First Olympic Victory
Copped By British

The first Olympic victory to the upcoming Olympic Games has already been claimed by the British. The main stadium and other important grassland areas are being mown with British machines.

Contractors responsible for turf maintenance at the Olympic site have selected 18 large Ransomes machines to keep the grass in top competitive condition.

Matter of fact, Ransomes machines have been mowing the grass of the only exception, the main stadium at all Olympic Games since 1946 with Australia as the exception.

Those machines used at the Munich, Germany Olympics include: eleven 36 inch Mastiffs, three standard motor triples, one junior motor triple, two hydraulic power 5/7 gang mowers and one 24 inch ride-on.

Rapid Advance To Controller
New Toro Feature

The Toro Company has introduced a modification to its 8-station electric controller, a special “rapid advance” feature. The new feature eliminates most of the time lag between stations which formerly occurred when all the time of a respective station was not used for watering. As soon as each pre-set watering period is completed, the controller now automatically advances to the next station.

According to David W. Good, Moist O'Matic Division's director of marketing, the new controller is designed for residential and small commercial sprinkler systems and operates Toro’s 1-inch, 1½-inch and 2-inch electric valves.

He also reported the availability of a new 4-station hydraulic controller specially equipped with a 110- to 24-volt transformer and a 24-volt timing motor. This had been developed, he said, to conform with those municipal codes that restrict the use of 110-volt lines to operate a controller.

The 4-station controller operates Toro's ¾-inch and 1-inch pin-type hydraulic valves. Since it utilizes the water coming from the sprinkler mains through the pin metering device of the valve to open and close the valves, clean water is recommended.

Both controllers may be automatically or manually actuated. Both have a 48-hour program dial and allow from 0 to 30-minute timing per station in 90-second increments.

Dursban For Fog Application
Registered By EPA

Dursban insecticide has now been registered by the Environmental Protection Agency for use as a thermal fog for control of mosquitoes. The new Dursban formulation is available to mosquito control districts and municipalities for application as a thermal fog to control adult mosquitoes in residential and recreational areas, parks and other non-cropland locations.

Dursban insecticide, developed by Dow Chemical U.S.A., was introduced in 1966 and has been widely used for the control of mosquito larvae. In addition, the product has proved to be extremely valuable for the control of lawn and household insects and has become a standard material for the control of cockroaches.

Mosquito Fogging Concentrate is intended for use by public health officials and trained personnel of mosquito abatement districts and other public mosquito control programs.