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This issue is the final one before the Moline event . . . it looks like a mighty big tourney and convention . . . state championships are being decided just now also ... it is a busy month and many a state crown will topple from the head that has worn it 12 or more months . . . that's what makes the game enticing . . . we hope that horseshoe pitchers who will take part in the world's championship match at Moline will enter as soon as they read this if they haven't already . . . it isn't fair to the Moline committee not to notify them of your intention of entering.

... see you in Moline!

. . . may the best pitchers win!



## August, 1935

#### THE TURNING POINT

The Moline tournament and convention brings the turning point of the National Association. Unless steps are taken to adequately finance it, it cannot exist over a great period of years.

Those who attend the convention should give their best thoughts toward a program of advancing the game and the Association.

Why the National?

A question often asked by those who seem not to realize that without the National, and its magazine, the game would die out in time.

There is work to be done at Moline.

#### OUR READERS COME FIRST

In publishing THE HORSESHOE WORLD, our read-In publishing THE HORSESHOE WORLD, our readers come first. The magazine is printed monthly for them and every article is run with the idea of interesting them. Suggestions to the editor for the betterment of the magazine are always welcomed.

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# All Aboard for Moline! Tourney Aug. 29 to Sept. 2

All aboard for Moline!

That is the watch word of horseshoe pitchers everywhere who either will attend the world's championship tournament in Moline, August 29 to September 2, 1935, or will be watching with intense interest the progress of their favorite shoe tossers.

Officers of the Moline club, Anarew F. Peterson, president; William Scott, vice president, and Dave Swanson, secretary, report everything in readiness for the tournament.

Those who have seen the new courts on which the tournament will be played say that they are A-1 and it is expected that on these lanes many new records will be set up.

A majority of the former champs and near champs will be in the entry list, together with a great many new faces, all hoping to reach the top of the heap in the world's championship classic.

Miss Caroline Schultz, Harvey, Ill., women's title holder, and Ted Allen, Alhambra, Calif., champion of the men's division are practicing all they can in the hope of retaining their crowns which are the envy of a large field of horseshoe pitchers who will try to see that they don't keep them. All of which means real sport for those who are to see the big event. Much interest has been aroused in

the Moline Dispatch invitational business for the manufacturers. meet also.

#### Plan Banquet

A banquet for horseshoe pitchers to be held at the LeClaire hotel, convention hotel, is being planned by the Moline committee.

Possibility of revising rules, a discussion of methods of securing a tournament fund that will insure a tournament each year, financing of the association and other matters will claim the convention delegates' time during the business sessions. Alex Cummins, Minneapolis, president of the National Association, will preside.

#### Manufacturers To Attend

The headquarters of the National Association at London, Ohio, has sent out a call for a meeting of all manufacturers of horseshoe pitching equipment. It is hoped that each firm in the field will have a representative there.

A suggestion was made many months ago that the association be given financial assistance by the manufacturers who would pay a "tax" on each pair of shoes, or other equipment, sold, for the privilege of using the word "official" and in order that the association be properly financed. Such a fund, it is pointed out, would permit the organization to push the game, resulting in more

It is expected that definite action on a plan of more adequately financing a national office will be taken at

#### Some Misunderstand

The national office has received several letters from pitchers who misunderstood the announcement that those who pitch in the Moline tournament must belong to the National Association. They must belong directly because of having paid a \$1.00 membership fee, or they must belong to a local club that is affiliated directly with the National, or be a member of a club that is affiliated with a state organization that is affiliated with the National. There are three alternatives of membership and they are not required to belong to all three as some seem to have read the announcement.

General approval of the regulation should be given, it is pointed out, as the National Association bears the brunt of keeping the game alive, interesting sponsors in holding tournaments, etc., and it is not fair for pitchers to enjoy the privilege of a tournament of national scope without belonging to the National association directly or indirectly. Only a few have objected to the plan, the National office reports.

4 \*\*\*\* 1 4 SUGGESTION FOR EXPAN-4 SION AND CO-OPERATION \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* Fellow Sportsmen:

It has been suggested that, in order that the eyes of The National Horseshoe Pitchers' Association of America, Inc., reach everywhere as a co-operative campaign of expansion, a vice president be elected for each State in the Union, also, each fancy and trick exhibition pitcher (who may be counted on the fingers of one man's hands), be elected a vice president at large, at the forthcoming National Tournament and convention at Moline, Ill.

Their duties being, to use their influence in encouraging state, club and individual affiliation, subscriptions for our magazine, sanctions for fair, etc., making monthly reports to the National Secretary of their

progress at no expense to the National Association except as authorized by the president.

Everyone interested in any way with the sport should consider his, or her self a committee of one in suggesting those whom they feel qualified by sending their suggestions to The National Secretary at London, Ohio, or Moline, Ill., and notify their local newspapers of this campaign. You will do your sport a great service in doing this.

