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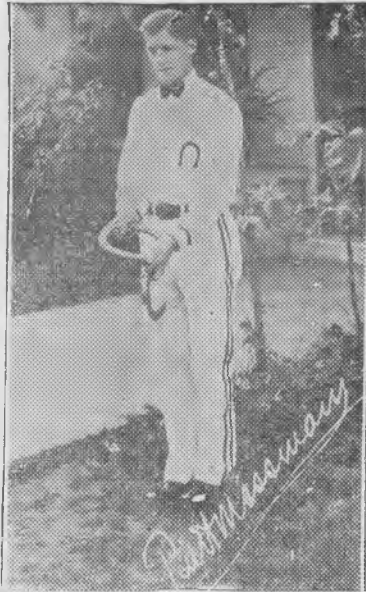


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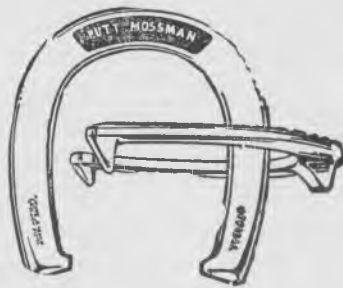
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## Just Among Ourselves



A MESSAGE from our Secretary, D. D. Cottrell is post-marked St. Petersburg, which means he is again enjoying the Sunny South...and boy! how we envy him! Next month's issue will tell definite news of the mid-winter tournament, which may be staged in the "Sunshine City"...watch for this issue with its important news...and this leads us to say that we hope to make The Horseshoe World even better in 1930...of course a lot depends on the clubs to send in the news from their lanes and on the advertisers who make the magazine possible financially...but we promise you, both readers and manufacturers of equipment, that we will try, during 1930, to give you a magazine that is in keeping with the support accorded us.... We feel the game needs a magazine like ours to boost it and we will do our part.... Make your plans now to see the mid-winter tournament, in Florida.

DECEMBER, 1929

## A Season's Greetings

WE COME again to the holiday season when men's hearts are filled with Peace and Good Will, when Christmas cheer and New Year's resolutions fill the air and we want to assure our readers that we again wish them—

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

We have strived during the past year to fill a place in the needs of every horseshoe pitcher, to furnish him the news of other pitchers and an inspiration to set up new records. Such will be our aim next year and it gladdens our heart at this joyous season to receive assurances on every hand that the game is steadily growing.

It should truly be a Merry Christmas!

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# Justin T. Flint Laundry Team Are Muny Champs

## Other News From The St. Louis Horseshoe Lanes

**T**HE JUSTIN T. FLINT Laundry team, Division No. 1 champions, for the second consecutive year won the Municipal Horse Shoe Pitching Championship of St. Louis when they defeated the Sullivan Paint Company team, Division No. 2 winners, in 21 out of 32 games in a special play-off for the title.

The Flint's victory is the fifth consecutive championship won by players managed by Gus U. Klemme. The other title holders were the Curlee Clothiers in 1925 and 1926, Gus Klemme's in 1927 and the Justin T. Flints in 1928 and this year.

Fred Senn, of the Flints, who won the Municipal Individual tournament for the third time, led all players with seven victories and one defeat and had a ringer average of .453 for 8 games. Henry Dietz, of the Flints, all players in Division No. 1, in games won and lost during the past season, won six games and dropped two and averaged .474. L. Steinmann, of the Sullivan Paints, won four out of eight games and averaged .452. Karl Dietz of the Flints, won five of eight and averaged .410.

The individual averages in games won and lost and ringer percentage for the title match follows:

Justin T. Flints	W	L	Pct
Fred Senn	7	1	.453
Henry Dietz	6	2	.474
Karl Dietz	5	3	.410
O. Parker	3	3	.401
Albert Michel	1	1	.311
Alvin Michel	0	1	.237
Sullivan Paint Co.			
L. Steinmann	4	4	.452
B. Gebhardt	3	5	.388
Wm. Sprock	3	5	.358
Wm. Kehrt	1	1	.367
E. Steinmann	0	1	.250
G. G. Kramer	0	5	.351
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The Flints averaged for the entire match a .429 ringer average while the Sullivan Paints averaged .381 for the thirty-two games.

### DIVISION NO. 1 SEASON RECORDS

The Justin T. Flint Laundry Team, winning the Municipal Horseshoe Pitching Championship of St. Louis for the second consecutive year, and the fifth consecutive title by players that make up the team managed by

Gus Klemme, established a new all-time season ringer average when the team tossed 5542 ringers out of 12391 shoes for an average of .447, in winning the championship in Division No. 1.

The Flint team won 176 games and dropped 53 for a winning percentage of .768. The Sunset Burial park team managed by Jack H. Claves, president of the league, finished second for the third consecutive year with 171 victories and 69 defeats for a .713 average. The Sunsets collected a season ringer average of .391.

The Flints also led all teams in the highest ringer average for one 16-game match by tossing 459 ringers out of 972 shoes for an average of .472. The Sunsets ranked second with a .456 average for one match with 496 ringers out of 1087 shoes.

Henry Dietz, of the Flints, who led players in Division No. 1, in games won and lost during the past season with 45 victories and four defeats for a winning percentage of .918. Jim Putnam, of the Sunset Burial Parks, ranked second with 29 victories and three defeats. Fred Senn, former Missouri State Champion, and three times winner of the Municipal Individual Championship, ranked third with 40 victories and seven defeats. Art Hoffman, of the Free Junior Wet Wash team, ranked fourth with 47 victories and 10 defeats.

Jim Putnam led all players in ringer average with an even .500 percentage, and established six new league records. Henry Dietz with a .480 average ranked second while Senn averaged .462 and Hoffman .449.

Putnam's new records were a .558 average for four games with 140 ringers out of 238 shoes, a new single game record of .704 which he made with 31 ringers out of 44 shoes. Most doubles in one game with 16, and the most in four games with 43, and by being the first player to participate in more than one-half of the games and average fifty percent ringers.

