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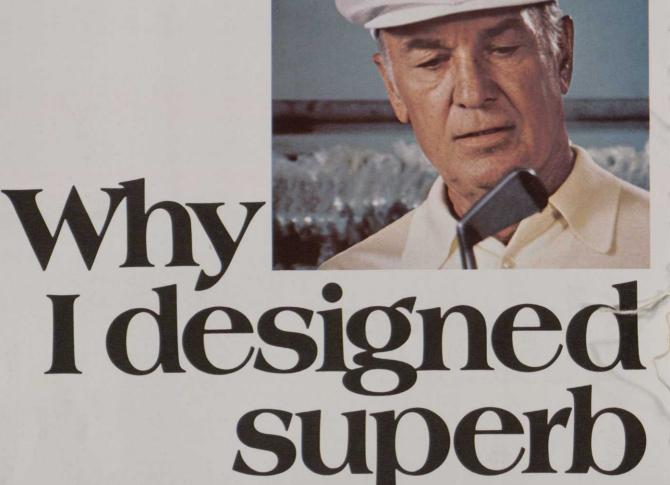
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## EQUIPMENT

If there was ever a year to look forward to after a dismal '75 equipment season, it has to be 1976.

With the economy on the upswing, consumer purchasing power up and a general good feeling about the future, over 40 companies enter the marketplace in the new year with optimism.

It's obvious that sales won't reach the heights of 1973, but many manufacturers look to the next 12 months as a stabilizing period in the industry after the uncertainty of '75.

Even though business hopes are at a new high, they are tinged with concern over the higher cost manufacturers are beset with in production and eventually pass onto the consumer.

For example, three companies, AMF/Ben Hogan, Acushnet and Wilson hit around \$500 each on the retail price of their top pro-line set of clubs, Hogan with its Producer, Acushnet with its new PRO 100 and Wilson with its 1200.

Almost every firm in the country has increased its retail prices on equipment. According to GOLFDOM figures, Action, Cobra, Confidence, Crookshank Dorset, Faultless, Keller, Red Hot and Royal have held the line and stayed with the same prices on most of their continued lines. Higher prices seem a concern to all pro shop operators. As one told GOLFDOM recently, "Some of these companies will price themselves right out of this market."

As always, there are a lot of new lines out for the coming year and several less popular models have fallen by the way side.

Dunlop has upgraded its club line with improvements in its Investment Cast series. Both the in-hosel and over-the-hosel models are improved, while a 200 model, in vogue because of the Bicentennial, has replaced the Maxpower. The Susie Maxwell Berning and Bob Charles models are out of production, but a new low handicap model, Australian Maxfli, is now in style.

Florida's Golf Limited has two new lines for '76. Conqueror irons and Grandee woods are both becoming popular for the Orlando firm. The irons feature a special sighting feature in the hosel.

Hillerich & Bradsby is offering new Scotch Blade irons for '76. The forged clubs are a throwback to the classic style of yesteryear. AMF/Ben Hogan is putting







the emphasis on a new persimmon wood called the 8080. The Golden Broan color is also featured on a driver with a 11° loft.

Keller has finally perfected some woods to go along with its array of cast irons. Known as the Slim and Super Slim, the two models both feature shallow faces with the latter having the shallowest in the industry.

Company president Walter Keller told GOLFDOM his woods put the center of gravity below the ball and it is a big aid in getting a high arching flight.

MacGregor has added the MT to its models for '76. The cast irons reveal a no gimmick look. The MT offers new innovations, according to the manufacturer, that pros prefer. The woods are classic shaped and perfectly matched with a laminated head having the look and feel of persimmon.

At Royal, the Connecticut firm has a pair of new woods on the market. The Brass wood offers greater consistency. Royal also has a Fairway model, priced competitively with a retail list at \$150.00 for four. Simmons insists that weight management is the key to its new Merlin woods and irons. Total club balance for accurate shot control is the basis for Merlin.

Nostalgia is still on everyone's mind and much more so at Spalding. Technical creators there have come up with the Top Flite Legacy, a dramatic recreation of the 1953 Top Flite, Spalding still gets requests for. According to Spalding's Dick Ferenz, the Legacy looks to be one of the biggest success stories of the year for the Chicopee, Mass., company. The grip of the club even brings back memories, it commemorates Spalding's 100th anniversary in business.

Shafts will continue to make news in '76, as graphite and titanium continue to improve their respective positions in the marketplace. The quest for the less expensive graphite shaft is still on and some shaft manufacturers are trying to utilize a composite of different materials to achieve sales goals.

Recently introduced by the 3M Company is the new Carbonflite shaft, a combination of graphite and reinforced plastic. Unlike most composite shafts, where the fiberglass laminates are utilized, the 3M shaft has its fiberglass material crosswoven with fibers running at right angles.

Maybe the biggest mover of '76, though, will be

titanium in both shafts and clubs. Prohibitive in price to most consumers (one firm is selling irons at \$50 apiece), the private club member might opt for such shafts and clubs.

Six alloys join together in titanium offering significant weight advantage over steel, but with no loss of strength. The same principle holds true for irons manufactured out of titanium. Developed by Con-Sole, the titanium club could make an impact on the '76 market.

Titanium irons may represent the most dramatic club design break-through in years. This concept is a product of two years of research, development, and testing resulting in:

- 1. Clubs having an inertial efficiency (increased sweet spot) in excess of 307 percent greater than that of stainless cast clubs.
- 2. A concept whereby the "zero torque point" or center of the mass of the head is maintained in the exact geometric center of the face of the club on both the horizontal and vertical axis.
- 3. A design whereby the face area of the long irons (No. 2) is greater than that of the five iron in conventional sets.
- 4. A club head material harder, stronger, and infinitely more corrosion resistant than the stainless steels available.