An Enthusiastic Booster

#### CAPTAINS OF SQUADS

Captains of the Marquette, Mich., club squads are:

Iron Slingers, Lee McGinley; Dizzy Deans, Forest Kepler; American Legion, Doc Porter; Raisch Sinclairs, George Raisch; Kreigs, Bill Patterson; United Commercial Travelers, George Altman; J. and H. Electrics, Sulo Hyrinen; Commercial Men, Frank Sherry.

#### IS TENNESSEE'S BEST

James M. Nave, Elizabethtown, Tenn., expects to enter the Moline tournament. He is considered Tennessee's top-notcher.

#### HAVE SIX TEAMS

E. J. Thompson, secretary of the Cheyenne, Wyo., Horseshoe club, writes:

Our club has organized a city league of six teams and are all ready to go in preparation for our state tournament.

Owing to an unusual amount of rain we are installing platforms on the pitching boxes and graveling the courts so that cur games may be carried on with more convenience and comfort. Our city park contains a battery of 12 courts.

Horseshoe pitching is one of the favorite sports at the Hocking Glass Co. factory in Lancaster, O. Tournaments are held by the glass workers.

#### HERE ARE THE PRIZES AT MOLINE TOURNAMENT Men's Tournament 1st \$290.00 2nd ...... 240.00 3rd ..... 200.00 4th ...... 150.00 5th ...... 100.00 6th 75.00 7th ...... 50.00 8th 45.00 9th ...... 40.00 10th ..... 35.00 11th ...... 30.00 12th ...... 20.00 13th ...... 15.00 The next 11, each...... 10.00 Women's Tournament \$75.00 2nd ..... 50.00 3rd ...... 25.00 Next five, each ...... 10.00 Dispatch Invitation Meet 1st .....\$60.00 2nd ..... 50.00 3rd ...... 40.00 4th ...... 30.00 5th ..... 20.00 6th ..... 10.00 7th ..... 9.00 8th 8.00 9th ..... 7,00

#### FORT GEORGE CLUB ELECTION

10th ..... 6.00

The next 14, each ...... 5.00

At the annual meeting of the Fort George Horseshoe Pitching club held at its headquarters at 196th street and Fort George avenue, the following officers were elected to serve one year: President, Charles Harris; vice president, John Stella; treasurer, Bernard Healy; secretary, T. P. O'Gara.

The club at this meeting approved and adopted a constitution and bylaws, a copy of which wil lbe mailed to each member.

There are two classes of membership in this organization, Associate members and Athletic members. The Associate member is admitted with no initiation fee and one dollar annual dues. The Athletic member is admitted with an initiation of (\$1.00) one dollar and monthly dues of twenty-five (25c) cents for each month of year except the months of December, January, February and March.

Address all correspondence to T. P. O'Gara, secretary, 370 Wadsworth Avenue, New York City.

## FILECCIA WINS AT STATEN ISL. O'GARA, CLUBMATE, IS SECOND

Vito Fileccia, of Fort George Horseshoe club, was the winner of the Staten Island open Horseshoe Pitching Tournament held at Manor Road and Rice Avenue, under the auspices of the Manor Association on Sunday.

Because of the inclement weather conditions, with rain falling for 24 hours previous to the time set for the event, the field of contestants numbered but 13. In Class A there were 8 men, which called for a round robin of seven games. In Class B there were five men with a round robin of four games.

Fileccia won his seven games with an average ringer percentage of .625.

T. P. O'Gara, a clubmate of Fileccia, was runner-up with five games won and two losses, and an average of .368.

Fileccia had one game outstanding for its duration, with W. Jackson, of Staten Island. He defeated his man by a score of 50 to 0 by registering 21 ringers in 24 shoes pitched for a ringer average of .875.

#### Hoon vs. O'Gara

One of the hardest fought games of the tournament was the contest between Hoon, of the Manor Association and T. P. O'Gara, of Fort George. The first half of the game was nip and tuck. At this point Hoon forged ahead to a lead of 47 to 35. O'Gara closed part of this gap and with the score 49 to 40 in favor of Hoon, the Fort George tosser "held that tiger" to win out by a score of 50 to 49.

#### Results Class A

	W	L	Pct
Fileccia, Ft. George	7	0	.625
O'Gara, Ft. George	5	2	.368
Haagsma, Jersey City	4	3	.371
Lloyd, Manor Asso	4	3	.345
Quigley, Manor Asso	3	4	.335
Hoon, Manor Asso	3	4	.320
Jackson, Manor Asso	2	5	.265
Schmidt, Jersey City	0	7	.195
Class B			
Lynch, of Manor Asso	4	0	

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Robertson, Jersey City	2	2
Link, Manor Asso	2	2
Murphy, Jersey City	2	2
Higley, Manor Asso	0	4

The editor ran into B. C. Farmer, of Union City, Ind. at Greenville, Ohio the other day. Mr. Farmer is still doing a lot for the game. We need more men like him in our ranks.

