Product Notes

Riding greens mowers took a big share of the limelight at the Golf Course Superintendents Assn. of America show. Large groups of superintendents were continuously surrounding the three entrants in this relatively new product category.

This was evident at the Jacobsen exhibit where the Greens King was prominently displayed. Since its introduction two years ago, the Greens King has received enormous response from superintendents.

In fact, supply still has not caught up with the demand, according to the company.

Across the exhibit hall, Toro unveiled its riding greens mower, the Greensmaster 3. According to the company, the new triplex mower is capable of cutting greens on an average 18-hole course in three to four hours. Toro expects to begin deliveries on the Greenmaster 3 about December, 1970.

Gathering crowds at the Hahn-West Point exhibit was the new riding Triplex Greens-mower. Among the features being emphasized by the company are smooth hydrostatic drive, self-lapping of cutting units, quick cutting-unit removal and a short wheel base for maneuverability. Hahn-West Point plans to begin deliveries during the fourth quarter of 1970.

All three riding greens mowers are priced at about $3,000 without optional accessories.

—Vincent J. Pastena

A GCSAA Tradition

GOLFDOM once again recognized the heritage of many golf course superintendents, with its traditional Father, Son and Son-in-Law Luncheon at the Golf Course Superintendents Assn. of America conference. Association Executive Director Ben Chlevin introduced the GCSAA officials at the luncheon, and GOLFDOM's Associate Publisher Robert J. Abramson offered some startling predictions on the growing importance of the golf course superintendent during the seventies. GOLFDOM's and the industry's Joe Graffis Sr. and Andy Bertoni, superintendent at Rolling Hills G & CC, Davison, Mich., provided the humor and memorabilia.