POOLS KEEP YOUNG BLOOD STIRRING

Fort Wayne (Ind.) CC pool is gathering place of the smart younger set of the city. The pool represents a profitable $90,000 investment by the club. With courses crowded the past few years swimming pools have been important in keeping the youngsters interested in the country clubs. Pros might well look over the youngsters who play around the pool and see that these kids all are enlisted for class or individual golf lessons. These boys and girls will be the life of the club a few years from now.

display space. I believe one large window located where the pro can see the first tee and the eighteenth green, if possible, and the caddy house, is sufficient. One corner window is all that a well laid out shop needs. Good sunlight minimizes the use of artificial lighting.

By all means I believe a shop should be made as theft-proof as possible. This problem can be overcome many ways. I am not going to attempt to enumerate. A good strong galvanized wire screen over the windows which can be removed when the shop is in operation is a simple and not too costly a way of taking care of this matter. I imagine there are many new ideas on this. Frankly I haven't had too much trouble in this respect. Of course insurance is a "must." Having the shop in the clubhouse is very safe. It is not as vulnerable as a shop stuck away back in the trees where a thief can be shielded.

The caddy house should be built as close to the shop as possible. This eliminates a telephone system which is a nuisance. With this arrangement, if the club is not too big one man can handle two jobs. Hiring a caddy-master and an assistant is expensive. Unless the club has a large membership and is wealthy this is not feasible. The available funds at many clubs don't allow paying enough for a good caddy-master and a good assistant too. To get the right man you have to pay an attractive salary. I like to have the caddies within earshot and also where they can be seen.

Indoor Net Desirable

A net for indoor instruction at clubs in the north is a good idea providing the club is near enough to town where a person would not mind driving out for a lesson. In isolated clubhouses, this is not a very good idea.

If a pro or a club must use caddy carts then a special space should be provided for them. Placing them in the shop or in a space near the shop or on porches is very unsightly. They must be handled just like the storing of clubs. Out of the way.