#### IN MILWAUKEE

On Sunday, July 7th, Ted Allen gave a very interesting exhibition at the Auer Ave. Horseshoe club in Milwaukee. A crowd of nearly a thousand people witnessed the performance. He played three games with Charles Jones of Waukesha, winning 2 to 1. Jones evened the series at 2 all by defeating Allen at Waukesha, Monday.

Allen followed his games with the finest trick and fancy pitching ever seen in Milwaukee. The Auer Ave. club had 10 new courts put in this spring giving them the largest up-to-date courts in Milwaukee. The Milwaukee City tourney will be held on the Auer Ave courts Aug. 10 and 11.

The scores of the Allen-Jones

Sames.						
I	ets.	R	DR	SP	Pct.	
Ted Allen	42	76	30	100	.76	
Chas. Jones	50	80	34	100	.80	
Ted Allen	50	53	23	64	82.9	
Chas. Jones	28	45	14	64	70.3	
Ted Allen	50	64	24	86	74.4	
Chas. Jones	41	60	20	86	69.8	
Ted Allen	42	86	32	110	78.2	
Chas. Jones Totals—	50	88	32	110	80.0	
Ted Allen						
Chas. Jones	169	273	100	360	75.8	
Y	our	s trul	y, Er	vin B	entz.	

#### CONDUCTING TOURNEY

A horseshoe tournament is being conducted in the playgrounds of five Borroughs of New York City.

A total of 122 courts are in use in 55 playgrounds, according to J. V. Mulholland, director of recreation, who hopes to send the winner to the world's championship meet in Moline, August 29-September 2.

#### OFF TO GOOD START

The Horseshoe World is indebted to Lester L. Callan for information regarding the Staten Island Horseshoe Pitching league which has ten courts and seems to be making much progress this summer.

The names of the officers: President A. O. Plummer; vice president, Harold Higley; treasurer, Lester L. Callan; secretary, Charles R. McKay.

The names of the teams and their captains: Hailstones, Michael Quigley; Manors, Robert Hoon; Schwalls Tavern, Charles McKay; Proctor and Gamble, Al Swenson, Sr., Delafield Tavern, Harold Higley; Dockrats, "John" Simmons; Corressel Assn., Al. Bouchard.

A Page Devoted to the News and Views of the Buckeye State Horseshoe Pitchers Association

# PITCHERS ASSOCIATION

#### Bulletin No. 12

Our Fellow Sportsmen: This being our last bulletin as state officers we greet you all and hope we have been of some service as such and that something will accrue from our efforts nationally. This is really a meritorious sport and will become major in proportion the players are willing to make the small financial sacrifice necessary in its accomplishment.

#### The Greater Cleveland League

Sponsoring the state tournament and convention, dates of which conflict with the National tournament and convention dates, we regret, as has been stated before, beyond our control. Two new clubs have been added during the month of July to the league, The Cleveland Graphite Bronze of Cleveland, and The Berea Club of Berea, making 12 clubs, and is due to some extent to the developments in favor of the average player in adopting the 50-shoe pitch no cancellation per game in league play, which is gratifying to the officers and players of the league and its clubs.

Our tournament will be run off practically the same in respects to prizes as the 1934 tournament; 200 shoes in qualifying pitch though the best 100 may be counted this latter arrangement will be left for the tournament committee and players to decide. We urge that all Buckeye players and enthusiasts who do not go to Moline, to "Come to Cleveland." Every effort is being made for the comfort of visitors and players and a successful tournament.

As league officers we invite players throughout the state and nation to visit our courts and meet our players in friendly combat, and as state officers we know the officers of leagues or associations and clubs concur with us in extending the same courtesy to all players, whether affiliated or not, to visit all Buckeye State courts and feel our welcome.

BUCKEYE STATE HORSESHOE In signing off as state officers we greet you one and all and trust that our mistakes will be overlooked and our good intentions only will be seen as intended, we have been compensated in full for our efforts in the friendships made and extend to each of you our wish that you will receive all those things which go to make life what it should be. We are

