

Lectures and Film Shows

Messrs Ransomes, through their Area Representatives, have in the past given lectures and film shows to our various branches throughout the Country.

They have recently made a new film entitled "Keep on the Grass", which has been directed of those responsible for maintaining all grass areas and will be of special interest to our Members.

They are now building up their Winter programme of lectures and film shows for the 1970/71 Season, and would be pleased to arrange a film show and lecture based around their new film. These lectures can be arranged in conjunction with their Area Representative and local Distributor.

Ransomes Appoint New Press Officer

Mr L. C. Howard (23) has been appointed Press Officer by Ransomes Sims & Jefferies Ltd., of Ipswich. He will be responsible to Mr W. D. Akester, Director-in-charge, Farm Machinery and Public Relations, for conducting the organisation's press relations, maintaining contact with the trade, technical and general press in editorial matters, arranging press conferences and other public relations functions.

Mr Howard, who was formerly Group Publicity Officer at Fisons Ltd., London headquarters, will also edit and produce Ransomes house journal — *Roundabout*.

Before joining Fisons in 1966 he worked for Bexford Ltd., of Brantham.

Educated at Woodbridge School, he is an associate of the Institute of Public Relations and a member of the British Association of Industrial Editors.

Les Howard took over his new post on 29th June and is moving his house from London to the East Anglian area.

Ffestiniog is to have a nine-hole golf course. The Secretary for Wales has approved an application to construct a course and clubhouse on Crown land above the village by Ffestiniog Golf Club steering committee.



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PENWORTHAM GOLF CLUB, Nr. Preston, Lancs., requires a fully experienced Head Greenkeeper to take complete charge of the well-maintained course. Salary by negotiation. Three-bedroomed semi available near the Club. Apply with full details in writing to A. L. Fryer, Penwortham Golf Club, Blundell Lane, Penwortham, Preston, Lancs.

ASSISTANT GREENKEEPER wanted by Bramley Golf Club, near Guildford. Age 25 to 40 years. Good position and prospects for the right man. No accommodation. Apply to the Secretary, Bramley Golf Club. Tel. No. Bramley 2696.

2nd GREENKEEPER REQUIRED for parkland course. Must be experienced in all branches of greenkeeping. Good salary, free modern accommodation on course. ALSO: A Greensman. No accommodation. Please apply in writing giving details of experience, age and present duties to: The Secretary, Ellesborough Golf Club, Butlers Cross, Nr. Aylesbury, BUCKS.

ASSISTANT HEAD GREENKEEPER required in London area. Accommodation available. Excellent prospects to take over two to three years. Full details of experience and references to the Secretary, Bush Hill Park Golf Club, Bush Hill, Winchmore Hill, N.21.

ASSISTANT GREENKEEPER required. Experienced man or youngster willing to learn. Apply: Secretary, Guildford Golf Club, High Path Road, Merrow, Guildford. Tel. No. Guildford 63941.

HEAD GREENKEEPER required. Accommodation available. Application with references to the Secretary, Fleetwood Golf Club, Princes Way, Fleetwood.

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obstruction" to the detriment of both.

Green staff are hard enough to come by in the country, in clubs near cities it is an even more serious problem. Some have resorted to placing course upkeep in the hands of contractors. I have had experience of this. It is but

natural that a firm under contract wish to get the job over as quickly as possible.

Neither farming, gardening or the care of a course can be done in a hurry. Whimsical as it may seem, a course or a links loses something when the personal touch, with its pride and intimate knowledge, is discarded.

Firemen stood by, ready to swill away poisonous and inflammable liquid, on Sunday, after a lorry carrying 19 tons of "Octel" ploughed through a wall on Mossley Road, Ashton-under-Lyme, and landed on its side on the golf course.

Play stopped on the sixth and seventh fairways of the golf course and the area was declared out of bounds for the rest of the day, because of possible dangers consequent upon the crash.

A suggestion that Lullingstone Golf Course be broken up into two nine-hole courses for the convenience of beginners appalled Mr Leslie Reeves at last week's meeting of the Estates Committee of Dartford Rural Council.

Mr Jones thought it would help beginners who found the full 18-holes too long, and also help ease congestion. By breaking the course into two nine-hole courses, more people could get round.