The individual records of each player in games won and lost, percentage and ringer average follow:

Name	W	L	Pct.	Av	Ring'r
Henry Dietz	45	4	.918	.480	

Jim Putnam	29	3	.906	.500
Fred Senn	40	7	.851	.462
Art Hoffman	47	10	.822	.449
Frank Meyer	44	12	.785	.443
L. Meilert	46	14	.766	.402
O. Parker	39	14	.733	.415
E. Horton	13	5	.721	.369
George Rathke	24	11	.684	.409
G. Fortschneider	40	19	.677	.397
Will Reilly	31	16	.657	.341
Theo. Burkhardt	35	18	.658	.363
Karl Dietz	22	12	.646	.378
Albert Michel	23	13	.637	.329
Frank Kruse	5	3	.625	.265
J. Collins	31	21	.596	.323
Agne	12	12	.500	.329
J. G. Shepherd	29	30	.490	.363
O. H. Freise	5	6	.454	.277
Bill O'Mara	23	33	.409	.328
Gus Klemme	2	3	.400	.289
L. A. Fogassey	24	36	.399	.291
Jack H. Claves	8	14	.362	.323
C. Levy	8	16	.322	.310
Gus Stumhofer	6	17	.260	.211
Ed H. Schroer	7	20	.259	.260
L. Beiler	13	44	.228	.291
Nickel	6	23	.225	.240
Elmer W. Moore	7	30	.189	.255
John R. Howden	2	10	.166	.283
J. E. Folson	7	30	.148	.260
F. Wehmeyer	6	35	.145	.191
L. J. Fogassey	8	52	.133	.274
J. Reese	3	24	.111	.228
John Macartney	1	9	.100	.183
C. Reese	1	19	.005	.170
Sika	0	20	.000	.201
H. Ennis	0	8	.000	.148

Final standing of the teams:

Club	W	L	Pct.
Flint Laundry	176	53	.768
Sunset Burial Park	171	69	.713
Angelica Auto Sup	138	98	.585
Free Jr. Wet Wash	115	117	.495
Larr Coal Company	53	182	.225
Liberty Bell Oil Co	52	186	.218

### INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENT

Fred Senn, of the Justin T. Flint Laundry team, municipal champions, won the Individual Horseshoe pitching tournament sponsored by the Municipal Horseshoe League for the third time in the past five years when he went through the tournament without losing one of his fifteen games.

The former Missouri state title holder collected a .434 ringer average in winning 15 straight.

Frank Meyer, of the Sunset Burial

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## Mervin George Is Tourney Victor At Brighton, Pa.

THE Pennsylvania State Horseshoe Tournament held at New Brighton resulted in Mervin George, Grove City, winning the title for the second time in three years. He won before in 1927. Frank Antill, of Washington, got the 1928 championship. There were 24 entrants this year, three being from Oil City and one from Franklin. The eliminations among the 24 starters brought the peculiar situation of three men in the finals, Mervin George finishing in first place, Joseph Haddox, of Harmony, winning second honors and Charles Gerrish, the Oil City champ landing third. These three played off a round robin of two games each, George defeating Gerrish two games, splitting with Haddox, Gerrish and Haddox also splitting even, so in this finishing session George won 3 and lost 1, Haddox won 2 and lost 2, while Gerrish won 1 and lost 3. These players are to receive their awards within a few days. Also the semi-finalists are to be given prizes.

The local entries made a very creditable showing. Gerrish eliminated three opponents, to win his way into the finals. Milo DeWoody defeated two opponents, so he was not eliminated until the third round. Frank Buchna drew Gerrish for his opponent in the first round, so he got no farther. Merle Long, of Franklin, found Harriott, of Washington too strong and was eliminated by his first opponent.

Gerrish won his first round by defeating Buchna two straight games. The local tosser likewise won his second round by beating Lee Abbott, of New Brighton in two consecutive games. The going was tough in the third round and Gerrish had to play Harriot three games, losing the first and defeating Harriot in the last two.

De Woody drew high class opposition from Washington in his first combat, and it took him three games to eliminate Mawhinney, who was the runner-up in the state finals against George two years ago. In the second round DeWoody met Byron, of Beaver Falls and used but two games to eliminate the veteran he is, in his third and last round when he forced young Haddox to play three games before the Oilerite was ousted. DeWoody's reaching the semi-finals brings him a prize.

The next bill on the horseshoe addicts' program is the northwestern tourney to be held in Oil City at two o'clock, September 28, for which contests entries must be in the hands of Secretary C. S. Gerrish at Oil City by Wednesday this week. Any players in the northwest quarter of the state are eligible. This, too, won by George.—Oil City (Pa.) Derrick.

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\* AMONG THE IOWA \*  
\* HORSE-SHOE PLAYERS \*  
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\* By Leland Mortenson \*  
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Guy Zimmerman, 21-year-old star horseshoe pitcher of Sac City, and Harry Reese, a classy tosser from Lake City, are making plans to drive to Florida this winter in order to enter the National meet.

As well as being a champion horseshoe pitcher, "Putt" Mossman made the city of Des Moines look up to him on August 29, the day after he won the Iowa State title for the fourth time, when he went up in a monoplane manufactured by the Burd White Co., of Des Moines, and piloted the plane himself for about four hours. Mossman promised Mr. White to come here next spring and purchase a "Whitey Sportey Coupe."

Frank Lundin, of New London, Ia., world's champion in 1922, was among the spectators at the state fair meet in August. Lundin, who is now 29 years old, injured his right arm permanently in 1924 and now pitches left handed.

"Putt" Mossman was the big star at the "Hubbard Day" celebration at Hubbard, Iowa, recently. "Putt" lost two horseshoe games to Cecil Freel, Murray youth, and put on a free exhibition of fancy pitching, tumbling, high kicking and trick motorcycle riding, and beat an opponent in a three-round boxing match. The Eldora "Flash" got even with Freel in the state meet, however, when he beat him 50-11.

Frank Jackson, the former world's champion, now living at Lamoin, Ia., will undoubtedly go to Florida this winter. Mr. Jackson is playing as steady as ever and can give a good account of himself in any company.

The Des Moines horseshoe pitchers have rented a large building to be

used for indoor pitching during the winter. Ten forty-foot courts are to be installed and tournaments are to be held every Saturday night.

All of the Iowa players hope that a national tournament will be held somewhere in the middle-west next summer.

The Des Moines Horseshoe team, composed of eight pitchers, which met several teams from nearby cities this summer, will engage in twenty or thirty matches next summer. The pitchers have voted to wear the "Mossman Uniform" but instead of all white they will be composed of a different color for each man, white, green, red, blue, yellow, etc.

### AT OIL CITY, PA.

The Oil City Horseshoe club members are meeting every Monday and Thursday evening for indoor practice sessions throughout the winter. Also 15 special events for every two weeks are already scheduled as follows:

November 4—One hundred shoes pitched for points and ringers, for records.

November 7—Oil City Champion Gerrish and Franklin Champion Owens, in a match of several games.

November 21 — William Buckley, boys' champion, in a match against some boy to be selected.

December 2—Same as November 4.

December 5—Clintonville vs. Oil City match.

December 12—Grove City vs. Oil City Match.

December 19—Harrisville vs. Oil City match.

January 2 — South Side championship for men.

