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PORTSMOUTH, N. H., is planning for the New England championship . . . details are given in this issue of the Oregon championship which begins the latter part of this month with a \$300 prize list . . . Be sure to read Secretary Cottrell's page this month . . . he deals again with the question of illegal shoes . . . he receives a lot of mail on this subject and so does the Horseshoe World . . . you can save yourself a lot of writing by reading his explanation . . . this issue gives a story of how horseshoes got into court the other day . . . if our mail is any indication there are more clubs than ever this year . . . and the Horseshoe World is receiving more club subscriptions than ever—that is, subscriptions in bunches of 10 or more . . . all of which shows that interest is growing in the game in the United States and elsewhere.

August, 1932

A Song of Ringers

It's sweet music, isn't it?

Everywhere one goes these days he hears the song of ringers. The tinkle and the clank of horseshoes on the pegs is an indication of the popularity of the game.

We have said it before and we repeat it. The horseshoe game is growing. It is the one thing that the present economic conditions have not stifled.

Are you proud to be a good horseshoe pitcher?

You should be!

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* THE COVER PHOTO *

On the cover page is a picture of John Stella, who recently won the Eastern championship at the tourney at Central Recreation Camp, Stoney Creek, New York.

When Eugene Hillman, of East Patterson N. J., who was to pitch off the match with Stella for the championship, developed tonsillitis and it was announced he could not pitch, Stella refused to take the title by a forfeit and had the finals postponed a week. Stella won the match.

This proves that John Stella is a good sport and worthy of the title of champion.

And here's a story from the New York Herald-Tribune that should be of interest to our readers:

Six raw eggs and a trained eye brought victory yesterday to John Stella, hotel waiter, in the final round of the Eastern Championship Horseshoe Pitching tournament, that was played on the courts of the Fort George Horseshoe Pitching club at Fort George Avenue and 194th St. An audience of 75 saw Mr. Stella defeat Eugene Hillman, the flower and vegetable man from East Paterson, N. J., in three consecutive games.

An unusual spectacle met the eyes of the grizzled horseshoe experts just before the match began. Mr. Stella was cracking the last of the raw eggs which he invariably devours before important contests, when he was hailed by a well-groomed, rotund gentleman. The suave stranger advanced to the courts from Fort George Avenue, followed in orderly procession by 20 comrades.

"That's Mr. Heugey, the chef from the Hotel Pennsylvania," said Mr. Stella to the horseshoe experts in an awed whisper. "I work there, you understand. He's coming out to watch me."

"Allo there," greeted Chef Baptiste Heugey. Flanked by an assistant chef and 20 of Mr. Stella's fellow waiters, he inspected one of the horseshoes, requested enlightenment on the rules of the game, and carefully selected a seat on a wooden bench beside the courts. The waiters draped themselves about him. Chef Heugey cleared his throat and looked on expectantly.

"I wish I had my suspenders,"

sighed Mr. Stella, preparing to begin his match with Mr. Hillman. "The newsreel fellas said they would show up to take pictures of me, so I didn't wear none. My pitching's liable to be too loose with just a belt."

Fortified, however, by the raw eggs the moral support of Chef Heugey, and the presence of several members of his family, Mr. Stella forged ahead. After a close battle in the first game he took the second without difficulty. Mr. Hillman, proprietor of a flower nursery, rolled up the sleeves of his green shirt and redoubled his efforts.

In the third game, with the score 24 to 8, Mr. Stella rolled up 24 points in a row. The gallery applauded noisily.

"Bravo," said Chef Heugey in a restrained tone.

Mr. Stella rounded out the match and was surrounded by a congratulatory throng. The hotel delegation pounded his back and vanished, while the experts began compiling averages. They found that Mr. Stella's percentage of ringers for the entire tournament was .511.

"That's not so good as it should of been," said the new champion regretfully. "If I'd had my suspenders maybe the percentage would of been higher. But now I'm going to practice for the metropolitan championship and maybe learn the one and three-quarters style of throwing. Say, did you notice that fella that just shook hands with me? He's Mr. Smith; used to be a millionaire, and rode horses in the park. Now he pitches horseshoes."

It was in Central Park that Mr. Stella himself first took up horseshoe pitching a year ago. Practicing every afternoon, he attained wonderful proficiency and is now spoken of as a possibility for the world's championship.

