

Approximate list prices are:

Rotary or Flail	\$ 700.00
5-Gang Blitzer	\$3,350.00

Estimated life spans are:

Rotary or Flail	4 years
Gang Mower	10 years

Using \$5.00 per hour for a man and tractor, labor alone would cost \$270.00 for each mowing with a rotary or flail and with a 5-gang Blitzer, labor would cost \$48.00 for each mowing. Assuming we have a normal mowing season of 26 mowings, seasonal costs would be as follows:

- (a) Rotary or Flail 26 x \$270.00 or \$7,020.00
- (b) Gang Mowers 26 x \$ 48.00 or \$1,248.00

From these figures, the tremendous savings that the 5-gang mower could effect are apparent. Many times the most expensive equipment at the time of purchase will prove to be the most economical when put to use.

Now a word on maintenance costs. The rotary or flail mower should be greased twice a day, and knives should be checked, sharpened from time to time during the season and sometimes changed. The gang mower does not require any greasing for an entire season. The big 10" reel cuts dandelion and most other weeds as long as a reasonable mowing program is maintained.

The rotary or flail mowers definitely have their place and can be used advantageously on some areas, but on large and reasonably maintained turf areas, the Blitzer mower will prove to be the least expensive method of cutting grass.

### MID-ATLANTIC BY-LAW AMENDMENT

Notice to Superintendents with assistants - Article 5, Section H, Class D, Assistant.

Proposed amendment change to read as follows: Shall be employed full time as an assistant by a class A member of the association. He shall not have the right to vote or hold office.

### SURPRISE

George Thompson, Superintendent of Columbia C.C., Chevy Chase, Maryland, was shocked to see his face on the front cover of The Golf Superintendent. The article inside featured the write-up he received last summer in the Washington Post Magazine - Potomac. Someone should let us know these things.

### NEW EDITION

Tom Haske and wife Carole were blessed with a new baby named Carolyn who weighed 7 lbs. 1 oz.

### FYI

Anyone interested in authentic Penngift Crownvetch, call Dr. Grau at 864-0090.

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