Jan. 9—Mid-Winter picnic.

January 16 — Non-resident championship for men.

January 30—North Side Championship for men.

February 6—Same as for November 4th.

February 13—South Side championship for any school boys.

February 27—North Side championship for any school boys.

March 13—Erie vs. Oil City match.

March 20—Same as for Nov. 4.

### PITCH AT FESTIVAL

Horseshoe contests between local and neighboring teams were one of the leading attractions at the recent Old Time Festival held in Saginaw, Mich.

# THE LETTER BOX

## Where Ideas are Exchanged and Gossip of the Shoe Lanes are Written

(EDITOR'S NOTE—We print all letters sent to us for publication. We do not always agree with the writers, but believe our readers have a right to their opinions. Unsigned letters are ignored.)

November 4, 1929

Dear Mr. Howard:

Your front page editorial in the October issue interests me. I happen to be the handball commissioner for the A. A. A. U., which has charge of all amateur athletics and keeps a close registry of all players. Some time ago we included or rather added "casting" to our list and it occurred to me that if the knights of the fish-rod belonged among athletes, why shouldn't the slipper tossers be included? The thought was fathered by the fact that last spring all the horseshoe players were jumping from one club to another, whichever paid the best. You may not be aware of it, but in this neck of the woods, some of the clubs reward their players by paying cash for ringers thrown in tournament play.

Personally, I am new to the sport—I am too old to play handball, so I dug up something I could do and turned to horseshoes—induced the park commissioners to put in eight nice courts for us last spring, started a club and have developed six or seven pitchers that are good for a steady 40 per cent—one man that will average 50 per cent and maybe twenty more that will go 25 per cent and then some 30 or 40 men that will run from 10 to 25 per cent. Have interested our school department and five of the heads are enthusiasts and may be induced to carry the game into the schools.

We played in an eight-team league this summer and won 3 and lost 5—the other teams being all old experienced players. Next year we hope to make a better showing.

Am very much interested in the "World" to which I recently sent five subscriptions which are all being received regularly.

The enclosed is the score sheet we are using and which we like better than any we have seen elsewhere. Would like your comment.

If you think that the A. A. A. U. backing would be good I will be glad to help you set the machinery in mo-

tion to get action. They are meeting in national conclave this week and Mr. Brundage, the president will be glad to give us an ear.

With best wishes, I am cordially yours,

A. F. HENER.

(Editor's Note—Thanks very much for your kind interest. This is a matter for the National Association to act upon. We believe that when B. G. Leighton, now recreation director at Hibbing, Minn., was active in the National Association he became affiliated with the A. A. A. U.)



SHAME ON YOU, JOHN

Following is a dispatch written by John Lodwick, and run in many newspapers recently:

St. Petersburg, Fla.—(special)—Shuffle board has stolen the spot light of popularity from horseshoe pitching! This is bad news for Raymond Howard, editor, of London, Ohio, who firmly believes there is no other sport to hold even terms with barnyard golf. Yet 'tis so. All the old slipper slammer stars of yesterday have given the game the cold shoulder and have taken up the new game, first introduced to St. Petersburg, or any other resort for that matter, by E. R. Wolfrum, of Maumee, Ohio.

Go over to Mirror Lake Park any time of day and you will find hundreds in light summer dress playing a game that was known for years only to trans-Atlantic liners. Where you once found them around the horseshoe pitching lanes, you will find them today on the shuffle board courts.

Ohio men popularized horseshoes in this city of considerable sunshine. Fred M. Brust, a florist, of Columbus, was the first national champion. He was followed by Charley Bobbitt, a shoe cobbler, of Lancaster. George May, an Akron fire fighter, was another na-

tional champ and so was a fellow townsman, Harold Falor, then a school boy, another title holder. C. C. Davis, of Columbus, was thrice a champ. Dr. E. C. Beach, of Delaware, was the first president of the national association. He was succeeded by James Todd Flower, tile and mantel manufacturer of Akron. Three other Akron men were officers in the horseshoe association. They were Fred E. Smith Harry E. Haynes and William Motz.

In shuffle board, E. R. Wolfrum, of Maumee, is the scintillating light. He has organized the largest shuffle board club in the world here with a membership of 3500. The club house and courts are located in the city's hotel and shopping center. The season membership fee is two dollars. Dr. David Dwight Biggars, of Tiffin, is the city's roque authority and who has done more to popularize that pastime than any other. Roque is a sawed-off edition of croquet played on rinks patterned very much like billard tables.

No matter what sport the tourist has a hobby for, it is to be found here in the Sunshine City—and no matter where the visitor goes, he will find a Buckeye playing that particular game, whether it may be on the golf courses, there are six of them; tennis courts, archery lanes, miniature golf courses, bridge paths, trap shooting ranges, on the beaches and what else have you?

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## NEWS, OFFICIAL REPORTS, ETC.

## From the Secretary's Desk

D. D. Cottrell, Sec'y  
476-C FIFTH AVENUE  
St. Petersburg, Fla.

At this time it has not been decided where the winter World's Championship Horseshoe Tournament will be held. Two or three places are being considered but no decision has yet been reached. It is hoped that complete details can be published in the next issue of the World if it is not possible to send out announcements before that time.

In a recent letter from Mr. Charles Lano who is connected with the Great Northern Railway at Minot, N. D., he says that the activities in the horseshoe game began in his city in 1921 when he built a dozen courts for men and about a half dozen for boys and women. Mr. Thomas West, a local business man and Mr. Lano seem to be the moving spirits in the game in their city for a number of years. Mr. West was very active in the game and had won matches while a resident of England.

This season the men working in the railway shows in Minot have been very interested in the game. Mr. Lano hopes to organize a strong club and have it become affiliated with the National Association next season. He signs himself "ever a fan for barnyard golf."

In a letter received recently reporting a state tournament held this season, the writer says, "other good pitchers who lost to better players in the opening round were &c, &c." This state tournament was conducted by having the players draw numbers, No. 1 playing No. 2 &c, the odds playing the evens until all had played and then all the winners drawing again and the same system being continued until only two were left and they played off the championship.

I have heard of other state championships being decided in the same way, but it is a manifestly unfair system. If, by chance, two of the best players happen to play together the first round, one of them is eliminated at once from any further competition in the meet, although such good player might come in second or third in a tournament conducted in the round robin plan. In other words the tournament is largely won on the chance of

drawing numbers that will with very little doubt eliminate competent men who would have stood a good chance of standing high if it had been run on the round robin plan.

Where time is a great element in conducting a tournament because it must be finished in a half a day or a day the following plan can be used with absolute fairness to all players.

