NEWS from the MANUFACTURERS

WILSON'S STRATA-BLOC HEAD

The beginning and end in the process of manufacturing a golf club head from the new strata-bloc material. Beneath the finished product may be seen the head as it is first turned.

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**O. E. LINCK CO., INC.**—Feature of exhibit will be TAT Solicide and TAT C-Lect, water soluble mercurials for fungus and crabgrass control and TAT Mo-go (mole-gopher) thallium sulphate composition, odorless and tasteless control for moles and other rodents. Mr. William E. Zimmerman and distributor representatives will be on hand to discuss products.

**SWIFT & COMPANY**—Mr. W. E. Smith, D. D. Reichert, and W. H. Leathers will attend to explain to greenkeepers Swift's service to golf courses and supply any technical information they may require on the proper use of Vigoro, EndoWeed and other plant food products.

**NEW 2, 4-D FORMULATION**—The Dow Chemical Company has announced the development of a new, higher acid equivalent and faster dissolving 2,4-D Dow Weed Killer (Sodium Salt of 2,4-D). Developed during

![New 2,4-D Dow Weed Killer Powder](image)

the 1947 season, this new formulation contains 95% monohydrated sodium salt of dichlorophenoxyacetic acid which is equivalent to 80.5% acid as against the previously offered Dow formulation of 70% 2,4-D acid equivalent. Solubility in water

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Brand Names Honors Louisville Slugger Bats

Hillerich & Bradsby Co. of Louisville, makers of Grand Slam and Powerbilt golf clubs, was recently awarded the Certificate of Public Service by Brand Names Foundation in recognition of the brand name “Louisville Slugger,” which identifies the baseball and softball bats produced by the company. The Brand Names Foundation is a national organization devoted to the promotion and preservation of “branded” merchandise which has proved itself worthy of public acceptance through 50 or more continuous years of dependable service. L. W. Goessling, vp, Hillerich & Bradsby attended the ceremonies and received the award for his firm.

PORTABLE PRO SHOP

Vic Soltz, pro at Edgewood Valley CC, (Chicago dist.) had this portable pro shop constructed to his design and has it at the first tee on Saturdays, Sundays, holidays and other days of big play.

Soltz has an indoor pro shop that is very attractive and well stocked and from that excellent operation gets all the business that normally could be expected in taking care of his members and their guests. But this added convenience of the well displayed stock at the first tee got Vic a great deal of extra business last year. He says, “You wouldn’t believe how much golf merchandise golfers need when they arrive at the first tee.”
Newly Designed Golf Club Grip
Made of Compounded Rubber

A new Golf-Pride inner-locking grip made of especially compounded rubber cured-on to the steel shaft to last a lifetime, is an innovation for American golfers which has been devised and patented by James A. Karns, engineer and designer for the Westgate Rubber Co., Akron, Ohio. 342 separate fins graduated symmetrically and running in a horizontal position down the shaft are reinforced by six vertical moulded ridges which combine to create an element of friction that will not slip under any circumstances and yet is kind to milady's tender palms.

The grips, in small, medium and large sizes can be tailor-made to fit the hands of any golfer. Utilizing the same principle as is used in the manufacture of tires, the pre-treated steel shaft (which guarantees perfect adhesion of rubber to metal) is placed in a mold under pressure. When the heat is applied, the rubber flows into every tiny mold fin to guarantee true register on the shaft.

After the “cure” is complete, the club is removed from the mold with the hard rubber butt button permanently locked in place. All that is required for the finished product is light, high-speed buffing to remove the overflow rubber ridges.

By new compounding methods, pre-determined weight for perfect balance on club sets is no longer a theoretical selling point but has now become a reality. By the same token, the lightweight grip makes possible a grip of larger diameter for golfers with large hands without the deadly increase of weight. This means that the “club head feel,” designed into the club by the manufacturer, will remain even though larger grips are needed. The drilling and plugging club heads, when larger grips are needed, will become a thing of the past.

Cork can be added to the grip without the hazard of pealing or crumbling. When cork is used in the Golf-Pride combination rubber and cork grip, the small cork segments are mixed and milled into the rubber compound. During the vulcanizing process, the rubber flows into the tiny irregular cork segments locking them permanently into the rubber grip.

Other outstanding advantages of the new Golf-Pride grip include: (1) the “new look” achieved quite simply by pigmentation in compounding. Color combinations are unlimited and grips in production now are red, black, blue, brown and green: (2) rubber, known as the world’s greatest shock insulator, eliminates the hand shock of a topped ball.

