So you think you have troubles!

GAS has been rationed . . . help has been drafted . . . golf balls are short. Sure, it's tough. We don't like it any better than you do . . . nor do your members like it.

But at least we haven't had to dodge machine gun bullets on the fairway yet . . . nor dig up delayed action bombs . . . nor carry gas masks along with our clubs.

In England they do these things . . . but golf hasn't succumbed to war in England. And golf will not succumb to war in this country. It will be curtailed, but curtailment doesn't mean death — unless we kill the game ourselves by hoarding and carelessness.

Explain this carefully to your members. Urge them to take care of their balls and their clubs as though they were the last they'd ever get . . . and keep on playing. . . . Golf will live if you, we, everyone wills to keep it alive.

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TITLEIST BEDFORD GREEN RAY PINNACLE
Charges of operating a punchboard were lodged against John Clancy, pro at Mosholu links in Van Cortlandt Park, NYC, by a police inspector who found in Clancy’s shop a small box with a hole on top, into which golfers were permitted to drop an old golf ball, then take a chance on the punchboard for a new ball . . . George Sayers, vet pro at Merion (Ardmore, Penn.) says American golfers want every element of luck taken out of golf; hence the raking of traps, teeing up in the fairway, etc. In contrast, he mentions Harry Vardon, who, “no matter how the ball lay, never said a word about it. He just walked up and hit it.” . . .

Harry Stephens, for more than 21 years pro at Druid Hills CC (Atlanta, Ga.) and in pro-golf service for 45 years, retired July 11. . . . The horse-drawn solution to getting members to the club has worked out so well for Glen Oaks (Lakeville, L. I.) that pro Spencer Murphy has added another team of horses and carriage to his original outfit. Now more than 50 members can be taken from the station to the club simultaneously, and Glen Oaks members laugh at the East’s gas problem . . .

In New York state, all caddies under 18 must carry working papers from the State Labor Board. Inspectors raid the clubs, give the bounce to all kids without papers; the kids often do not have the money for a physical exam, needed before papers will be issued and club officials are pretty sore about the whole thing . . . Ralph Guldahl has been named pro at the San Diego CC, recently leased for 5 years by Rohr Aircraft Corp. . . .

Over a million cigarettes will go to servicemen overseas as a result of a best-ball exhibition match July 18
TIMELY TURF TIPS

Right now clubs should forget fairway fertilization. Milorganite fed courses will not fare too badly without being fertilized for a year or two. After the war, or when fertilizer is more plentiful, fairways can be restored quickly—with Milorganite alone—or by using Milarsenite first to curb weeds and clover.

Greens and tees should not be neglected. They should get enough fertilizer to ward off disease and maintain dense turf. We expect to furnish Milorganite in limited quantity for this purpose and hope before long chemical nitrogen will become available again for use on these vitally important areas.

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UNPLEASANT LOCKER ROOM ODORS?

How often do you hear about unpleasant odors in the locker and shower rooms? The surest—and most economical—way to solve this problem is to use Deoderoma in a Dolge Diffuseur or Deodoroma Crystals. This vaporizing chemical, available in five delightful fragrances, will force those unpleasant odors below nose-level—and for two to two and one-half cents a day.

The five scents are rose, carnation, new-mown hay, sandalwood and cedar. Select yours and find the answer to these complaints from between Willie Klein and Jack Mallon vs. Wiffy Cox and Joe Turnesna at Rockville CC (Rockville Center, L. I.). At each hole the winning ball was auctioned to the gallery. Event was so successful that a rematch will be played Aug. 15 at Garden City CC.... The Homestead CC (Danvers, Mass.) isn't letting the war stop its golf. The course has been reduced from 9 to 3 holes, but the golfers like it anyway....

Nearest golf course in this country to Europe is the Rockport (Mass.) CC, according to Frank MacEachern, its manager. Tsst, tsst, Frank; when did they do away with all the golf courses in Maine? ... Early reports are that V-gardens have been very successful at clubs this year; many clubs wonder why they didn't start raising their own vegetables a long time ago. ... City Commission of Birmingham (Ala.) is having a great dogfight over Highland Park muny course, purchased in 1926 for $600,000 and on which the city still owes $482,000, despite having paid $470,000 in principal and interest through the years since '26. Some commissioners want to give the course back to the sellers; the rest want to pay up and save further interest charges. ....

