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My, oh, my—but it has been a long time since we wrote some chatter for this column and now that we won't get to do it but four times per year until we beat the Axis it makes us a bit sad . . . we have enjoyed talking to you every month since January, 1922 . . . it has been tough sledding at times and you have forgotten to send in news and subscriptions but we kept at it . . . after all you, our readers, are the finest people in the world and with your help we will try to get the Horseshoe World out quarterly . . . this is the Fall issue . . . you will get the Winter Number right after the New Year . . . so send in news about last year . . . your plans for next year . . . this issue has many summer tournament results and news of real interest . . . read it through and tell your neighbor pitcher he should subscribe, too.

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT



WITH THIS issue we start the Horseshoe World on a new career. It becomes a quarterly publication for the duration of the war.

We received so many letters telling us not to discontinue it that we decided to try the quarterly plan. This is the Fall Number and the next issue will be the Winter Number, printed soon after the coming of the new year. The Spring number will come out in April and the Summer Number in June or July.

The subscription price must remain at \$1. We hope our subscribers and our advertisers will stick with us—if you do we will keep things going until we defeat the Axis and then we will go back to monthly publication.

What do you say, folks?

OUR READERS COME FIRST

In publishing *THE HORSESHOE WORLD*, our readers come first. The magazine is printed quarterly 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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MAINE STATE TOURNAMENT

Although hard hit by war time industries, gas and rubber rationing, etc. the annual Maine tournament was held as scheduled at Farmington, Maine on August 15 and 16th. The entry list was somewhat smaller than previous years but by some doubling up three classes were contested and the champions duly crowned.

The C. class was hotly contested throughout with Benj. Sibley of Stillwater, defending champ, finishing ahead of the field again but only after losing one game.

In Class B. the winner, Fred Jackson of Farmington, won all his games but was forced strongly in several matches. Blaine French of Hampden defending champ had trouble holding his usually steady pace so couldn't repeat.

On Sunday the class A. entrants were not too plentiful, several of the States' leading pitchers just couldn't make the trip, which left an opportunity for several class B. Men to again try their luck against the better pitchers.

Defending Champ, Merrill Barnes of Bangor, was on hand and in fine form to easily sweep aside all opposition and coast in to his fourth consecutive title. In so doing he established new state tournament records of 70.3% for his seven games and a best game average of 83.4% to erase the 1938 records of 63.6 and 81.2% held by Ex-champ Harold Goodier of South Portland.

This 1942 meet was favored with excellent weather and the best of accommodations for all visitors thanks to the Farmington Club, Manager Otto Whitney and his assistants.

The annual meeting of the State Association was held after the Saturday pitching at which time officers for 1943 were named as follows; President, (re-elected) Fred Paulin of Auburn; V. Pres., Colby Berry of Portland; and Sec-Treas., Ray Adams of Auburn. Executive Committee; Leon McLaughlin of Farmington; Porter Clark, of Auburn and Chas. Wood of Lewiston. Records for 1942 were read to date and it was voted to hold the 1943 tournament (conditions permitting) at Portland Maine.

RESULTS CLASS A

| Entrant | W | L | R | DR | Pct. |
|------------|---|---|-----|----|------|
| M. Barnes | 7 | 0 | 208 | 75 | 70.3 |
| P. Clark | 5 | 2 | 205 | 57 | 54.8 |
| C. Wood | 4 | 3 | 173 | 42 | 45.3 |
| L. Smith | 4 | 3 | 157 | 28 | 36.5 |
| F. Jackson | 4 | 3 | 174 | 40 | 47.3 |
| R. Adams | 3 | 4 | 141 | 26 | 40.3 |
| S. Pond | 1 | 6 | 126 | 25 | 34.2 |
| A. Whitney | 0 | 7 | 96 | 10 | 27.7 |

RESULTS CLASS B

| Entrant | W | L | R | DR | Pct. |
|------------|---|---|-----|----|------|
| F. Jackson | 7 | 0 | 220 | 57 | 50.9 |
| L. Smith | 5 | 2 | 180 | 32 | 38.7 |
| B. French | 4 | 3 | 183 | 37 | 38.9 |
| C. Wood | 3 | 4 | 207 | 47 | 45.6 |
| S. Pond | 3 | 4 | 165 | 28 | 37.0 |
| H. Bailey | 3 | 4 | 153 | 27 | 36.4 |
| A. Whitney | 2 | 5 | 154 | 32 | 35.2 |
| H. Spiller | 1 | 6 | 198 | 39 | 39.6 |

RESULTS CLASS C

| Entrant | W | L | R | DR | Pct. |
|-----------------|---|---|-----|----|------|
| B. Sibley | 6 | 1 | 172 | 37 | 40.0 |
| W. Jackson | 5 | 2 | 159 | 21 | 39.5 |
| L. North | 5 | 2 | 141 | 19 | 33.9 |
| A. Burr | 3 | 4 | 142 | 23 | 29.6 |
| H. Vanderwerker | 3 | 4 | 119 | 23 | 29.2 |
| C. Berry | 3 | 4 | 91 | 10 | 24.2 |
| R. Harlow | 3 | 4 | 110 | 12 | 23.4 |
| S. Perry | 0 | 7 | 49 | 3 | 12.4 |

RAY ADAMS, Sec.-Treas.
Maine H. P. A.

A. A. U. CHAMPION



Arner Lindquist

Mr. Lindquist won the A.A.U. National Championship at Newport, Ky., winning 11 out of 12 games. He qualified with 78 ringers out of 100 shoes and 249 points out of a possible 300.

His best ringer average on his home courts this summer was 92 out of 100 tosses.

FRED BUTLER VERMONT CHAMP

Freddie Butler, Bennington's No. 1 horseshoe pitcher, and incidentally still the leading man in the state, pulled a repeat performance this year at Springfield. Freddie won the Vermont crown at Bennington last season and his title was on the block at the annual meet this year.

The Bennington ringer-tosser went up against nine opponents and won over each one, the nearest opponent, Hastings of Springfield, having seven wins and two losses. On top of that, Freddie came up with most of the "mosts"—most ringers in a game and most consecutive ringers.

A. Falco and T. Sausville of Bennington also qualified for the finale, Falco winning six and losing three for a tie for third, Sausville won three and lost six.

Out of 446 shoes pitched Butler scored 285 ringers for a percentage of 64.5. In one game he circled the peg with 26 ringers out of 34 shoes. His best run was 14 in succession.

Falso pitched 254 ringers, out of 526 shoes, and Sausville 228 out of 562. Here's how they finished:

| | W | L | R | Pct. |
|--------------|---|---|-----|------|
| F. Butler | 9 | 0 | 285 | 64.5 |
| J. Hastings | 7 | 2 | 237 | 47.5 |
| A. Falco | 6 | 3 | 254 | 48.3 |
| R. Barker | 6 | 3 | 225 | 43.2 |
| K. Brown | 4 | 5 | 208 | 41.8 |
| J. Bootelle | 4 | 5 | 241 | 41.2 |
| T. Sausville | 3 | 6 | 228 | 41.1 |
| A. Pedersen | 3 | 6 | 199 | 37.0 |
| H. Tarbell | 2 | 7 | 187 | 33.0 |
| T. Martin | 1 | 8 | 146 | 29.3 |

ST. PAUL TOURNEY

Final report, as compiled by our secretary for the 1942 St. Paul Municipal Horseshoe Pitchers' Assn., and also abstract of our fall tournament held Aug. 23 and 30 in 3 classes. This year we did not have as many clubs as usual, and the reasons are that so many were drafted into the Service, and a few changes had to be made and reduced to two divisions, A and B with 8 clubs in each division. And with thanks to all players for their fine co-operation we had a fairly successful season, and we are all set to start work for 1943.