"He got the throwing idea over in Italy, throwing coins," explained one of Mr. Stella's numerous cousins. "He was very good. You understand, you draw a line and throw coins at it. The closest one gets all the coins. So when John sees them throwing horseshoes in the park, he says, 'maybe I can do that too.'"

The waiter's victory yesterday was the second of the last few weeks, coming close upon his success in the New Jersey championships at Bloomfield. After the match with Mr. Hill-

man a cup was presented to the winner by Elmer Burdick, president of the Fort George Club. Second prize, a horseshoe plaque, went to Frank Boyce, the "Graceful Farmer" from Old Bridge, N. J., and third prize, a silver cup to William Lamella, of East Paterson, N. J.

Before the final match the audience watched a contest between Boyce and Lester L. Callan, former Assistant District Attorney of Richmond county. Mr. Callan, although badly defeated, appeared cheerful.

"I get a lot of fun out of this game, though I'm not in a class with these fellows," he remarked. "It's a game for all sorts of people, not just the old farm school. All you need when you're through is a cake of soap. I wish I could play better."

CONDUCT TOURNEY

Bloomfield, N. J.—The Bloomfield Recreation Department recently conducted its fourth invitation horseshoe tournament at the Community House. There were 45 contestants, representing various parts of the metropolitan district.

In Class A the first nine were: John Stella, Henry Christy, Vido Fileccia, Frank Boyce, William Lamella, Edward Coleman, Michael Quigley, E. R. Wilson and A. P. Simms.

Hall Wilhoit of East Orange was the Class B winner.

PETERS, BOWEN LEAD OAKFIELD IN SHOES WIN

With Peters and Bowen each capturing five matches, Oakfield defeated Lockport 19 to 6 July 31, in the Evening News-Western New York Horseshoe Pitching league contest. The scores:

Oakfield							
	W	L	P	R	DR	SP	Pct
Peters	5	0	250	130	31	286	44.7
Bowen	5	0	250	138	27	310	44.5
Sp'g'o	4	1	241	127	29	286	43.9
Po'd'y	4	1	245	118	30	296	37.1
Tubbs	1	4	195	98	18	310	31.7
Ttals	19	6	1181	611	150	1488	41.2

Lockport							
	W	L	P	R	DR	SP	Pct
Fr'Mn	1	4	180	94	12	310	33.2
Mull'y	2	3	220	128	30	304	41.1
Oakes	0	4	79	49	5	204	38.6
Rus'll	0	1	28	19	0	68	27.9
Barn's	1	4	170	101	21	278	26.3
Par'ns	2	3	156	92	7	324	28.7
Totls	6	19	833	484	75	1488	33.7

Oregon Tournament at Gresham Court

The Oregon championship horseshoe tournament will be held at the Interstate Fair, at Gresham, 12 miles east of Portland, August 30 to September 5.

An interesting prize list amounting to \$300 is announced.

The recommendations of the Portland members as accepted by the committee follow:

That the qualifying rounds be played on August 30, 31, September 1 and 2, consisting of round robin of one game against each opponent. The 15 men finishing with the highest percentage and the present state champion play a round robin of one game against each opponent on September 3. The four men finishing with most games won play-off in a round robin of three games against one another on September 4, games to begin at 10 a. m. Each game to be alternate and on alternate courts until each player has completed three games against the others. The man finishing with the most games won will be declared state champion.

Qualifying for the Western states championship will be held on September 4 in round robin play, each entrant pitching one game with every other entrant. The 16 players finishing with the highest percentage will play off on September 5 for the championship. The four men who play-off on September 4 for the Oregon state title will have their percentage made in that play-off counted in the qualifying percentages of the Western States championship.

All help needed by the secretary is to be secured. Courts used in tournament play are to be located 10 feet apart from stake to stake. All ties in the semi-finals to be decided by taking the man with the highest percentage.

Women players will be allowed to qualify by pitching 30 feet in all tournaments.