Have each of the players pitch 50, 100 or more shoes as may be decided, the 8, 12 or 16 players making the most points counting each ringer three points and each shoe in six inches of the peg one point—each player pitching alone for points. Arrange the number of players agreed upon in order according to number of points made and number them consecutively in this order. Put those drawing the odd numbers in one group and those drawing even numbers in another group of even numbers play another round robin.

The winners of each group then can play a game or a series of games to decide the winner of the meet. If 12 men are decided on this makes only six men in each of the odd and even groups. This means that there will be only 15 games for each group to play in a round robin or a total of 30 games. Such a layout of a tournament can be easily completed in one day on from three to six courts. In pitching the qualifying shoes one player can pitch from each end of a court and then each walk to the other end and pitch back. This saves considerable of time in deciding the players in round robin games.

The honor goes to the Washington State Horseshoe Pitchers association for being the first state to pay its dues to the National Association for the Year 1930. The wide awake secretary of this far western state association is Harry Kinney, 2117 South Eye St., Tacoma. There have been two state championship tournaments held this year. The first one on indoor courts in Seattle last February which was won by Clarence Swan, R. F. D. 4, Box 143 East Larchmont, Tacoma, who made a percentage of .654 in the 11 games played for the championship. F. W. Sayre one of the other compet-

itors pitched a percentage of .617.

The other state championship tournament was held at the Elma County Fair early in September and was won by R. A. Ashcraft, 1803 Pacific Ave., Spokane. Certificates of championship have been issued to each of these gentlemen and they are recognized by the National Association as Washington state champions.

In his letter Mr. Kinney calls attention to the fact that Mr. Al. King was recognized in a recent issue of the Horseshoe World as the originator of the idea of pitching matches by mail or telegraph. He sends me a clipping from a periodical published in August, 1928. The competitors in this match were Mr. Kinney and Mr. George Cox, Springfield, Oregon. Each player pitched 500 shoes on his local court. The result was Kinney 965 points, 270 ringers, 70 double ringers and Cox 786 points, 203 ringers, 40 double ringers. If there are any others that have pitched matches by wire or mail before this time mentioned above, your secretary would like to hear from them with record and proof of the date played.

From the records for the players in the state of Washington given herewith it would seem that they have some players who would give a good account of themselves in a World's Championship Tournament although as far as the writer knows no player from that state has ever been a competitor in such a match. Washington is hereby invited to send some one to represent their state in the next tournament.

There seems to be more interest in having indoor courts in the northern part of the country this winter than ever before. Your secretary is having more inquiries than usual about the matter. He would like to have persons that are playing on indoor courts or have information about how they are built and conducted, write to him giving very specifically full information about the matter so that he may pass this information on to those who are contemplating building such courts. The interest in the game this past season has been greater in every



way than it has ever been before since the writer has been interested in the sport and a greater number of organizations than ever this winter seem loath to give up their practice during the cold months. Of course, if it is possible for a horseshoe fan to come to Florida during the winter months, this solves the problem for there are very few days in this state when it is impossible to play in the health giving sunshine with those who have come from all over the country to enjoy this health-giving and invigorating sport.

Only words of praise are heard for the 80-page and cover book "Horseshoe Pitching" published by the National Association, from the large number of fans that have ordered it. The price is 40 cents each or three copies for \$1.00 postpaid if you send your order to D. D. Cottrell, 746-C Fifth Ave. North, St. Petersburg, Fla.

Your secretary will be pleased to hear from different clubs and individuals about the activities in the game in their section of the country. Tell him just what has happened in the sport and what the prospect is for the future and give any suggestions that you may have about how the game may be made more popular in your

section the coming season. It is only by exchanging these ideas with each other that the game we all love may be made one of the leading sports.

His wish is for all a Merry Christmas and a Most Prosperous New Year.

### SHOE TOSSING GOOD WINTER EXERCISE DR. WICKWARE SAYS

The following is taken from Dr. M. M. Wickware's column in the National Gleaner Forum, well known magazine, in which Dr. Wickware, who is medical director of the Ancient Order of Gleaners, Detroit, boosts horseshoe pitching for winter exercise:

Horseshoe pitching may be continued throughout the winter months. The cool, bracing air but adds to the zest of the game. "Horseshoe pitching sheds" at each end, (plans for the asking) rock salt, water and coverings, suffices to hold Jack Frost in abeyance. Of course, if you have a suitable, available building for indoor courts, so much the better.

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# Walter Kane Heads New Canadian Association

**W**ALTER Kane, of Carnia, Ont., one of the men responsible for the horseshoe pitching game rising to the present heights it now occupies, has been elected president of the newly-formed Dominion Horseshoe Pitchers' Association. He was the unanimous choice of the large delegation of enthusiasts gathered from all over the Dominion of Canada at the recent meet at the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto. He is also president of the Western Ontario association as well as an active member of the Lambton county league and the St. Paul's club of this city. Mr. Kane and Billy Struthers were the first winners of the dominion doubles championship two years ago in Toronto.

Horseshoe pitching in Canada will be under the control of the new organization and governed by one code of rules to be laid down by the officials. Standardized and clarified rules are expected to make the game even more popular. This form of athletics has jumped ahead perhaps faster than any other sport during the past few years.

The list of officers of the newly-formed association is as follows: Honorary president, Thomas Murphy, M. P. P., Toronto; honorary vice-president, O. P. Westervelt, Toronto; president, Walter Kane, Sarnia; vice-president, James Labbett, Toronto; second vice-president, H. W. Pearson, Belleville; executive committee, Norman Brown, Toronto; James Bell, London; George Waterfield, Toronto; John Lichman, Essex. The president's appointees to the executive committee were C. Shipman, of Ottawa, and Mr. Orchard, of Miami, Manitoba. The appointment of a secretary-treasurer was left to the new executive.

Important among the decisions on rules to be incorporated in the association's constitution was that requiring the use of Canadian-made horseshoes exclusively in dominion championship contests.

The new executive will, through affiliated association, take a mail vote of horseshoe pitching clubs to determine whether opponents will alternately pitch both shoes first on successive ends or pitch shoes alternately on the same end.

A recent Pacific and Atlantic photo shows Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr., tossing horseshoes at St. Petersburg, Fla.

## Minnesota State Meet Has Large List of Entrants

Following is the report of the Minnesota State Horseshoe tournament which was held this summer, as given by Frank Drassel, supervisor:

"The tournament in our city was sponsored by the Dispatch and Pioneer Press and supervised and directed by the Department of Playgrounds. As the time was limited to only a couple of days and some of that was spoiled by rain, the following was the system of the tournament.