As to how far we will get is now a big If. Just learned that our city champion for the past three years, Sherman Sadowsky, will be inducted into Uncle Sam's Service Oct. 16th, likewise Robert Ott and Stanley Olson a little later and no doubt others, will go into the service, between now and 1943 playing season; but we will fight to have someone in there pitching next summer again.

Respectfully,

ANDY MOEHN,

661 Holly Ave., St. Paul, Minn.

INDIANA TOSSER FULL OF "SURPRISES" SAYS WRITER

I have been a reader of the Horseshoe World for two or three years, and have been a horseshoe enthusiast for at least 10 times as long. Some time ago while reading a copy of the April-May issue of Horseshoe World, I came across an item which interested me greatly. It was buried within an article on horseshoe in Indiana regarding the 1941 State Tourney." In a 6th round surprise Edmondson scored a 50-29 decision over LaFollette." On reading the standing I found that this was the game that prevented LaFollette from a tie for the State Championship.

After reading that little story in itself I got to wondering just how many times in the past four or five years this youngster from central Indiana has "surprised" someone in an important match. The results of my research were astounding. In almost every State Tourney or Indianapolis Moose Team match in which he has participated someone found himself on the short end of the score when he expected a "breather."

Let's review a little. In 1937 Eddie playing his first season of "big time" horseshoe defeated Hubert Trinkle, of Linton, in a team match 50-46. Trinkle just one month later won the National A.A.U. Tourney at Staten Island, N. Y., a title held for three straight

years. That same fall Edmondson participating in his first state tourney, qualified by the skin of his teeth and then proceeded to finish just one game out of first place. He "surprised" Orval Harris in the seventh round by pitching almost 80 percent. This knocked Harris out of a first place tie. Also in that tourney Eddie in a match with John Riggle of Bricknell hit 80 ringers in a 50-point game. This still stands as a State Tourney record.

In the 1938 State Tourney, Edmondson although he finished out of the money, again defeated Orval Harris, one time World's A.A.U. Doubles Champion, and hung one of the two defeats suffered by Ray Peckham, the runner-up.

In the 1938 State Tourney, Edmondson, but the next year returned to win the greatest match of his career. In an International League team match between Indianapolis and Fort Wayne he became the only Hoosier who has ever, as far as can be remembered, won a match over Guy Binkley of Fort Wayne, who is without question the uncrowned champion of Indiana. Edmondson won that match despite the fact that Binkley held a 49-32 lead.

In 1941 a return match between the same two teams found Binkley really

gunning for Edmondson and this time by hitting 74 ringers out of 82 shoes he soundly trounced Eddie 50 to 9. But that's not the complete story. During the course of the match two world's records were set. The two of them threw 12 consecutive "four deads." This broke the former record for official match play set by Dean and Lyle Brown in the 1939 mid-west tourney at Des Moines. Their record was "ten." Also Binkley threw 24 consecutive doubles to eclipse Dean Brown's record of 20 set at the same mid-west tourney. Edmondson was so excited at Binkley's great string of doubles that his game went all to pieces after Binkley finally missed.

Edmondson has other lesser "surprises" to his credit but I have highlighted the greatest I think. He definitely is not the best pitcher in Indiana, but when the chips are down and the competition the toughest I'd rather have him pitching on my side than most anyone I know.

Yours sincerely,
J. M. HOLDERCALM

P. S. The World's Records set in the Binkley-Edmondson match can be verified by contacting Artie Banta, or Paul Van Sickle, who represent the National Ass'n, in Indiana.

J. M. H.

QUOIT CHAMPION AT AGE OF 67!

CANTON, OHIO—Beating America's best quoit hurlers year after year still holds a thrill for "Willie" Small despite his 30 national championships, the last won Aug. 7 at Kennywood park, near Duquesne, Pa. For quoits, says Small, is as close to the heart of a Scotsman as baseball is to the average American, and continuing to be national champion at 67 years of age adds to the thrill.

Small, who left Stonehouse in 1904 to come to America, still is unbeatable, even as his father was in Scotland. The father, Robert Small, who died several years ago at the age of 87, held four important titles in his native country. They were quoiting, bowling, curling and kyles, or skittles. His ruddy-faced son now is carrying on over here.

Difficult

For the uninitiated, Small explains that quoits is a more difficult game than horseshoes. Each player has two flattened rings of case hardened steel weighing 10¾ pounds each. Horseshoes weigh up to and a

half pounds. Quoits are tossed at dime-sized stakes level with the ground, 54 feet distant; horseshoes at pegs 40 feet apart.

The objective in quoits is not to make ringers, but to cover the peg, Small explains. The first hurler to make 61 points wins the game, which may last more than five hours in a close match. Small said it took him seven hours to win a game when he visited Scotland in 1919. During the last two years he says he has been barred from Cleveland matches because he's "too good." During 30 of his 38 years in the United States Small worked as a coal miner. A veteran of the Boer war in which he served with the Scottish Rifles, he now is employed as a laborer in a plant here.

IN HOSPITAL

Harry Reese, formerly of Lake City, Iowa, but now of 532 Monmouth Street, Fond Du Lac, Wisconsin, has been a patient at the Hines, Illinois hospital for several weeks, and it is reported definitely that his horseshoe pitching career has ended. He has suffered two cerebral hemorrhages and from spinal arthritis.

Reese was an outstanding Iowa pitcher from 1925-1939, and during his career he won games from such stars as Frank Jackson and C. C. Davis. He is a veteran of the first World War. He reached the finals in the 1927 World meet at Duluth, Minnesota.

Anyone wishing to write to him should address him at his Wisconsin address, for he may not be in the hospital by the time of this publication.

YAKIMA MEET

Report of Yakima County Horseshoe meet. Pete Cook won all his games, taking the crown from Jay Elliott, champion of 1941.

| | W | L | R | DR | Pct. |
|-------------------|---|---|-----|----|------|
| Peter Cook..... | 7 | 0 | 249 | 66 | 56.0 |
| Jan Elliott..... | 5 | 2 | 247 | 57 | 51.0 |
| Art Waterbury.... | 4 | 3 | 218 | 49 | 47.7 |
| L. E. Monasmith.. | 3 | 4 | 167 | 30 | 40.7 |
| Harry Scott..... | 3 | 4 | 182 | 40 | 44.2 |
| John Keys..... | 2 | 5 | 174 | 41 | 41.8 |
| H. H. Trueblood.. | 2 | 5 | 194 | 35 | 42.4 |
| J. Patrick..... | 2 | 5 | 200 | 38 | 44.0 |

We have a welcome letter from Harry H. Manuel, of St. Louis, past president of the St. Louis Munny League.

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District Commissioner's and All Horse-shoe Pitchers

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We are awfully sorry the 1942 State tournament and convention had to be postponed, caused first: by non-payment of State dues up to that time, and second: due to this lack of interest and apparent prospects of a very small entry list, the entry fee could not be depended upon to finance it.

There being no election of State officers, permit me to thank you on behalf of your officers for the privilege of again serving you for another year and let me remind you that in giving us this task to do, you assume a definite obligation to support those whom you place in position of leadership, and support means the payment of yearly State dues without which neither the officers nor the Association can function for the benefit of the players.

