

# Maintenance isn't a Problem Where the Fairway Tractor Works

THE desire for good playing conditions at low cost the season 'round can be readily fulfilled by using the McCormick-Deering Fairway Tractor on your course. This all-purpose unit is designed especially to provide economical power for maintenance and general improvement work on golf courses. It pulls seven or nine mowers, cuts the rough, operates belt-driven machines such as compost

mixers and pumps, and can also furnish power through its power take-off. Its compactness and short turning radius enables it to work in close quarters and cut close to shrubs, trees, and fences. A range of speeds from 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> to 10 miles an hour means a lot of ground can be covered in a day. Ask the nearest branch or McCormick-Deering distributor or dealer for information on the Fairway. Tractor.

INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER COMPANY 606 So. Michigan Ave. OF AMERICA (Incorporated) Chicago, Illinois The Golf Tractor MCCORMICK-DEERING FAIRWAY

#### GOLF FOR CONTRACTOR CONTRACT

A few handfuls of grubs, beetles and worms will ruin more good putts than any other cause. Worm casts and bare spots on greens not only take the joy out of golf, but also take the cash out of the greens

**GRUBS AND** 

WORM CASTS

It costs much more to repair and replant greens than it does to save them in perfect condition by the generous use of Dow Lead Arsenate.

Dow Lead Arsenate, properly applied, will rid your greens of worms, beetles and grubs, and will discourage growth of chickweed, fennel, crabgrass and other noxious weeds. Get your supply of Dow Lead Arsenate now.

> Inquiry Solicited from Responsible Dealers in Areas Where We Have No Representative.

SAVE YOUR GREENS FROM DESTRUCTION BY WORMS, BEETLES AND GRUBS WITH





fund.

GOLFDOM



COMPARED with prices of five years ago, the cost of protecting greens with Calo-Clor is only about one-half what it was then. Yet even at the prices in 1930, thousands of greenkeepers realized that a few dollars spent for Calo-Clor to protect a green worth hundreds of dollars, was a bargain anyway you looked at it.

Calo-Clor today is the same dependable, economical brown patch control that was placed on the market in 1927 as a result of the controlled experiments of the United States Golf Association. It has been critically tested by greenkeepers in all parts of the United States, and the steady flow of repeat orders and the constant increase in new users are ample proof of its effectiveness.

Prepare now for brown patch by putting in an adequate stock of Calo-Clor, for sometimes even a few hours delay may cause severe damage. Your dealer can supply you promptly and efficiently with whatever quantity you need.



St. Louis Chicago Toronto New York Philadelphia Montreal





RED TIP TRACTOR SPUDS Extra Long Service Made of a special analysis steel, hardened by the latest scientific heat treating methods. Sizes from 3% to 5% in A. Also Mower Spuds. Inquiries invited.

> PHOENIX MANUFACTURING COMPANY

You save time and money by depending on GOLFDOM advertisers



### Go Straight to the SKINNER SYSTEM

"If you want to be sure that you will have an irrigation system which is right even to the last detail, my advice is to go straight to The Skinner Irrigation Company. Our experience is that they know their stuff and they are fine people to deal with."

#### **Moraine Park Country Club**

This is what Bob Lee, Manager of the Moraine Park Country Club of Dayton, Ohio told an inquirer. This club has Skinner fairway, tee and green irrigation for their golf course and a large under-



ground system covering spacious lawns around and approaches to their most modern and attractive clubhouse.

#### **Complete Service**

Are than six miles of pipe were used in this entire installation. All equipment is of Skinner System manufacture. The planning service, engineering and installation were all handled by Skinner.

#### **Satisfaction Plus**

In performance, every representation was not only fulfilled but exceeded by a comfortable factor of safety.

#### **Big Jobs—Small Jobs**

Whether your job is big or little, get in touch with Skinner. They build watering equipment for everything that grows.

#### **Golf Irrigation Manual**

Let us send you a copy of our condensed golf course watering manual. A card will bring it. Pioneer and leader for a quarter of a century in spray irrigation.

THE SKINNER IRRIGATION CO. 415 CANAL ST. TROY, OHIO

## HYDROLIZE for PERFECT GREENS

#### . . AND CUT MAINTENANCE COSTS!

• The HYDROLIZER SYSTEM provides a NEW PRECISION SERVICE for Brown Patching, Fertilizing, Worming and Inseetleiding—with many new SAVINGS IN COSTS. A new SAFE method that requires no preliminary mixing and guards against the misuse of chemical values. You set a simple control valve for the mildness or richness desired and the HYDROLIZER does the rest—AUTO-MATICALLY.

The HYDROLIZER SYSTEM is highly recommended by greenkeepers and horticulturists throughout the country. Write for complete information and FREE CHART that tells how to mix your own chemical preparations.