In the production of irons today, toe-heel weighting is a popular, valid, and viable concept. The application

of the basic laws of physics concerning mass, momentum, and inertia, convinced engineers of the validity of the principle of toe-heel weighting...i.e. the greater the distribution of a given total weight on an axis of given length, the greater the moment of inertia.

Present manufacturing technology employing the use of stainless steel with or without tungsten inserts, provides an advantage over the forged heads. However, stainless is a heavy metal and tungsten even heavier, and therefore, it is virtually impossible to materially increase the "sweet spot" and maintain the necessary range of swing weights . . . unless of course, the size of the head is reduced, and that is totally unacceptable.

In order to materially increase the "sweet spot", it was determined that a new metal, lighter in weight, and having an excellent strength for weight ratio, must be found. Further investigation determined that the metal that offered the greatest design latitude for the head was titanium in combination with tungsten inserts for peripheral weighting.

Weighing 44 percent less than steel, titanium is one of the strongest, lightest, and most corrosion resistant metals known to man. Its use in the past has been in limited applications in the aircraft and aerospace industries where strength for weight ratios and corrosion factors are paramount.

In all instances of utility requirements for club heads, titanium exceeds those of stainless steel (hard-



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ness, strength, ductility, corrosion resistance and polishability).

The obvious disadvantage of titanium is the high cost of the raw metal, and the expensive and complicated investment casting technology required.

Casting operations for titanium are much more complicated than stainless steel. Unlike steel, the casting must be done in a vacuum and spun centrifugally while casting. This process plus the high cost of the raw metal results in a finished head costing five times that of a stainless steel head.

Tungsten has the highest density of all the common engineering materials having a weight twice that of steel, more than four times that of titanium, and 50 percent more than lead.

Testing of prototype titanium clubs involved several of the leading tour professionals over a period of seven months. They have been tested on hitting machines, and in static testing using an electronic inertial scan device. All three phases of testing confirmed the validity of the design concept.

A shot hit on the sweet spot of a titanium head will not travel any farther or straighter than the same shot hit on the sweet spot of any other stainless steel or

forged head.

Unfortunately, it is extremely difficult to hit on the sweet spot — whether one is a touring pro, club pro or low handicapper . . . and of course, the problem becomes more aggravated as you move up the range of



handicaps. Obviously, these miss-hit shots result in loss of distance and off line shots that end up in the rough, bunker and often times the boondocks.

Since it is virtually impossible to develop a swing so perfect as to hit the sweet spot every time, the alternative is to increase the size of the sweet spot and thereby substantially increase the margin for error.

This is exactly what has been accomplished with a titanium-tungsten combination . . . by distributing or concentrating the mass the greatest distance from the center of the club face along the longitudinal axis of the club head to attain the largest sweet spot ever built into an iron. And with toe inserts high and low, the sweet spot is increased vertically as well as horizontally.

Another design feature of titanium clubs is the ability to control swing weights by the adjustment of the tungsten inserts. So, whether it is a C-5 or a D-6 or anything in between, the weight will be where it should be and the zero torque point will be maintained in the exact

geometric center of the club face.

Another significant advantage of using titanium in the club head, is the ability to make the head larger. Club heads on conventional long irons have necessarily been small because of swing weight requirements. As a result, many or most amateurs have eliminated the No. iron from their set.

In spite of the different materials, models and types of equipment on the market, there still lies the basic marketing philosophies of the different companies.

Royal's Bob Marchetti has been in the golf business for a dozen years and says anything has to top '75 for sales and '76 looks a lot better. "So much depends on the economy. People obviously weren't buying the big ticket items this year." Marchetti added that Royal along with the whole industry was watching the figures to see how the future would go.

"I think a lot of pros were afraid to buy last year. Orders dropped dramatically," said Marchetti. At Faultless, vice president of operations Ralph Maltby told GOLFDOM his company had a good effort at the PGA Merchandise Show in Orlando and the year has been better than expected.

"Predicting the growth of this industry is very tough. It always seems there is a new innovation or something that picks the market up when it needs it," Maltby commented.

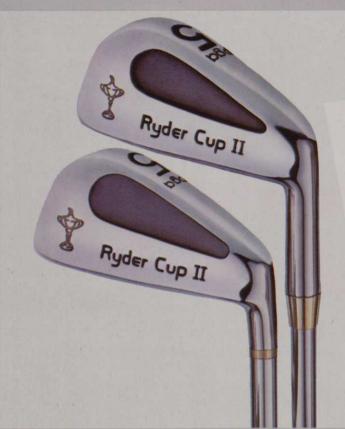
Other industry observers admit the resurgence of the market may take two or three years more to once again attain the production of the early 1970's. The general uncertainty of the economy makes it tough to figure the buying habits of the golfing public.

Rising prices, the competition from the growing amount of retail outlets with pro-line merchandise and the uncertainty of many pros themselves will force many

to look at '76 with a watchful eye.

Although there is more competition in the market than ever before, there were no casualties over the last year. All 46 companies that entered the market at the beginning of the year are still around.

Several small firms have made strides in their relative infancy including, Action, American Precision, Golf Limited, Gnu, LeMaster, Lil David, Pacifica, Power Track, Red Hot, Shamrock, Square Two and U.S. Precision. (Equipment data begins on Page J)



**Ryder Cup II Irons:** Two ways in '76! An all-new in-hosel Ryder Cup II iron has been developed to complement our totally revised overthe-hosel model. Both models feature a new contoured sole line and beveled leading edge and are available for men and women.



**Ryder Cup II Woods:** New wood blocks with precision roll and bulge assure maximum playability for both professionals and amateurs. Seven finish coats give a deep lustre to the new maroon glaze.



