

## Ransomes Optional

### Extra Fittings

for

### Rotary Mowers



To conform to the new Safety Regulations as laid down by the Ministry of Agriculture for agricultural and horticultural employees which come into force on 1st July, 1964 Ransomes are now offering new attachments for their rotary mowers.

Where the Ministry regulations apply, a safety guard is offered for the "Typhoon Major" as an optional extra which is so designed that it does not in any way restrict the versatility of this popular machine.

This guard retails at 16/-d., fitting extra.

In the case of the "Multimower" Rotacutter, guards and other safety fittings are available for existing machines on application from Ransomes Sales and Service Distributors or direct from Ransomes at Ipswich.

Future production of "Multimowers" fitted with Rotacutter heads will incorporate guards etc., to conform with Ministry regulations.

It is emphasised that these regulations apply only when agricultural and horticultural employees are using the machines.

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## MR. W. WRIGLEY

It is with the deepest regret that we have heard from the Directors of The Yorkshire Herald Newspaper Co. Limited, printers of this magazine, of the death on 17th June, 1964, of Mr. W. Wrigley, Director and General Printing Manager, following a short illness.

Mr. Wrigley joined the company 34 years ago as Manager of the Herald

Printing Works and subsequently was appointed to the Board of Directors.

He was held in the highest esteem by all who knew him, and his capacity for hard work made a significant contribution, over the years, to the expansion and success of the Company.

Mr. Wrigley leaves a widow, to whom we offer our deepest sympathy in her sad loss.

## FROM ABROAD

4th June, 1964.

18th June, 1964.

Dear Sirs,

The English King Edward the VIIth, who was in our spa Marianske Lazne/Marienbad in Czechoslovakia for several seasons under medical treatment, gave in 1904 an impulse for the establishment of a golf course here.

Till the beginning of the Second World War the golf course was kept by experts from England. From the year 1939 the golf course is maintained by employees of the town, but the condition does not correspond to the average of a good English golf course as we have not the necessary experience.

The golf course is visited by foreigners, in 1963 by an English team, Silver Wing Club, London.

The obtaining the necessary experience our municipal technical service of Marianske Lazne intends to sent to England, an employee, who would be employed on one of the English golf courses for one month as an assistant greenkeeper for normal salary, from which he would be able to pay his stay in England. Please let us know if this is possible in this season through the intermediary of your Union.

For the year 1965 we should like to realise an interchange of employees, so that one English greenkeeper would be employed on the golf course in Marianske Lazne, and one Czech in England.

We should be very obliged to you for an answer by the return of post if such interchange would be possible, which kindly address to:

SPA-MANAGEMENT,  
Marianske Lazne,  
Mr. Jan Sperl,  
Czechoslovakia.

(Anyone interested please write to Mr. Dix.)

Mr. B. M. Wood, F.C.I.S.  
Hon. Secretary,  
The Joint Council for Golf Greenkeeping  
Apprenticeship,  
St. Ives Research Station,  
Bingley, Yorkshire, England.

Dear Mr. Wood,

Thank you for your recent release regarding the first annual meeting of The Joint Council for Golf Greenkeeper Apprenticeship, recently held in Bingley, Yorkshire.

It is interesting to note the good work you are doing in encouraging young men to enter this ever widening profession. In North America, the game of golf is growing far more rapidly than there are golf courses and men to maintain them. Also, in recent years the science of golf course management has advanced rapidly. Higher maintenance standards are demanded, and thus the superintendent must be a better grass technologist, a more astute business manager and keener public relations expert. Few vocations offer more challenge and more opportunity.

The Golf Course Superintendents' Association of America is devoted to these men—golf course superintendents. In this advancing age of specialisation, we feel this term is more applicable than "greenkeeper", and our Association is constantly striving to bring the image of the superintendent to the professional level it so well deserves.

Our official publication, "The Golf Course Reporter", is the world's leading journal on turf-grass science and golf course maintenance. Since your Council's work is so closely connected to ours, we are most pleased to add your name to receive "The Reporter" complimentary each month. It is hoped you will continue to send to us your releases concerning the good efforts of the Council.

Sincerely,  
GENE C. NUTTER,  
Executive Director and Editor.

## News and Notes

The moulded plastic golf club head, introduced last summer by Formica Limited, has been undergoing stringent tests on courses all over the country and first reports indicate that the new head will more than justify the claims to revolutionise golfing equipment.

