poa annua in greens. He makes two perpendicular passes with the thatching reels, goes once over with the greens mower, then vacuums the thatch, stolons and poa seeds with a Yard-Vac, manufactured in Fresno by D & M Manufacturing. On the average a 6,000-square-foot green will yield about 1/4 yard of debris with this treatment.

"If you can eliminate the seed, you can eliminate the plant," Shipman said. Of course, he hasn't eliminated the seeds, but he believes he has cut down the percentage of poa substantially. He hopes it will continue to decline from year to year.

His normal greens application is a 4-pound-per-1,000 feet feeding of Plant Gro oxidizer, a 21-7-14 mixture by Sierra Chemical Company of Milpitas, Calif. He considers this a "touchy" application, which might cause burning if applied in direct sun. So he puts it on late in the afternoon or evening, and irrigates it in during the night. Once a year, usually late in May, the Bermuda fairways receive

an application of granular 24-24-0, also by Plant Gro.

Fairways were seeded in Bermuda which still dominates, but co-exists with a mixture of native grasses. Shipman and Knott watch the weather forecasts closely when frost threatens in the late fall. "Normally I cut my fairways at 1 inch," Shipman said, "but we try to let them reach about 11/2 inches before the frost. When the grass goes dormant at that length we have a nice mat all winter, and it gets a little slick so irons slip under the ball well." Even though the dormant mat takes on a light tan color after the frost, Knott says he prefers it to seeding with rye, and so do the players.

Shipman manages his spray program by using two 200-gallon spray rigs, a 10 or 12-year old John Bean and a Hardie, wood-slat orchard sprayer that could be as much as 50 years old. This antique was recently outfitted with a Hy-pro pump. Like some of his other equipment, excellent maintenance makes it seem ageless. He uses

Knott and Shipman assess tree growth where trap was located (lighter area), now grass.

the Hardie exclusively for herbicides, and the bean for fungicides, reducing chances for cross contamin-

Because he is his own mechanic Shipman's appreciation of good equipment and maintenance is as keen as Knott's. He applauds the strong move to hydrostatics and hydraulics in today's turf care equipment. "It makes it a little tougher on the mechanic, who must understand hydraulics," he said, "but performance has been improved a great deal.'

Shipman particularly likes the constant reel speed of his Ransomes 7gang fairway mower. With one man assigned to cut fairways eight hours a day, five days a week, he also appreciates its reliability. His 15-year-old, 7gang Jacobsen is used as a back-up fairway mower.

His Jacobsen greens mower narrowly missed being cited as one of the oldest in operation when the compnay conducted a search last fall. A 1966 or '67 model, it has since been retired.

Greens mowers include two threegang Toro Greensmasters and three walking greensmasters. He uses a National Triplex for mowing aprons

Another labor saver Shipman has come to rely on heavily is the nylonline weeder. He has two Green Machines, supplied by HMC in Torrance, Calif. With 4,000 trees at Fig Garden, and grass growing right up to the trunks of most, the weeders are in constant use. Each weighs only six pounds, and workers can keep going longer with the lighter weights than with heavier units used previously.

Two blowers for leaves and debris, and three Trucksters and one dump truck by Cushman are part of the power equipment inventory. So are a Dedoes aerefier, a fairway aerefier, an Infield Pro raker, a Lely spreader, a slicer and sod cutter.

Shipman likes the arrangement he has that takes budgeting and most record keeping off his back. "If I need a piece of equipment, Gordon and I talk about it, and if he agrees, we buy it." That's an attitude that leads to having plenty of equipment on hand.

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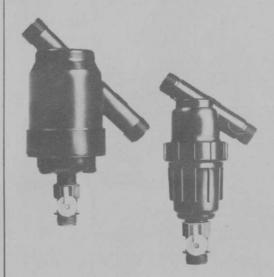
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18-hp engine

A new 18 hp twin-cylinder aluminum alloy engine, with 42.33 cu in (694 cc) displacement, has been added to the Briggs & Stratton line and will be introduced at the National Hardware Show, Chicago, August 13-16. Available in both horizontal crankshaft and vertical crankshaft versions, the engine will be equipped with electric starter and dualcircuit alternator, stellite exhaust valves and seats, valve rotators and seals, ball bearing, integral fuel pump, and dual element air cleaner. A horizontal crankshaft industrial/commercial model with standard dual ball bearings and optional cast iron cylinder sleeve will also be offered.

