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## **BURKE GOLF CO. ADOPTS "PRO ONLY" POLICY**

Burke Golf Co., Newark, O., one of the pioneer manufacturers of golf clubs, after 41 years in golf business has adopted a pro only policy. Burke did mainly pro business in the earlier days and found its retail store and mail order business growing more by popular demand than because of deliberate development. Then after a period of pretty much balanced pro and store business the company has decided that the standards of manufacture it prefers and which have long been associated with the Burke name, could be best maintained with a pro-only policy.

George Fazio has become associated with Burke in an executive capacity and is working on merchandising of Burke clubs thru pro shops, as well as on new ideas in Burke club design and construction.

## **1952 HAGEN LINE RE-DESIGNED**

The Haig wood and the Ultra iron of the 1952 Hagen line have been materially improved. The Ultra iron has been re-designed for more compactness and easier play. Both wood and iron will be equipped with a midnight blue grip, rich and distinctive in appearance.

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An entirely new model is being offered under the Custom name which will have an appeal to the better players.

Special care has been taken in the manufacture of wood models so fairway clubs are shallow and easy playing and a variety of depths in faces to suit any type of golfer is a feature of the drivers.

An entirely new Sir Walter line of woods and irons has been developed in the moderate price range which will be made in both men's and ladies' weights and lengths.

The American Lady will continue to hold top spot in the ladies' line of clubs and there will be five putters, a new pitching wedge and sand wedge in the utility clubs.

## **SNOW MOLD OUTLOOK IS PROMISING**

Research dept. of W. A. Cleary Corp., New Brunswick, N. J. advises that the control of snow mold during the coming winter months shows much promise after a careful analysis of the results obtained last year. Tests conducted by the Canadian Department of Agriculture in which 12 commercial fungicides were studied on six Colonial bents, three velvet bents and 15 creeping bents showed remarkable con-

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sistency in the relative action of each fungicide on all varieties of grass tested. Not only did the mercury compounds as a group give best control but also the liquid formulations held their places with the generally considered "more stable and longer lasting compounds".

What may not be generally known is the fact that the fungus *Typhula*, which is the predominant cause of snow mold, has a resting or dormant stage known as "sclerotia". These small, hard, yellow structures which one finds on the leaves, crowns and roots of dead and dying turf in the diseased areas, are most difficult to kill. Thus, the sudden changes in weather and the less active fungicides which may destroy many of the fungi have little or no effect on the sclerotia of *Typhula*. When weather again becomes optimum for the growth of this fungus, the sclerotia germinate and the disease once again becomes active.

Following the late fall applications of the fungicide tests in Canada last year, in turn followed by a snow cover which remained only until late December, the weather opened up and the turf remained bare through most of a rainy January. Recordings of snow mold infection at the end of March still showed that the measure of control with liquid formulations of

mercury was excellent. Thus, what has been considered by many in the past to be a good fungicide with fact action but lacking in the stable qualities to give long-lasting activity against an organism such as *Typhula*, must now be reconsidered as a good and less expensive material for long-term protection against snow mold.

### **MILORGANITE CELEBRATES 25th YEAR**

One of the oldest advertisers in GOLF-DOM is also currently celebrating a quarter century of service to golf courses throughout America, embracing almost every noteworthy course from Maine to Florida, Washington to California, and in between. This advertiser is the Milwaukee Sewerage Commission, producers of Milorganite natural organic nitrogen fertilizer.

According to officials of the Milwaukee Sewerage Commission, golf clubs throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico, and Honolulu use more Milorganite than any other commercial fertilizer.

The Milorganite story is an interesting one, representing the world's greatest advance in sewage disposal besides its contribution to turf culture. A ton of Milorganite contains liberal quantities of such plant food elements as 125 lbs. of

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