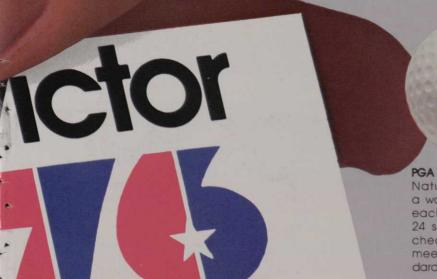


**PGA Vardon Cup Irons:** A brand new forging with traditional weighting, rocker sole, elongated face scoring and a shorter hosel make Vardon Cup the most playable forged iron on the market. In '76, it's Vardon Cup for the solid feel of forged steel.

**PGA Vardon Cup Woods:** A soft honey finish over edge-grain laminated gives Vardon Cup a persimmon look with laminated cross-grain durability. True Temper's Black Band Dynamic shaft is standard on both woods and irons.

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than ever. Full tube liners, lifetime bottoms and double reinforced stress points provide strength and durability. PGA bags are styled and colored in

the Tufhorse\* tradition.

Par Ex Irons: A choice in '76! The unique static weighted Par Ex casting with its flexible shaft is available, but so are swing weighted models in a choice of Rand Sflex. New pricing has made Par Ex the economy casting of the industry this year.

Par Ex Woods: Static weighted or swing weighted, expanded Par Ex specifications will enable you to fit every player who walks into your shop. Priced economically, the woods are more affordable than ever before.



Ryder Cup Fashions: A broad new line of stylish fashions for men. Attractive patterns and solids, new colors in both shirts and slacks are accented with features including special stand-up collars and Ban-Rol\* waistbands.



Ryder Cup Gloves: The Ryder Cup glove features a "comfit" thumb this year...a small idea that makes a big difference in comfort and fit. A leather-backed Velcro® closure and expansion system also adds a new dimension to styling and wearability.



	Model	Features	Shaft Type and Flexs	Retall Price*	Wood Color
Action	Action	Cast irons feature slight offset	Dynamic/	\$448.00	Walnut
P.O. Box 10237 Sarasota, Fla. 33578	The Greatest	with shaft-over hosel. Cast irons feature classic blade, hosel	A,R,S,X Dynamic/	\$292.50	
Acushnet	Titleist PRO	over shaft & hollowed out sole.  New for 1976.	A,R,S,X Steel/R,S	(9-Irons) \$500.00	Black with
P.O. Box B-965 New Bedford, Ma. 02741	100	THOM TO TO TO	0,00,11,0		black Cycolac insert
	Finalist	Laminated woods.	Pro Fit/R	\$186.50 (8 Irons- 3 Woods)	Walnut
	Titleist AC-108	Mico balanced woods, laminated heads; corrective action irons, Tungsten Wt. toe/heel. Cast.	True Temper A,L,R,S,X	\$448.00	Mahogany
	Titlette	Laminated woods. Available in combo units only.	Pro Fit L,R	\$186.50 (8 Irons- 3 Woods)	Blue
American Precision Golf Corp. 1566 Rowe St. Worthington, Minn. 56187	American	Woods precision weighted at four points.	Unilite/ R,M,S	\$495.00	Orange & Black
Jerry Barber c/o Golf Int'l. Suite G. Bldg. 36 17935 Sky Park Circle Irvine, Calif. 92707	Golden Touch	No shank hosel, 23% hitting area in face. Sole plate covers 3 quarters of club. Cast.	Unitip L,A,R,S,X	\$467.00	Walnut
Cobra Golf, Inc. 5569 Kearny Villa Rd. San Diego, Calif. 92123	Cobra	Toe/heel "Perimeter wt." Irons, investment casting.	Dynamic/ X,L	\$462.50	Black or Dark Walnut
Confidence Golf Co. 13402 Estrella Ave. Gardena, Calif. 90248	Solid State Woods Confidence II	1 piece sole plate & insert. Slight offset thin hosel. Cast.	All Types/ Steel All Types/	\$186.00 (4 Woods) \$315.00	Mahogany Black
	Confidence	Original cast iron for the strong player.	Steel Dynamic/ A,L,R,S,X	\$457.00	Mahogany, Black Insert
	Stature	Irons feature double cavity back, featuring power bar. Cast.	Dynamic/ A,L,R,S,X	\$483.00	Dark Walnut
	Confidence Open	Investment cast, new open stock wood.	Dynamic/ A,L,R,S,X	\$304.00	Light Mahogany
	Lady Stature	Investment cast, new open stock wood.	Dynamic/ A,L,R,S,X	\$304.00	Blue
Con-Sole Golf Corp. P.O. Box 679 School House Rd. & U.S. 1 Kennett Square, Pa. 19348	Titanium Irons	Cast with tungsten inserts for the ultimate in toe-heel weighting.	Titanium/ A,L,R,S,XS	\$750.00 (9 pieces)	
Crookshank (7) P.O. Box 236 Middlefield, Ohio 44062	Crookshank	Laminated heads on woods. Cast irons	Dynamic/ R,S,L	\$434.00	Brown
Dorset Corp.	Dorset I	Cast irons-cavity back.	Steel/ L,R,S,X	\$382.00	Black
P.O. Box 491 * Pawtucket, R.I. 02862	Dorset II	Designed with faces form leading and trailing edge.	Steel/ L,R,S,X	\$475.00	Ebony Black
Dunlop Tire & Rubber Co. Sports Division	Maxfli Investment Cast in-the-hosel	Investment cast irons & wood soleplate system.	Dynamic/R&S	\$468.50	Black
P.O. Box 1109 Buffalo, N.Y. 14240	Maxfli Investment Cast over-the-hosel	Stainless steel irons, woods shallow faced.	Dynamic/R&S	\$468.50	Black
	200 Model	Irons are high-grade carbon alloy. Forged.	Dynamic/ R,S,A,X	\$411.00	Chestnut Brown
	Lady Maxfli Australian Maxfli	Cast irons. Two piece wood soleplate. Forged irons, sole-plated woods. Low handicap club.	Dynamic/L True Temper R, S	\$435.00 \$527.00	Blue Black
Falcon 1956 Hilton Road Ferndale, Michigan 48220	Bench-Made	Custom-fit to golfers specifications. Cast.	Dynamic/L, A,R,X,S Graphite also	\$194.00 (4 Woods)	Black Walnut Mahogany
	Fore-31	Long blade-shaft in hosel.	available Dynamic/ L,A,R,S,X	\$315.00 (9 Irons)	Burgundy
Faultless 160 Essex Street Newark, Ohio 43055	Omega	Investment cast, system-one. Irons-tunnel sole woods.	Dynamic/R&S	\$424.00	Blk. stain & Blk. insert gold decals
	Centra Centra-Ladies	Investment casting classic blade shape. Shaft over hosel assembly.	Dynamic/R&S Dynamic/L	\$364.00 \$364.00	Black Blue
Golf Limited 7629 Currency Drive	Conqueror Irons Grandee Woods	Investment cast. Sighting feature in hosel.  New hardwood development.	Dynamic/ L,A,R,S,X Dynamic/	\$280.00 \$160.00	Natural
Orlando, Fla. 32809			L,A,R,S,X Dynamic/	\$435.50	Chestnut,
Gnu Golf Industries, Inc. 802 Spruce Lake Dr.	Gnu	Adjustable heel-toe weighting in woods. Cast.	A,L,R,S,X	φ433.30	Black, Cherry & Blue

