

## Of Golf . . .. Of Course

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. . . .

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between Willie Klein and Jack Mallon vs. Wiffy Cox and Joe Turnesa 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 muni 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. . . .