Twenty-four horseshoe courts were built and the pitchers were divided into groups of eight. An elimination tournament was started and after the series of games among each eight, the four highest point winners from each eight were matched for the second games. Thus the highest four from each eight in the second game were again matched together for the third games, and so on down the line until the pitchers were eliminated up to the last ten.

The last ten then played a round robin for the State Championship, which was won by R. M. Ramsdell, of Minneapolis.

The entries are as follows:

Cliff Deering, 892 Case St., St. Paul; Walter Schotik, 1475 Van Buren, St. Paul; August Schwinn, White Bear, Minn.; George Southwick, 480 Maclester, St. Paul; Dale Harvey, 1468 Laurel, St. Paul; Ed Carlson, 679 Cook St., St. Paul; F. J. Collette, 633 Orleans, St. Paul; Robert Crawford, 1722 Dayton, St. Paul; Dan Madden, Benson, Minn.; R. Moe, No. 5 Engine Co., St. Paul, Minn.; F. Christopherson, 693 Mt. Hope, St. Paul, Minn.; O. C. Lotvedt, 123 Edgewater, St. Paul; H. Iverson, White Bear; V. Sawyer, Walker, Minn.; C. C. Woods, 1226 Hague, St. Paul; W. H. McGroarty, 166 University, St. Paul; R. M. Ramsdell, Minneapolis, Minn.; C. Hoisser, 718 Lafond St., St. Paul; F. Lendway, 352 No. Fairview, St. Paul; Carl Thies, New Ulm, Minn.; Lucille Lewis, 2115 Jefferson, St. Paul; H. M. Brown, 571 State St., St. Paul; J. L. Dahl, 2539 18th Ave., So., Minneapolis; W. A. White, 1408 Edgerton, St. Paul.

Loyd Borer, Windom, Minn.; Frank Tereau, 430 Iglehart, St. Paul; Alex Dim, 407 St. Anthony, St. Paul; Bill

Hruby, 300 Bates Ave., St. Paul; Ted Frank, 135 Western, St. Paul; Roy Shea, Newport, Minn.; Elmer Krueger, St. Paul, Minn.; T. Knudsen, Preston, Minn.; Theodore Picha, St. Paul; Dixie Davis, Robert Sushman, Fred Richter, Marvin Wadell, St. Paul; Dr. C. Sotaaen, Windom, Minn.; Kenneth Allen, 1717 Selby Ave., St. Paul; William Allen 1717, Selby Ave., St. Paul; Saul Rosenberg, 863 Hague Ave. St. Paul; James Eppel, 2161 Lincoln Ave., St. Paul; Spencor Carlsted, 1754 Marshall, St. Paul; Ed Litman, 524 Dayton Ave., St. Paul; Frank Light, 2817 14th Ave., So. Minneapolis; Vincent Piller, 842 Cortland, St. Paul; Lloyd Peterson, 1773 Lafond St., St. Paul; Phillip Wald, 41 W. Magnolia, St. Paul; M. Seltz, Howard Lake; B. H. Block, Lambert, Minn.; C. Krenn, 1414 Blair, St. Paul; J. Lofgren, 619 Hyacinth, St. Paul.

A. Nelson, 2008 Park Ave., Minneapolis; Max Krause, Stillwater, Minn.; H. Fluor, 720 Euclid Ave., St. Paul; Mr. Meyer, 1285 Schletty Ave., St. Paul; Mr. Kleschult, 1211 Sherburne, St. Paul; George Fierstien, 1444 Alaska Ave., St. Paul; R. J. Brown, LeSeur Center, Minn.; M. Nash, 1882 Selby Ave., St. Paul; Frank Shimon, 318 Goodrich Ave., St. Paul; A. Minea, Engine House No. 5, St. Paul; G. Lenz, Engine House No. 5, St. Paul; R. Bauman, 1836 Herwin St., St. Paul; J. Urban, Engine House No. 5, St. Paul; R. A. Carlstedt, 817 26th Ave., So. Minneapolis; J. M. Johnson, Benson, Minn.

The winners in the final tournament are as follows:

Player	Points
1. R. M. Ramsdell	457
2. E. H. Block	441
3. J. L. Dahl	419
4. F. Light	411
5. V. Piller	405
6. L. Peterson	393
7. O. C. Lotvedt	384
8. L. Borer	345
9. W. H. McGroarty	293
10. August Schwinn	250

One of Missouri's most interested tossers is Reber Dillon, a resident of Marling, Mo.

Wainwright, Alta., has a horseshoe fan in the person of Geo. A. Murray.

Oliver S. Williamson, Beaver City, Neb., is an interested fan and pitcher.

## HORSESHOE MEN DISCUSS PLANS

The joint annual meeting of the Tennessee State Horseshoe association and the Chattanooga Federation of Horseshoe Pitchers was held at the Y. M. C. A. last night with a good attendance of local representatives and one man from Soddy.

A strong effort has been made during the past season, as was reported by President Fuller to line up several cities and towns in the state association, but without immediate success.

It is thought, however, that next year Cleveland, Soddy and possibly Nashville will come in.

Reports of retiring officers were heard and officers for the ensuing year elected. Three of these were re-elected and the vice-president was changed, Roy G. Thompson being elected to this post in place of J. L. Amos, present state champion.

MZL Fuller was re-elected president F. R. Corwin secretary and C. C. Drinnon treasurer.

Mr. Corwin declined the nomination on account of the press of other duties, but was finally persuaded to serve with the understanding that the league would elect secretaries who would attend to the reorganization of the leagues, the collection of dues, registering of players, etc., and that the responsibility for handling the annual tournament would be distributed among several committees.

Considerable discussion was had regarding the time for holding the tournament, some sentiment being recorded for a repetition of the present arrangement of having it as one of the features of the fair and some opposition to this being voiced for various reasons. No decision was reached last night, action being postponed, at the advice of the chairman, until the spring meeting, giving time for the players to think through the various points of view and arrive at a decision based on mature judgment.

The most important action taken during the evening was the passage of a motion providing for a new manner of playing off the preliminary round in state singles, modeled after that in use by the Minnesota State association.

This provides that each competitor shall pitch 200 shoes, not in competition against eight other men, as here-

before, but by himself and thus pitching against all the other competitors. This was deemed a much fairer method than that which has been in use and will be used next year.

Trophy cups in three of the leagues were presented to the champion teams as follows: Southside league, International Harvester Company No. 1, J. L. Amos and Raymond Lewis; Central Chattanooga league, International Harvester company No. 2, C. Spradling and Carl Dunlap; Highland Park league, Price-Evans Foundry company, G. A. Smith and W. L. McDaris.

Some songs were sung with the assistance of Miss Annie May Sullivan at the piano and a game was played which produced much merriment.