It is important a State tournament and convention be held in 1943 as your officers feel that since the State dues were raised to one (\$1.00) dollar per capita yearly, at the 1941 convention, that clubs should receive a percentage of this revenue to be used in whatever manner club officers feel will best benefit their members, but this cannot be done until the State membership has been worked up in numbers sufficient to make it possible, therefore:

We hereby proclaim a 1942 State membership drive between October 1st and December 31, 1942, and urge the support of all loyal horseshoe pitchers and enthusiasts to make it a success.

If you will raise a State membership of 500 in this drive we will return to clubs 50 cents out of every dollar collected in dues and still give you a show in 1943 rivaling any other State, even the National, as we have the players with ability to do it with records you can read and be proud of your part in it—well worth any man's or woman's dollar.

If 600 State members are raised we will give an additional 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th money prize of \$50.00, \$25.00, \$15.00 and \$10.00 to one (1) Lady or Gentlemen in each of four Districts sending in most members, and should membership go high enough to justify it, money prizes will be given to each of the 16 Districts

with \$50.00 for high graduated down to \$10.00 for low, as we need only \$300.00 for tourney prizes. We plan the 1943 State dues will guarantee the 1944 tournament and convention and the District having most State members in 1942 will be given privilege of holding it in 1944.

This program is our duty as your officers, giving you approximately three months to indicate by your action whether or not you believe in this most healthful, skillful and fascinating sport and wish to help your clubs and members and see it grow in a manner that will not cause any one to go broke.

Send names, mailing address, dues and the name of club to be credited (who may or may not be a member of any club as no questions will be asked) to State Secretary at above address and 1942 State due cards will be mailed to each of them. We suggest you call members together in meeting and explain program to them while the weather is still good. Here is an opportunity to put our Association on a sound footing and should be supported by all interested to the fullest as its success will have great future bearing on the sport. Let's go. We are

Yours truly,

D. O. CHESS, Secretary
 The Buckeye State Horseshoe Pitcher's Association.

ST. LOUIS MUNY LEAGUE TOURNEY

By Jack Claves

Never in the 28 years history of the St. Louis, Mo., Municipal League or any other league that I ever heard of, has there been a more closely played match than our City Championships.

This year St. Louis tried something new in the selection of players eligible to pitch in their Championship contest. Heretofore only the pitchers on the two leagues winners played for the championship. This year in order to give the players on the losing teams an incentive to stay in the league and to keep "on top" of their game all season, it was agreed that the eight highest ringer average men in each league play each other two 64-game home and home matches.

It caused more enthusiasm not only in the play-offs but during the whole

year than anything ever tried before. Players on the losing teams fought furiously up to the season's last game in order to establish a ringer average that would entitle them to pitch in the play-offs.

The Security Fire Door Co.'s team of four men won the North Side Division pennant and immediately absorbed the next four high average men as members of their 8-man team. The 9th, 10th and 11th men of each league were allowed to play in case substitutes were needed. The Wacker-Helderle Undertaking Co. won the South Side honors.

The play-off started on the North Side courts and the 64 games were split 32 to 32. The next week the South Side was the home team and "Believe it or Not" after 62 games of the second match was played the score was 31 to 31 or 63 to 63.

In the very last game due to illness Frank Denny of the South Side withdrew and to "Yours Truly" fell the burden of filling in and is my face red. Joe Bentmann of the North Side carrier over the winning score and game 45 to 50.

Each North Side player will be presented a beautiful certificate of championship at the Municipal Athletic Assn's. Victory Dinner held in honor of over 400 champions of the other eleven sports sponsored.

Results as follows:

| North Side | | | | | |
|-----------------|----|----|-----|-----|------|
| | W | L | R | DR | Ave. |
| Joe Wors..... | 16 | 0 | 710 | 266 | .744 |
| Ben Nardie..... | 16 | 0 | 725 | 232 | .649 |
| Gene Wors..... | 13 | 3 | 652 | 214 | .639 |
| E. Hussman.... | 3 | 5 | 315 | 89 | .551 |
| J. Hennerichs.. | 4 | 8 | 369 | 97 | .484 |
| J. Bentmann.. | 3 | 7 | 281 | 66 | .460 |
| B. Lalor..... | 4 | 12 | 645 | 177 | .564 |
| F. Nussbaum.. | 3 | 8 | 324 | 80 | .485 |
| C. Aldrich..... | 2 | 6 | 228 | 52 | .497 |
| F. Wors..... | 1 | 10 | 300 | 57 | .446 |
| W. Moore..... | 0 | 4 | 110 | 25 | .476 |

| South Side | | | | | |
|------------------|----|----|-----|-----|------|
| | W | L | R | DR | Ave. |
| J. Dixon..... | 11 | 5 | 521 | 143 | .549 |
| J. Denny..... | 10 | 6 | 676 | 206 | .635 |
| O. Dipple..... | 10 | 6 | 601 | 158 | .598 |
| A. Tripp..... | 3 | 3 | 235 | 67 | .575 |
| B. Denny..... | 7 | 9 | 597 | 180 | .586 |
| A. Twitchell.... | 7 | 9 | 550 | 151 | .538 |
| F. Denny..... | 6 | 9 | 589 | 172 | .575 |
| D. Walls..... | 6 | 10 | 558 | 159 | .548 |
| H. Lohans..... | 3 | 7 | 320 | 82 | .500 |
| J. Claves..... | 0 | 1 | 38 | 12 | .528 |

TOURNEY HOST

The Tulsa Horseshoe Club was host to the Eastern Oklahoma Tournament this fall.

Dr. Harry H. Turner of Syracuse, who has managed the annual tournaments at the New York State Fair, writes there was no fair in 1942—consequently no horseshoe meet.

HERE, THERE AND EVERYWHERE

By Leland Mortenson

The National Secretary, Archie Gregson, has been doing what we believe is commendable work in placing copies of the Horseshoe Compendium in about 75 of the world's leading libraries, and in getting these booklets into the hands of a number of distinguished men.

President Roosevelt, Winston Churchill, Gene Tunney and Orson Wells have been among the persons recently receiving copies.

Libraries in many South American countries, Canada, Hawaii, England, Iceland, Australia and Russia have been sent copies.

Secretary Gregson recently mailed me a package of letters and cards of thanks which he has received from many of these libraries.

Here is what the Keeper of Printed Books of the British Museum, London, England wrote to Mr. Gregson: "I have the honor to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the undermentioned work (Horseshoe Compendium) which you have been so good as to present to the Trustees of the British Museum."

Similar responses were received from the University of Washington Library, Seattle, Washington; the Free Public Library of Jersey City, New Jersey; the library of the State University of Louisiana, Baton Rouge, Louisiana; the library of the University of the State of New York at Albany; the University of Colorado library, Boulder, Colo.; the University of Arizona library at Tucson; the University of Minnesota library at Minneapolis; the Chicago, Illinois Public Library; the University Library, Cambridge, in England; Queens University library, Kingston, England; the Biblioteca Nacional, Mexico, D. F.; the University of Toronto, Canada library; the Princeton University library at Princeton, New Jersey; the Dallas Texas Public library; the Oxford University library in England; the University of Wisconsin library at Madison, Wis.; the Cincinnati, Ohio, Public library; the University of Wyoming library at Laramie, Wyoming; the Harvard College library at Cambridge, Massachusetts; the Boston Public library; the New York Public library.

On September 12 and 13, I had the pleasure of visiting with Jack Claves at St. Louis, Missouri.