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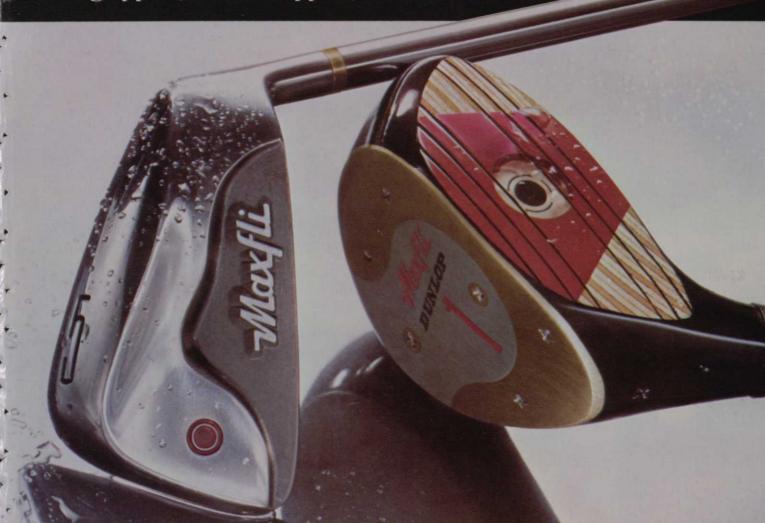
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Walter Hagen Golf Equip. Co. 3721 Hagen Drive, S.E. Grand Rapids, Mich. 49508	Ultradyne II	Foreweighted woods, perimeter weighted irons, over hosel construction.	Counter- torque/R&S	\$499.00	Chestnut Supreme
	Haig Ultra	Wood lines available traditional block     foreweighted Model 75. Optimal weight     distribution in irons due to tapered     hosel, roll back design.	Ultralite/R&S	\$419.00	Presidential Black
	Lady Ultra	Higher loft on woods to provide higher trajectory.	Ultralite/L	\$419.00	Slate Blue
	Hagen Inter- national	Irons have wide contour sole, lowering the center of gravity.	Steel/R	\$199.00 (8 Irons, 3 Woods)	Walnut
	American Lady	Compact head provides better control.	Ultralite/L	\$199.00	Slate Blue
Hillerich & Bradsby Co. P.O. Box 506 Louisville, Ky. 40201	Citation Woods & Irons	Brass back on woods, power flange, bevel sole on irons. Forged irons.	Steel/R&S	\$409.50	Black
	Thoroughbred	Brass back on woods, investment cast irons with over the hosel shaft.	Steel/R&S	\$454.00	Walnut
	Countess	Brass back on woods, bevel sole on irons. Forged.	Steel/L	\$324.50	Blue
	Power-Bilt	Laminated woods, power weight flange on irons. Forged.	R&L (steel)	\$176.00	Walnut
	Power-Bilt junior clubs	Laminated woods, center point flange back. Forged.	R (steel)	\$97.00 (4 Irons, 3 Woods, 1 Putter)	Cherry
	Scotch-Blade Irons	Forged, contour bevel sole.	Steel/R&S	\$231.75	
AMF/Ben Hogan 2912 W. Pafford St. Fort Worth, Tex. 76110	Producer	Investment cast stainless steel irons made from special alloy which gives soft feel of forged club.	Apex/ A,R,S	\$499.95	Black
	Director	Forged Steel heads, heel/toe weighting	Apex/ A,R,S	\$477.00	Black
	Apex	Low wt. distribution & longer scoring lines on face which give better align- ment. Forged steel heads.	Apex/ R,S,X	\$465.95	Ebony
	Saber	Rounded sole design & classic contouring. Duraply head on woods. Irons have forged heads. Uniform wt. distribution from heel-to-toe.		\$260.00 (8 Irons, 4 Woods)	Golden Oak
	8080 Persimmon	8-inch roll & bulge; black insert;	Apex/	\$200.00	Golden Broan
	for men Low Profile	driver has 11 loft. Speed slot, 12 degree loft, smaller	R,S,X Apex/A,R	(4 Woods) \$180.00	Black
	Lady's Director	head design. Same as men's Director.	Apex/L	(4 Woods) \$264.00 (8 Irons)	Midnight Blue
	Lady Classic Apex	Same as men's Apex.	Apex/L	\$257.20 (8 Irons)	5,00
	Apex Woods for Women		Apex/L	\$176.60 (4 Woods)	Midnight Blue
	Princess	Blade on blade design, low wt. distribution. Woods with slight contoured sole. Forged.	Lightweight Apex/L	\$236.20 (8 Irons, 4 Woods)	Cobalt Blue
Holiday	Vicuna	Irons have single cavity back.	Dynamic/	\$444.50	Black
16224 Garfield Ave. Paramount, Calif. 90723	Impact	Cast, heel/toe weighting.	A,R,S Dynamic/ All	\$462.50	Dark Cherry
Mac Hunter Co. P.O. Box 96, Rancho Santa Fe, Calif. 92076	Auld Classic	In hosel investment cast heads, leather grips. Metal softened to give forged feel. Rounded solid back.	Dynamic/ A,R,S,L,X	\$537.50	Natural Wood Grain
Karsten Mig. Corp. 2201 W. Desert Cove Phoenix, Arizona 85029	Ping	Toe-heel balance, investment casting.	R,S	\$469.00	Black with Red Insert
Keller 2140 Westwood Blvd. Los Angeles, Calif. 90025	211	Rounded back & rocker sole, invest- ment cast also available in stainless steel & graphite.	Dynamic/ L,A,R,S,X	\$297.00	
	Premium Persimmon		Dynamic, Stainless Steel or Graphite/L, A,R,S,X	\$186.00 (4 Woods) \$218.00 (4 Woods stainless)	Antique Cherry
	мс	Corrosion resistant inside and out. Cast.	Dynamic/L, A,R,S,X	\$297.00 (Irons only)	
	К3	Stainless steel shafts are 10% lighter than ordinary steel. Cast.	Dynamic or Stainless steel/ A,R,S,X	\$297.00	

