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This full page ad will tell the golfing public about the Tee-to-Green Sweepstakes. It will appear in the April 26 issue of SPORTS ILLUSTRATED, and the May issue of GOLF DIGEST. ,2 A Counter Merchandiser

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March, 1965

What the Pro Can Do to Improve Sportswear Sales

Shops that do a big volume in slacks, shorts, blouses, etc. concentrate on four important factors . . . They are outlined for you in this article

By JACK LUST

Sales Manager, Di Fini Originals, Inc.

From time to time I hear from the conservative professionals, who I visit in my travels around the country, "I am running a golf shop, not a haberdashery." Yet, there is divided opinion among them regarding the potential of the sale of hard goods (equipment) as opposed to soft goods (sportswear). Many pro shops do a substantial volume in soft goods, and every season the volume keeps growing.

There are now many pro shops in every section of the country that do a sportswear volume of from \$30,000 to \$50,000. This figure is about equivalent to the volume of an average specialty shop independently operated by a single owner with a full-time sales clerk. In addition, golf sportswear has become big business in the resort shops.

How to Become An Expert

I fully appreciate the feeling among many pros that their extensive experience and knowledge of golf equipment permits them to give expert advice to customers on clubs, balls, etc., thus resulting in profitable equipment sales for them. On the other hand, many pros feel that slacks, Bermuda shorts, sweaters and blouses are a lot more difficult to properly present, fit and coordinate before they make a sale.

Naturally, everyone likes to buy from an expert. So, how does a pro become expert or half expert in soft goods. There is no magic formula. The average haberdashery clerk doesn't have to be the smartest guy around, nor does it take unusual training to properly use a tape measure or to accurately use a catalog. For the pro and his assistants to become professionals in sportswear, they need to know: (a) what to buy, (b) how to buy and keep records, (c) how to display and sell, and (d) how to fit and measure.

What to buy. Considering the experience of successful pros, I advocate concentrating on selling shirts, slacks, sweaters, shoes, rain jackets, gloves, socks, Bermuda shorts and blouses. Use less colors, which will give more sizes per item (with the exception of high fashion and exclusive ladies items where one of each may be adequate). Do this rather than spread the items stocked too thin, that is, having 12 pieces each of a different color. This is particularly important for the pro who is just starting out with limited capital. He cannot afford costly mistakes.

Local factors will determine what price range to stock. It is comparatively simple to find out about how much members spend for various items. Do not be unduly concerned about the price range of local department stores. They cater to a much wider variety of customers. Buy to expose club members to sportswear fashions that will make them look like golfers.

Set Up A Buying Plan

The main street stores (especially in smaller towns), simply cannot afford to concentrate on golf sportswear. Buy for members who are pacesetters. Bring new styles to the attention of fashion conscious members. Be sure the pro wears sportswear fashions. He is the No. 1 pacesetter. If the pacesetters are sold, others will follow.

How to buy and keep records. There are still some pros who take the easy way

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What is the fashion trend for 1965?

Jack Lust has listed some items that well-dressed golfers will be wearing this year:

* Women's fashions will continue along the narrower line (which shows the shape or lack of shape on women). There is a greater acceptance of culottes, skorts combinations and shirts with shorts combinations for the ladies.

* Paris fashion previews show the hem on all garments is rising 2/3 inches. This is good news for the pro shop. Most stores are not going to stock Bermuda-length but the shorter Jamaica-length shorts. This means the pro should have increased sales of Bermuda shorts.

An will be shifting to one pleat slacks or plain front (no pleat models). Pastel colors for both men and women will be strong again, with blue predominating.

³¹ Stretch fabrics, successfully tested in ladies' sportswear, are available in men's slacks. But, thank heavens, they are loosely tailored like conventional slacks. For added comfort, men's slacks are also tailored with a builtin girdle, a wide rubber waistband.

Incidentally, men as well as women will sport a new fall color, intoxicatingly called whiskey (classically known as Vicuna).

out by simply telling a salesman, "Fix me up an order. Don't send me too much stuff." This is not really so bad if a person deals with a thoroughly competent and honest salesman. Obviously, selling sportswear to pro shops is now a full-time job. Therefore, the pro shop is going to be better serviced.

For the pro to take best advantage of this better service as well as to buy intelligently, the first prerequisite is to buy with a pre-determined plan. Establish a total budget that is based on all sportswear items sold in several previous seasons. Adjust goals in the light of past experience. Do not be afraid to stock up on hot items.

Place orders in advance to enable the manufacturer to process the order within his own estimated schedule. Successful store operators buy their spring sportswear during the previous fall or winter

This material is condensed from a speech given by Jack Lust to the South Central PGA Section at a meeting in Oklahoma City in February. and their fall merchandise during the summer. Naturally, orders placed first are delivered first. This gives the pro a head start in sales by exposing members to new styles at the same time as the fashion stores, which means increased sales for the pro shop. Be sure to request a copy of each order in order to have proper followup.

Be Ready to Follow Up

When sending in special orders, keep them numbered and be sure to follow them up. It is good business at the height of the manufacturers' shipping season (May through July) to send in reorders with second and third color choices as quick deliveries are made only from the stock currently on hand.

Purchase information entered in an itemized purchase ledger can be used for inventory control as well as for re-ordering purposes. Enter purchases by item on one sheet and the sales of the same item on an opposite sheet. Carry forward the balance for each new season. Establish a flexible breakdown for each item you plan to buy.

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An authentic Spanish Colonial motif is carried out at the two-year old Tucson National club. It prevails not only in the clubhouse but in outlying casitas and the pro shop. Shown here is the ladies' lounge with a colorful overhead planter.

Hire Decorator to Carry Out Overall Design Plan

A professional should be called in to supervise a club's decorating or renovating project . . . Money is saved when this is done and members are always happier with the results

By A. R. GREEN

How can a club get the most for its money when decorating or redecorating? "It's simple," says Roy Granberg, A.I.D. "Consult a decorator and set up a budgeted program." Granberg has the credentials to discuss all phases of club decoration. As director of design for the contract division of Marshall Field & Co. of Chicago, Granberg has personally planned and supervised the interior direction of many country clubs throughout the U. S.

One of the best known and perhaps most impressively decorated clubs that Granberg has done is the Tucson (Ariz.) National GC. When owner and operator, William Nanini, sought to create the Tucson club and courses along with home sites, he decided to key it to the Spanish Colonial atmosphere of the Old Southwest.

Granberg went to work to design a comfortable club with an authentic atmosphere. Nanini did not permit the planting of palm trees, not native to the Southwest, and insisted that all telephone lines be underground so as not to destroy the illusion of old Tucson. Granberg, in like manner, often used fine, or original ma-

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Drop shades are substituted for curtains in dining room so view of course isn't obscured.

terials such as leather instead of plastic. In addition, there were many specially made items such as the chandeliers in the dining room and lounges. All paintings came from Mexico.

In seeking to follow the architecture of the building, which is of a modified Spanish style, Granberg sought to make the club modern, attractive and liveable. The gold-brown patterned carpeting, for example, in the lobby lounge and main dining room was designed to show the least sand and dust. Like all carpeting in the club, it was made to resist wear and to be cleat-resistant. There is no area of the club that is restricted to golfshoe wearers during the day.

Modern Clubs Want Comfort

For most modern clubs, the comforts of home are what the members expect

Informal Fiesta Room at Tucson National runs heavily to red. Patterned naugahyde fabric is substituted for more expensive leather. Filigreed wrought iron chairs were chosen for their durable, Southwest look.