WRITE TODAY. HYDROLIZER CORPORATION ELMHURST, ILLINOIS

GRAYBAR BUILDING





Less than \$1.75 doz. SIX dozen \$1.50 doz. ALL SUPPLIES FOR GOLF COURSE AND ESTATE THUR D. PETERS

420 LEXINGTON AVENUE, NEW YORK

GOLFDOM



U.S. ROYAL HOSE

An Outstanding Value of the

**United States Rubber Company** 

4

handled cutter on the market

MOTOR

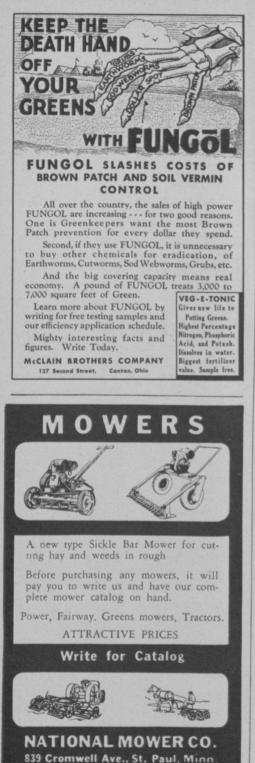
SCYTHE

It goes anywhere, cuts anything, and enables one man to do the work of four or more with hand scythes.
It has a 36-inch sickle driven by a powerful one-cylinder gasoline motor and is mounted on a free running 30-inch wheel, allowing it to be backed up, pivoted sharply, or tilted up or down slores similar sharply, or tilted up or down slopes similar

 It is now produced by a recognized leader among mower manufacturers and during over four years of service, thou-sands of users have enthusiastically testi-field to it descende bility. fied to its dependability.

Write for prices and Bulletin No. 4

DETROIT HARVESTER CO. 5450 W. JEFFERSON AVE., DETROIT, MICH.





Florida Humus improves your soil and gives you better greens and fairways—because it holds moisture, encourages strong root growth, and supplies a store of organic nitrogen which, gradually released, helps nourish your grasses for years.

It cuts costs because it reduces—by as much as 50%—the amount of watering and fertilizing required.

THE ANALYSIS of Florida Humus (Wiley & Co., Baltimore, No. 129117) shows

| Nitroge | n content | (dry   | basis) |  |
|---------|-----------|--------|--------|--|
| Water   | Holding   | Capaci | ty     |  |
| Acidity | pH        |        |        |  |

\*Very slightly acid. Will not sour the soil. 7 is neutral.

# FLORIDA HUMUS

Mined and Manufactured by FLORIDA HUMUS CO., ZELLWOOD, FLA. Sales Office: 141 Milk St., Boston, Mass.

#### **DISTRIBUTORS**:

ATLANTA: Evans Implement Company BALTIMORE: E. Miller Richardson & Co. BOSTON: Joseph Breck & Sons, Corp. BRISTOL: (Va.): Wood Howell Nurseries CHARLOTTE: E. J. Smith Company CINCINNATI: The J. Chas. McCullough Co. CLEVELAND: Sidney L. Dryfoos DETROIT: Terminal Sales Corp. JACKSONVILLE: Jacksonville Landscape Co. NEW YORK: Stumpp & Walter Co. PHILADELPHIA: Henry A. Dreer, Inc. PITTSBURGH: Beckert Seed & Bulb Co. ST. LOUIS: St. Louis Seed Co. WILMINGTON: Franklin J. Murphey

The advertisers pay for your GOLFDOM; deal with them

#### GOLFDOM

# **GOLF PROS** have a habit of coming to LYTTON BUILDING first..

6

### JACKSON BLVD

Playing or purchasing, the pros are sure of a warm welcome at this crossroads of the sporting goods market, for the sellers are there with their wares. With shopping attention focused on this convenient location these point-of-purchase salesmen expect to meet you here. If you miss them, you're missing sales.

You need the LYTTON BUILDING'S established custom, its easy accessibility, its flawless maintenance and efficient service. Golf and general sports is thriving in our spacious, well lighted suites. Write today for reasonable rates and complete information.

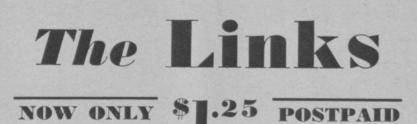
> L. E. EATON, Manager Lytton Building **CHICAGO**

**TELEPHONE** WABash 3477

ST

STATE

Use GOLFDOM'S advertising pages as your safe buying guide



Hunter's book is the standard authority on golf architecture, giving principles and examples of sound design. When a hole is built to conform with these teachings, you can be sure the hole has merit and lasting interest.

Every pro and greenkeeper, club official or manager who has to do with course design will save money and improve his layout by following The Links.

Selling widely at \$4, the book became the principle reference in its field. GOLFDOM decided to give The Links the full circulation it deserves. All remaining copies were purchased from the publisher, well bound and are now offered at only \$1.25.

These few score remaining copies absolutely finish the issue and they're going fast. Once gone, their scarcity will shoot the price out of sight though you may get one today at cost. You'll find The Links is worth many times this low price and we suggest immediate action while copies are still available.

The primaries and finesse in course design. How the "schedule of holes" is most effective. Basic principles for building perfect greens. Points in placing and best using hazards. Treatment of tees and fairway construction. 62 full page photographs and illustrations showing ideal application of successful principles.

