

San Diego, Calif.  
August 28, 1930

To The Honorable Council,  
City of San Diego,  
San Diego, Calif.

Gentlemen:

After reading notice in newspaper of the Council's order to Police Department to stop play at Presidio Fairway, I presented the accompanying petition to business concerns, residents and property owners surrounding this golf course to find out whether or not they considered the Fairway a nuisance or an asset. As the petition shows, they are very much pleased at general improvement to properties in general.

The driving tees were changed as per Mr. Lockwood's request, on August 16th and 17th. I very strongly objected to changing these tees as it entailed a very large expenditure, principally the wrecking of a \$400.00 green. However, this change makes it practically impossible to "hook" a ball far enough to carry to said house. As the Officer's report should show, there is no evidence of any golf balls hitting the complainants house since that time.

Mr. Edwards of the Juvenile Court will bear me out, that one, Cruze Sandoval, was paying little kiddies in neighborhood 2 cents a piece to steal balls off the Fairway, which he in turn sold for \$1.50 per dozen. This boy, with others, was deliberately driving balls over the 15' fence so these kiddies could gather them up. One of these kiddies was the buyer's brother, who is on probation at present.

My reward for catching these youngsters was that they threw rocks at the complainants house and then told him they were golf balls. The complainants wife saw the boys throw the rocks and produced them from the porch as evidence. Witnesses can be produced a plenty on this episode. A window was broken on August 27th and at the time it was broken there was no one playing on the Fairway, nor could a ball be produced as evidence. However, I removed the window to renew the glass and asked complainant to allow me to renew some more broken windows and screen the windows at my expense. According to State Housing Act, he should have these windows screened for his tenants. He refuses to allow me to screen them.

I have cleaned up nearly 3 square blocks of unsightly property, plus two blocks of un-opened street in my development at a great expense and it is simply a case of allowing me to continue my development or be ruled out by the most objectionable looking piece of property in Old Town.

I earnestly request to be ordered to repair complainants broken windows and screen same to protect myself against breakage by rocks or golf balls.

Sincerely,

*Frank E. Dana.*

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Owner of Presidio ~~Park~~ FAIRWAY.