

NEW FROM IRELAND

Drip-dry golf . . . that's the next modern miracle of industrial ingenuity. A factory in Ireland is developing artificial greens for golf courses, woven from the same kind of man-made fibre which they use for men's shirts and women's frocks.

The fabric greens have already been tried out on golf courses in America, in States like Arizona where they have extremes of heat and cold. Apparently it stands up to either drought or snow.

"It can be used for either indoor or outdoor greens," say the makers. "The fabric can be laid down and used practically anywhere—in a disused barn or even on the club-house floor.

It can be washed with a detergent. There is no reason why golf courses and bowling greens shouldn't be carpeted to give perfect conditions for sport all the year round."

Experts doubt, however, if there is likely to be much demand for the artificial green here. "We don't need it in

this country," says Southall grass-and-course expert Arthur Cogswelle.

"We can grow our own grass greens, but the artificial surface could be useful in the arid countries where they have to use sand greens, or even putt on bare baked earth."

Bill McGowran in the
London Evening News, 15/3/63.

NEW FROM CARTERS

The 1963 edition of Messrs. Carters' Booklet "Treatment of Golf Courses and Sports Grounds" has just been published and will be of interest to all greenkeepers.

The accompanying Spring Price List (Grass Seeds, Fertilisers and Implements) has been enlarged to show a larger selection of their wide range of products available for use on turf.

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