assistant was taking such a quantity of balls, to whom was he selling them? I pin-marked every ball in my shop, and later I discovered some of these balls in the pro-shop of a nearby club—the same club where my assistant was the assistant the preceding year.

I now held every card in my hand every card needed to not only fire my assistant, but also to place myself in a favorable position to win a much better pro position for the following year. In my anxiety, I played it wrong.

Apprehended, the pro who bought the balls from my assistant claimed that, running short of golf balls, he had purchased a temporary supply from a friend of his —me. And to think that one of his best friends would try to frame him to get his job!

Of course I never did get those balls back again, nor did I fire my assistant. He took my job the next year.

Clubs in Northwest Sector Await Great Season

A BRIEF survey of golf clubs in the northwest made by Commercial West of Minneapolis shows them in fine shape with certainty of an active year for the territory's golf courses. High spots of the report:

Minikahda—Memberships increasing and now ahead of last year. Finances in good shape. \$35,000 swimming pool completed in 1935 proved great feature.

Interlachen—For past six months membership has been up to limit. Financial condition excellent.

Golden Valley-Big increase in membership. Pro-shop being reconstructed.

Minneapolis GC—Membership limit of 350 expected soon. Finances excellent. Somerset—Near waiting list on membership.

Town & Country—Membership has increased almost to limit. Finances in good shape.

Northland (Duluth) — Membership increased by 60 during worst blizzard of last 40 years.

FIRST bulletin of the Ohio Golf Course Assn., state-wide organization of fee courses, solicits information to give the fee courses data for active prosecution of work delegated to three of its committees; legislative and taxation, play promotion, and construction and maintenance.

B. R. Darby, North Olmsted, O., is sec. of the organization which earnestly solicits membership and cooperation of Ohio fee courses.

INFORMATION from many central states clubs that nets have been installed in the clubhouses and pros are back at the clubs giving indoor lessons confirms the hunch that this may be a great golf year.

Along with indoor training, Beverly CC (Chicago district) plans golf instruction movies and lectures on the rules, to be presided over by the club's pro, Harry Hampton and his assistant Ned Jamieson.

A REVISION of the famous Massachusetts GA Caddie Service book for caddies and members has been made by the Massachusetts association and now is available from the publishers, J. B. Lippincott Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

The book may be secured for as low as 15 cents a copy by ordering in quantity lots.



Headed by their president, Howard Farrant of The Country Club, Brookline, Mass., Greenkeepers' Club of New England started off the 1936 season with a well attended meeting. A clinic was held on problems that already assure a busy and exacting year for the able experts who are responsible for playing conditions in the nation's northeastern sector. In the first row are the Greenkeepers' Club of New England executives. Seated, left to right: H. C. Darling, T. W. Swanson, James McCormack, Frank H. Wilson, Robert A. Mitchell, Howard D. Farrant, Arthur Anderson, John Counsell, Carlton E. Treat, Guy C. West and Charles W. Parker.