The entrance fee will be \$1.00 for qualifying, and all entrants must be members of the state association. The fee for the semi-finals will be \$3.00 and \$5.00 each for the play-off. These fees apply to the state tournament only. The prize money will be divided into 25 cash prizes, as follows:

First, \$75; 2nd, \$50; 3rd, \$35; 4th, \$25; 5th, \$20; 6th, \$10; 7th, \$8; 8th,

\$7; 9th, \$7; 10th, \$6; 11th, \$6; 12th, \$6; 13th, \$5.50; 14th, \$5.50; 15th, \$5.50; 16th, \$5.50; 17th, \$4; 18th, \$4; 19th, \$3.50; 20th, \$3.50; 21st, \$2.50; 22nd, \$2.50; 23rd, \$1.50; 24th, \$1, and 25th, 50 cents.

HORSESHOE BATTLE

Sea Point at Kittery Point, Maine, probably vibrated to the best horseshoe pitching of time on Thursday. Rev. Virgil Harris, of Holden, Mass., was visiting with his brother clergyman of Kittery Point, Rev. Basil Harris. They were joined in some matches by Charles Gerrish, the champ ringer artist of Maine and New Hampshire and John Tobey, both of Kittery Point. The Harris brothers rang up two out of three 25-point tussles when teamed against the Gerrish-Tobey partners.

Then a series of sharp singles contests were played off. The first game was won by Gerrish, 50 to 24 against V. Harris. The winner rang up 32 ringers, including 11 doubles, while the loser did 21 and 2 of these Gerrish won the second and third games also, 50-30 and 50-18. Then he defeated B. Harris 25 to 1.

The next game immortalized the sands until a better record is established when Gerrish used a $1\frac{3}{4}$ turn shoe against V. Harris, instead of his favored $1\frac{1}{4}$ turn. Only 28 shoes were pitched by each player, for by that time Gerrish had looped 22 ringers and won the game 50 to 5. Twenty-two ringers out of 28 shoes gives a percentage of 79 per cent ringers, a good record for any other Sea Pointers to shoot at.

V. Harris then overcame Gerrish, who novelized his game by using a different turn of shoes at each stake. A very close contest came about, resulting 50 to 48. A peculiarity of the game was the fact that the loser looped two more ringers (31) than did the winner, who weaved on 29. At one place in the game V. Harris was trailing 33 to 45, but he valiantly produced ringers and got up to 47-48. One ringer in points would now win the game for either. Harris laid on a double with his lead pitch. Gerrish capped with his first shoe on, but his second slipped on and then slid off to lose the exciting combat.

DISCUSS PLANS FOR TOURNAMENT

The Portsmouth Horseshoe Club held its second organized meeting at the Court Street fire station last evening. Though the storm kept many fans away, nevertheless there was a sufficient quorum at the meeting at which many details of the coming New England Horseshoe Tournament were worked out. The New England meet is to be held at the Portsmouth playgrounds on Sept. 17, Saturday, 10 a. m.

A circular letter announcing the tourney was outlined, to be sent to individuals and to newspapers. Considerable discussion was given to some details, but all questions were smoothed out to the satisfaction of everyone. Plans were made to conduct the tournament so that every entry will be assured the satisfaction of playing some games with at least three to six different men (so to overcome the objection of the great majority of entries being eliminated before participating in a single game). Any resident of New England pitching 40 feet is eligible to these games. All contests are to be singles. Entry blanks may be obtained from Rev. Basil Harris, Secretary of the N. E. Tournament committee, Kittery Point. The other members of this committee are Chairman, Charles S. Gerrish; treasurer, William F. Woods, and Fred L. Noyes.

The coming of Jimmy Risk, of Indiana, national figure in the ringer art, was considered, and plans made to take care of this event.

The Stratham Park exhibition of yesterday afternoon by Charles Gerrish, Maine champ, was called off on account of rain.—Portsmouth, N. H., Herald.

 * SHOES TAXED, TOO *
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 * Horseshoes did not escape *
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 * a result the manufacturers of *
 * horseshoe equipment are now *
 * paying a 10% tax on horse- *
 * shoes. *
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NEWS, OFFICIAL REPORTS, ETC.