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Golfcraft’s New Home Marks Thirty-Year Achievement

Crowning 30 years of fine golf club design and manufacture, E. R. (Ted) Woolley has moved his Golfcraft, Inc. into a new and modern manufacturing home at 1700 West Hubbard Street, Chicago. Outwardly, Golfcraft’s new home presents an imposing front, in brick and steel, with concrete entrance way, curved across the corner.

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The factory floor occupies 25,000 square feet, efficiently organized to permit pro-

NEW SLINGERLAND GOLF-GLOV — Jack Redmond, internationally famous trick shot golf artist demonstrates a Slingerland GOLF-GLOV, custom manufactured from fine, durable glove leather that will not harden or lose shape when soaked with perspiration or water. It consists of an open, two-fingered sleeve to accommodate the last two fingers of the left hand and the main gripping surface of the palm. An elastic band, adjuster strap, wrist strap, brass retaining hooks and adjustable brass buckles complete the parts. It is available in three sizes: large, medium and small from the Upham Products Co., New Haven 10, Conn.

VELVETGREEN OKed BY TEXANS — Frank Goldthwaite, Texas Toro Co. mgr., relays good testimony from Dallas and Ft. Worth course authorities on their use of Armour’s Velvetgreen fertilizer. Wells Howard, supt. of Worth Hills heavily played muny course says results on Bermuda and rye greens and tees has been so satisfactory fairways are getting Velvetgreen this spring. R. M. Alexander, Jr., Colonial supt., attributes to the product considerable credit for excellent turf on the nationally famed course. The veteran pro Larry Nabholtz and Supt. Bowman of Lakewood at Dallas also report highly satisfactory results.
gressive manufacture and assembly of wood clubs in one line and of steel clubs in the other. The plant is equipped with the newest and finest machinery available for precision building of fine golf clubs much of which is new equipment, procured to promote maximum productivity in the new plant. An air conditioning and ventilating system has been installed in the interest of worker health, comfort and efficiency.

Managerial and sales activities are under the direct supervision of Mr. Woolley who today is one of the prime workers in the endeavor to get the Nation’s teen agers out of the juke box zone into the more stimulating zone of the Nation’s golf courses.

Territorial sales managers are Roy Hunter, Roy Hanson, Cal McKee, Buck Bertsch and Lee Tully. Factory manager is Edward Delahan.

Woolley and his associates recently played host to some 500 fellow workers, and contemporaries who were taken on progressive tours of the plant, and given a preview of Golfcraft’s new 1948 line of TRU-GOOSE woods and irons.

LIQUID HAND PREPARATION — Hydro-Chemical Company, Inc., East Hartford, Conn., announces Hydro-Tac, new liquid hand preparation for better gripping.

Hydro-Tac is specially designed for wet conditions, is sanitary, will not transfer from hands to clothing when applied for contact with golf clubs. Assures grip regardless of moisture from rain or perspiration. Distributed through sporting goods dealers.

POCKET SIZE PEN — Rite-Right Ball Pen, 2¼” long, made of aircraft dural, combined with key chain, is ideal for golfers, is guaranteed against any defects in workmanship and material. Writes up to two years under normal usage.

Liberal discounts allowed. Distributors are being sought by the manufacturer, Van Petty Manufacturing Company, 5033 Exposition Blvd., Los Angeles 16, Calif.

THERMO-SERVER — An odorless, heat-retaining and portable food server consisting basically of a thermostatically-controlled radiant glass heating element in a polished hardwood base with a detachable “rigidized” aluminum roll-back hood designed to keep foods properly heated without adding moisture or drying out is in production by the Sunline Co., 8661 Grand River Ave., Detroit, Mich.
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Charles F. Robbins

Spalding President Opens
2nd Annual Employees' School

The second annual session of the A. G. Spalding & Bros. employees' school which includes men from both the Willimansett and Chicopee plants is opened by Charles F. Robbins, pres., with the comment, "A business is not brick and stone and mortar —- a business and its success depends on the men and women who work for it —- human beings who must be developing and growing or the business stands still. It's not just today we're thinking about but the future—and gentlemen, the future is yours."

This year's seminar, which is patterned on the highly successful one of last year, includes classes in FACTORY MANAGEMENT by Wm. T. Brown; WAREHOUSING & MERCHANDISING by Gordon W. Browne; TAXES AND INSURANCE by V. F. Greis; CONTROLS & ACCOUNTING by Controller-Secretary Walter B. Gerould to whom go the honors of conceiving, setting up and running the school; SALES & DISTRIBUTION by L. E. Coleman; CREDIT & FINANCE by D. H. Mudd; and, ADVERTISING & PROMOTION by Harry Amtmann.

