RUMBLINGS from the Stamford hills point to formation of a protest committee on the heavy consolidation taxes. The woodchucks are up in arms over the tax hike, especially the automobile price of cars as old as three years. An added beef is the report that the 'chucks can't get in to see either the mayor or the assessor. Finance Commr. Bob Almon says the tax is levied on the market value of motor vehicles, which were high a few months back, but tumbling in the more recent glut.

WAS Officer Pete Lombardo the cop who fractured a thumb trying to subdue a Stamford Hall prospect who was finally quieted in Precinct II by reinforcements? Whatever happened to the case of those hoodlums who attacked a well-known physician on Stamford Hospital grounds a couple of years back? They've never come to trial... Joe Sherman, the wholesaler, will be touted by the GOP Town Committee to fill Democrat Ed Connell's vacancy on the Lock City Welfare Commission.

VITAL STATISTICS: Mrs. Helen Labbancz is leaving Yale Towne. She's a date with Stork in January... Paul Castros, who's looking for a new location for the family's old "Square News," just gifted Mimi Kaplan with a terrific sparkler. They're engaged now... Elnor Mayer and Cliff Wenzel are seeing a person in November... And Claire Bordeaux, the stunning brunette model, is serious about Andy Zacharya, the jewelry designer. Claire's profile is that of Miss Fain in the current Alec Raymond comic strip, Rip Kirby.

BROADWAY is yak-yakking about this one. Stamford's Gene Tunney, ex-world's heavyweight champ, was dining with Louis Stone, president of Eversharp, of which Gene is a director. When the check came around, Stone signed it with a pencil stub borrowed from the waiter... Al Klahr, the watch doc, was on the Big Street outside Jack Dempsey's when he heard some action in the World Series coming up. In he went for a bite in time to see Tommy Henrich wallop his game-winning homer for the Yanks on Wednesday.

COUPLES CLUB of Darien's First Congregational Church was taken over the hurdles in a gag perpetrated by King Whitney, Jr., world-traveling localite who showed up perfectly disguised as a Mohammedan potentate. He was "sahibed" all evening until the unveiling. Whitney has lived two blocks from the church all his life... Dep. Service Commr. Phil Maffei is ailing seriously at Stamford Hospital, with a service-connected disability.

DARIEN'S noted political economist, Dr. Stanley High, believes John Foster Dulles, GOP candidate for the U. S. Senate in New York state may fool 'em with a win over the Democratic candidate, former Gov. Herbert H. Lehman, brother-in-law of Stamford's Frank Altschul.

TAXPAYERS are complaining that the annual Stamford dun on car owners doesn't take into consideration annual depreciation of motor vehicles... Scene around town: Former Mayor Charles E. Moore looking more hale and hearty than ever. The lay-off from municipal politics seems to agree with him... Teachers are asking why Mayor George T. Barrett was absent from the Walter R. Dolan School dedication ceremonies. He was busy, it being the eve of the Carol Paight bind-over in City Court.