From the Secretary's Desk

D. D. COTTRELL
Secretary
NORTH COHOCTON,
NEW YORK

The Metropolitan Horseshoe Pitching Championship Tournament which has formerly been held on Staten Island, is to be held at Jones Beach State Park on Long Island this year on Saturday, August 6th. Players from New York, New Jersey and territory about New York City every year look forward to this event and the championship is hotly contested. This meet is held under sanction of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association, and Mr. Victor Larsen, an advertising man in the General Outdoor Building, Fifth Avenue and Broadway, is the leading spirit in making the arrangements. Larsen is a live wire in the horseshoe game as well as in advertising. The Eastern championship held at Central Recreation Camp, Stoney Creek, N. Y., also sanctioned by the National Association, over the fourth of July could not be finished because of rain. It was run in two sections, Class A and Class B. As the six men in the finals lived around New York City it was decided the rest of the final play would be postponed until Saturday, the 16th, and be finished on the courts of the Fort George Horseshoe Club, N. Y. City on that date.

Mr. John Stella, of New York City won 15 of his 16 games, with a total average of .511 per cent ringers. Frank Boyce, Old Bridge, N. J., made an average of 47 per cent.

The New England Championship Horseshoe Pitching Tournament has been sanctioned to be held at Portsmouth, N. H., Saturday, September 17, 1932. The tournament committee is, chairman, Mr. Charles S. Gerrish, Kittery Point, Me., assisted by Rev. Basil Harris, Wm. F. Woods and Fred L. Noyes. It is open to all players in the New England states and the winner will receive a Certificate of Championship of New England under the seal of the National Association and be recognized as such champion until some similar tournament is held under its sanction and another winner declared. Portsmouth is making great preparations for holding this event and is expecting the best players from the states entitled to compete to be pres-

ent. Write to Mr. Gerrish for further particulars and plan to go to Portsmouth September 17th.

Do you think that there should be a National Association of horseshoe pitchers? If so, why? If not, why? Your secretary is anxious for a full and free discussion of this matter. If the present National Association is not what it should be, just say so frankly and give your reasons for what you think. If it is not doing what it should just tell it what you think it should do to improve its usefulness. Should it be supported by the horseshoe pitchers who look to it as the controlling body of the game? Or what should be done to make its work more effective in fostering the game throughout the country. Please write your secretary frankly about these matters as he is anxious to have the views of the thousands of readers of the Horseshoe World. Let him hear from you at once.

In sending the dues of the Clark County Horseshoe Pitchers Association, Springfield, Ohio, Mr. Loy D. Johnson, Willis Ave., Springfield, writes that he is trying hard to form an Ohio Horseshoe Pitchers Association, and that he thinks that things will materialize to this end in a short time. Ohio had such an organization but it was allowed to discontinue a year ago and a great many players are anxious to revive it again and become a part of the National Association, the controlling body of the horseshoe game. Ohio players should write to Mr. Johnson and assist and counsel with him in bringing about this desired result.

Although your secretary tried to explain about a number of new model shoes that have been manufactured since the last convention of the National Association, in a recent number of the Horseshoe World, he is continually being asked to rule whether some one of these shoes is official or not. He has no authority to make any such decision and in answering all such correspondence he has consistently said that all shoes manufactured in accordance with Rule 6 of the Official Horseshoe Pitching Rules as published on page

48 of "Horseshoe Pitching—How to Play the Game," are considered "Official." This book is published by the National Association and will be sent by D. D. Cottrell, North Cohocton, N. Y., post paid, promptly on receipt of 40 cents, or three copies for \$1.00.

Mr. W. T. Green, Thornhill, Orange Co., Va., writes that he and his partner are very much interested in the game and want to know if there is any association in his state. He says that he and his partner average about 50 per cent ringers, and wants to know how this averages with an expert. Of course this does not average very high with an expert but is a very fine ringer percentage for the great run of players. If any player reads this that is interested in the game in the section where Mr. Green lives I am sure that he would welcome a visit from him and a friendly chat and game.

There will be a tournament for the championship of Massachusetts and Rhode Island open to all residents of these states at the Brockton, Mass., fair, Friday, Sept. 16th. This meet is held under the sanction of the National Association and is held as a part of the 29th annual athletic meet held by the Brockton fair. It is hoped that there will be a large entry list from these states. The champion will be awarded a gold watch, medal and the certificate of championship under the seal of the National Association. There are seven clay courts for the holding of this tournament and an elimination and round robin will be the program that will be carried out. The second and third players will each be given a watch. The entry fee of \$1.00 must be sent to H. A. Keith, 1090 Main St., Brockton, Mass., on or before Sept. 6th, in order to receive ticket to the grounds as no gate refund will be given and no tickets sent where fee does not accompany entry. This is the first year that this championship tournament has been held, but horseshoe pitching has been a feature of this

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fair for some years and is a growing attraction. They wanted to hold the New England championship this year.