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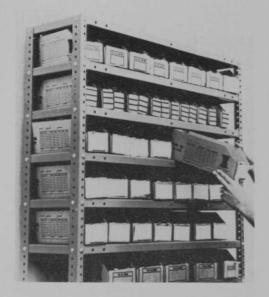
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Trencher

A new trencher has just been introduced by the Seaman Company. Called the Parsons T-8, it's the only handlebar trencher in its class with hydraulic ground drive. It is capable of trenching to a depth of up to 30" with infinitely variable trenching speeds from 0 to 15 FPM. Differential action may be manually locked out for positive traction. Forward, reverse and free wheel are also infinitely variable from 0 to 40

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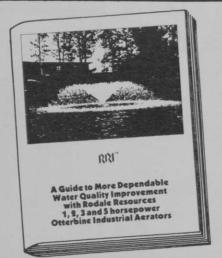
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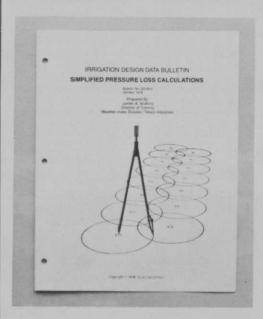
An 8-page, full-color brochure features commercial lawn-turf equipment from Bunton Co. The literature contains information about rotary gang mowers, self-propelled mowers, rotary mowers, and mulching mowers, along with a comparative specifications chart.

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Course marking products

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Irrigation system aid

A method of simplified pressure loss calculations for use by irrigation system designers is explained in a technical pamphlet available from Weather-matic Division, Telsco Industries. The pamphlet describes how the y^X function makes it possible for irrigation designers to compute pressure losses.

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Impact sprinklers

A data sheet features Johns-Manville's model 5910 Buckner Rocker Gun impact sprinkler for solid set, hand move, side roll, and pivot systems. The literature details benefits and special features of the sprinkler and presents, in table form, information about sprinkler base pressure, flow rate, sprinkler radius, maximum rectangular spacing, and precipitation per hour.

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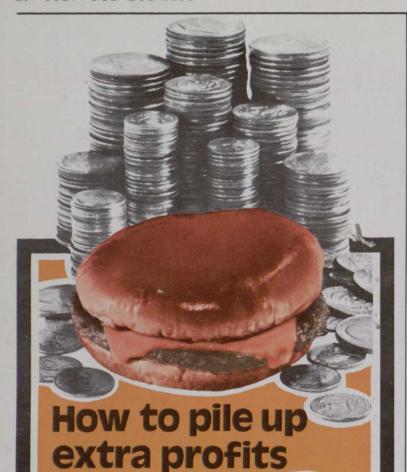
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Viewpoint



I spoke with Frank Feck, Superintendent at Elyria Country Club, here in Ohio, about the problem of golf cars and golf car paths. Frank did some cost comparative studies about four years or so back, he said, and came to the conclusion that it is a matter of local and what is available. As far as keeping the cars on track, he said you could build them eight feet wide and they'd still drive on the grass.

The best idea I dould come up with would be to build a device that senses when the cart has gone off the path and sets off bells, sirens, and perhaps even some loud, canned laughter. Maybe it would make a person self-conscious about driving off the edge. Otherwise, you'd have to put a fence around the entire path system. And then maintain the fence when they run into it.

So what have you done to ease the problem at your course? Send some photos and a description and when I have a good cross section, I'll run a feature on it. Make sure you get in one of the pictures.

We're going to have some excellent research in this magazine, but many times it's the Superintendents themselves that have the most innovative ideas. We will have plenty of space reserved for ideas, opinions, and also some plain old griping. Let's call attention to the problems and get some slaps on the back for solving them. We all can use that.

The GOLF BUSINESS staff is going to be traveling extransively in the weeks to come. Someone told me it would be impossible to see 11,885 golf courses in the first year on the job. I figure maybe two years. If you want to make sure we get to your course to take some pictures and do some talking, send me a card telling me you have a six pack and I'll catch the next plane.

Seriously, we want to listen to as many Superintendents as possible. It doesn't take much to make me get out of the office.

Hope to see you soon. By-the-way, there's a card in the magazine — doesn't even need a stamp.

Pon Monis