Those present were: Southside league, R. L. Burgess, J. L. Amos, J. Bennett, John Jolley and C. C. Drinnon; Central Chattanooga league, Jeff Richey and R. H. Guhne; Highland Park league, A. J. Scarborough, R. G. Thompson, Charles Pritchard, W. L. McDaris, Walter Pritchard, and G. A. Smith; East Chattanooga league, Jas. Turner and Floyd King; Soddy league, L. M. Grimsley; visitors, Emmett Sherrill, L. G. Jaco, Herbert McDaris, Emmett McDaris and the Misses Sullivan and Pursley; officers, MZL Fuller and F. R. Corwin. — Chattanooga (Tenn.) News, Wednesday, Nov. 20, 1929.

## HORSESHOE PITCHING

No one these days reveals his Americanism so much as he does when he takes to horseshoe pitching. It is the game of the hour. Love of it is not confined to Virginia, but extends to all 48 states of the Union. Formerly it was the sport of rural folk; now, however, men of the city are quite as much given to it as their brothers in the country says the Richmond Times-Dispatch. Take a spin any clear evening after working hours through Richmond, Roanoke or Lynchburg and you will find devotees of horseshoe pitching intent upon winning a community championship in the presence of a widely enthusiastic gallery. Golf is still very popular, as is baseball; there has been evident during the last few months a remarkable croquet revival; for widespread renewal of interest, however, the ancient and honorable game of horseshoe pitching must be awarded the prize.—Carrollton, Ohio Chronicle, Friday, November 29, 1929.

## HOLD TOURNEY AT LOYAL FAIR

The third annual horseshoe tournament was held at the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto, Ont., from Nov. 25 to 28, when one of the largest entry lists to attend the tournament started to pitch for Dominion Championship in both singles and doubles. The class of pitching was far in advance of any tournament held at the Royal so far.

William R. Strothers, of Sarnia, Int., won the Dorn single championship cup and \$25. Norman Brown, Toronto, Ont., second, \$15; Thomas Buckingham, Sarnia, third, \$10; Struthers 18 and Buckingham 14, both of St. Paul's club, Sarnia. In the doubles, John and Stanley Riley, of Mersey, Ont., won the cup and \$50; Norman Brown and William Coulter, of Toronto, Ont., second \$25; Russell and Wm. McLaughlin, of Burketon, Ont., third, \$15.

The Rileys, uncle and nephew, are full blooded Indians of the Muncey reserve.

The Royal Winter Fair is one of the greatest Winter Fairs in fairs in the world and brings out the finest in cattle, sheep, swine, horses, grain, fruits, poultry, dogs, foxes, and all kinds of pets. It is a show that any one would be proud to attend and the flower show in itself is worth the trip, and I would advise any one who happens to be around or near Toronto at the time the fair is on to make every effort to attend.—Walter Kane, President Dominion Horseshoe Pitchers association.

## TO SETTLE A QUESTION

Every now and then some of our readers mention the fact that the Horseshoe World is owned or controlled by Florida interests.

If it was it would be no crime, so long as the magazine continued to function to the best interests of its readers.

But it isn't true. Not one cent of capital is invested in the magazine outside of London, Ohio. It is operated as a national magazine and while it boosts Florida tournaments it receives nothing from Florida except an advertisement now and then.

The Horseshoe World depends largely on the advertising placed by the manufacturers of equipment. It devotes its interests to the pitchers everywhere.

# New York State Championship Tournament

By D. D. Cottrell

For the sixth year the state championship tournament has been held each year under the auspices of the Rochester Exposition beginning on Labor Day. The first four years D. T. Leonard, Adams Basin won the championship. Last year, Mr. Harold Forbes, Gloversville, won, Mr. Leonard not defending his title. This year because of matters beyond their control neither of these former champions competed.

Frank R. Niven, treasurer of the Putt Mossman Horseshoe Company, was crowned the new champion after winning the hardest fought battle for this honor that has ever been staged in this state. Niven has been among the best each year having been runner-up last year, fifth in 1927, fourth in 1926 and third in 1925. He has been a famous Rochester athlete, having been a member of a record making football team in his high school days. He also has been a high diver, triple bar man, has played much basketball and once won the world's record in a Y. M. C. A. hexathlon.

Niven says, "There isn't a game I have ever played that takes so much pure nerve as pitching horseshoes. You're on your own entirely in this game. There is no chance for team play. Whatever you get, you get by your own unaided efforts. If you let up a minute, you are lost. The man who quits is licked."

There were 36 entrants in the tournament. The plan was to have all players pitch 200 shoes counting all points made and the 24 making the most points then pitch a round robin of 50-point games for the preliminaries. The 12 men winning the most games were then to play each other another round robin, the four men in this round robin winning the most games were then to play a third round robin and the two highest in this round were to play each other the best four out of seven games for the state championship, a championship gold medal and \$100.

In pitching 200 shoes Holzhauser made 384 points, 105 ringers, 30 double ringers, which was the most made by any player. The lowest number of points that qualified among the 24 players was made by Wells who made 264 points, 52 ringers, 10 double ringers.

The best game in the preliminaries was pitched by Holzhauser when he won from Karr by pitching 17 ringers, 5 double ringers out of 24 shoes or a percentage of .717. This was the highest percentage made in any game. The results of the preliminaries are published elsewhere. In the tie games the place was decided by the highest number of points.

In the playing off the 12 men in the semi-finals, Holzhauser, Niven, Grant and Tweedie were the four highest in games won. These four then played each other one 50-point game resulting in Tweedie, Niven and Holzhauser each winning two games and losing one, leaving all three tied for the right to pitch off for the championship. Grant lost all of his games. Tweedie lost to Holzhauser, Niven lost to Tweedie and Holzhauser lost to Niven.

The playing off of these ties for the right to pitch the best four out of seven games for the championship, Tweedie lost both of his games. Niven lost to Holzhauser, leaving Niven and Holzhauser to play the best four out of 7 games for the championship.

Three games resulted as follows in the order in which they were played:

	Pts.	R	DR	SP	Pct.
Niven .....	28	18	3	50	.360
Holzhauser .....	58	26	8	50	.520

Niven .....	50	42	16	64	.656
Holzhauser .....	49	41	14	64	.641

Niven .....	50	33	10	60	.550
Holzhauser .....	32	28	5	60	.467

Niven .....	44	30	9	66	.455
Holzhauser .....	50	33	9	66	.500

Niven .....	18	17	3	46	.369
Holzhauser .....	50	28	7	46	.609

Niven .....	50	33	8	72	.457
Holzhauser .....	48	32	5	72	.444

Niven .....	50	39	8	72	.541
Holzhauser .....	45	35	8	72	.486

Grand totals of these seven championship games:

Niven .....	290	212	54	430	.493
Holzhauser .....	324	223	56	430	.519

In the second game with Holzhauser, Niven equalled the New York State record of 16 double ringers made by Harold Forbes, the 1928 champion in his game with Brown that year. The

highest number of ringers made in any one game was made by Niven in his second game with Holzhauser. The next highest number of ringers was made by Holzhauser in this same game. In his game with Miller in the semi-finals Grant pitched 40 ringers, 13 doubles out of 60 shoes.