We discussed many of the problems facing the National Association. Probably the only one that has not been

discussed before by anyone at all is this suggestion in which Claves and myself both agreed upon; that at the end of each year, the National association should award a medal to the person in each state who has during that year done the most for the game in his state. Claves and I believe that the game is terribly short of promoters, and that some encouragement of recognition should be developed so that promoters will have some small inducement for going to work with enthusiasm.

In the past and at present, the pitchers get the fun of competing, grab the prizes small though they be, while the guy who raises the money, gets the publicity, prepares the charts etc., rarely gets a recognition.

Claves and I did not discuss how the choice should be made but I would suggest that the National Officers make the award on the basis of organizational, publicity, money raising achievements, etc.

Several months ago Ted Allen wrote an article in the Horseshoe World in which he lauded Jack Claves as a man and as a leader. I was sure then that Allen did not overestimate the former president of the National Association, and I know it now. I could not help but note the respect and the admiration the St. Louis Pitchers have for Jack Claves; and since Claves was supervising a St. Louis tournament when I was there, I saw how efficient he is as a tournament manager. Without reservation, I declare that Claves is one of the greatest leaders horseshoes has ever developed, far too able too respectable, and too generous, to be rated by that former National Secretary from Iowa who castigated his name at the National Convention in 1941, and who himself had everything it would have taken to be a great Secretary but who allowed himself to flop in every detail, for which reason he was not re-nominated for the office.

Yes, Ted Allen, my hat also goes off for Jack Claves.

The Iowa Championship tournament was held at Cedar Rapids, Iowa on September 5, Ted Harlan of Des Moines, won the title. Dale Dixon, 1940 Champion, was unable to defend his championship because of defense Employment.

The total of the credit for the promotion of this meet, I understand, should go to Byron Stoney, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, president of the State Association.

Recently received a letter from our National President, Harry Woodfield and I am highly impressed with his vision, and his efforts to get the game some recognition in the army, also with his achievements in publicity.

He recently had a group of soldiers in Hawaii pitch a tournament for a medal donated by a Washington D. C. newspaper.

Let me tell you readers something: There is no man in the world who is more enthusiastic and more optimistic about anything than is Harry Woodfield about horseshoe pitching.

In closing this column, in behalf of the Des Moines Horseshoe Club, of which I am president, I am thanking President Woodfield and Secretary Gregson for a year of faithful service to our association without a cent of remuneration. They took over this association in 1941 after it had floundered for two years under the worst imaginable leadership. They have had a tough job, but the horizon looks brighter, even in a time of a great war.

Our thanks also goes to R. B. Howard for another year of his efficient publication of OUR Horseshoe World.

PITCH OFFICIAL HORSESHOES!

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State of Ohio, County of Madison, ss.

Before me, a Notary Public, in and for the state and county aforesaid, personally appeared R. B. Howard, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the Publisher of the Horseshoe World, and that the following is to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management, etc., of the aforesaid publication, for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, embodied in Section 443, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse side of this form, to-wit:

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R. B. HOWARD, Manager.
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of October, 1942.

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(My commission expires Feb. 14, 1943.)

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NEWS AND NOTES FROM

THE NATIONAL SECRETARY

The February-March issue of the Horseshoe World carried an article by me in which I asked the interested horseshoe fans to drop a card to me if they were interested in having a National Mail tourney again this year. Evidently you are too busy or not interested because I only received one card from one person who was in favor of this, so I have decided to drop that out of the picture for the time being.

Due to the war effort we have to make a number of changes. We are doing that at the house of Gregson since the arrival of a son, born July 20.

Some localities seem to be doing quite well in horseshoes this year and are making plans and having tournaments. The Washington Star is sponsoring a tourney at Washington, D. C., again this year, which has probably been completed by this time. I have been informed by Lee Mortenson that Iowa is planning a State meet September 6th and 7th at Cedar Rapids and there are a number of other major tourneys being planned, but on a whole it appears to be a very slow year for horseshoe, especially since the cancellation of state fairs.

While there is a lull in horseshoe activities, it gives us a little more time to sit down and think just what we could do to better our game, also our State and National Associations. I think it is the proper time for our State Association officers to draft a list of things they feel the National could do to help the game along, then when the "big game" is settled over seas we can put these things into practice and pull together and build up our sport. It is also a good time to spend enough time with our neighbors to get them interested in horseshoes.

Since the July issue of Click magazine showing Ted Allen pitching horseshoes and the article by Bill Stern accompanying it, I have received quite a number of orders for the Compendium and Rules for the game. President Harry Woodfield states that within two weeks after that article he received 200 letters in

the mail asking for information on horseshoes. So from this there must be a lot of people who don't know very much about the game.

One of our members suggested that we have someone write an article for publication bringing out the health angle along with the sport and exercise benefits which horseshoes offer. This would be fine and some of you interested doctors could do a fine job on this.

I have word that three of the brainiest men in horseshoes (in my estimation) are staging what they call a "grass roots conference" in the very near future to thrash out horseshoes in general and I feel confident that these three men will be able to study the game and offer us something that we have not been able to take time to thrash out at our conventions. I am anxious to hear about the results of their meeting.

I personally feel we've got to change our dues set-up before we can expect to get a great deal of cooperation from the states for selling our National memberships and then receiving nothing in return. I feel it should be the duty of the National officers to make a change there and rectify things before our 1943 year starts. One dollar per year dues with 50% of it returned to the States will go a lot farther toward paying the National expenses than \$1.00 per year with nothing in return. How about this State officers and members? Let's have your comment on this. We all make mistakes, but we don't have to continue making them.

We, here in Southern California, have lost a large portion of our top notch pitchers as has other parts of the country. Ervin Hosier, who was in the National the last two years is in the United States Navy pitching for Uncle Sam. Tommy Bartlen, our Los Angeles City Champion is also in the service and Ray Gatewood, 1939 runner up for the Southern California championship is in the Army. Fernando and Dean Brown are still around though, in case anyone drops in for a game.

Any suggestions or changes for our National set-up are welcome at all all times. Let's pass them along, they may be worth a lot.

Along with this article is a list of our states and members for the 1941-1942 season. Due to the War Emergency, there will be no National Tournament this year.

National Horseshoe Pitchers' Association of America Memberships for 1941-1942

| | |
|------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Northern California..... | 153 |
| 2. Missouri | 150 |
| 3. Maine | 138 |
| 4. Ohio | 112 |
| 5. South Dakota..... | 97 |
| 6. Illinois | 78 |
| 7. Indiana | 74 |
| 8. Iowa | 72 |
| 9. Colorado | 54 |
| 10. Dist. of Columbia..... | 52 |
| 11. New Jersey..... | 51 |
| 12. Southern California..... | 41 |
| 13. Wyoming | 41 |
| 14. Wisconsin | 39 |
| 15. Kentucky | 31 |
| 16. Washington | 22 |
| 17. Rhode Island..... | 21 |
| 18. Massachusetts | 18 |
| 19. New Mexico..... | 16 |
| 20. Vermont | 11 |
| 21. Minnesota | 8 |
| 22. Nebraska | 5 |
| 23. Oklahoma | 5 |
| 24. New York..... | 3 |
| 25. Kansas | 3 |
| 26. Connecticut | 2 |

Total membership 1297.

Your National Secretary,
ARCHIE J. GREGSON

CASEY JONES IS 1942 CHAMPION

Charles "Casey" Jones of Waukesha was named champion at the Wisconsin Tournament. Harvey Elmerston was runner up and Elliott of Two Rivers was third. Elmerston and Jones pitched off, with Casey winning three straights.

