

duties. The women do not work on weekends or on school holidays. Since I have adequate schoolboy help during the summer months, the women fill the labour shortage that exists in early Spring and again in the Autumn. Working only six hours a day fits nicely into their home schedule as well. The women eat their sandwiches at the barn with the male employees but usually they are watching their diets and settle

for an apple or a can of beer. They use the same washroom we use but lock themselves in for privacy, they also keep the 'john' much cleaner than we did.

Transcribed from the Foreground: journal of the Hudson Valley Golf Course Superintendents' Association.

Food for thought gentlemen:
March isn't a bad time of year to review
FUTURE STAFFING REQUIREMENTS.

OUR THANKS TO THE NORTHERN SECTION FOR THIS CONTRIBUTION

WASHINGTON DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

HEAD GREENKEEPER

/COURSE CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISOR

NEW 18-HOLE GOLF COURSE

WASHINGTON NEW TOWN—TYNE AND WEAR

Construction of the new golf course in Washington is due to commence in the late Spring/early Summer of 1976.

The Corporation wishes to recruit an experienced Head Greenkeeper who will be responsible for course upkeep and maintenance once the course construction is complete.

The appointment will, however, be made in the near future to allow the Greenkeeper to act as Course Construction Supervisor and Adviser during the period of course construction.

The construction will be largely undertaken by contractors although certain aspects may be carried out by in-house labour. In the latter event the person appointed will be expected to organise, direct and supervise the work of this small labour force.

Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced Greenkeepers for the post described.

The salary will be by negotiation.

Generous fringe benefits are available including a free life assurance scheme. Resettlement grants, lodging allowance and assistance with removal expenses are payable in approved cases. Housing accommodation for rent may be available.

Application forms are available from the Administrative Officer, Washington Development Corporation, Usworth Hall, Stephenson, District 12, Washington, Tyne and Wear, NE37 3HS, (Tel: Washington 463591), and should be returned by 25th March, 1976.

**W. S. Holley,
General Manager.**

sored by Ransomes, and also the First British Turfgrass Symposium.

They are now assisting the executive of the B.G.G.A. with the planning of the Second International Golf Tournament and Turf Symposium, to be held at Walton Heath Golf Club in October, 1976.

The proposed training programme being planned by Mr. & Mrs. G. Richards of the Standing Conference for Golf Greenkeeping is also something in which Ransomes are interesting themselves as a means of providing training for golf club staff on every aspect of greenkeeping and in particular, the maintenance and full utilisation of mechanised equipment.

TORO IRRIGATION

IN a statement issued from Ringwood by Wright Rain Limited, pioneers of large-scale sprinkler irrigation in this country, it is announced that Wright Rain have relinquished their U.K. distributorship of Toro irrigation equipment. Commenting on the decision, Mr. Barney Toulson, Sales Manager said, "The majority of our business has al-

ways been in agricultural irrigation in which our experience is probably second to none. This change will enable us to concentrate all of our efforts into that sector of the market".

The Toro International Sales Company of Riverside, California are, as from January 1st this year, marketing and distributing their irrigation equipment from a base in Southern England.

Speaking of the change, Mr. Philip York, European Sales Manager, Toro said, "Although we are assuming the responsibilities for marketing our own products which are designed primarily for irrigating golf courses, sports grounds including all weather pitches, parkland and large gardens, we shall continue to sell through the existing dealer-installer network established under Wright Rain".

The network comprises Wright Rain Limited (Swainsthorpe branch) near Norwich, Pipecraft Limited of Cambridge, J. Wallis-Titt and Company Limited, Warminster, Wilts., E.A. Yates & Sons (Sandbach) Limited, Wakefield and J.R. Stutt Limited, Paisley, Scotland. Toro's U.K. office address is P.O. Box 2, Ringwood, Hampshire.

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