In the seven-game match Holzhauser had won three out of the first five games and only needed to win one more to get the championship, but Niven won the last two games.

In the preliminaries Niven pitched from the tenth to the twentieth inning with Tweedie 20 ringers out of 22 shoes.

This is the sixth consecutive year that the Rochester Exposition has sponsored this tournament for the Championship of the state. They have fine clay courts in which the clay is kept at the consistency of putty making them as good as any courts can be. The courts have bleachers at each end which were crowded a great deal of the time besides the large numbers of people that stood at the sides of the courts watching with great interest the players and admiring the skill with which they pitched their shoes.

In addition to the prizes awarded as shown in the tabular statements shown herewith a championship gold medal was awarded for first place and a silver medal for second place. The Times-Union also gave a silver cup to the champion. The same paper also gave a chromium-plated pair of horseshoes to Holzhauser for second place and a silver cup to Tweedie for third place. The Putt Mossman Horseshoe Company also gave a pair of horseshoes to the winners of the fourth, fifth, sixth, and the ninth, tenth and eleventh places.

The tournament this year was by far the best of the six that have been held, judging from the skill of the contestants, the interest shown and the great crowds that didn't seem to get tired in watching the closely contested games through the whole week that the tournament was held. Great credit is due Mr. W. B. Boothby, the general manager of the exposition and the other officials for the work that they did to make the tournament a success and also to Mr. C. L. Beghold, the Exposition Secretary who had the immediate charge of the details.

## Becker Plays Horseshoes, And Not "Barnyard Golf"

Emery Becker, 6841 Vinewood avenue, dean of the Northwestern Horseshoe club, is a veteran horseshoe player on a crusade.

Mr. Becker has become the self-appointed champion of the game of horseshoes and he is prepared at any time to break a verbal lance with any one referring, facetiously, to the time honored sport as "barnyard golf."

"What I would like to know," he demands, "is where they get that "barnyard golf" stuff?"

He has pitched horseshoes on the sandy beach courts at St. Petersburg and Los Angeles. He has thrown ringers from Appanoose county, Ia., to Yalobusha County, Miss., and played games in a dozen states of the Union. As founder and secretary of the Northwestern Horseshoe Club he has an acquaintance with many of Detroit horseshoe players.

### His Pet Peeve

In his experience, Mr. Becker has found nothing in the game of horseshoes pertaining to the barnyard. He has played horseshoes with men of the city and tourists from the cities, all using horseshoe pitching shoes made in factories for that purpose.

Recently he has found a pet peeve in horseshoes. In preliminary games at Northwestern Field in the Detroit Horseshoe Pitchers' Tournament, which the News is sponsoring in cooperation with the Department of Recreation, he has heard novices and spectators refer to the game as "barnyard golf."

Mr. Becker has taken many young people quietly aside to explain where the game of horseshoes is concerned there certainly is no "barnyard golf." He has denounced at the wits who produced a quip that others have made a synonym.

Mr. Becker has armed himself to the teeth with information, statistics and historical data in his efforts to slay the dragon on "barnyard golf."

### History of the Game

He has read the history of the game as gathered by the National Horseshoe Pitchers' Association of America. He has traced it back to the twenty-third Illiad in the time of Patroclus without finding the reference he dislikes. He has discussed the matter

with Charles C. Davis, ex-world's champion, to obtain his aid. Mr. Davis has joined the crusade.

"I can't find out where this barnyard golf" started," Mr. Becker says, "but I'm making it my business to end it." —Detroit News.

## LETTERS

Adair, Iowa

Horseshoe World.

In your October number, I was pleased to see the interest in pitching for points. That and the no-cancel games are the only true ways of testing a player's strength. Here are two rules forecasting results in both. (1) In pitching for points a player's score will be three times his ringers plus three-fourths of his non-ringer shoes. Thus—40 ringers in 100 shoes, 40x3—120 points. To this add three-fourths of his non-ringer shoes. Three-fourths of 60 is 45 to add, gives 165 points.

In James Leckey's fourteen 100 shoe trials, he pitched 71 ringers in 5 of them. 71x3—213 points. Add to this three-fourths of his 29 non-ringer shoes. Three-fourths of 29 is 22 which added gives 235. Leckey's actual figures were 240, 233, 230, 232 and 235. An average of 234. So you see the rule varies less than the man. In the St. Petersburg-Independence games Morris threw 46 ringers and 174 points. Long also threw 46 ringers and 174 points. Both men from a different town. The question arises—why isn't the no-cancel ringer game as true a test as the point game? It is and we recognize it so here. Rule 2. In no-cancel games the winner will beat the loser one per cent in points for each ringer percent he excels. This applies to playing against your own record as well as an opponent's Leckey's highest score was 81 ringers and 252 points, and his lowest was 63 ringers and 212 points. Playing these two scores against each other we have a difference of 18 percent ringers and 40 points. Eighteen per cent of 212 is 38 which added to 212 gives 250 points. These rules are as sure as death and taxes, because the counting is done on the square and no special privileges. How different under the cancel-and-

winners-lead rule. It is possible and has occurred where a player has thrown as many ringers, doubles and shoes in count as his opponent and still get "skunked." The cancel absolutely fails to show or give a player's true strength. Suppose A and B pair in a 50-pigeon shoot and A breaks 49 clays and B 50. The cancel scorer will hang out a 2 to 0 score, the same as a one to nothing break. Unjust, ridiculous and asinine. Yes—the score was 98 to 100. But why do so many want the cancel? Easily answered and demonstrated. The dregs of the cannibal in us still delights in figuratively killing and eating our opponents. And the cancel-and-winners'-lead rule enables them to do this by favoring the strong and destroying morale to an astonishing degree, resulting in from 6 to 20 times more points than possible under the no-cancel. A come-back, the god of the cancel, comes into being when a player by a few lucky doubles excels his opponent 20 per cent or more in 10 shoes, thereby increasing his point speed 100 and 150 per cent or more percent instead of the 1 to 1 or the no-cancel rate. At last February meet three games scored 1 to 50. One third the games below twenty points, and the tournament average was 36 to 50 or a 100 percent beat. Sounds like a Pumpkin-Center meet, but the playing was fast, averaging 56 per cent, against only 40 percent five years ago.

