Appointment of H. L. Westover

At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee of the United States Golf Association Green Section, Mr. H. L. Westover, of the Office of Forage Crop Investigations, United States Department of Agriculture, was appointed Acting Chairman of the Green Section until Dr. Oakley’s return to duty in Washington. For several years Mr. Westover has been closely associated with Dr. Oakley in Department of Agriculture affairs as well as in the experimental work of the Green Section. His name is already familiar to readers of THE BULLETIN.

Working Instructions for the Maintenance Staff*

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The working force of any organization is continually subject to change and new recruits require a certain amount of training before the superintendent can leave them at their tasks with confidence that the work is going forward smoothly and efficiently. The following general orders should be understood and adhered to by the maintenance staff:

General

1. Remember that the players are the first consideration on the course. Be on the alert at all times in case a match may come up unexpectedly and your work or position interferes with play.
2. Do not stop work unnecessarily to watch the play. Members are liable to report such matters to the Green Committee.
3. Always gather up loose papers, sticks, rubbish, etc., that the course may be kept in a clean, tidy condition at all times.
4. Replace divots inadvertently left by the player.
5. Never leave wheelbarrow or tools in an exposed position, and on no account leave tools lying in bunkers.
6. Report to the greenkeeper at the first opportunity anything unusual that has come to your notice, such as broken fences, flag sticks, hoof marks, washouts, etc.
7. Answer all questions from players civilly and concisely.

INSTRUCTIONS TO GREENSMEN

Mowing Greens

1. Do not touch adjustment on mower; report immediately to greenkeeper if machine is not working properly.
2. Keep mower well oiled, but not too much, as drippings from machine will make dead spots in grass. Always wheel the mower to back and off green to oil it and leave oil can in a place where it will not harm the grass if knocked over.
3. Outline green by circling twice. This is to give a clean-cut border.
4. Strike a swath through center of green at a different angle from previous day’s cut. Finish one-half from center to border in straight, even cuts from edge to edge, then repeat with other side. Be careful not to scar in turning at the ends.

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