#### Sincerely

D. O. CHESS, Sec.

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LIMA, OHIO, LEAG	Ġυ	E	*
* STANDINGS			<b>₹</b>
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* As of August 1			
	V		Pct
Name Team		( L	1.000
Jones, S. Boosters		1	.937
Taylor, Repp's		1	.875
Bechtel, Lima Paint		1	.875
Knerr, Lima Paint		2	.875
L. Huber, S. Boosters	7 T	1	.875
C. Snyder, St. Luke		4	.800
Martin, S. Boosters		4	.750
Swickrath, S. Boosters		1	.750
Keith, Grace		7	.667
Parr, Grace		1	.667
Stewart, Old Timers		4	.667
J. Smith, Grace		7	.650
K. Kurtz, Grace		3	.625
A. G. Smith, Grace		8	.600
R. Snyder, St. Luke		9	.550
Keller, Repp's		2	.500
Hill, Repp's		2	.500
		6	.500
Huff, Old Timers	9	11	.450
Rizor, St .Luke	7	9	.437
Shaner, Repp's	7	9	.437
McCormick, Old Timers		7	.417
Penn. Old Timers		12	.400
B. Huber, Lima Paint		9	.376
Reynolds, Old Timers		5	.375
Yazel, S. Boosters		5	.375
E. Ray, Grace			.334
J. Huber, Lima Paint		9	.250
Coulter, Old Timers		3	.250
Alexander, Old Timers		8	.000

#### Individual Ringer Percentage

	SP	R	Plt
Hill, Repp	.200	116	.58
C. Snyder, St. Luke	200	102	.51
Keith, Grace M. E.	.200	97	.49
J. Smith, Grace M. E	.200	94	.47

A. G. Smith, Grace M.E.	200	94	.47
Shaner, B. F. Repp	.200	86	.43
McCormick, O. Timers	.200	82	.41
J. Snyder, St. Luke	.200	80	.40
R. Snyder, St. Luke	.200	79	.39
Parr, Grace M. E	.150	47	.31
Penn. Old Timers	.200	56	.28
Alexander, Old Timers	200	52	.26
E. Ray, Grace M. E.	. 50	13	.26
Coulter Old Timers	.200	50	.25
Team Standin	ıg		
	W	L	Pct.
South Boosters	40	22	.645
Grace M. E.	49	31	.613
St Inko	43	35	551

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Grace M. E.	49	31	.613
St. Luke	43	35	.551
Lima Paint	35	29	.547
Old Timers	31	47	.397
B. F. Repp	22	56	.282

#### ENTRY BLANK

1935 Official Ohio State Championship Tournament, Sponsored by The Greater Cleveland Horseshoe League at

Wade Park Courts, Cleveland X+ August 31st, Sept. 1st and 2nd \$270.00 in Cash Prizes; 3 Trophies; \$150.00 in Merchandise

All Entries must be mailed to E. W. FINK 7309 Port Avenue, Cleveland, O.

Name	
Street	
City Ohio	
Member of Horseshoe Club.	

This tournament is sanctioned by The Buckeye State Horseshoe Pitchers Association, affiliated with The National Horseshoe Pitchers Association of America, Inc.

In order that all names of entrants may be published, notification of intention to enter should be in the hands of E. W. Fink by August 20th. Entry fee of \$3.00 may accompany entry or be paid when you register.

Henry E. Delp, Marshall, Ind. writes "The old game is certainly staging a 'comeback' in Parke county and we are expecting some of our youngsters to develop into real champions".

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Springfield, Ohio, has a Ladies' Horseshoe League composed of six teams of four ladies each. They are playing a regular schedule at Snyder Park Courts, finest in the United States. The ladies are asking for match games anywhere in Ohio, that can be reached by auto for a Sunday match and the return trip made the same Sunday. Address Mrs. Loy Johnston, 145 Willis avenue, Springfield, O.

Dayton Westwood Merchants club dedicated their new courts recently, with most of the Dayton clubs represented. Recreation Director Paul Schenck and Dr. Pottle assisted in the dedication and were made honorary members of the club. The Westwood courts have six fine lanes and the club can be justly proud of their home grounds.

East Dayton and Middletown are racing neck and neck for first place in the Miami Valley league, each team has lost but one game and that game was a win over each other. At Middletown recently the East Dayton and the Middletown teams played a tie contest of 18 games each, then the team making the most points was declared winner. It went to Middletown on points. In a second contest between these teams at East Dayton the Dayton boys won 16 to 10 games, with a team average of 57 per cent ringers.

We predict that the Miami Valley League will have a number of players who will make the winner of the Buckeye State Tournament play his very best to beat these boys; they are Fred Buss, of Piqua; Chas. Hill of Middletown and Norris Thompson, Carl Huff, Bob Nester and Harold Webb, of Dayton.

\* Miami, Florida, Club is preparing for a big season this winter and is asking Dr. Alan Pottle of Dayton to resume directorship of activities at the Lummus Park courts. Jerry Donovan, City Supervisor of Lummus Park, assures the boys whole-hearted co-operation at the park, and Recreation Director Earnie Siler, promised Dr. Pottle to convert a card pavilion at the park near the courts, into a club house for the Miami club, where

men of prominence will be invited to meet with the club at regular sessions and talk to them on points of interest. Secretary Tom M. Hersperger, 5504 N. W. 3rd avenue, Miami, Fla., invites pitchers contemplating a visit to Miami this winter to write him and register with the club, A registration fee of \$1.00 for the sea-Miami was represented by son. members from 22 states last season and are looking forward to a big season for the coming season. They are a fine bunch of splendid sports and welded a fellowship among themselves to each other.

