an interest in the club; I would always welcome suggestions as to improvements—the cutting of expenses, running tournaments, etc. It is easily noticeable all successful pros are vitally interested in their clubs.

12. I would want him to be a member in good standing of the Professional Golfers' Association of America.

For such a man I would do all in my power as a board member to see that he got the support of all the members, so as to have him contented and satisfied. If he could not give satisfaction we would be on the look-out for a new pro. I would invite him to Board meetings; would encourage him at the needed time; would be his loyal friend; would try and not have the usual propaganda that gets out saying that the pro's merchandise is higher than his competitors, or that he was making three or four times as much money as he actually was—which is such a very common thing of today.

If this were done, we would have a satisfied, well-liked pro, a better club and a

contented Board.

A man like this would not be hard to obtain, although it sounds as if it is a lot for one man to do. But a pro succeeding in the business does all of these and more too.

Change of Scenery to Pep Up Sales

By FRANK WILLIAMS, Professional, Skokie Country Club

NE important detail of professional sales operations this year, in view of the lively merchandising interest manifested by pros must be making changes in the shop so the members' interest is awakened by the novelty and attractiveness of the revamped establishment. Especially in the case of a pro starting his first season on a new job must this part of the work be given serious consideration. The conditions are such that a pro is afforded an excellent opportunity to woo back the trade that might have strayed away from the shop, due probably to no especial error of omission or commission on the part of the pro, but because of the wanderlust that seems to be a part of the American buying temperament.

In my own case, I am remodeling the shop so it will not seem the same to the



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members. People like something new, and I am going to try to give it to them. New display racks are being installed with display facilities for a stock several times as large as that normally carrieo. The revamping plan calls for re-decorating the entire shop with some pleasing color that is easy to keep clean. The policy is to be an attractive, fresh appearing shop, plus a complete line of the best clubs at the same prices as the better class downtown stores.

Many times members think they pay the pro more that the store charges. Even though the store's merchandise is not the same high quality as the pro's, the pro is unjustly penalized and seldom given a chance to go into detail. To counteract this thought I intend to send out a letter to all of our members telling them that my prices are the same they have to pay down-town.

The customer must have a good assortment of standard, highest grade, brands, and that we give them in our new shop.

Handling the "Crab"

I believe that many of us in the protribe are inclined to pass up the member who is termed a "crab." I do not wish to imply that I have not done so in the past, either, but from now on the "crab" is the one person who is going to be pleased if it is humanly possible. The crabs always are the biggest and loudest talkers. They certainly can do the pro a lot of harm or good—so why not make sure that it's the latter?

Assistant Pros Need More Help

By F. PLAY

Y COMPLIMENTS to Paul Scott on his recent article in GOLFDOM relating to the status of the assistant. It served to draw attention of the thinking men in the profession to the assistant's need of better conditions of employment and training, and to the wisdom of making these needs a matter of P. G. A. study and action. As the matter stands now, the assistant can shift for himself as best he may, and this is not a situation that the P. G. A. should permit.

Someone should blush at the assistant pros' wages mentioned in Scott's article. Whether it should be the professionals or the clubs I'm not sure.

I know of boys who have been brought up since they were wee laddies to be pro-