

Hillendale Member Gives Suggestions for Speeding Play

Bill Hunt, a member of the golf committee of Hillendale CC, Ithaca, N. Y., where Bill Clarke is pro, became so perturbed about slow play at his course that he sat down and wrote a pamphlet about it, suggesting ways that the pace could be stepped up. In his treatise, "Golf Can Be Fun — If . . . ", Hunt pointed out that it now takes golfers one hour and 15 minutes longer to play Hillendale than it did before World War II even though the course is the same length as it was then. The aggravating thing is that most golfers don't know what causes the slow pace, not realizing that it is largely because a majority of them aren't ready to play when it is their turn.

To speed the game along, Hunt makes these suggestions:

Watch every ball until it comes to rest so it can be found easier;

If a caddie is carrying double, don't make him criss-cross the fairway to deliver your clubs — take the club or clubs you'll need if your partner gets into trouble:

Don't distract others in your foursome

when they are about to hit;

Don't purposely stall for time by going through a lot of waggling motions;

Replace your own divots when the caddie is carrying double;

Think out your next shot as far ahead as possible;

Line up putts and remove loose impediment as far ahead as possible;

Don't ask others to mark and lift unless it's necessary;

Keep up with the group ahead — just don't try to keep in front of the group behind.

Ohio State Turf School

College of Agriculture at Ohio State University is starting a course in turf management, according to Kenneth L. Bader, asst. professor. It also is planned to expand turf research work in the Columbus and southern Ohio area.

U.S.D.A. Field Day

Turf field day of the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture will be held on Aug. 1 at the plant industry station in Beltsville, Md.