#### SCIENCE AT THE STAKE

This very interesting booklet on horseshoe pitching by Roy W. Smith may be purchased directly from Mr. Smith or from the Horseshoe World. The Horseshoe World has received quite a quantity of the booklets and solicits your order. They are 40 cents each. We prefer stamps of smaller denominations if you send stamps. Many send us 10c stamps and these are hard for us to dispose of on our mail. Coin or money orders are preferred. THE HORSE-SHOE WORLD, London, Ohio.

#### GAME AT NEW ALBANY WON BY FALL CREEK

Following are the results of a horseshoe match between the Fall Creek club of Indianapolis and the New Albany club, played at New Albany, Ind., Sunday, Aug. 4th:

#### Fall Creek Horseshoe Club

W L P OP R DR SP Pct Harris 3 1 194 149 173 56 270 .637 Johnson 3 1 154 124 119 31 218 .546 Hines 2 2 129 169 101 21 224 .451 1 3 140 168 131 36 242 .541 Total 9 7 617 610 524 144 954 .594

New Albany Horseshoe Club

Goring 4 0 200 72 157 57 212 .741 Gohm'n 2 2 176 156 142 42 254 .559 Cogsw'l 1 3 141 189 130 33 266 .489 Goring 0 4 93 200 96 24 222 .432 Total 7 9 610 617 525 156 954 .550

Fifty-point singles games were played and Fall Creek won the match by taking nine of them to the home team's 7. G. Goring, of New Albany, should be an entry for the National tournament at Moline.

#### Paul VanSickle, Sec.

Sam B. Mattingly, 1814 Burwell Ave., Louisville, Ky., writes for particulars of the national meet. We hope Sam goes to Moline. He's a good tosser.

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ROY W. "SKIPPY" 'SMITH Eastern Oregon Ace

He holds records of 35 ringers out of 36 shoes pitched 46 ringers out of 50 shoes pitched 86 ringers out of 100 shoes pitched

He is author of "Science at the Stake" and lives in Elgin, Oregon.

Alfred T. Dunster, secretary of the Meadowbrook Horseshoe club, Foxboro, Mass. reports much interest in his club. A tournament is planned.

#### CARL HUFF WINS FIRST PRIZE

The horseshoe pitching contest at the Darke County Farmers Picnis and Fourth of July celebration was won by Carl Huff of Lewisburg, Ohio, with a score of 222. He made 67 ringers out of 100 pitches. The first prize was donated by the J. C. Penney Co.

The following six places were awarded prizes:

Second, won by E. Slorp, prize donated by Sellman Hardware Co.

Third, won by John Neff, prize donated by Lehman Paint Co.

Fourth, B. F. Farmer, prize donated by Cussins-Fearn Co.

Fifth, D. Smith, prize donated by Duffy Hardware Co.

Sixth, tie score, Warren McCabe and Wm. Alexander, prize donated by Broadway Kroger Grocery Co.

- Greenville (Ohio) Advocate

PITCH HORSESHOES FOR HEALTH!

"Health is the second blessing that we mortals are capable of a blessing that money cannot buy." — Izaak Walton.

"Health and cheerfulness mutually beget each other."—Addison.

A person who is forced to live without the blessing of abundant health is handicapped more or less in every walk of life, whether it be business, work or sports. A healthy body is essential to a healthy mind and vice versa. If one is so fortunate as to possess good health he should guard it carefully by complying fully with Nature's laws, for once health is lost it is usually a long hard struggle to regain it. By securing plenty of fresh air and proper exercise we can do much to insure ourselves against ill health. These two factors are two of Nature's foremost commandments and are free to everyone, rich and poor alike, so why fail to take advantage of what she so freely gives?

Of course we all know that many thousands of people are confined to inside work day in and day out in stuffy offices, factories and public places of all description. Some of these places are poorly ventilated, poorly lighted and in some cases unsanitary. People who work in such places often suffer and gradually lose their health due to lack of proper exercise and fresh air. Then, too, they are often barred from most favorite sports and pastimes such as baseball, golf, tennis and trapshooting because the equipment for these are too expensive.

To these people I wish to say that pitching horseshoes is one of the finest pastimes for health that one can find. Every move of this splendid game has "HEALTH" inscribed all over it. Physicians who have studied this game pronounce it to be conducive to long life and they say that a horseshoe pitcher is seldom, if ever, troubled with appendicitis. While I do not claim to be a doctor, I believe this statement to be entirely true. My father suffered from attacks of chronic appendicitis before I introduced the game to him. Since then he has not once complained of any further attacks and says he is entirely well!

