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F. W. BERK & CO. LTD.
Stand 54

The Stand of F. W. Berk & Co. Ltd., which this year occupies an open, island position, will feature three entirely new products—a Turf Fungicide, and two types of Turf Weedkiller—in addition to displaying the established range of turf treatments, pest killers and plastic hoses. A technical competition will be run which can be entered on site and for which there will be a prize of £50.

applied when symptoms appear in the case of Dollar Spot. Healthy grass growth should be maintained through the spring and summer in order to assist in obtaining complete control, but vigorous autumn growth should be avoided as this is a condition which encourages Fusarium Patch.

A major feature of this new fungicide is its very low cost. One 1 lb. tin is sufficient to treat an average golf green of 600 square yards and costs only 13s. 6d. It can be dissolved for application in liquid form at the rate of 1 oz./2 gallons/40 sq. yds., or can be applied dry, mixed with sand or finely divided soil at the rate of 1 oz./14 lbs./40 sq. yds. A detailed information sheet on Berk Turf Fungicide will be available on the Stand.



The Turf Fungicide contains the equivalent of 2½% Mercury, and gives excellent control of Fusarium Patch (*F. nivale*) and Dollar Spot (*Sclerotinia Homeocarpa*). Treatment of the turf for Fusarium should be in the form of monthly applications of Berk Fungicide, starting in April and continuing to mid-summer, and re-starting in late August until late October. The Fungicide is

The two Turf Weedkillers are further additions to the already comprehensive range of Berk Turf treatment. The "Super" version is based on C.M.M.P.—Mecoprop—and controls clover, yarrow, pearlwort and other deep rooted and persistent weeds, including daisies and plantains. One gallon treats 3,200 sq. yds. for 52s. 6d. "Standard" is

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based on 2.4D selective hormone weed-killer, and controls most shallow rooted and broad leaved weeds. One gallon treats 6,400 sq. yds. for 31s. 6d.

Berk will be showing their complete range of mercury based Moss Control Compounds. Mercurised Turf Sand, for application in spring and summer, kills moss and weeds and stimulates grass growth, especially over bare patches. Moss Killer contains no grass stimulant, but gives an immediate control of moss. It is therefore the ideal autumn treatment, although it may be applied at any time of year. Moss Eradicant controls the following crop of moss without destroying the present growth, thus leaving no bare patches. Berk also supply Lawn Sand which is not a mercurised preparation, but which does inhibit moss and broad leaved weeds and is an efficient fertiliser and conditioner.

“Thrive”—recently acquired by Berk—is an organic based all-purpose fertiliser for use throughout the growing season. It is in pellet form, and therefore clean to handle and easy to apply. It is available in bags of 14 lb., 28 lb., and 56 lb.

Berk Chlordane Wormkiller, is available in either liquid or granular form. It kills worms, leather jackets, ants and chafer grubs underground, and so no sweeping up is required. It should be applied in the warm showery weather of autumn and spring when worms are most active. The granular version is

particularly suited to areas where the sward is very thick, such as on golf and bowling greens. It has been noted in some instances with a thick sward that the grains tend to lie on or near the soil, whereas the liquid droplets may remain on the blades of grass and the chlordane evaporate before having a chance to be effective.

Tricoflex is a plastic hose of unusual strength. It is really flexible, resistant to scuffing and abrasion, and tested to a maximum working pressure of 100 lbs./sq. in. The strength is derived from its triple construction: a knitted synthetic fibre reinforcing jacket lying between inner and outer plastic layers. Three bores are available—15 mm., 20 mm., and 25 mm. (approx. $\frac{1}{2}$ ", $\frac{3}{4}$ ", 1").

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PERISCOPE FOR GOLF COURSE

A Periscope has been installed on the dog-legged eighth hole at Hillsborough Golf Club, Sheffield, so that golfers can avoid hitting one another with their drives. A rise in the ground obscures vision from the tee.

Now golfers can look through the 3 ft. long periscope mounted on a 5 ft. pole.

Mr J. Shanks, professional at this club for nearly 35 years, said: “It’s the first permanent periscope I have seen on a course. There should be no need to shout ‘fore’ in future”.