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	Slim Woods	New design features shallow faces, low center of gravity.	Dynamic, Stainless steel, Graphite/ L,A,R,S,X	\$170.00 (4 Woods) \$202.00 \$125.00 ea.	Black
	Super Slim Woods	Shallowest face in the industry.	Dynamic, Stainless steel, Graphite/ L,A,R,S,X	\$170.00 (4 Woods) \$202.00 \$125.00 ea.	Black
LeMaster 5000 Overland Ave. Culver City, Calif. 90230	LeMaster	Reduced hosel weight, rounded toe, lower center of gravity. Cast.	Dynamic/ R,S,X,L	\$487.50	Natural & Cherry
Lil David 7844 Convoy Court San Diego, Calif. 92111	Slingers	Drop line parallel to leading edge, exaggerated rocker sole.	Dynamic/ R C R,S	\$447.00	Cherry Mahogany
Lynx Precision Golf 7302 Adams Street Paramount, Calif. 90723	U.S.A.	Tapered hosel design. Persimmon woods with heel, toe and back weights. Cast.	Dynamic/ L,A,R,S,X	\$485.00	Black with Scarlet Insert
	Tigress	Exclusively designed for ladies and not available with men's specifications.	Dynamic/L	\$332.00	Deep Blue with Ivory Insert
	Master Model	Heel/Toe weighting in woods and irons. Cast.	Dynamic/L, A,R,S,X	\$475.00	Pecan with Black Insert
	CR Irons	Cast stainless steel. Shaft-over- hosel.	Steel/L,A R,S,X	\$315.00 (1-9, PW, SW)	
MacGregor Company	MT	All new for '76. No gimmick appearance. Classic designs. Cast.	Steel/ R,S,L	\$400.00	Black
One Brunswick Plaza Skokie, Illinois 60076	DX Model	Laminated wood heads, conventional sole. Concave back design.	Super DX Champion R & L	\$169.00	(Men's) Antique Golden Oak fin- ish (Ladies) Midnight Blue Antique
	VIP by Nicklaus	Larger hitting area on woods, heel/toe weighting on woods. Cast.	Micro Step/ R&S	\$460.00	Applewood Stain Finish
Northwestern Golf Co. 4701 N. Ravenswood Ave. Chicago, III. 60640	Thunderbird TNT	18-8 Stainless investment cast, woods have distinctive brass backweights. Woods have toe/heel weighted insert and brass backweight. Irons are stainless steel investment cast.	Dynamic/ R,S,X Fluted "LTS"/ R	\$422.50 \$325.00	Ebony Black Black, Walnut
	Lady Ultimate	Distinctive forging design helps get ball up faster.	Lightweight Steel/R	\$271.00	Royal Blue
	Thunderbird II	Aerodynamic styled woods with black brass weighted inserts. Investment cast over hosel irons.	Dynamic/ R&S	\$422.50	Ebony Black
	RB-70	18-8 stainless steel iron with toe/heel, perimeter weighting. Cast.	Pro-Action Multi-Step-R	\$390.00	Black
	RB-68	New forging gives many design advantages.	"LTS"/R	\$271.00	Black
	RB-200	Toe/heel weighted with cavity back design. Forged.	"LTS"/R	\$255.50	Black & Walnut
	Tournament Signature	Forged irons offer toe/heel weighting. Forged irons with chrome plating and regular scoring and blasting.	Micro-Lite/R Proflex/R	\$200.00 \$176.00	Dark Walnut Rosewood
Pacifica 2430 Stanwell Drive Concord, Calif. 94520	Bamboomer Woods	Laminated bamboo heads guaranteed not to crack.	Dynamic or Dyna-Lite A thru X	\$180.00	Dark Mahogany
	Soft Touch Irons	Investment cast computer weight stainless steel alloy.	Same as woods	\$289.00	15 m 3 0 9
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North Haven, Conn. 06473	17-4 Model	Investment cast irons with offset. Woods — Pedersen Onyx insert.	Graphite/ L,S,R,X Dynamic/ L,A,R,S.X	\$1,360.00 (Graphite) \$450.00 (Dynamic)	Black
	100 Model	Persimmon heads. Jade insert. Cast.	Graphite/ Dynamic/ L,A,R,S,X	\$1,380.00 (Graphite) \$470.00 (Dynamic)	Antique Pecan
	Custom Men's	Laminated woods. Forged irons.	Dynamic/ S,R	\$294.00	Black