It is surprising to note how many

people are playing and taking up horseshoes, not only men but women and children as well. Almost everywhere we go we see horseshoes flying. Many professional men and women are learning and beginning to appreciate the wonderful possibilities of the sport, not only as a health builder, but as a clean, scientific recreation. Today the game has a following of over 2,000,000 men and women pitchers in the United States alone, with many new recruits enlisting every day. It is fast becoming a national sport. Practically every city, town and hamlet have their indoor, outdoor, public and private courts and playgrounds. Clubs and various associations have been organized, some of them boasting of 1000 players or over.

Many of our great universities have introduced horseshoe pitching in their physical culture departments. U. S. C. and Harvard were two of the first to do this and other colleges and public schools are following suit. The game is also gaining great popularity in Canada and other countries of the globe.

Horseshoe pitching, while not too strenuous, teaches one perfect co-ordination of the muscles and mental faculties, also, enables one to become an expert in judgment of distance and develops the powers of concentration and endurance. If you are ill and ailing take my advice and throw away your "pill boxes" and cheap patent medicines. Invest a small part of the money spent needlessly for some of these and buy yourself a pair of pitching shoes and stakes. Start the game in a mild way and you will be both surprised and pleased at the short time in which you can pitch the shoes with ease and regain your health.

To those, who are troubled with excess weight, especially you ladies, I can recommend no better reducing exercise in the world than that of pitching horseshoes. Walking is recognized as the finest exercise to be had in keeping one physically fit. Plenty of this is to be had in pitching, together with the bending exercise employed in picking up the shoes.

I fully realize that I am treading on dangerously thin ice by discussing the weight and age of the "fair sex" but many of their so called reducing methods, are in my estimation, quite foolish and dangerous, because they are accomplished by either the "starvation" or drug route both of which seriously impairs and undermines the health and satisfactory results are never obtained. Again I might add, you ladies could do away with a lot of your lip sticks, rouges and "store bought" complexions by taking up horseshoes and allowing Nature to give you the real thing. This would not only save you much expense but you would feel years younger. Remember you are only as old as you feel.

Another important factor in favor of the game is that it is quite inexpensive and in reach of everyone. Courts can be installed at very little cost and pitching shoes are not high and often last for years. Why not invest in some good pitching equipment and takeup the game? Think of the high rate of interest compounded daily, you would draw both in good, sound health and clean fun.

A large percentage of people who play horseshoes do not know how to pitch scientifically and correctly. However, this part of the game is gaining ground and many youngsters are learning to throw the shoes correctly and get ringers. This only takes a little application and practice along the correct lines. Parents, if your boy or girl is not enjoying the best of health, give them a pair of horseshoes and watch the rosy cheeks come back. They can take the game with them wherever they go. On picnics, and camping parties, it can be played wherever there is 50 feet of cleared ground.

I urge fans and players everywhere to co-operate and work in every possible way to improve and enlarge this splendid sport. Let's make it a national game. Encourage and instruct the youngsters from 8 years up to 80. They will in turn help the game. It is not entirely an old man's game. To those who think it is I say try it. You will soon change your opinion.

As a good, clean, competitive sport it has few equals and no superiors and it will add to anyone's health and lengthen the span of his life.

Remember the slogans: "Pitch horseshoes and live long" and "A game a day keeps the doctor away."

Yours for abundant health and a better game.

ROY W. SMITH.

PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS AND MENTION THIS MAGAZINE.

#### WHY SECRETARIES SHOULD GO TO HEAVEN

If a secretary writes a letter, it is too long.

If he sends a postal, it's too short.

If he doesn't send a notice, he is lazy,

If he attends a committee meeting he is butting in,

If he stays away, he's a shirker.

If he duns the members for dues, he is insulting,

If he fails to collect dues, he is slipping.

If he asks for advice, he is incompetent,

If he doesn't, he's bullheaded.

If he writes his reports complete, they are too long,

If he condenses them they are incomplete.

If he talks on a subject he is trying to run things,

If he remains quiet, he has lost interest in the meetings.

Ashes to ashes,

Dust to dust;
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The secretary must.

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#### FORT GEORGE 48 HIGH BRIDGE 16

The Fort George Horseshoe Pitching club defeated an 8-man team the High Bridge Park club on Sunday, June 16, to the tune of 48 games to 16 games. The match was played at Fort George courts.

White of the visitors was the outstanding player of his teams with four wins, with Lacy runner-up, having 3 victories to his credit.

Vito Fileccia, Henry Christy and Bert Dammann each came through with eight games won. T. P. O'Gara won 6 out of 6 games played. Hugh O'Neill had 6 triumphs and 1 defeat.

In the last three rounds of the tournament Fort George used several second string players as substitutes for the regulars.

The high light of the tournament was the game between Dammann of Fort George and Quinn, of the visitors. Dammann defeated his opponent by a score of 50 to 6 by pitching 21 ringers out of 30 shoes for an average of .100. Fileccia, the Fort George ace had a tournament average of .585.

