolate and bake in a moderate oven until a pale golden—about 15 min. at No. 3. Leave to go cold and cut up into fingers.

Walnut and Date Cookies

3 oz. S.R. flower, 1 oz. fine semolina, 2 oz. butter or marg., 1½ oz. caster sugar, 2 oz. chopped dates, 2 oz. chopped walnuts, 1 egg.

Put the flour in a basin with the semolina, rub in the 2 oz. fat, add the sugar, dates and walnuts, mix stiff with the egg. Put heaped tablespoonful on a greased baking tin, and bake for 10 to 12 min. at No. Mark 6. or 400° F. electricity.

Date and Walnut Loaf to Butter

2 oz. chopped walnuts, 2 oz. chopped dates, 1 egg, 4 oz. sugar, ¾ lb. flour, heaped dessertspoonful baking powder, good pinch salt, ½ pint milk.

Beat the egg and sugar together for 5 min. Mix the flour with the baking powder and salt. Put them through a fine sieve. Mix the milk with the beaten egg and sugar, gradually add the sifted flour. When quite smooth stir in the chopped nuts and chopped dates. Turn into a hot "loaf" or oblong tin and bake at once.

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