	Model	Features	Shaft Type and Flexs	Retail Price*	Wood Color
The state of the state of	Custom Ladies	Laminated woods. Silver cycolac insert. Forged.	Dynamic/ L	\$294.00	Black
Toney Penna Co., Dlv. A-T-O, Inc. Toney Penna Drive	Penna T.I.P. Irons	Irons investment cast. No hosel design.	All Flexes in Lyte Wate or Dynamic Steel	\$288.00	
Jupiter, Fla. 33458	Penna Woods	Persimmon or laminated woods. No. 6, 7, 8 wood available.	Graphite/A, L,R,S,X Dynamic/A L,R,S,X	\$117.00 (Ea. Wood) \$172.00 (4 Woods)	Mahogany, Black Cloud,
PGA/Victor	Ryder Cup II	Investment cast irons; heel/toe	Dynamic/	\$469.50	Pecan Dark Maroon
8350 N. Lehigh Ave. Morton Grove, III. 60053	Par Ex	balanced woods. Investment cast irons; laminated woods.	R,S Steel/R&S & Par Ex	\$387.50	Black
	Vardon Cup	Forged irons, heel/toe weighted.	Black Band Dynamic/R&S	\$406.50	Honey
	Emblem	Laminated woods, sole-weighted irons. Forged.	Steel/R	\$175.00 (3 & 8)	Black
	Classic irons.	Laminated woods; Nickel-chrome finished	Steel/R	\$159.60	Black
	Lady Ryder Cup II	Investment cast irons; heel/toe balanced.	Dynamic/L	\$469.50	Dark Maroon
	Lady Par Ex	Investment cast irons. Slight offset and increased loft on irons.	Par Ex shafts/L	\$360.00	Midnight Blue
	Contessa	Laminated woods; sole weighted irons. Cast.	Steel/L	(3 & 8) \$175.00	Powder Blue
	Lady Classic	Laminated wood heads, nickel-chrome finished irons. Sets of 2 and 5 available for beginners.	Steel/L	\$159.60	Black
Pinseeker Corp.	RB 350	Investment cast irons that offer	Dynamic/	\$513.00	Walnut
2088 Sunset Drive Pacific Grove, Calif. 93950	RB 300	a lower center of gravity.  Heel/toe perimeter weighting. Rocker sole. Shaft over hosel. Women's model also available.	L,R,S,X,A Dynamic/ R,S,X,A	\$513.00	Walnut
Power Track Golf 10869 Portal Dr. Los Alamitos, Calif. 90720	Power Track	Semi-cavity back distributes weight around the perimeter. Cast.	Dynamic/ L,A,R,S,X & M/S	\$497.00	Walnut
Pro-Dyn, Inc. 11703 Chesterdale Rd. Cincinnati, Ohio 45246	Pro-Dyn 2	Investment cast stainless steel irons with over hosel design.	Dynamic/L, AL,A,R,RA, SR,S,XS,X	\$462.50	Antique Walnut
	Pro-Dyn 1 WPDP	Investment cast irons with over hosel design. Persimmon woods.	Same as Pro- Dyn 2 Same as Pro-Dyn 2	Same as Pro-Dyn 2 \$190.00 (4 Woods)	Black with Scarlet Insert Black Onyx
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	Golden Eagle	Forged iron, conventional hosel, window insert in wood.	Dynamic/R,S	\$378.50	Black
	First Flight FTD	Forged iron, square toe, sole weighted no hosel, brass back weight on wood.	Dynamic/ R&S	\$398.50	Walnut
	Lady Palmer	Split weight design iron. White insert in wood. Forged.	True Temper/ L (8-Irons, 4 Woods)	\$184.00	Blue
Ram Golf Corporation	Accubar	Investment cast.	Dynalite/R	\$457.00	Black
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	Golden Ram	Heel/toe weighted. Forged.	Dynamic/S Dynalite/R Dynamic/S	\$340.00	Ebony
Red Hot P.O. Box 78	Cherry Bomb	Full epoxy insert on woods. Cast.	Dynamic/L, R,X,S	\$468.00	Jet Black Cherry Red
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Royal Golf Rubber Ave. Naugatuck, Conn. 06770	Royal Daisy	Daisy Insert, grip, laminated maple. Cast.	Lightweight Steel, Ladies	\$335.00	Green, Blue
	Royal Brass Woods	Cycolac Insert.	Dynamic/ R&S	\$160.00 (4 Woods)	Black
	Royal Perimeter Cavity Irons	Perimeter cavity in back of club, wt. in center. Cast.	Dynamic/ All	\$285.00 (9 Irons)	
	Royal Fairway Woods	Unitized step down shaft.	Dynamic/	\$150.00 (4 Woods)	Black