A. L. Patton is a Livingston, Mont., fan.

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# New Jersey H

By W. E. Santoro

The New Jersey open horseshoe pitching championship went to Larry Mahoney, of Lincroft, N. J., New Jersey State Champion, when he defeated Vito Fileccia of Brooklyn, the defending champion who is regarded as the best player in the East, in a thrilling last round match before 1000 spectators at the new municipal courts at Washington park, Perth Amboy, N. J., on July 28.

Coming up for the last round of the regular round robin play both players had been undefeated, each winning eight straight games. Fileccia got away to an early lead of 13-4 but Mahoney quickly passed him at 21-13 when he pitched 9 straight ringers. From then on Mahoney tossed ringers at a terrific pace. In the next few innings he tied his state record of pitching 12 consecutive ringers. In the last 16 innings (32 pitched shoes) he averaged 80 per cent ringers.

Fileccia generally finishes his games with a spurt of ringers, but Mahoney never gave him the opportunity to get going and won 50-24. They had four ringers on the stake five times during the game. It was easily the best game of the day. Mahoney averaged 66.2 per cent ringers and Fileccia 51.4 per cent, one of his lowest of the day.

George MacNeil of Atlantic City, was the only player to score as many as 38 points against Mahoney. The game was even throughout, MacNeil leading at 30-28 and then Mahoney led at 37-33 and 40-38 after which he finished in a whirl of ringers to run out the game.

round. MacNeil led at 46-37. Baxter soon tied the score at 46 all, but faltered in the last inning after Mac-Neil got a double ringer.

T. P. O'Gara, of New York City, forced MacNeil to pitch ringers in order to win at 50-42 in a first round match. Baxter defeated J. Jordon, of New York City, former New Jersey open champion, in a close 50-40 game after Jordon slowed up at the end.

In the qualifying rounds, which consisted of two trys of 50 pitched shoes, Fileccia established a new qualifying record of 117 points and 72 per cent ringers. The former state record of 115 points and 66 per cent ringers was held by Puglise. Puglise was second high with a qualifying score of 108 points and 60 per cent ringers, while Mahoney was third with 104 points and 60 per cent ringers.

this class. Robertson jumped ahead at 22-11, but Dunbar came back to lead at 24-23. The lead changed hands several times. Dunbar then tossed a streak of ringers to lead at 47-39, but Robertson carefully pitched 4 ringers to lead at 49-47. On the next pitch he just missed the stake and Dunbar gathered in a ringer to

win 50-49. Dunbar 28 per cent ringers and Robertson 29.2 per cent ring.

Other close games were: Williams defeated Kelly 50-45, after Kelly had a lead at 45-42. Gaffney defeated Dunbar 50-33, Gaffney averaging 44.6 per cent ringers, and Dunbar 35.9 per cent ringers; Williams defeated Robertson 50-45, after Robertson had a lead of 45-39, Williams averaging 35.1 per cent, and Robertson 31.1 per cent; Robertson defeated Kelly 50 45 in one of the best comebacks seen in a game. Robertson trailed at 17-45 and looked hopelessly defeated when suddenly he was instilled with the spirit of Mahoney and Fileccia combined, and pitched like a real champion when he tossed 13 ringers out of 18 pitched shoes to stop Kelly completely and win out 50-45. Robertson averaged 40 per cent ringers and Kelly 31.3 per cent.

Class C, which was by elimination, was won by another Camden player, (Continued on Page 11)

#### Class A — Final Standing

	W	L	Pct	P	OP	R	DR	SP
Larry Mahoney, Lincroft, N. J	9	0	60.0	450	185	278	91	464
Vito Fileccia, Brooklyn, N. Y	8	1	61.9	424	210	287	83	464
Jos. Puglise, Paterson, N. J	7	2	51.9	395	292	260	68	502
John Stella, New York City	5	4	50.7	403	291	265	64	524
George MacNeil, Atlantic City	5	4	45.2	385	368	253	54	560
Frank Boyce, Old Bridge, N. J	5	4	42.8	348	343	221	41	516
Ben Damman, New York City	3	6	34.9	258	391	161	27	462
Wm. Baxter, Camden, N. J	2	7	32.1	251	433	138	-29	430
Jos. Jordon, New York City	1	8	33.4	259	436	179	30	536
T. P. O'Gara, New York City							19	420

#### Class B

McMurtrie, of Camden, who came cent ringers and topped the players through the round robin series with- in this class, and had the high sin-

The class B title was won by Kyle out a loss. He averaged 38.7 per

#### N J PICHERS ASSN .... ....

D. E. Brown. He defeated Paul Puglise of Paterson, 25-6 and 25-19 in the finals. Brown had previously defeated Foder of Staten Island 25-19, 25-23. In the other semi-final match, Puglise defeated "Bud" Peck of Perth Amboy, N. J., 25-21 and 25-24. Other scores were: Puglise defeated McGinley, of Metuchen, N. J., 25-18 and 25-13; Peck defeated Krawczyk, of Jersey City, 25-19 and 25-16; Brown defeated Ihling of Newark, N. J., 25-6 and 25-19. R. Santoro of Perth Amboy, defeated B. T. Murphy of Jersey City in a three-game struggle, 25-21, 22-25, 25-24; Foder defeated Santoro 25-21 and 25-12.