The cancel and winners lead and loss of moral did all the dirt. The winners pitched 62.1 percent and the losers 46.1 percent. A difference of 16 percent. But with this 16 percent ringer lead, the tournament was 26 to 50 or 100 percent beat. Six times the 1 to 1. Under no-cancel it would be 16 percent or 43 to 50. No skunks, or farces, or games below 25 points. Here are some last February games. In the Elmerson-Davis game E. with a 2 percent ringer lead beat D. 40 to 50 or 25 percent. And in the Davis-Leonard game D. with a 35 percent ringer lead beat L. 455 percent, 19 times too high. Then in the Leonard May game, L. with a 15 percent ringer lead beat M. 20 to 50 or 150 percent, 10 times too high. Then in the May-Benedict game, May with a 43 percent ringer lead beat B 5 to 50 or 900 percent. This is 21 times the 1 to 1 of no cancel. No rule can forecast such variables, because of unjust rules and like gambling it gets the best of us.

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At the Minneapolis National meet, Mossman beat Jackson 10 to 50 or 400 percent. Ridiculous and possible only under unjust rules, that are allowed in no other athletic game, and can't be justified by fair-for-one-as-the-other, wolf-pack rule. And so long as used a National meet will range from 24 to 100 shoes per game. A dozen near skunks, one-fourth of the games farces around a dozen points. A few spectacular come-backs where weaker players have led a while. Several long games where more ringers are thrown than points scored. When Jackson won the world's championship in 1913 he threw less than 4 ringers per game and the cancel was absent or negligible in effect. But at the last February meet in 92 games players threw more ringers than scores, and canceled 84 percent of their earned points. Can you beat it? Yes, by using the old "Top ringers counts and takes all beneath." The call then would be changed from—ringer each and me 1. Three ringers and me 3. Four ringers and no count, to ringer each and me 7. Three ringers and me 9. Four ringers and me 12. Then in every game the loser will have more ringers than points.

A. J. COWDEN

**JUSTIN T. FLINT TEAM**  
(Continued from Page 2)

Parks, who won the tournament last year, finished second with 13 victories and two defeats. His ringer average of .440 was high for the tournament. O. Parker of the Flints with 12 victories and three defeats finished third while Art Hoffman, of the Free Juniors, and Henry Dietz, of the Flints, each won 11 and dropped four. Hoffman won the play-off.

The standing of each player in games won and lost and ringer average follows:

Player	W	L	Av.
Fred Senn	15	0	.434
Frank Meyer	13	2	.440
O. Parker	12	3	.405
Art Hoffman	11	4	.437
Hy. Dietz	11	4	.411
Lou Meilert	9	6	.421
Albert Michel	9	6	.364
L. Steinmann	8	6	.383
Alvin Michel	8	7	.354
George Fortschneider	7	7	.355
E. Vogel	4	10	.239
J. Nichof	4	11	.241
T. Burkhardt	3	10	.408
J. Agne	1	12	.287
E. Kunz	1	12	.268
C. Thomas	1	13	.195

**INDUSTRIAL MATCH**

The Justin T. Flint Lanudry Team, two-time municipal horseshoe champions of St. Louis in two special 36-game matches with All Star team of Centralia, Ill., tossers won one match with 28 victories and 8 defeats and split even in the other.

In the first match which was shot at Centralia, Ill., each team won 18 games and dropped the same number. J. Sliger, of Centralia, and A. Hoffman, of the Flints, each had five victories and one defeat, while F. Meyer and Henry Dietz, of the Flints, F. Telford and L. Sundermeyer, of the Centralia team, each won four out of six games. Henry Dietz with .434 and Frank Meyer with .424, both of the Flints, were the only players able to average better than forty per cent ringers.

The individual records of each player in games won and lost and ringer average follows:

Justin T. Flints	Ringer		
	W	L	Av.
A. Hoffman	5	1	.393
H. Dietz	4	2	.434
F. Meyer	4	2	.424
K. Dietz	2	2	.316
A. Michel	2	4	.276
O. Parker	1	5	.280
J. Claves	0	2	.163
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Centralia All-Stars			
J. Sliger	5	1	.350
L. Sundermeyer	4	2	.349
F. Telford	4	2	.348
K. McKinney	2	4	.331
A. Crutchfield	3	3	.364
H. Hediges	0	6	.164
18 18			

In the second match which was played on the St. Louis Municipal courts, at the Fairground park, the Flints in winning 28 out of the 36 games, hung up a ringer average of .435 against the Centralia team's .361.

Fred Senn, of the Flints, with six straight victories, led all players in games won and lost and in ringer average with a .514 percentage which he collected by tossing 176 ringers out of 342 shoes. Frank Meyer and O. Parker with five victories and one defeat ranked second in games won and lost. Meyer's .491 ringer average was second high. Henry Dietz, A. Michel, A. Hoffman, of the Flints and K. McKinney, of the Centralia team each won four out of six. McKinney had a .433 ringer average and A. Crutch-

field who won but two games a .402 average.

The individual record of each player in games won and lost and ringer percentage for the second match follows:

Justin T. Flints	Ringer		
	W	L	Pct.
F. Senn	6	0	.514
F. Meyer	5	1	.491
O. Parker	5	1	.387
K. Dietz	4	1	.420
A. Michel	4	2	.439
A. Hoffman	4	2	.402
G. Klemme	0	1	.210
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Centralia All-Stars			
K. McKinney	4	2	.433
A. Crutchfield	2	4	.402
L. Sundermeyer	2	4	.397
J. Sliger	0	3	.359
J. Shepherd	0	3	.342
E. Telford	0	6	.335
L. Steinmann	0	6	.290
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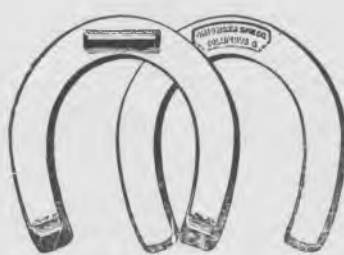
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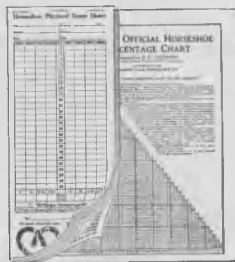
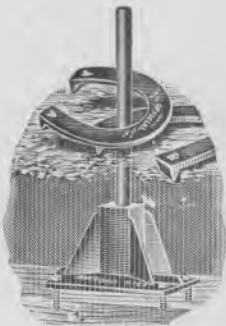
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