Typical of the many Professionals who have been trying the head is Jack Davies, of the West Essex Golf Club, at Chingford. Jack Davies has been a Club Professional for over forty years and has seen fads come and go since he came to the West Essex in the 1920's after serving in France during the Great War. However, he recently won the Alliance Competition using a FORMICA plastic headed club, playing against men half his age, and he is enthusiastic about it.

### Golf Course Plan for Blackwell Grange

Darlington Development Committee consider that part of Blackwell Grange may be used as a nine-hole municipal golf course.

Land on the Grange has already been allocated for "executive" Council housing.

Mr. G. S. Short, the Borough Surveyor, may be asked to report on the possibility of further residential development—and the provision of the golf course.

### Mayor Opens Municipal Golf Course

The nine-hole miniature golf course in Abington Park, Northampton, was given a civic send-off last month by the Mayor of Northampton, Councillor George Hackett. Watched by members of the Estates Committee and Corporation officials, he opened the course by teeing off at the first hole of 65 yards with a left-handed iron. Afterwards, other members of the council and officials went round the undulating £2,000 course.

The charge for golfers using their own equipment is 2s. 6d. a round and those borrowing kit from the Corporation 5s.

West Essex is an average sized club, with 93 acres of grounds and a membership of about 500, approximately 50 per cent of whom play regularly. During the past few months, Jack Davies' club with a FORMICA plastic head has been handled by all and sundry, not all of them experts, and it has stood up to at least four rounds a week for six months as well as to early morning practice, yet a short session on the buffer was all that was needed for it to pass as brand new. No persimmon head on the market today could equal such a record. The Club members, having once overcome an understandable suspicion of 'plastics' have been unanimous in their praise of the new head as the next logical step in golfing development, and several have already ordered new clubs for themselves.

The great advantage of the plastic over traditional persimmon wood is that it has no grain and therefore cannot split, nor will it chip or crack, yet it can be drilled, bored and reamed to the most exacting requirements. FORMICA moulded heads are available as a block or ready for individual professional finishing, as well as on standard clubs retailed by several leading manufacturers. These heads are made at Formica Limited's Sports Goods Unit at Glenrothes, in Scotland, where the Company also manufacture the popular range of plastic golfing accessories, including shaft caps, ferrules, faces and tees.

### Plan For New Sidmouth Golf Course Backed

The Manor Estates Committee has recommended Sidmouth Urban Council to explore the possibility of constructing a golf course on Muttersmoor.

Mr. F. A. C. Pinney said at last month's Council meeting that if such a scheme did mature it would help Sidmouth to compete with the attractions of holidays abroad.

New

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(Chairman).*

Messrs. Sutton & Sons Ltd., of Reading announce the appointment of Mr. Douglas Collins as a working Director at the Royal Seed Establishment at Reading.

Mr. Collins, who founded the Goya perfume business and was formerly Chairman of British Lion Films Limited, will remain a Director of Goya and of Universal News Services.

In announcing Mr. Collins' appointment, Messrs. Sutton's add that they are now looking for opportunities to work with new or established businesses in the field of gardening or agriculture, and will welcome any suggestions for expanding their extensive facilities at Reading and giving still more scope to their national sales organisation.

## **DRIVING RANGES**

### **Floodlit "School" for York Golfers**

A floodlit driving range is proposed for York.

Gallery Golf Ltd., a company of West Riding business executives, has applied for planning permission for a 14-acre site about two miles from the city centre.

### **Witton Park Golf Plans Advance**

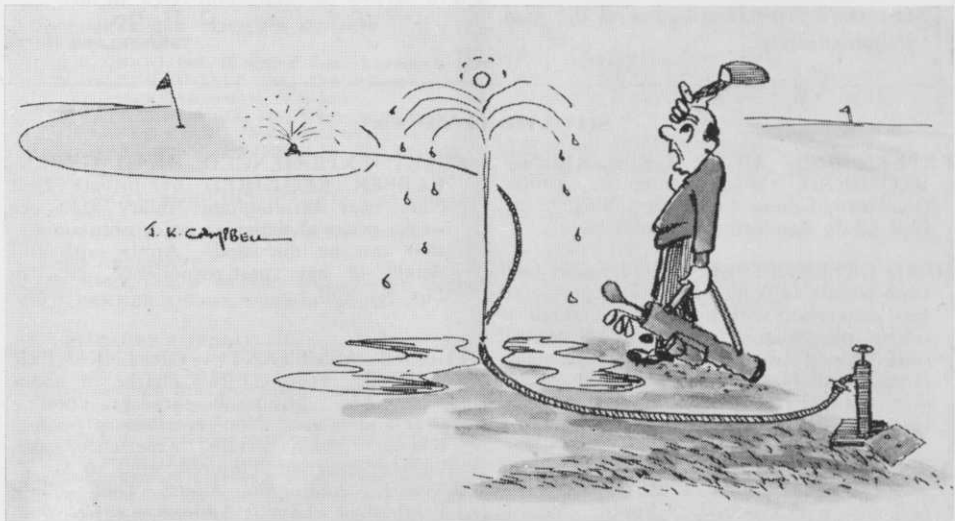
Moves to establish a £30,000 golf centre and driving range in Witton Park, Blackburn, have advanced a stage further.