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Shakespeare	Sigma	Stainless Steel investment cast irons	Graphite/	\$90.00/Wood	Black head
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	Mach II Alpha Ladies	Forged irons.	X,R Composite Graphite, R only	\$45.00/Wood \$35.00/Iron	Golden Walnut
Shamrock Golf Company	Power Pocket	All swing wts. placed in club	Dynamic/	\$337.50	
10850 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 560 L.A., Calif. 90024	Custom Woods	head thus all are equal. Cast.  Degree of loft, open or hooked face available, as desired.	All Dynamic/ All	(9 Irons) \$190.00 (4 Woods)	Green or Walnut
Simmons International Corp.	Merlin	Polished stainless steel, Accu-set hosel,	Steel/R	\$352.00	Red Mahogany
1048 Burgrove Street Carson, Calif. 90746	Honeycomb Irons & Stinger Woods	encased end-grained maple heads. Stainless steel cavity back polished surface. Encased shaft over hosel.	Dynamic Steel	\$383.00	Walnut
	SI Woods	Cast.	Standard Dynamic Steel Standard	\$116.00 (4 Woods)	Black (Cycolac Skin)
Spalding	Elite Centurion	Investment cast irons. Woods have	Dynamic/	\$490.00	Black
Meadow Street Chicopee, Mass. 01014		brass back.	R,S Lightweight/ R,S		
	Top-Flite	Cast. Heel/toe weighting.	Dynamic/ R,S Lightweight/ R,S	\$415.00	Black
	Top-Flite Legacy	Rebirth of classic look. Cast irons.	Lightweight Steel, R,S	\$460.00	Black
	Ladies Top-Flite	3-point Dy-Nertial weighting.	Lightweight Steel/L	\$373.00 (8 & 4)	Cranberry Royale
	Esprit	Irons perimeter weighted for expanded sweet spot. Cast.	Dynamic/ R&S	\$233.50 (8 & 3)	Black
	Pro Flite	Computer-matched to swing and feel.	Dynamic/ R&S	\$175.00 (8 & 3)	Ebony
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	Custom L Woods	heel/toe weighting. Cross grain, laminated wood with	A,R,S,X Dynamic/	(4 Woods) \$170.00	Black
		heel/toe weighting.	A,R,S,X,L	(4 Woods) \$50.00	Walnut
	T.P.D.	Classic head shape with deeper face.	Dynamic/ A,R,S,X	(each)	yyamut
U.S. Precision, Inc.	Coot Woods	Bamboo are impervious to atmospheric	Steel/	\$200.00	Tan or Chocolate
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	Coot Forged	Irons are copper alloy.	Steel/ A,R,S,X	\$860.00	
Wilson Sporting Goods 2233 West Street River Grove, III. 60171	1200	Foreweighted woods, over the hosel irons w/perimeter weighting.	R,S, (A & X special order) counter torque	\$499.00	Ebony
	Staff	New for '76. Woods have Strata-Bloc with red insert.	R,S, (A & X special order) Dynamic	\$419.00	Ebony
	X-31 Plus Julius Boros Professional	Beveled & contoured iron soles.	R,S/Pro-Fit R, Light Steel	\$399.00 \$140.25 (8 Irons, 3 Woods)	Chestnut Pecan
	Lady 1200	Foreweighted woods, over the hosel,	Counter-	\$499.00	Ebony
	Lady X-31 Plus	perimeter wtd. irons counter-torque shaft. Forged cavity back for wider sweet spot.	torque/L Pro-Fit/L	\$264.00	Chestnut
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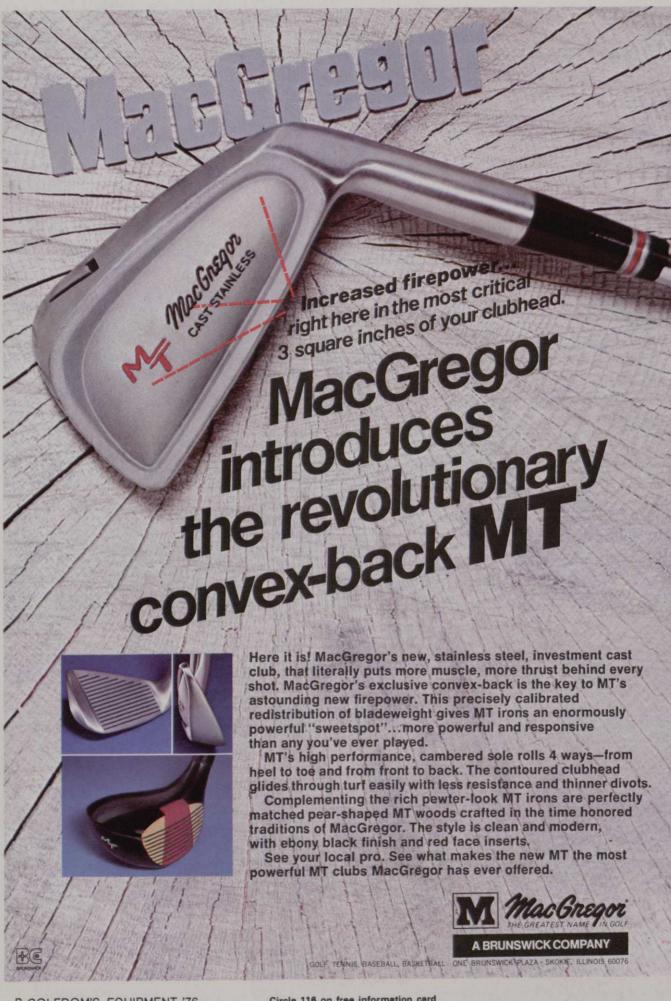
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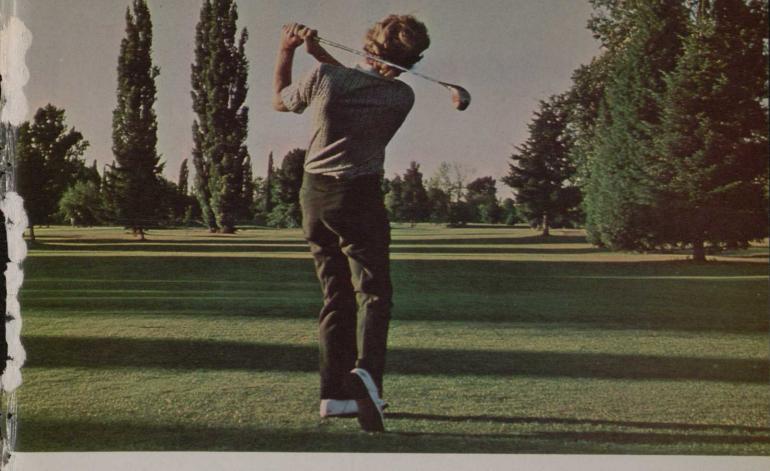
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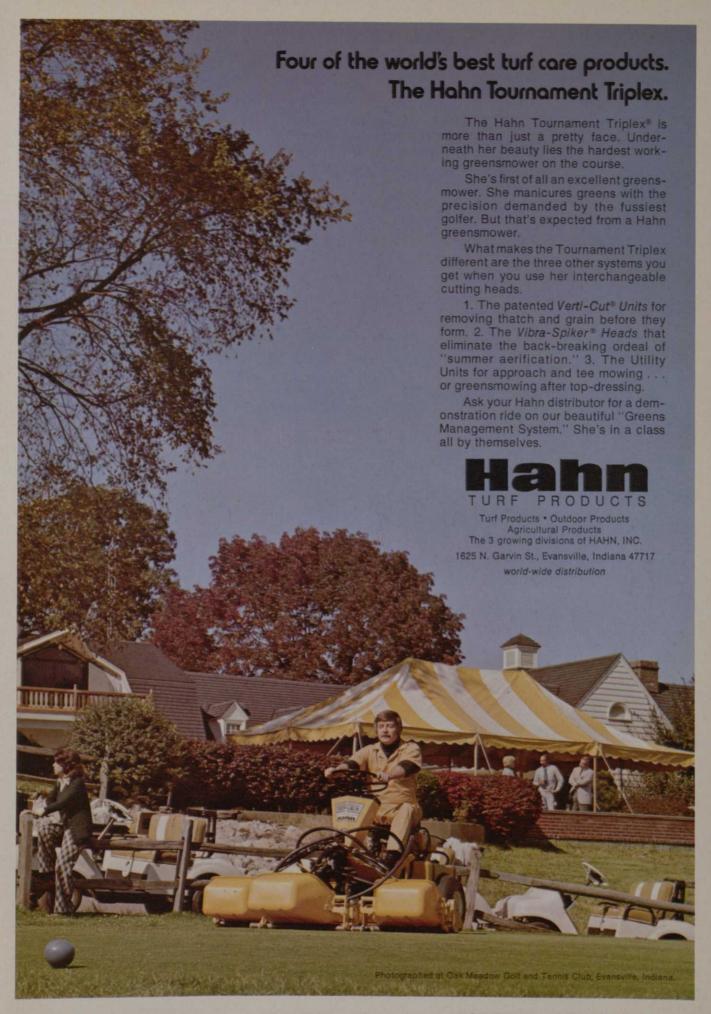
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Money pinch: A friend who lately has visited good golf clubs in different parts of the country said it is plain to see the effect tight money has had on golf course conditions. But the slump in conditions of some courses in poor shape is not what worries him most about the unpleasant financial situation in golf.

