

money to manufacturers, they in turn will be allowed a greater reserve to be expended in the development of newer machines.

Failure to see the rocks ahead will mean sooner or later the breakdown of the existing dealer set-up with a probable reversion to direct manufacturer representation or form machinery dealers with golf equipment as a side line. This would be accompanied with higher prices and maybe complete refusal of trade-in deals.

Nobody wants to see such a picture before him, and there is still time to avert such a catastrophe if genuine, unselfish thought is followed with cooperative action.

Minnesota Program is Tops in Talent

THE Minnesota Greenkeepers' Assn. annual meeting and educational conference was held at the Nicollet Hotel in Minneapolis, February 28-March 1. The

speaking program at the conference was really one the greensmen will talk about for some time to come; a glance at the talent on hand gives a quick tip-off on why the large number attending were so enthusiastic over the sessions.

Speakers were Dr. John Monteith, Jr., USGA Green Section; O. J. Noer, Milwaukee Sewerage Commission; W. R. Smith, secy., Twin City Senior League; Ray Rolfs, Milwaukee; Don Quay, asst. secy., Woodhill CC; Joe Rush, supt., Minneapolis CC; E. A. Swanlund, Rochester CC; Emil H. Picha, Midland Hills CC; and from the University of Minnesota staff, A. H. Larson, Dr. C. O. Rost, Lloyd Stein, George A. Thiel. Arthur Anderson, greenkeeper, University GC, was chairman for the first day's sessions; Carl Anderson, Nemadji CC, Superior, Wis., handled the chairmanship on the second day, and Gilbert Foster, greenkeeper at Town & CC, was chairman for the day at the concluding day's sessions. Annual banquet was held Thursday evening, February 29.

Golfers Get All-Weather Driving Range

AN all-weather driving range, said by experts to be one of the finest in the South, is nearing completion at the St. John Golf Club in City Park, New Orleans.

The range, which is being constructed by the WPA, will be 300 ft. wide at the north end, 600 ft. wide at the south end, and will be 300 yds. long. In fair weather a 300-ft. teeing strip will be available, while in inclement weather golfers may practice in six protected stalls, each 18 ft. wide, in front of the administration

building. Inside the administration building are two locker-rooms, two refreshment rooms and two dressing rooms.

A series of light standards have been erected to provide for night practice. Atop the driving stalls are four batteries of lights which project onto the range, while midway down the field are two standards on each side of the field, each equipped with a battery of five 1,000-watt bulbs. A parking lot will accommodate approximately 100 automobiles.



In inclement weather, New Orleans golfers may hit their practice shots from these six protected tee stalls built in front of the administration building.