All questions concerning specific shoes manufactured since the last National convention will have to be presented to the Committee on Rules of the next convention and their report acted on by the convention which will be the final word as to the official designation of any particular make of shoe. Your secretary hopes that this will be read by all who question whether any particular shoe is official or not and prevent much unnecessary correspondence on this question in the future.

A correspondent writes to ask if the winner of a state tournament would be recognized by the National Association if they should not play under the National rules and the tournament committee change the rules to suit themselves. The Na-

tional rules are made so that the conditions will be the same for every state and local tournament that is held and advertised as played under National rules. Of course if the tournament is not played under these rules, records so made would have no standing in the National Association. These rules are made by the players themselves in convention assembled and should be adhered to by all those in charge of official tournaments. If they are not so adhered to the value of all records made amounts to very little as there is no proof that they are all made under the same conditions.

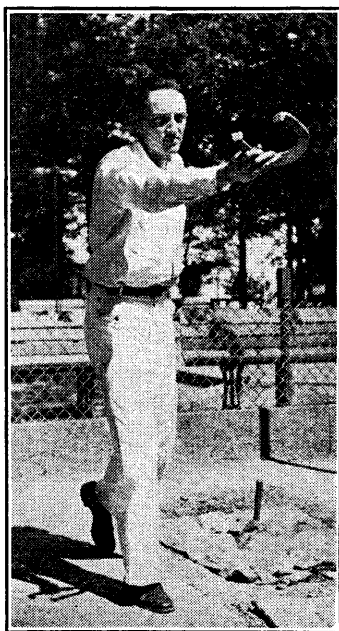
Mr. W. B. Boothby, General Manager, Rochester, N. Y., Exposition, where the New York State Championship Horseshoe Pitching Tournament has been held for the past eight years, writes me "We certainly shall have a horseshoe pitching tournament at the Rochester Exposi-

tion this year. We have not definitely decided on the set up, but that there will be a contest is certain." This contest will be held for the week beginning labor day and probably continue all the week. Contestants should write Mr. W. B. Boothby, Rochester Exposition, Rochester, N. Y., for further particulars. Mr. Bob Brown, Rochester, who won the championship title last year will defend his title in a very strong field and certainly will have to pitch very superior shoes in order to hold his title this coming year. Contestants should be at the Exposition grounds Monday, Sept. 5, at 9:30 a. m.

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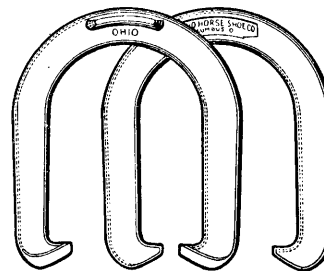
Again we have requests for copies of the Horseshoe World for the annual magazine and periodical exhibits in Japan. Horseshoe pitching is being introduced in the Orient in this manner.

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N. A. Dillinger, physical director, the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A., at Wimmerding, Pa., is very much interested in horseshoe pitching

Patrick Loftus, Keeler Ave., Fairview, Holyoke, Mass., is a shoe enthusiast.

J. L. Winters, 116 West Fourth St., Yankton, S. Dak., is a good shoe tosser.

E. Havey, North Sullivan, Me., has been giving exhibition games throughout Maine.

One of Maine's shoe fans is A. H. Farnham, 10 Holyoke street, Brewer, Maine.

F. E. Ervin is secretary of the horseshoe club at Jackson, O.

Don Moyer, Carthage, Mo., is a dyed-in-the-wool horseshoe fan.

One of our first subscribers is Henry Flink, Morton, Minn. He still is very much interested in the game.

Out South Dakota way is a real shoe enthusiast named Bert Underhill, of Hot Springs. You address him care of the Soldiers' Home. He wants to know something about the state association. State association officials please note.

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A. V. Sutton, 32 Spring St., Iliion, N. Y., is a horseshoe pitcher.

Horseshoe pitching has been taken up as a sport at the London Prison Farm, London, O. The boys at the farm are becoming real good at shoe slinging.

Shoes seem to be the thing George W. Harper, 43 W. 46th St., New York, N. Y., is most interested in. In addition to being a horseshoe pitcher he is connected with Hilgert Balanced Shoe Co., dealing in shoes for men and women.