Mail your order and check for \$1.25 today to-

## GOLFDOM

Book Department

14 E. Jackson Blvd., Chicago

# **TRUE TEMPER** OPEN TOURNAMENT



Acacia Country Club

STATES STATES

Also Special Daily Prizes for 18 holes

WE ARE HAPPY to announce this tournament under the supervision of the Cleveland District P. G. A. and we cordially invite you to attend.

8

Letters and entry blanks have been sent to you by the Cleveland District P. G. A. Officials. If you have not received your blank please write to CAPT. CLARKE, CLEVELAND P. G. A., MAYFIELD HEIGHTS, OHIO, and complete details will be mailed to you.

Don't forget the TRUE TEMPER Sales Contest... over \$1600.00 in Prizes. If you have not entered, write immediately for details.

THE AMERICAN FORK & HOE CO., Sporting Goods Division

Geneva, O.

TRUE TEMPER teel SHAFTS

Tell us any idea for making GOLFDOM advertising more helpful



| JULY   | 193 | 5 |
|--------|-----|---|
| Vol. 9 | No. | 7 |

# MASTER of the MARKET

### By HERB GRAFFIS

IN THE golf business, like in every other business there are some pros who couldn't sell the Normandie to a drowning man. But there are other pros who probably would be super-salesmen and written up in the success-story and salesmanship magazines if their work were being done in a broader field.

You don't have to go to the big city districts to see some of these selling stars who make a good living out of golf and have some fun too, because they know how to sell on the basis of giving their members service every time they buy.

One of these fellows is at a club which is one of four clubs in an Illinois city of 60,000 population. His stock at the start of the year is all the way from 90 to 130 sets of irons and 50 to 60 sets of woods. His stock at the end of the season is practically nothing. He has sold all this stuff not sent it back to reappear in town the next spring as merchandise in a store cutprice sale of "discontinued models."

He starts his season with a golf ball stock in excess of \$1,500 cost to him, and he turns over this stock frequently.

There are 270 members in his club.

Do you think I am lying to you? That no pro can do business like this in a town of 60,000 population?

All right. The pro is Bert Montressor. The city is Decatur, Ill., and the club is the South Side CC.

The catch in this story about the business that Montressor does is that he stocks clubs that other pros in the neighborhood

#### Montressor Makes His Shop Golf Buying Center

can get quick. He helps the other fellows sell their players and he and the other pro split on the profit. Montressor makes his good credit rating and thorough business ability work out to the profit of the other pros as well as for himself.

#### Seines the Community

There are about nine small courses outside of Decatur where there are no pros but in the aggregate a goodly number of golf enthusiasts. Good living doesn't cost much in the smaller towns. A fellow with an income that does look big to a big town guy can live high in a small town, play a lot of golf on a modest but satisfying little course and have plenty of money left over for buying good equipment. Montressor does missionary work among the men and women in these outlying clubs. When there are women's guest days at South Side, Montressor sees to it that these neighboring club women come on over.

He is not only a business getter, he is a business developer. When he went to South Side about five years ago there were only 160 members at the club and only 22 women playing. As has been noted there are now 270 members of South Side and 68 women played regularly during 1934. This year Bert expects to have 100 women playing. Remember, this increase took place during the depths of the depression when the average outsider would be figuring that things were deader than Adam at a town like Decatur.



A corner of Montressor's shop. Regularly stocked are close to 100 sets of irons, 50 sets of woods, and an ample stock of bags, balls and haberdashery.

Montressor is one of those fellows whose looks are liable to fool you. He is a big, stoop-shouldered bushy-haired guy who appears to be just one of those nice country boys. Get him talking about business and watch him spark. His eyes and vocal chords flash with a David Harum glean and he lets you know that he enjoys business. He is a trader, but not the sort of a trader that lets the customer come off second best.

Here is Montressor's policy: "The only reason for playing golf is to spend a little time and money for enjoyment. So long as I see that their money gives them a lot in enjoyment, they are getting what they pay me for."

Bert gets them right at the start. He has been responsible for bringing a number of new members into the club and always sees to it that a prospective member gets attention that makes him want to join the club. He spreads his own golf around among a lot of people. That tips him off to sales and service needs. He keeps a lookout for equipment requirements and his shop boy is trained to keep an eye open for sales possibilities.

This practice of playing with many dif-

ferent people has been an especially big producer of business. Montressor sold his own set of clubs four times last season. He cites this as an instance of how he shows his customers that he insists on giving them the best. The members reason that if the clubs are good enough fo the pro's personal use, they are good enough for the member.

#### **Out-selling** Competition

At South Side CC and in a town like Decatur you would think that competition for the business of club members would be intense. It is, although Montressor has it well licked for the simple reason that he keeps selling and talks business. There are plenty of members of the club who live very well and enjoy a lot of golf but for one or more of several reasons are not given to throwing money around loosely.

The discount buying through the purchasing department of a large local manufacturing company hits at Bert but he beats that by handling lines that are not discounted. Because he has made his golf business big and sound he does more volume than all other local retail outlets combined. He has been able to get exclusive in Decatur on three prominent brands.