Scores 50 to 8, Jones 88% and Elmerston 68%; 50 to 22, Jones 84%, Elmerston, 77%; 50 to 28, Jones 86, Elmerston, 78.

Jones qualified with 91 ringers out of 100 shoes, making 278 points. Billings, of Waukesha, was second high in the qualifying rounds with 246 and Elliott, third, with 244.

Kelly Laraway won the Bremerton, Washington tournament.

DAHLENE RETAINS KANSAS TITLE

By "Sunflower"

With rains general over the state several days previous to the tournament and still falling on Sunday, Sept. 6th, the opening day, it began to look as though floating horseshoes would be needed in order to compete. However about 1 o'clock old man sunshine peeped out from behind the clouds and from then on everything was rosy. The grounds were rapidly put into shape and due to the excessive moisture they were soon in readiness for perfect pitching conditions. The old "bugaboo" of ringers jumping off was reduced to a minimum. Because of inclement weather conditions, the entry list reached only 30—but nevertheless Class "A" was still composed of some very fine pitchers.

In the qualifying rounds Marines Tamboer set a new official tournament record of 78 ringers and 253 points out of a 100 shoes pitched. Dahlene, defending champion did not have to qualify. The class "A" was composed of 12 men, Class "B", 8 men and Class "C", 8 men. Class "B" was won by Eoles and Class "C" by Erickson in a pitch off of one game with J. C. Knowles, president of the Wichita club. Both men had previously lost one game.

The class "A" event got under way at 1 o'clock Monday (Labor Day) and the race for the title was on. Melvin Sites of Wichita and Marines Tamboer were picked as the men most likely to put Dahlene out of the championship picture—with Orville Lundry and Mace Cooper, both of Wichita as dark horses. Dahlene started off the tournament with a "bang" by easily defeating Gillenwater with a 77% game. Sites came through with an easy win over Dennot of Augusta, pitching an even 80 %

Tamboer won handily from Branstetter, and Cooper turned in a victory over Barnes of Rose Hill. The second round found Dahlene playing against his jinx opponent, Mel Sites, a man who has had his eyes glued on the crown. The outcome of this melee was not long in doubt as the champion ran up a 34 to 7 lead in the first 22 innings, putting on 37 ringers in 44 shoes and winding up the game with an % win 50-24. Tamboer and Dahlene were both undefeated at the end of six rounds of play.

However, in the 7th round, Tamboer stubbed his toe on Dennot and lost 50-41. In the 8th round Tamboer defeated Sites 50 to 30, thus eliminating the latter from the championship picture. In the 9th round Dahlene put on a torrid exhibition with Barnes of Rose Hill winning 50-38. In this game

Dahlene smacked on twelve consecutive doubles for a new official state record, breaking the old record of eleven set by Tefft of Chanute in 1935. The other two rounds went as expected with Dahlene vanquishing Tamboer in the 10th, 50-34. With the picture looking thus—Dahlene 11-0, Tamboer 9 and 2, these two men met at 8 o'clock under the lights for the title, with the champ coming through in a 3 to 0 victory in a best 3 out of 5 match.

To Mr. J. C. Knowles, President of the Wichita Club, and to fellow members of that organization we all extend thanks for a swell tournament and a fine time. All contestants received prizes in the form of Defense Stamps. Game account of Dahlene's championship run:

| | P | R | DR | SP | R% |
|-------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| 1— Dahlene | | | | | |
| Lawrence | 50 | 46 | 20 | 60 | 76 |
| Gillenwater | | | | | |
| Augusta | 16 | 35 | 10 | 60 | 58 |
| 2— Dahlene | | | | | |
| Lawrence | 50 | 66 | 27 | 78 | 84 |
| Sites | | | | | |
| Wichita | 24 | 55 | 18 | 78 | 70 |
| 3— Dahlene | | | | | |
| Lawrence | 50 | 61 | 26 | 76 | 80 |
| Cooper | | | | | |
| Wichita | 31 | 55 | 19 | 76 | 72 |
| 4— Dahlene | | | | | |
| Lawrence | 50 | 42 | 17 | 54 | 78 |
| Noyes | | | | | |
| Augusta | 20 | 28 | 7 | 54 | 51 |
| 5— Dahlene | | | | | |
| Lawrence | 50 | 50 | 21 | 76 | 76 |
| Lundry | | | | | |
| Wichita | 28 | 41 | 9 | 76 | 62 |
| 6— Dahlene | | | | | |
| Lawrence | 50 | 33 | 15 | 36 | 91 |
| Burns | | | | | |
| Augusta | 9 | 19 | 6 | 36 | 52 |
| 7— Dahlene | | | | | |
| Lawrence | 50 | 36 | 14 | 46 | 78 |
| Branstetter | | | | | |
| Chanute | 10 | 23 | 4 | 46 | 50 |
| 8— Dahlene | | | | | |
| Lawrence | 50 | 62 | 25 | 82 | 76 |
| Barnes | | | | | |
| Rose Hill | 38 | 56 | 21 | 82 | 68 |
| 9— Dahlene | | | | | |
| Lawrence | 50 | 43 | 14 | 64 | 67 |
| Dennot | | | | | |
| Augusta | 31 | 35 | 9 | 64 | 55 |
| 10—Dahlene | | | | | |
| Lawrence | 50 | 58 | 19 | 80 | 72 |
| Tamboer | | | | | |
| Oatville | 34 | 53 | 18 | 80 | 66 |
| 11—Dahlene | | | | | |
| Lawrence | 50 | 28 | 11 | 40 | 70 |
| Turner | | | | | |
| Wichita | 12 | 13 | 3 | 40 | 32 |

Finals—Best 3 out of 5

| | W | L | Pts. | R | DR | R% |
|---------|---|---|------|-----|----|------|
| Dahlene | 3 | 0 | 150 | 132 | 46 | 72.5 |
| Tamboer | 0 | 3 | 102 | 119 | 36 | 64.6 |

Box score of 12 man class "A":

| | W | L | R | DR | Pct. |
|-------------|----|----|------|------|------|
| Dahlene | 11 | 0 | 518 | 210 | 75.9 |
| Tamboer | 9 | 2 | 438 | 146 | 68.0 |
| Cooper | 8 | 3 | 472 | 144 | 60.0 |
| Lundry | 7 | 4 | 443 | 125 | 60.0 |
| Sites | 7 | 4 | 477 | 151 | 67.0 |
| Barnes | 6 | 5 | 432 | 138 | 60.0 |
| Noyes | 5 | 6 | 409 | 103 | 56.0 |
| Gillenwater | 4 | 7 | 379 | 108 | 54.0 |
| Dennot | 3 | 8 | 305 | 73 | 46.0 |
| Burns | 3 | 8 | 320 | 79 | 50.0 |
| Branstetter | 3 | 8 | 354 | 77 | 50.0 |
| Turner | 0 | 11 | 161 | 18 | 29.0 |
| Totals | 66 | 66 | 4708 | 1372 | 58.5 |

Tournament Gleanings

Freddie Ring, of Wichita, 12-years-old made his debut in Class "C." He pitches a reverse 1¼ and not bad.

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Roland Kraft, one of America's finest pitchers missed his first Kansas tournament since 1930. Roland just received an appointment as beekkeeper in an ordnance plant near Lawrence and had to be on the job.