A WONDER PITCHER

Some mighty good reports are being heard regarding the pitching of Harold B. Thompson, of West Lafayette, O., 11-year-old exhibition tosser. He is now tossing the irons at a 33-ft. distance and recently put 25 out of 26 shoes on the peg. His father, S. B. Thompson, books exhibitions for him.

WANT TO BOOK GAMES

On July 10, Dearborn, champions of Greater Detroit Horseshoe League, visited Springfield, Ohio, and defeated the Willis Ave., horseshoe club, by a score of 20-16. Dearborn would like to book games with teams within a 100-mile radius for September and October. Only regularly organized teams need write. Address Lee Rose, 5228 Shaw Ave., Detroit, Mich.

Here's a New One

Pittsburgh, May 30.—Eddie Block, of 2521 Penn avenue, "darkhorse" entry, was declared the winner in the Strip horseshoe endurance pitching contest when he retired from exhaustion at the end of 98½ consecutive hours after outlasting a field of seven other contestants.

He unofficially set a new endurance record for horseshoe pitchers in Pittsburgh, bettering by 11½ hours the former record of 87 hours established several days ago in a contest in Forbes street.

Block's feat came as a surprise to close followers of the event who had favored Joseph Rosek to continue the early lead which he established and to eventually win out. Rosek, appearing in fine form as the contest swung into its eighty-fourth hour shortly after midnight Sunday, collapsed at 6:30 yesterday morning after he had continued for 90 hours.

Albert Gorny who had followed close behind Rosek as long as ringers were tabulated, fell victim to exhaustion at 2 a. m. yesterday for a mark of 86 hours and was followed 20 minutes later by Frank Attanucci.

The all-night session of the contest was enlivened by the presence of an orchestra whose popular melodies even failed to keep all remaining contestants awake. It served, however, to lessen the monotony for the large crowd of spectators who made an all night watch in support of their favorite entry.

HAWLEY WINS

On Wednesday night, July 20, Grover Hawley of Bridgeport, Ohio, defeated Jimmy Risk, American champion, 3 out of 4 games on the Bridgeport, O., courts. The first game went to Risk by a score of 50 to 26. Hawley took the remaining three by scores, 50 to 41, 50 to 35, and 50 to 37.

In the four games all four shoes were on 44 times and in the last game 16 times. Old residents declare they were the best games ever witnessed here. After the match Risk put on an exhibition of trick pitching, ringing the peg any time and from anywhere he chose. He gave the crowd quite a thrill when suddenly he threw a shoe across from one court to another between two men for a ringer.

The scores of the four games follow:

	P	R	DR	SP	Pct.
Risk	50	53	19	70	77
Hawley	26	46	15	70	63
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Hawley	50	59	24	80	74
Risk	41	56	20	80	70
o					
Hawley	50	59	21	80	76
Risk	35	53	17	80	67
o					
Hawley	50	75	29	92	83
Risk	37	69	25	92	75

WE THANK YOU!

Enclosed find \$1.00 for which send me the Horseshoe World for another year. Have read your paper for three years and am enjoying it more and more all the time.—Jack Hoeksema, Grand Rapids, Mich.

DURYEE CAPTURES THIRD OHIO HORSESHOE TITLE

Lakeside, O., Aug. 20.—Bert Duryee of Cleveland won his third consecutive state horseshoe pitching title today, finishing the round-robin finals of the state tournaments with a record of 21 victories and but one defeat.

After losing to Harry Collins of Toledo, and W. P. Yocum of Zanesville, Lester Allen of Springfield finished in a three-way tie for second place with Collins and Jimmy Cash.

JOHN STELLA WINS EASTERN SHOE TITLE

The Eastern Championship was held at Central Recreation Camp, Stony Creek, New York, over the week end of July 4th, 1932.

The attendance of 16 was disappointingly small, but the event was justified because the good of the horseshoe pitching game requires that someone start some action in the East along these lines.

A good start was made as is shown by the fact that the winner of the event, John Stella, of New York, attained a ringer percentage of over 51 per cent in all the games throughout the tournament. This is higher than the average of the winner of the New York State championship at Rochester last September, and Mr. Brown, New York state champion, is a very good pitcher.