This tournament was sanctioned by the National Horseshoe Pitchers association which will issue championship certificates to the winners. It was conducted by the New Jersey Horseshoe Pitchers Association. W. E. Santoro was tournament director, assisted by R. Santoro. Official referees were, F. Gamble and F. Parker, of Staten Island; G. Ihling, of Newark; John Mahoney of Lincroft; Anthony Stella, of New York City; H. Schmidt and J. Orr of Jersey City, and Charles Ricketts, of Pleasantville, New Jersey.

The new courts were officially opened just before the finals by Mr. Chas. Kochek, recreation supervisor of Perth Amboy, who acted on behalf of Commissioner Albert G. Waters, Director of the Department of Parks and Public Property, under whose direction they were built. Mr. Waters was unable to be present. Mr. Kochek welcomed the players to the city and extended an invitation to come again. Horseshoe pitching is a new sport in the city, and the exhibition put on by the competing players will no doubt create real interest in the city. The work of the courts was done by emergency relief workers.

#### GAME AT KLAMAR PARK, KANSAS CITY

GW P R DR SP PCT Alvin Daklene 1 183 191 50 326 59.5 Robert Bales 4 223 207 68 326 63.4 High game, Bales, 74% (55 ringers

in 74 shoes) June 23, at the Schlegel courts K. C. Mo.

GW P R SP PCT Alvin Daklene 3 319 354 546 63.2 Oscar Bosich 4 299 356 546 63.8 High game - Daklene 80.5% (58 ringers in 72 shoes) second game Bos-

ich had 73 ringers and Daklene 70 out of 102 shoes pitched.

June 30, at Lawrence, Kansas.

GW P R DR SP PCT Robert Bales 4 248 233 78 336 69.3 Alvin Daklene 1 150 212 58 336 63.0

High game - Bales 79.1% (38 ringers in 48 shoes pitched.)

Bales recently defeated Ted Allen one game 50 to 47 at K.C.K. It was Allens initial defeat of the Barnstormin trip. Bales had 81% and Allen 80, on June 14th Allen and Bales met for an exhibition at 12th and Jackson ave. courts, K.C.Mo. Allen averaged 88% for 2 games.

#### Join the N. J. State Association

Individual membership dues in the N. J. State Association have been reduced to 50 cents per year. Join Now! Subscription to the Horseshoe World magazine is optional. Membership and subscription to the magazine is \$1.25 per year. Group or club membership is \$3.00 for not more than ten members; \$6.00 for not more than twenty members. Officers of the association: W. E. Santoro of Newark, President; Paul Puglise of Paterson, first vice president; D. E. Brown of Camden, 2nd vice president; R. Santoro, of Perth Amboy, Secretary-Treasurer; members of the executive committee: G. Mac Neil of Altantic City; B. T. Murphy of Jersey City; L. Pellington of Orange.

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I called on Bill. He seemed to want to reminisce

About the good old days when horseshoe scores ran high,

Of medals won and how by one point he would miss

The prize; but Bill disdained the usual alibi.

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The men and women who pitch in the world's championship tournament at Moline, Ill., August 29 to September 2, 1935, must show a membership card showing that (1) they are affiliated direct with the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association; or (2) that they are affiliated with a state or district organization that has its National Association dues paid up on the tournament date, or (3) that they are dues paid members of a club that is affiliated direct with the National. In past tournaments some pitchers played whose membership might have been questioned. This will not happen at Moline. After all, the National Association keeps the game alive and if it wasn't for it there would be no championship tournaments so we are compelled to take this action to keep out those who intentionally or unintentionally "ride free."

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On July 5th the Liberty Horseshoe Club of Orange was leading the league. The standing at that date:

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Liberty Horseshoe Club,		
Orange, N. J	64	11
Pellington Horseshoe Club,		
Orange, N. J.	38	12
Bergen Horseshoe Club		
Jersey City N. J	41	34
Audubon Horseshoe Club,		
Jersey City, N. J	27	23
Lukes Horseshoe Assoc.		
Paterson, N. J	.33	42
Pershing Horseshoe Club		**
Jersey City N. J.	.23	52
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Newark, N. J.		
High individual average		
game, Joseph Puglise, 60%;	-	
dividual average in all game	s, Jos	eph
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