Thirty-second annual championship of the California GA, to which servicemen amateurs will be especially welcome, will be played at Pebble Beach GC, Del Monte, Sept. 8-12. On the same dates, the Del Monte championship for women will be played over the Cypress Point course. ... The Army-Navy E award was presented to workers of the L. A. Young Steel & Wire Corp., Trenton, N. J., plant July 31. ... At a recent War Bond drive at Winchester, Mass., a man paid $7,500.00 for a set of four Bob Jones woods—plus a $10,000 War bond. ... G. A. Young, former president of the Indiana Seniors GA, member of the Purdue university faculty, and a veteran member of the Soap Factory Gang of veteran Hoosier golfers, died recently, following a prolonged illness...
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Needs of Its Area, Builds Future Patrons

A GREAT job of fitting golf into the wartime needs of the nation is being done by the Southern California Public Links Golf Assn., Inc. an organization having as members the following clubs in the Los Angeles district: Altadena, Balboa Park, Brentwood, Brookside, Clover Field, Fox Hills, Griffith Park, Lakewood, Montebello, Inglewood, Palos Verde, Rancho, Recreation Park, Rio Hondo, Santa Anita, Southern California, Sunset Fields, Western Avenue, Woodland Hills.

A War Workers’ golf service division and a summer junior golf instruction program are main features of the SCPLGA’s current operations. Of these activities A. H. Mauer, president of the organization, says:

“The War Worker’s Service Division is functioning through the recreational directors of some 50 or 60 of the major defense plants in the greater Los Angeles vicinity, and its activities and the further program has met with enthusiastic success.

“The Junior Golf Instruction Program is designed to build interest in golf on the part of the youngsters; to give them an active and healthy summertime interest under proper supervision; to build future business for the pros, and increased business for the golf courses and members for the clubs.

“The program has the endorsement of many of our leading pros of the Los Angeles territory, including Olin Dutra, president of the Southern California PGA, Joe Novak, Willie Hunter, Stanley Kertes, Harry Bassler, Geo. Lake, Marvin Clawson, Geo. McInerny, and many others. The program has been endorsed by the Pasadena and the Long Beach City School Boards, as providing an excellent activity and supervised recreation for children, many of whose parents are engaged in the defense plants and industries.

“The professionals named, along with others, conduct classes at their respective clubs in accordance with the plan outlined in the bulletin. Thus it will be seen that the benefits are not limited to either the public links clubs and courses, but will be contributed by the private clubs very materially, as well.

“It is our intention to make the program an annual summertime affair, and it is felt that by so doing we can generate a constantly increasing interest in and enthusiasm for the game on the part of the generation to whom we must look for its sustenance in the future, and at the same time accomplish the double purpose of building present business for the professional and the course operators or managements.”

Details of the two phases of the association’s plans are given in highly informative bulletins. The War Workers Golf Service division bulletin says, in part:

“The Southern California Public Links Golf Association, as the established organization representative of the interests of the public links golfers of this area, has taken it upon itself to bring to the
golfing war workers of this community all the cooperative benefits and facilities of the Southern California Public Links Golf Association.

"The Southern California Public Links Golf Association therefore offers:

1. All of its facilities and its services, through the medium of its Coordinating Committee, to any group, or organization of golfers who are bona fide war workers or connected or identified in their employment with any plant, company or employer engaged in defense work, in all matters involving the game of golf.

2. For these purposes there has been established a Tournament Consultant Service where there will be available advice on all types of tournaments. Also this department will function as a medium of arranging tournaments or inter-plant or inter-community play.

3. The committee will serve as a consultant on the USGA Rules of Golf, in any instances when application is made therefor.

4. The Association through its committee will also be glad to furnish speakers on golf or allied subjects. Likewise it is prepared to furnish interesting material for publication in any plant periodical desiring same.

5. An important service which the Association is prepared to furnish to our war worker golfers is a uniform handicapping system, which is designed to properly and equitably handicap all participants in all events, whether of previously established handicap rating or otherwise; and to furnish duly qualified course ratings and printed and uniform handicap record sheets and rules and regulations.

6. It is proposed to make available printed matter, posters and placards, embodying the purpose and spirit of the things herein set forth, with such of the practical details as may be necessary to denote the services and facilities thus made available."

Lessons for Juniors

The summertime junior golf instruction program was planned for high school and junior high school boys and girls. Professionals at various local clubs were enrolled to conduct class instruction of the junior golfers in a series of six lessons in a 3-week period, to start a week or so after the end of the regular school term.

Quoting from the SCPLGA bulletin on the subject: "Classes should be conducted on two days in each of the three weeks, on whatever days at whatever hours are most convenient for the purpose. Classes should be conducted in two divisions; the boys' division starting at 10 o'clock or whatever hour is selected, and this class to be followed by the girls' division at 11 o'clock. This grouping will greatly conserve and facilitate transportation.

"As much personal contact with each pupil as can be given is advisable; those who disclose exceptional ability can be especially selected and encouraged, and outstanding proteges developed. In past experience, classes with as many as fifty pupils have been found to be highly successful.

"As another step in the program, an endeavor will be made to arrange with the course management, wherever these classes are held, to allow the boys and girls to play nine holes after each lesson beginning with either the second or third lesson.

"Then, as a final step in the program, the series of lessons will conclude with a tournament the week following the conclusion of the course of instruction at the courses where the players have received their instruction. Results will be tabulated centrally and prizes and trophies will be awarded to the winners.