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Mr. Jess Knowles, President of Wichita club was as busy as the proverbial one-armed paper hanger—he helped run the tournament and also competed in Class "C". He really is an upper bracket pitcher but the strain was too much on him.

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Robert A. Melvin, former Lawrence pitcher and horseshoe "bug" attended his 21st state meet in the last 23 years. He missed 1924, and 1939. He picked the first five men in their correct order of finish in the finals. He must be psychic.

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H. C. Turner, of Wichita, who competed in Class "A" has an artificial leg and despite his handicap really enjoyed himself.

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Dahlene went through the 1941-42 tournament round robins without defeat. Has a consecutive run of 22 victories.

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Walking between the stakes shouldn't tire Mel Sites—he is a mailman in Wichita.

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For the first 8 games Dahlene had a very fine average of 79.5% ringers. 396 of his shoes found a resting place around the stake out of 498 shoes pitched.

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The Champion used "Dead Soft" Gordon shoes. His Allen shoes were so badly warped that he had to change over the day of the meet.

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A staff photographer from the "Wichita Eagle" took some "shots" of the tournament.

MASSACHUSETTS NEWS

JOSEPH NELSON WINS

The ninth annual Lowell, Mass. horseshoe pitching tourney was held on the recently built Loomfixers' Horseshoe club courts, which are equipped for night play. The tourney was sponsored by the Lowell W. P. A. Recreational Project.

The doubles tourney was held on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 13th. By the slim margin of a single point the team of Joseph Nelson and William Amlaw became the 1942 city doubles champions by defeating the team of Harvey Maille and Arthur Paquin by the scores of 52-34, 43-55 and 50-49, in the finals. The winners each received a pair of T. J. Octigan horseshoes donated by the St. Pierre Co., Worcester, Mass. They also received medals donated by Joseph Foley, local jeweler.

The singles tourney was played under the lights on the evenings of Sept. 23rd, 24th and 25th. On the final ten-man round robin, Joseph Nelson, representing the Joe's Tire Shop courts became the 1942 city singles horseshoe champion, winning nine games and losing none. In second place was Harvey Maille with 8 wins and one loss. Tied for third place were Arthur Plourde and Don Furtado, with 6 wins and 3 defeats each.

Joseph Nelson, the new champion, was awarded \$2.50 in defense stamps, donated by James Brown, president of the Coburn Aces Horseshoes Club. He also received a year's honorary membership in the Loomfixers' Horseshoe Club along with a medal donated by Joseph Foley, local jeweler. Harvey Maille, the runner-up received a carrying case donated by the Giant Grip Mfg. Co. Arthur Plourde tied for this place with Don Furtado won the toss for the third place prize, a pair of horseshoes donated by the Lull and Hartford Sporting Goods Store, Lowell, Mass.

One of the interesting highlights of the tourney was the play of Arthur Plourde, a young veteran of 55 summers, who has reached his peak in the last three years with his "dive bomber" shoes that makes one flop and lands with a dead falling effect on the stake. He gave the new champion his hardest game, having a lead of 34 to 7 and finally losing 50 to 48. In this game they had four dead two consecutive times.

Summary of score:

| | P | R | DR | SP | Pct. |
|---------|----|----|----|----|------|
| Nelson | 50 | 41 | 5 | 88 | 46 |
| Plourde | 48 | 39 | 9 | 88 | 44 |

The use of the Loomfixer Horseshoe Club courts for the tourney was

donated by the following officers of the club: Arthur Paquin, Pres.; Onesime Brisette, Vice Pres., and director Arthur Plourde, Raymond Guilbeault and Alexandre Rondeau.

BOYS' MEET IS HELD

On Labor Day, September 7th, the Central Labor Union of Lowell, Mass. sponsored the second annual field day of sporting events on the South Common in which the children of the local playgrounds were the participants. The Lowell W. P. A. Recreational Project supervised the play.

One of the feature events was the horseshoe pitching tourney for boys.

About 70 boys competed. Each boy was required to pitch 10 shoes and the boy pitching the most ringers would be declared the champion. When the last shoe was pitched the winner, Charles Russell had pitched 7 ringers, tied for second place were Nick Paleologos, Robert Swan and William Azarowski each pitching 4 ringers. In the playoff for second prize Nick Paleologos pitched 8 ringers out of 10 shoes, (nice pitching for an eleven year old boy) Robert Swan had 4 ringers and William Azarowski had 2 ringers.

Charles Russell the first prize winner was awarded a sweater and Nick Paleologos the second place winner also was awarded a sweater. The pitching distance was thirty feet.

TEXAS TOURNEY

Here are the complete results of the annual T.A.A.F. State Horseshoe Tournament which was held Sunday, Sept. 6, at the Mason Park courts of the East End Horseshoe Club, in Houston, Texas.

Twenty year old Louis Mettlach, of Edinburg, Texas won both first place in the qualifying round and the round robin playoff. He thus displaces Mr. Ralph Travis, of Fort Worth, Texas as the titleholder for the last 4 years. Young Mettlach has been in T.A.A.F. competition only 3 years and seems to be improving each year. There doesn't seem to be anyone in Texas capable of stopping him for a good long time.

Results of qualifying round for 50 shoe pitched:

| | R | Pct |
|-----------------------|----|-----|
| L. Mettlach, Edinburg | 31 | 62 |
| L. E. Rihn, Houston | 30 | 60 |
| E. C. White, Houston | 27 | 54 |
| Ike Reese, Houston | 27 | 54 |
| W. G. Herren, Houston | 22 | 44 |
| Paul White, Houston | 22 | 44 |
| W. H. Detert, Houston | 22 | 44 |
| M. Griswold, Houston | 21 | 44 |
| F. Zuchowski, Houston | 20 | 40 |
| J. W. Stoddard | 20 | 40 |

Ralph Travis, of Fort Worth, being 1941 Champion was not required to qualify.

Results of round robin playoff:

| | W | L | R | Pct. |
|--------------|---|---|-----|------|
| L. Mettlach | 9 | 0 | 253 | 58.0 |
| R. Travis | 8 | 1 | 235 | 55.7 |
| L. E. Rihn | 7 | 2 | 262 | 55.0 |
| E. C. White | 6 | 3 | 186 | 41.7 |
| Ike Reese | 5 | 4 | 190 | 43.2 |
| W. G. Herren | 4 | 5 | 176 | 34.3 |
| F. Zuchowski | 4 | 5 | 129 | 43.6 |
| W. H. Detert | 3 | 6 | 196 | 38.2 |
| Paul White | 2 | 7 | 119 | 32.1 |
| M. Griswold | 0 | 9 | 37 | 24.6 |

DECKER WINNER

Here is the result of the Colorado state tournament held in Denver, Colo., Sept. 6th and 7th:

| | W | L | Pct. |
|-------------------|----|----|------|
| Bob Decker | 14 | 1 | 68.7 |
| C. W. Uhrich | 14 | 1 | 60.9 |
| Marvin Clayburg | 11 | 4 | 59.5 |
| Bob Bowman | 11 | 4 | 58.6 |
| Orville Lauer | 10 | 5 | 63.2 |
| Lyman Morley | 9 | 6 | 54.6 |
| Frank Derby | 8 | 7 | 56.1 |
| Eino Tiilikaninen | 8 | 7 | 56.0 |
| Les Eaton | 8 | 7 | 54.3 |
| Wm. Shumaker | 7 | 8 | 56.2 |
| Henry Schilb | 7 | 8 | 48.7 |
| Walt Demarest | 5 | 10 | 53.4 |
| Mike Wendlin | 3 | 12 | 43.2 |
| Herbert Flint | 2 | 13 | 48.6 |
| Carl Woods | 2 | 13 | 48.5 |
| George Webber | 1 | 14 | 45.6 |

In the playoff for first place Decker won from Uhrich 50 to 49. Decker average in playoff 69.7; Uhrich average 68.1. Orville Lauer was the defending champion. He won the 1941 meet at Greeley. Carl Woods is the grand old man of horseshoe pitching in the Rocky Mountain region.

