NEWS ITEMS...

The Horticultural Department of The Cannock Agricultural Co., Limited announce that their Mr Colin S. Murphy will now cover the south western counties of England in addition to his existing South Wales area.

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Mr F. G. Catchpole, General Sales Manager for Ransomes grass machinery division, has just returned from a successful ten day tour of South Africa where he has been attending demonstrations of the machinery and having discussions with distributors.

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The revolutionary Flymo 15 in. Electric air-cushion lawnmower—the only machine of its type in the world—has received a “Blue Ribbon” Award at the Daily Mail’s 1970 Ideal Home Exhibition.

The award was made to the Flymo 15 in. Electric as being one of the best new products exhibited at the exhibition for the first time (March 3-30).

With the exception of the electric motor, entire manufacture of the new mower is undertaken at the Flymo factory.

The Flymo 15 in. Electric is the latest air-cushion mower in the “Flymo Family of Five” manufactured in Darlington, Co. Durham. Other mowers in the Flymo range are the Flymo 19 in. Domestic and Professional models, and the Flymo 19 in. and 21 in. Contractors. All of them are included in the Design Index.

Sea Views Trap the Golfer in Bermuda

Golf balls can go astray in a number of ways at the Mid-Ocean Club in Bermuda. Cyril Wainwright, the club’s burly caddy-master, recalls a memorable drive made by an English admiral. The ball flew through the window of a cottage on a hill above the fairway.

A minute later, the wife of Mid-Ocean’s greenkeeper appeared at the entrance to the cottage brandishing a frying-pan in which the ball was resting comfortably atop her husband’s breakfast bacon.

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the morning. They ask for a call at 5.00 a.m. Another short night.

Returning to the airfield after breakfast, you find without surprise that the 5.00 a.m. party is still waiting. At 11.00 a.m. you leave them and walk up a ramp into the nose of a flying cathedral containing mailbags, films, crates, one 5-ton truck, two tractors and, in the organ loft, a crew who take it all up in the air. Two hours later they put it all down again at Ankara. They go right round the world doing this and call themselves MATS.

Your reserved room has been taken but you get in at another hotel. The Base Civil Engineer will be round to see you at once. He arrives at 6.00 p.m. and rushes you through traffic which is progressing by a series of U-turns. As you reach the site, night falls.

Robert Lynd said, “It is impossible to remember what a tragic place the world is when playing golf”. He was no doubt thinking of the chap who planned the course.

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