Only Nominal Fee

"The only charge which will be made either for lessons, practice play following the lessons or for tournament play following the conclusion of the course of instruction is a nominal charge for the use of the balls. This charge can be arranged for in either one of two ways, according to the professionals' preference: (1) by charging a flat fee of $1 to be collected before the classes begin from each enrollee or (2) a charge of ten or fifteen cents per lesson collected on each class from each attendant; the flat fee to be collected in advance has proven in most cases to be the best.

"The broad purposes of the foregoing are in accordance with the design of the Association's Coordinating Committee for this year, namely to disseminate the broadest possible interest in and enthusiasm for a game of golf, and to generate a constantly increasing enthusiasm therein and dovetailed with this purpose, the further design to build and contribute in every way possible to the business and the interest of the golf professional and of the operators and management of the individual golf courses."
THE 1943 Kentucky Open golf tournament was salvaged by the Officers Club at Ft. Knox, home of the Armored Force. How it happened, how it was accomplished, and what were the results may be of interest to golfers in all states possessing military posts with golf links within the reservation or close by.

The Kentucky State Golf Association was polling its member clubs to see if they would support an open tournament, and "no's" were fluttering back like snow in Alaska. The year before the association had attempted to perpetuate the meet (after dropping the amateur for the duration) and had lost $150 out of its already slim treasury.

Oscar Widmer, professional at the Seneca Golf Club in Louisville, suggested that as a last resort, the meet be put on at Ft. Knox, simply as an entertainment for the soldiers, with prizes limited to the entry fees.

Morgan Boggs, pro at the post (30 miles south of Louisville) carried the suggestion to Lt. Col. George W. Weego, chairman of golf at the Ft. Knox Golf Club. The Colonel liked the idea. He thought the meet would be attractive to the soldiers interested in "name" players. Sadly, there was no player left in Kentucky that anybody but his caddie would enjoy watching, with the exception of Bill Kaiser, the Hillerich & Bradsby salesman.

"In that case," said the colonel, "we take over the tournament and get our own players." So the Officers Club Board of Governors dug down and came up with $2,500 and asked the PGA to send down any top players it could find. The state golf association and state PGA offered any assistance needed, but the post chose civilian helpers at random and did an excellent job of it, with military men in the key positions.

Outstanding labor at the starting tee was contributed by Joseph S. "Uncle Joe" Dickson, for many years starter at the National Public Links tournaments. He was handicapped by the fact that no arrangement had been made to keep the tee in contact with the barracks and mess hall frequented by the players, but he managed to keep play fairly timely with it all. This will be a point for clubs to remember in attempting a meet of this kind. The barracks may be far removed, and some system of notification has to be rigged up. Call boys aren't enough.

Lee S. Read, Homer Baker, Gordon Guernsey, Cliff Lussky, J. L. Paddock and Chief Myers, all golfing officials from Louisville and Lexington, remained on the job around the scoring and starting tables and did excellent jobs.

All Fees to Red Cross

The entry fee was $5 and spectator fees $1 for all three days (pro-amateur on Friday and open on Saturday and Sunday). All these fees, plus money from sale of programs and auctioning of score cards, went to the Post Red Cross Auxiliary. The Officers Club gave the $2,500 without any possibility of hope of receiving a cent in return.

"It is a part of the war department's athletic policy to build morale," explained Col. Weego, "and I speak both from a spectator and a player standpoint. We not only provided entertainment for thousands of soldiers, but had many service men participate and win prizes. That was repayment enough for the Officers Club."

The entries were received at the Ft. Knox Officers Club and the pro shop.

August, 1943
This sign for pro shop display is one of the means the Golf Ball Manufacturers Assn. is using to bring to the attention of all golfers that unless old golf balls are turned in as new balls are bought, all golfers may not be able to play the season cut.

More than 110 entered. Col. Weego personally directed most of the committees, and settled all questions of policy in a truly military style. He also supervised distribution of awards, housing the players in barracks, feeding them at a nearby mess hall, and entertaining them at night at the Officers’ Club.

From a financial point, the tournament was not a success, as only $1,500 was turned over to the Red Cross Auxiliary. The Officers Club could have given $2,500 and not staged the tournament—but...

It wasn’t put on as a money-maker. It was highly successful as an entertainment for the soldiers and as a participant sport for many of them.

“It accomplished everything we expected of it,” said Col. Weego, “and we are happy about the whole thing. Of course we would like to have turned several thousands of dollars over to the Red Cross but being 30 miles from Louisville we hardly dared hope for a large gallery of civilians, and we naturally let all service men watch free.”

Byron Nelson won the first prize of a $1,000 War Bond for his 72-hole total of 273, Chick Harbert, second at 278, received a $500 bond. Bob Hamilton, third, got $250, and Bill Kaiser and Dale Morey, amateur, tied for fourth at 295. The prize was $100. The pro-amateur went to Nelson and Pvt. W. Straightiff.