On Sunday, Sept. 27th the Denver horseshoe club held their annual picnic the result was:

| | | |
|---------------|---|---|
| Herbert Flint | 6 | 1 |
| Bob Bowman | 3 | 4 |
| Wm. Shumaker | 3 | 4 |
| Henry Schilb | 3 | 4 |
| O. N. Cash | 3 | 4 |
| A. Haas | 3 | 4 |
| Clif Trembly | 3 | 4 |
| Carl Woods | 2 | 5 |

O. N. Cash was the defending champion. The picnic was held in Washington Park. In the meeting following the State tournament, Frank Derby was elected State president. Herbert Flint was the retiring president.—O. N. CASH.

TEXAS TOSSERS

S. M. Clayton of Borger, Texas, is a real horseshoe enthusiast and a fair pitcher for a man of his age 54. He is a member of the city commission of Borger and was advocating a park for the city with Horseshoe courts. The money had been appropriated (something like \$400.00) but the war prevented further plans. He really is a booster for the game. He sponsored a tournament in Borger a year ago.

NOTICE!

November 5, 1942

Mr. R. B. Howard, Ed. & Pub.
HORSESHOE WORLD
London, Ohio

Dear Mr. Howard:

I would appreciate it very much if you will print the following announcement in the next issue of the HORSESHOE WORLD:

"The set-up for membership dues in the National Horseshoe Pitchers' Association has been changed by the Executive Committee. Each state will be allowed fifty percent of the \$1.00 membership fee. This goes into effect January 1, 1943, which is the beginning of our new fiscal year.

In Des Moines, at the last convention, it was voted to charge \$1.00 per year and allow states nothing for their effort. Inasmuch as we were unable to hold a convention this year, I have taken action with the Executive Committee, and feel that we are justified in making the above change.

In the event you do not have a State Association with which to affiliate, and desire to join directly, the entire fee of \$1.00 will be retained by the National Association as has been done in the past."

Thank you very much, Mr. Howard for your cooperation.

Yours in horseshoe,
ARCHIE J. GREGSON,
Secretary

BOB BALES WINS MISSOURI MEET

Bob Bales of Kansas City, Mo. again won the title of champion of Missouri at Sedalia, Mo. by taking all 15 games in the play-off. Bales was also the holder of the 1940 title. In 1941 he had tied with Joe Wors of St. Louis and lost the pitch-off.

Bales who works for the Union Wire Rope Co., to whom the Government presented the Letter E, proved himself worthy of their employment by requesting that his prize money, amounting to \$45.00, be given in War Stamps. Bales also received a gold medal and a National Assn't. certificate of championship.

A heavy 24-hour rain made the pitching difficult and the ringer averages fell about 10 percent from the preceding year's tournament. \$150.00 in cash, three medals and five ribbons were given to the high eight of the 16 contestants.

Results as follows:

| | W | L | R | DR | Ave. |
|---------------|----|---|-----|-----|------|
| Bob Bales | | | | | |
| Kansas City.. | 15 | 0 | 522 | 174 | .664 |
| Galord Brown | | | | | |
| Kansas City.. | 14 | 1 | 550 | 177 | .639 |

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|----------------|----|---|-----|-----|------|
| Joe Wors | | | | | |
| St. Louis..... | 12 | 3 | 474 | 158 | .642 |
| Jno. E. McVey | | | | | |
| Marthasville | 12 | 3 | 531 | 158 | .591 |
| Jack Erwin | | | | | |
| Kansas City.. | 12 | 3 | 531 | 159 | .583 |
| Brooks Denny | | | | | |
| St. Louis..... | 9 | 6 | 493 | 124 | .593 |
| Jimmy Denny | | | | | |
| St. Louis..... | 8 | 7 | 495 | 135 | .558 |
| Earl Winston | | | | | |
| La Monte..... | 7 | 8 | 431 | 93 | .468 |

Those who finished "outside the money" were as follows: Wayne Winston, La Monte; Hy. Smith, W. E. Garlich and Ray Hill of St. Joe, W. H. Peace, Marshall; Barney Tilker, Clayton; W. W. Brock and W. M. Johnson, Houstonia.

ST. PAUL'S M.H.S. FALL TOURNAMENT

| | Class AA | | | | |
|-------------------|----------|----|-----|-----|-------|
| | W | L | R | DR | % |
| H. Julich..... | 15 | 4 | 426 | 106 | 53.25 |
| S. Sadowsky..... | 14 | 5 | 443 | 128 | 55.37 |
| King Hauge..... | 14 | 5 | 438 | 123 | 54.75 |
| H. Karlberg..... | 14 | 5 | 403 | 99 | 50.37 |
| R. Ott..... | 13 | 6 | 370 | 97 | 46.25 |
| B. Morris..... | 12 | 7 | 373 | 104 | 46.62 |
| F. Warfield..... | 12 | 7 | 385 | 91 | 48.12 |
| C. West..... | 11 | 8 | 423 | 114 | 52.87 |
| C. Schwartzbuer.. | 11 | 8 | 413 | 107 | 51.61 |
| F. Lyden..... | 11 | 8 | 393 | 104 | 49.14 |
| A. Argenstinger.. | 11 | 8 | 386 | 99 | 48.25 |
| B. Trollen..... | 10 | 9 | 373 | 79 | 46.62 |
| A. Schultz..... | 10 | 9 | 363 | 80 | 45.11 |
| M. Madigon..... | 9 | 10 | 376 | 85 | 47.00 |
| M. Hammond..... | 7 | 12 | 355 | 76 | 44.38 |
| C. Schlundt..... | 6 | 13 | 318 | 82 | 39.75 |
| V. Raasch..... | 4 | 15 | 132 | 29 | 43.71 |
| E. Schleh..... | 3 | 16 | 221 | 46 | 49.11 |

| | Class A | | | | |
|--------------------|---------|---|-----|----|-------|
| | W | L | R | DR | % |
| G. Trygstad..... | 6 | 1 | 173 | 36 | 49.42 |
| D. Nitz..... | 5 | 2 | 134 | 35 | 38.28 |
| F. Tetsche..... | 4 | 3 | 160 | 33 | 45.71 |
| J. Huntington..... | 4 | 3 | 151 | 33 | 43.14 |
| R. Elsenpeter..... | 4 | 3 | 124 | 21 | 35.42 |
| A. Leonard..... | 3 | 4 | 126 | 24 | 36.00 |
| P. Waldera..... | 2 | 5 | 135 | 20 | 38.57 |
| F. Plotz..... | 0 | 7 | 79 | 13 | 22.57 |

