

## Deckson Range for Parkers

John Deck & Sons of Smithfield, Australia, announce the appointment of Messrs. T. Parker & Sons (Turf Management) Ltd., as the United Kingdom Concessionaire for the Deckson Range of Mowing Machinery.

Parkers advise that initially they will confine imports to three machines but in due course other models will be added to the range being offered.

The Deckson Heavy Duty 22" Rotary Mower is fitted with a 5 h.p. 4-stroke engine offering ample power for any grass cutting operation. The engine is fitted with an easy spin recoil starter. To aid manoeuvrability and ease of operation the machine is mounted on 8" dia. wheels fitted with double ball races. The mower has a reinforced chassis on to which are fitted 1" dia. 16 gauge chromium adjustable handles. The machine has a single point height adjuster giving positive adjustment between zero and 2½". Cutting width is 22"; the Deckson Mustang Self Propelled Mower, 26" Cut, employs the patent Deckson Drive, forward and reverse. The drive is obtained by the simple movement of a special cone against the machined surfaces of discs. When the cone makes contact with one disc forward drive is obtained, when the other cone is moved to the other disc reverse drive is obtained. The material used for the cone has been developed to withstand a tremendous amount of abuse without appreciable wear and tear. The pressure applied to the cone may be varied by the operating lever as fitted so as to give full or partial engagement (thus permitting slipping). The degree of slip will depend on the pressure applied to the operating lever. Therefore, the ground speed of the mower can easily be regulated

from zero to full speed without altering the speed of the cutting disc. This permits the mower to cope with varying conditions of grass growth.

The Mustang 26" Rotary is fitted with an 8 h.p. 4-stroke engine with easy spin recoil start and will tackle the longest and toughest growth. The machine is extremely robust in construction and is mounted on puncture-proof types, all wheels having double ball races. Saving in time to the operator using this machine is helped by virtue of the fact that the design disposes of the need for a conventional gear box and has instant forward and reverse traverse.

The Deckson Professional Standard Mini Tractor, powered by 7 h.p. or 8 h.p. 4-stroke engines, is available with easy spin recoil starting or electric starting (optional extra) and is supplied fitted with a 28" Rotary cutter. The tractor has complete manoeuvrability with hand lever selection for instant forward and reverse without any grating of gears. The Deckson patent drive referred to previously is employed on this unit. The tractor offers a clear view of mowing with the engine rear-mounted. The tractor is extremely stable on slopes, having a low centre of gravity with the operator's seat being only 19½" above ground level. The tractor fits large 7½" wide rear tyres which give positive traction. Safety is an inbuilt factor of the Deckson and the tractor has a parking brake. The 28" Rotary cutter offers a fully floating action thereby reducing scalping to an absolute minimum. The machine has instant height of cut adjustment zero to 3½" by lever control. The same lever in safety overlock disengages the belt drive and applies to the cutter head which is always in correct tension and never requires adjustment.