Central Recreation Camps at Stony Creek, run by Mr. Eichler, is centrally located right on the banks of the Hudson in the beautiful foothills of the Adirondacks. It has fine equipment for visitors at a reasonable price, and the recreational facilities there, outside of horseshoe pitching, are attractive.

Great credit is due Victor Larsen, New York City advertising man,

whose untiring efforts are bringing horseshoe pitching to the front in the metropolitan area in the East.

How the six men pitched in the finals of the Eastern Championship.

John Stella of New York won with .511 per cent for the tournament.

Tournament was run three out of five games, round robin basis.

	W	L	R	DR	SP	Pct
John Stella						
N. Y. C.	12	1	349	86	704	53.1
Frank Boyce, Old						
Bridge, N. J.	9	4	356	77	784	47.3
Ed Coleman,						
Hicksville, L.I.	3	9	313	73	790	41.0
E. Hillman,						
Paterson, N. J.	4	3	146	23	384	39.4
W. Lamella,						
Paterson, N. J.	6	8	252	45	786	32.2
L. L. Callan,						
St. George S.I.	0	65	5	432	14.8	

In some way three of the score sheets were lost. In these three games, which Stella won, he averaged .416, .393 and .455, respectively. Stella's best game was .657.

John Lokken, 421 Daisy Ave., Long Beach, Calif., is secretary of the Long Beach Tourist Horseshoe club.

LINKHART WINS

Wilmington, O.—Orlando Linkhart, of Lees Creek, won the Clinton county horseshoe pitching title for the second time, when he defeated every opponent in the annual shoe tossers tournament at the North Spring St. courts. Linkhart gains a year's possession of the News-Journal championship trophy.

Linkhart defeated seven of the outstanding pitchers in the county to gain the crown, having a total of 350 points, which included 174 ringers and 62 doubles. Harry Howard, of Wilmington, was second, with 320 points which included 140 ringers and 64 doubles.

Leonard Carter scored the highest number of ringers in the tournament, looping the pegs for 189, while Howard led the double-ringer column with his 64 total. Linkhart, the new champion, had the highest combination total in any one game with 43 ringers and 14 doubles to his credit.

Others competing in the tournament were Louis Fouse, twice county champion; Chester Prather, present Wilmington champion; Gerald Smith, 1928 county title holder; Leo Fouse and Pete Crissenbery.

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NEW INTEREST

AT WILMERDING

Horseshoe pitching has caught on in Wilmerding, Pa. The clink of horses' footwear against iron pins can be heard at almost any time of the day and well into the night for that matter in almost any section of the borough. Young and old have the fever and there are rumors that the fair sex may join in any time now.

"Probably the reason for the marked interest," says a newspaper at Wilmerding, "in the sport that for years has been the chief diversion at Florida west coast resorts, is the recent exhibition appearance on the local courts of Blair Nunemaker, the world's champion shoe artist, of Cleveland, O., who gave an exhibition of trick and straight pitching last Thursday evening before a crowd estimated at more than 300. Nunemaker, who won his title at St. Petersburg, Fla., where the pick of the horseshoe throwers foregather, yearly, lived up to advance notices in his ability to throw ringers from any angle and under almost any circumstances. In addition he pitched three Western Pennsylvania stars and easily defeated them all.

Then on last Saturday was held the tournament, postponed from July 4, that was arranged by the Playground Association under direction of N. A. Dillinger, physical director of the Christian Association, and which attracted 48 entries from towns all over Western Pennsylvania. It got under way about 10 a. m., with the first rounds being pitched on the playground and Westinghouse Air Brake courts and the finals on the association courts.

Going into the finals of the tournament there were Cyrus Bigi, of Jeannette; D. B. Smitely, of New Kensington; George Curry, of Fayette City; Tom Prines, of Jeannette; and Rudolph and Otto Zabara, of Irwin. The play-off between these finalists resulted in D. B. Smitely winning first place with Curry, Otto Zabara and Prines tied for second place. In their playoff Curry, who is state champion, won second place.