"What really worries me," said my friend, "is what the money pinch may ge doing to the fine social standard of some clubs. They are taking in members whose only qualification to belong to a first-class club is money, and are pricing themselves out of the reach of many of the young married couples who have the social, intellectual and leadership qualities that are essential to a club to have prestige but not snobbery.

"I am beginning to see club members who obviously are new to their responsibilities in an intelligent society. On the course and in the clubhouse they do not know how to act as good club members should. I also see too many of the young men and women most desirable as good club members playing public courses when they do play golf."

Standard contract: Golf course superintendents and their employers need a standard employment contract that at least will be a recognized basis for hiring.

Lately, superintendents in all parts of the country have been urging that the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America prepare an agreement that may bring some uniformity and improvement in the employment of superintendents. For years, the Professional Golfers' Association and the Club Managers Association of America have made available proposals with clauses that cover most situations involving the pros and managers and their employers. The

superintendents have negotiated pretty much on an informal basis.

Employment contract terms having the study and approval of the superintendents' association would provide needed guidance, strength and more job security, say the superintendents who are pushing for 1/8 their association to present a basic contract that would clarify and improve the relations between superintendents and employers.

Santa Claus: Early but clear signs point to the biggest Christmas gift golf selling campaign smart pros have ever staged. The reasons for the forecasts are — (1) The pros need the money. Weather and general financial conditions have not favored golf equipment and apparel buying, especially at private clubs. (2) The golfing public wants a lot of new equipment. For example, the old clubs look awfully old since the cast iron head clubs have come in. (3) An avalanche of close-outs at stores and many money-making pro shops cutting prices to convert club inventories into cash sold plenty of the new design clubs that might have been Christmas presents.

So do not be surprised if there is an unusual Christmas golf club gift sales promotion by pros who are in the habit of doing some cute pricecutting. Graphite shafts in woods are certain to be a Christmas gift special where pros have the capacity to install these shafts in heads

that players like.

Christmas apparel sales will have a raft of pro shop bargains of smart attire over the usual specialty shop merchandise and some pre-PGA Merchandise Show items that will make pro customers fashion leaders. It seems to be a sure thing that if a pro is not Santa Claus to himself in his shop in November and December, he has to blame himself for passing up money. Look at what is in bags in your racks now and you will see what you should sell.

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