between jobs. The unit compacts to 8 ft. in width for easy road travel and garaging.

The hydraulic system enables the unit to slim down to pass through narrow areas and disengages the mowers for road transport in less than a minute.

To meet the requirements of any surface the tractor operates four forward gears and reverse. The unit utilises Toro Spartan six-blade gang mowers (30 in. x 8½ in. diameter) for use on formal and semi-formal turf areas and Toro heavy-duty four-blade Roughmaster gang mowers (30 in. x 10 in. diameter) for “control mowing” of limited care turf areas. All the blades are specially designed and highly engineered for rugged performance and low maintenance requirements.

Other special features include a turning radius of 7 ft. 3 in., a 2:1 hill operation capacity, a facility for adjusting the ground pressure of the wheels and rear rollers and hydraulic brakes.

The hydraulic control at the driver’s elbow, power steering and maximum seat comfort ensure minimum driver fatigue for long operations.

LATEST NEW ZEALAND MOWER JOINS FLYMO RANGE

A rugged, 28 in. power-driven rotary mower for heavy-duty grass application, the Roughmaster 28 is the latest model in the Morrison range of turf care equipment available through the Institutional Division of Flymo Limited of Watford.

Designed to meet a wide variety of grass conditions, the Roughmaster 28 incorporates several unique design features coupling power with manoeuvrability.

The robust traction-drive New Zealand machine is fitted with a floating cutting head which pivots to follow contours in close-cutting operations and reduce unsightly scalping. Removable side skids which guide the floating head also help prevent turf damage and provide easy over-edge cutting. In rough cutting, the side skids are fixed to their brackets in a reverse position which makes them inoperative. Inset rear wheels ensure accurate over-edge cutting.

An unique principle of smooth-based orbital discs, which are an additional feature and interchangeable with the two front castor wheels used in normal operations, provide a rotating slide movement for the front of the machine enabling easy operation over uneven ground.

Particularly suitable for use in parks and reserves, road verges, golf courses and other similar areas, the Roughmaster 28 is versatile and easy to operate for lengthy periods.

The mower’s powerful 7 h.p. Tecumseh engine, designed for continuous heavyweight performance, drives through a completely enclosed trans-axle at three forward speeds and reverse, with a top forward speed of 4½ m.p.h.

The combination of manoeuvrability, range of speeds and the choice of cutting heights from ¼ in. to 3½ in. give the machine exceptional versatility. An important safety feature is the arrangement of the cutter drive mechanism which automatically places a brake on the revolving cutter when the cutter drive is disengaged.

Weighing 290 lb. and measuring 72 in. x 32 in. with a wheel base of 26 in., the machine can be fitted with a trailer seat for a driver-operator for continuous cutting.

The 16 in. diameter pneumatic tyres give positive drive and safety on slopes. The cutter bar is fully enclosed in its housing.

Witham Council is supporting Braintree and District Golf Club by making representations to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government over the Ministry’s refusal to make loan sanction for £35,000 for construction of the golf course at Stisted.

The Ministry previously granted loan sanction of £25,000 for purchase of the land.
P.G.A. TOURNAMENTS 1971

Free Entry for B.G.G.A. Members

Members will be pleased to learn that the P.G.A. have very kindly granted facilities for the free entry to most professional tournaments next year. Major John Bywaters, M.B.E., P.G.A. Secretary, has written as follows:—

"At a meeting of the Committee recently I read your letter of 31st July concerning the British Golf Greenkeepers' Association members coming to P.G.A. tournaments. The simple answer is that we shall be delighted to see them.

As you may or may not know, whereas at the majority of the tournaments there is free access to P.G.A. members, this is not always the case and so your own members would be bound by the same conditions as ours. Accordingly your members will be welcome to some 95 per cent of the events although I cannot guarantee that every single tournament of the year will be open to them."

Commissionaires and gatekeepers at these events will have authority to admit members of the Association who produce current membership.

Members will be very grateful for this friendly action.

Scottish Golf Union Member Clubs will be paying 4s for each male member next year instead of 2s 6d but golf clubs without their own courses will still only pay the annual affiliation fee of 4 guineas.

Plans are now completed for a new 18-hole course at Blaris, near Lisburn, Co. Antrim. This will replace the present 9-hole course and should be ready for play in summer 1972.
each, 36; 3rd, A. Jones and E. West (Broadstone "C"), bottle of wine and one golf ball each, 35.

**Afternoon Round**

1st, S. McDonald and R. Plain (Beaconsfield), carving sets, 32 points; 2nd, P. Pearson and E. Townsend (Peacehaven), sports shirts, 31; 3rd, (Guests) Mr E. Fletcher and Capt. R. Stone, bottle of wine and one golf ball each, 28.

Two bottles of champagne and four golf balls were to be the prize for a hole-in-one but as these were not won they were auctioned during the evening.

We were delighted to see our President, Mr J. H. Fry, compete and although he didn't manage to be among the prize winners he surely must qualify for the most courageous competitor in completing 36 holes so soon after his illness.

Our first meeting will soon be upon us —6th October. This will be as a general discussion for future section functions and activities. Our President has donated a beautiful silver trophy to be competed for in a summer tournament to be known as "The President's Cup".

Mr Roffey of Bournemouth has also donated a trophy to be competed for in the handicap section of the Spring Championship. The "Tregunna" trophy will be awarded to the winning scratch score—this will be our Section Champion.

**New Member**

We welcome to the section Mr E. Townsend of the Peacehaven G.C.

Golfers may not have to pay 4d for a scorecard when they go along to Portsmouth's Municipal Course in the future.

The city's Parks and Entertainments Committee may drop the charge after being told that many people think the 10s per round charge is high enough without having to buy a card as well.

The New Forest Rural District Council were told at their meeting that over 90 acres of land forming the Greatwood and Manor Home Farms, Bramshott Hill, Dibden, had been purchased for a golf course.

Rochdale Highways Committee has decided not to recommend the closure of a section of public footpath at "The Racecourse"—the path which leads from Bag slate Moor Road to Broadhalgh Avenue. This closure was suggested by Rochdale Golf Club.

The Greater London Council has approved the construction of an 18-hole public golf course at Cockfosters. It will be on 140 acres of land on the Trent Park Estate. The council, following the recommendation of their arts and recreation committee, have accepted an offer by Mr H. Stovin to develop a golf course and build a clubhouse in return for a 42-year lease at a rental of £5 until the course is opened to the public which is expected to be some time in 1972.