Western Michigan

League Results

Following is the result of a match played between the Grand Rapids and Hastings clubs in the Western Michigan League, at Hastings on

July 14, 1932:

Grand Rapids	W	L	R	SP	Pct
Hoeksema	4	1	165	262	63.0
Reinhart	3	2	139	278	50.0
Zandee	2	3	154	320	48.1
Murray	2	3	134	292	45.9
Cole	2	3	148	330	44.8
Total	13	12	740	1482	49.9

Hastings	W	L	R	SP	Pct
E. James	5	0	193	356	54.2
C. James	4	1	180	276	65.3
Monica	2	3	142	288	49.3
Oaks	1	4	115	280	41.1
Titus	0	5	121	282	43.3
Total	12	13	751	1482	50.7

Standings in the Western Michigan A League

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Grand Rapids	3	0	1.000
Hastings	2	1	.666
Fairview	1	2	.333
Clyde Park	0	3	.000

Ringer Averages of the Leading Players in the League

C. James, Hastings	476	734	64.8
Hoeksema, Gr. Rapids	439	708	62.0
E. James, Hastings	470	884	53.1
Monica, Hastings	142	288	49.3
Henrickson, Fairview	397	806	49.2
Remus, Fairview	432	880	49.0
Reinhart, Gr. Rapids	423	882	47.9
Murray, Gr. Rapids	391	822	47.5

NEW ENGLAND NEWS
C.S.G.

A great number of readers of the Horseshoe World have missed from its columns the section headed "New England News," which became such a familiar department under the pen of H. L. Perkins of Springfield, Mass. "H. L." seemed to have disappeared from horseshoes for the past year.

On August 6th just passed, he surprised an old tosser friend of his, Charles S. Gerrish, by calling upon the latter at his home in Kittery Point, Maine. His wife and daughter and three friends were also in Perkins' Buick.

Doris, his daughter, became one of the ablest ringer artists in the feminine world, almost displacing Mrs. Lanham from the ladies' championship in 1930. Doris came within one or two points of the title in the last game played in New York State.

They assert that they have now turned to golfing for their sport ac-

tivity. Doris claims her horseshoes are rusty from disuse, while her father says he sold and gave away the shoes he dominated.

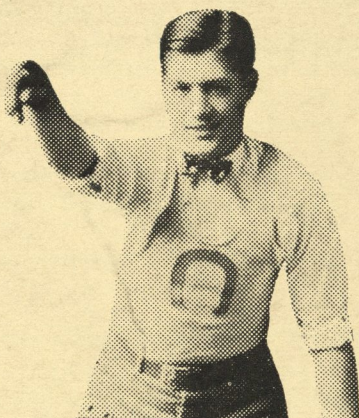
Though some New Englanders may feel relieved at the removal of such classy competition from the ringer ranks, nevertheless Gerrish frankly lamented the loss to the pitching sport of such star slingers. Gerrish went further to aver their real love at heart for the old game, and expressed confidence to them that they would ultimately be back into the horseshoe harness again.

NOTICE TO CHAMPS

Adair, Ia., Aug. 15, 1932
Notice to Blair Nunemaker, present national champion, F. Sayre, present 1932 mail game league champion, Guy Binkley, 1931 mail game champion, James Leckey and Jimmy Risk high scores claimants, and to all who can pitch 90 per cent ringers, you are hereby notified that the Mail-Game league of the U. S. will give a Gold Medal to the highest 100 shoe scorer. A silver medal to the second highest and a bronze medal to the third highest 100 shoe scorer. Pitching to be done on your own or suitable grounds on or before the 15th day of Sept., 1932, before two witnesses and a scorer who shall certify the results before a Notary Public, and send one copy, giving points, ringers and doubles, to the Horseshoe World, at London, Ohio; one copy to the Western States Horseshoe Journal, at Portland, Oregon, and one copy to D. J. Cowden, secretary, Adair, Iowa.
D. J. COWDEN, Secy.

Officers of the Palo Alto (Calif.) Horseshoe club are William S. Vandervoort, president; Earle Smith, vice president; B. W. McBride, secretary-treasurer, and M. E. Shippy, publicity.

J. L. Hamilton, of the Hamilton Printing Co., Ashland, O., is secretary of the Ashland County Horseshoe Pitchers League.



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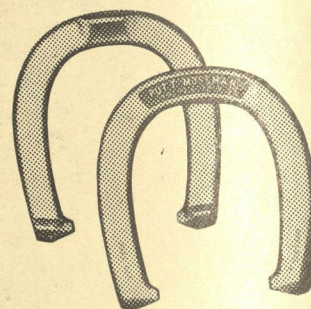
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