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IMPROVED LAWN ROLLERS — Manufacturers of Dunham Water weight Lawn Rollers announce improvements to new 1948 models designed for smoother, more efficient operation. New features include self-lubricating Keystone Oilite Bearings, installed to make rollers easier to move about, easily removable aluminum pipe drain plugs to insure water tightness and speedy filling and emptying. Either water or sand may be used. For information concerning the Dunham line, address, John H. Graham and Co., 105 Duane Street, New York 8, N. Y.

INSECTICIDE INFORMATION SERVICE — Julius Hyman and Co., manufacturers of Technical Chlordane have established an Information Service Division. Results of laboratory tests, field trials and experiments conducted by the many state and federal agricultural agencies (and user experiences) with Chlordane are assembled and available as reference material. Aim is to maintain utmost accuracy in reports and uses and to provide a ready source of authentic information.

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EZEE FLOW NON-CLOG SPREADER — Ezee Flow Fertilizer spreader, made by Power Production Co., 10 S. LaSalle, Chicago 3, is getting strong endorsement from course supt.s, because of its cam arrangement that keeps ports from clogging and assures an even flow of fertilizer through the 32 ports of the golf course type of the device. Even nitrate of soda which was solid in the bags was evenly distributed without damage to the device. Lumpy material is handled easily and smoothly. It spreads in blanket form all commercial fertilizers, topdressing, arsenate of lead, lime and calcium chloride. Adjustment is provided within a 5 lb. range. Flow regulator permits tractor seat control. The Ezee Flow has a welded steel body, four sets of factory lubricated and sealed heavy duty ball bearings and automotive type steel wheels. The device has 8 ft. span coverage.

NEW PROTECTIVE METAL COATING — Peelcote, a new protective coating for metal parts which can be easily and quickly peeled off after it has served its purpose, is an air-drying coating designed to protect from scratches, chips and corrosion during shipment, storage, handling and some types of fabrication which has been developed by the Watson-Standard Company, 225 Galveston Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. It can be applied by spray or dip methods, dries quickly and is available in clear transparent or solid hiding black.
Semi-automatic golf ball winding machines electrically controlled stop at pre-determined size thus speeding up production. The machines stop automatically in the event the rubber winding thread should snap.

**MacGregor Ball Manufacture**

**Result of Five Year Planning**

A tremendous expansion in production and sales of golf balls by MacGregor Golf, Inc., Cincinnati sports equipment firm climaxes an objective of the board of directors to broaden their field of manufacturing operations in the realm of golf and collateral sports over five years ago. MacGregor directors approved expanded operations under the condition that new products must maintain the MacGregor tradition for fine quality and that the manufacturing processes be undertaken with the best craftsmanship and the most effective machinery that could be developed.

The story of the manufacture of the golf ball involves interesting sequences of operations. Processes begin with the liquid center which is molded after being preformed in a multiple cavity mold in a hydraulic press. This is the "beginning" or the "heart" of the golf ball, as on this center, a winding of fine spun-rubber thread is performed under high tension.

Quality product is maintained in the ball-winding as the wound cores are tested in a specially-built machine to check the compression of core—vital to a golf ball.

Golf ball molding operations require deft skill and timing, involving temperature control and time-gauging under heat and pressure. The liveliness of the golf ball will be destroyed in event the ball is maintained too long under heat and pressure.

Pressure amounting to hundreds of tons and a temperature of approximately 200 degrees Fahrenheit is applied, causing the balata cover-cup to become vulcanized into a perfect sphere, together with the embedding of the well-known "dimple" indentations in the golf ball cover. Then the balls are frozen overnight with removal on the following morning. The balls next receive a very extensive "washing" process, which includes treatment with chemical solutions for removal of the last trace of dirt and grease, meanwhile etching the surface to enable paint to hold to the cover.

The first coat of golf ball enamel is applied and dried for 24 hours in a sealed, temperature-controlled drying-room. Balls receive a second coat of enamel before placement in a drying-room for seven more days. The balls are then tested for compression and grades.

After the balls are graded, they are stamped with metal dies and lettering in various colors applied for "visual" identification.

When packaged and packed in cartons, the balls are held in warehouse for seasoning prior to shipment to customers.

Preceding the marketing and distribution of the ball, MacGregor conducted hundreds of field tests, laboratory studies and had the critical analysis and observations of top-flight golfers.