



**PHILIP MARSHALL** received a presentation cheque from Ransomes when he retired recently after 44 years in the horticultural trade, 21 with Ransomes.

Philip recalled his years as an area manager with Ransomes as very happy ones, with good friends and colleagues. "Naturally, I am going with a touch of sadness," he said, but added that he was lucky in being happily married and enjoying his life at home. His wife would be pleased not to see him packing up to leave every Monday morning.

Making the presentation on behalf of all his colleagues, Guy Catchpole, general marketing manager, grass machinery division, described Philip as a very kind and generous man who was always ready to help others.

The picture shows Phil Johnson, director, Ransomes grass machinery division (left) and John Wilson, sales manager (right) watching Guy Catchpole (second right) making the presentation to Philip Marshall.

## Play on, young man!

By Matt Blaydon of the Midlands Section

**TOMORROW'S** Greenkeepers are wanted today and it's up to the older hands to offer them every encouragement. If the new lads also play golf this should count as an added keenness to their employment. Not all Head Greenkeepers play golf I know, but whether they do or don't, the new lads should be given the incentive, by the Club, to take paid time off to play in B.G.G.A. matches. Head Greenkeepers who play could offer lifts to the matches to the new lads. The

most promising newcomers to Greenkeeping have been attracted to the work because they enjoyed playing golf. They should be encouraged to join the B.G.G.A. by their employers and encouraged to play in B.G.G.A. matches. I have known of a promising newcomer to Greenkeeping who was sacked by his club because he took unpaid time off to play in a B.G.G.A. Section match. Tomorrow's Greenkeepers are wanted today and if they also enjoy playing golf they should be encouraged in both directions. Let their pride be justified.