| | Class B | | | | |
|-------------------|---------|----|-----|----|-------|
| | W | L | R | DR | % |
| E. Widerski..... | 17 | 2 | 249 | 46 | 33.20 |
| W. Schaffhauser.. | 16 | 3 | 323 | 71 | 40.30 |
| A. Dim..... | 15 | 4 | 251 | 34 | 31.37 |
| C. Baker..... | 14 | 5 | 204 | 30 | 24.95 |
| L. Olson..... | 14 | 5 | 236 | 36 | 32.85 |
| J. Reichow..... | 14 | 5 | 237 | 35 | 29.62 |
| Wm. VanZantan.. | 14 | 5 | 258 | 47 | 36.57 |
| B. Strantz..... | 12 | 7 | 238 | 36 | 28.00 |
| P. Horlitz..... | 12 | 7 | 176 | 20 | 24.75 |
| M. Ingham..... | 11 | 8 | 199 | 29 | 25.25 |
| A. Jorgenson..... | 11 | 8 | 206 | 30 | 28.28 |
| J. Horwoth..... | 9 | 10 | 162 | 24 | 23.00 |
| C. Pangborn..... | 8 | 11 | 155 | 20 | 21.75 |
| E. Gregerson..... | 7 | 12 | 178 | 23 | 25.00 |
| J. Matz..... | 4 | 15 | 101 | 18 | 28.85 |
| L. Lewandsky..... | 5 | 14 | 126 | 13 | 17.00 |
| E. Prudhome..... | 4 | 15 | 148 | 21 | 18.85 |



MANY THANKS!

6 Linden Ave.
Plattsburg, N. Y.
Sept. 17, 1942

R. B. Howard,
Publisher and Editor,
The Horseshoe World,
London, Ohio,

Dear Mr. Howard:

The August-September issue of the Horseshoe World arrived yesterday. I had completely forgotten that I had mailed you the horseshoe pitching article and was especially pleased to find it in this last issue. You should have seen the boys crowd around to see their names in a National Magazine. Frankly, it was worth the whole subscription price just to see them.

I certainly can realize the problem you have during the duration of the war. Personally, I feel that all your subscribers should back you 100% in keeping the magazine going. After all, it is the only publication that can keep us informed of the state and national meets.

STEPHEN A. CRARY

12 Ormond St.
Hempstead, Long Island
New York.
September 1st, 1942.

In answer to some fans from a Horseshoe Club in Ohio, and also Mr. George Marsh.

I think you did not read the article in the Horseshoe World right, as I do not lay claim to the 30 ft. title and I have never pitched a shoe 30 ft. in my life. And if the Shultz Sisters are so good, why have they not played Mrs. Esther James who is the World's Champion Pitcher, for it was she who started me on the road to the top in 1936.

Now I will try and explain why I pitch 40 ft. I belong to the West Hempstead Club of New York. I pay my dues and ask no favors of anyone. I am top ranking pitcher in the Club, and they have some 60 and 70 percenters too. I play in the Long Island League one night a week which I could not do if I pitched 30 ft. So all in all I get more games and competition and I am also eligible for all State Tournaments, as I carry my National Card, and I even had the honor of holding card No. 1 for a year which Mr. Farrel gave me, and I prize amongst my cherished possessions,

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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namely, four trophies, four plaques, five medals and the New York State Certificate, for the Championship for Women at 40 ft. These trophies, etc. are for placing first and second in tournaments which I have participated in. Some of my games last year were 85 percent. I also pitch the Lattore shoe which is regulation and the 1¼ turn.

If it is possible on my vacation next summer, I would be glad to try and get out to your club and pitch against some of your members for then only would you know why I pitch 40 ft.

First of all I would like to see the Shultz Sisters pitch Mrs. Esther James. Once they have beaten her I would know they are the World's Champs at 30 ft. And then if they wanted to pitch me at 40 ft. and beat me I would only be too glad to proclaim them the World's Champs. But I will not pitch anybody at 30 ft. m

Sincerely,
MISS RUTH ALLEN.

Farmington, Maine,
Sept. 16th, 1942,

Mr. R. B. Howard,
Editor and Publisher,
The Horseshoe World,
London, Ohio,

Dear Mr. Howard:

I am sending you a little data on the club that I manage and if you think it worth while, you may run it in your World. At the same time I wish that you would tell me in your next issue if you know of any dealer who has any horseshoes still in stock. Now for a little about my club.

I have heard so much this year about the letdown in horseshoe pitching in many places but I can say that my club, "The Farmington Horseshoe Club" of Farmington, Maine, was never so enthusiastic over horseshoes as they were this summer. Last summer I had eight members on my team, this year I have nineteen or more than double the number we had last year. Not only have we got a much larger club but we have succeeded in bringing to Farmington the State horseshoe meet and on top of this succeeded in bringing the championship of class B to Farmington. All this through plenty of hard work and hard practice for the club in general, but we went out for it and we brought home the bacon.

Another thing I have done this year is the organizing of a junior club consisting of boys up to 18 years of age. I have also made up exhibition games between these youngsters as a special feature during our regular meets and this has gone over big. It's nice to see what some of these boys can do.

They are headed for our future greats in the game, and seem to like it just as much as the older ones do.

Another thing I have done is to get the business men of our town interested in the game and many of them are carrying membership cards and are seen at the courts regularly even if they don't do any pitching.

Just a word now about our courts, which are located in a beautiful athletic field, under the shadow of large shade trees. The courts are grassed over and the boxes all have platforms in which to stand. They are said to be the best in Maine and have all the fine conveniences such as a fine club house with running water and showers and on state highway No. 2 and in the village itself. Across the street we have a retreat where lunches can be had as well as candy, ice cream, cigars and cigarettes, also overnight cabins a short distance away.

The Maine State Champion Merrill Barnes this year broke several records on these courts He pitched nine games with an average of 70.1 percent which I think is very good pitching. His best game being 83 percent.

Our courts are well lighted and we play many games at night. This gives the boys a chance to play that cannot get away in the daytime. I find it a great deal harder to light grass courts than dirt ones, however it can be done by using larger bulbs. Another thing I think has done a great deal to improve the interest and bring larger crowds to see our games and that is the seats. We have installed many seats that people can come and see the game in comfort by having a good seat.

Next season I expect to build a women's court as there are many women and girls here who are interested in the game. Some of them are even pitching on the 40 foot courts.

I am not going to say any more this time except that I expect to have a larger club next season than I did this and expect to have a larger following too. In closing I want to say how much I enjoy the Horseshoe World and when my subscription runs out I will surely renew it. I would like to hear from many of the other small clubs like my own so as to get new ideas to help get 'em pitching and keep 'em pitching. Thank you and good luck to all you horseshoe pitchers.

Sincerely,
OTTO M. WHITNEY,
Mgr. Farmington Horseshoe Club

Otto M. Whitney is manager of the Farmington Horseshoe Club at Farmington, Maine.

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Sgt. Charles W. Schultz is in the Medical Corps. in a camp in California. Like his sisters, who have pitched in numerous national meets, he likes to pitch horseshoes and is champion of his platoon at camp.

The Williams Brige Horseshoe Club, Bronx, N. Y. played the following teams, writes Secretary George M. Logan, 280 Reservoir Pl., Bronx: May 30, tie game with St. Marys; June 14, won A and B against Inwood; June 28, won A and B against McComb; July 12, won A-B against Parkchester; July 26, split with Woodlawn; Aug. 2, won AB,C against Parkchester; Aug. 30, won A. B. against McCombs and Sept. 6, won A, B against Inwood. Games later in season not sent in.

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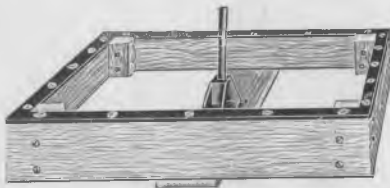
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