The Parks Committee is recommending the Council to take up an offer by a company to build the range at the Tower Road end of the park.

## MIDLAND SECTION VERSUS PRESIDENT'S TEAM

Twenty-two players on each side turned out on a fine summer evening at Handsworth Golf Club on Thursday, 25th June. Many well known figures on the playing and greenkeeping sides of Midland golf supported the President. We only have time for the bare results in this issue. Mr. Cashmore will be reporting the event and the supper afterwards in our August number.

<i>President's Team</i>		<i>Greenkeepers' Team</i>	
H. J. Roberts and A. W. Pullar	$\frac{1}{2}$	G. Woodward and E. Benbow	$\frac{1}{2}$
G. L. W. Whitworth and R. Hiatt, 1 up	1	R. Pugh and L. Jones	0
G. J. Mitchley and R. W. Bailey, 3 and 2	1	W. Barton and R. Goodwin	0
G. Stubbings and Dr. H. G. F. Mitchell	$\frac{1}{2}$	H. Drewitt and A. Hastilow	$\frac{1}{2}$
E. Moggs Wright and T. R. Hodgetts, 3 and 2	1	L. Greenow and J. Grealy	0
R. J. M. Baldwin and W. N. Dudley Evans	$\frac{1}{2}$	W. Handy and G. Geddes	$\frac{1}{2}$
C. J. Withers and J. P. Richards, 4 and 3	1	A. Stephens and B. Baxter	0
C. W. Gold and C. C. Moore	$\frac{1}{2}$	V. Smith and A. Boraston	$\frac{1}{2}$
S. E. W. Cooper and W. Leslie Jones, 1 up	1	B. Powell and D. Haynes	0
L. Wheeler and J. Onlon, 1 up	1	A. Willetts and G. Fox	0
J. W. R. Robinson and H. E. W. Whitehead	0	R. Parker and E. Ballinger, 3 and 2	1
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## WESTON-SUPER-MARE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Forty-seventh Annual General Meeting of the British Golf Greenkeepers' Association will be held at the Weston-super-Mare Golf Club, Weston-super-Mare, on Monday, 10th August, 1964, commencing at 2-30 p.m.

Notice of Resolutions must be sent in writing to the Honorary Secretary TWENTY-ONE DAYS before the date of the meeting. Under Rule 29, Proxies may be voted at all General Meetings. A Form of Proxy may be obtained from the Honorary Secretary and returned not later than FIRST post on Wednesday, 5th August.

### The Annual Tournament

THE FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL GOLF Tournament will be held at the Weston-super-Mare Golf Club, Weston-super-Mare, on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 10th, 11th and 12th August, 1964. Entry Forms appeared in the June issue of the Journal.

### Programme

Monday, 10th August.

Morning—18 Holes Stableford.

Afternoon—Annual General Meeting, 2-30 p.m.

Tuesday, 11th August.

36 Holes.

“News of the World” Cup (Scratch).

Senior Division (Plus to 11).

Junior Division (12 to 24).

The Artisan Medal.

The Jubilee Cup (Team Prize off Handicap).

The Coming of Age Cup.

Wednesday, 12th August.

Morning—18 Holes Medal Competition.

Afternoon—Prize Distribution at 3-0 p.m. (approximately).

## HON. SECRETARY'S NOTES



### Handicaps

Section Secretaries will be asked to verify the handicaps of all competitors from their records before the Tournament. All Handicaps and revisions must be based on the National Golf Unions' handicapping system.

A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE Committee will be held at the Weston-super-Mare Golf Club, Weston-super-Mare, on SUNDAY, 9th AUGUST, 1964, at approximately 5-0 p.m.

May I remind holders of trophies from last year's Tournament, who are not taking part this year, to ensure that these are returned to Weston-super-Mare Golf Club, Weston-super-Mare, before 8th August.

### Annual Draw

May I remind members that all counterfoils and monies should be returned to their own Section Secretary and NOT to me.

C. H. Dix,  
*Hon. Secretary.*

## SITUATIONS VACANT

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