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News from all parts of the United States . . . that's what makes our magazine interesting . . . and that's what we are offering in this issue . . . Dave Chess got into an avalanche of correspondence with an article he wrote for a recent issue of the Horseshoe World . . . he is attempting to give an explanation this month that will save him letters and postage . . . this Dave Chess is a busy fellow and deserves a lot of credit . . . a number of indoor courts report lively contests . . . our request last month for indoor court news brought in some, but others are keeping their existence a "secret" . . . how come? . . . let us hear from you indoor slipper slammers who are keeping the old arm in practice for summer pitching . . . inter-city contest scores is what we want.

February, 1936

A TOURNEY FOR 1936

Each year, as the winter months begin to be rolled away and thoughts of Spring and Summer pitching pervades the air, the paramount question in the horseshoe realm is: "Will there be a 1936 tournament?"

We think we can answer safely that there will be. Giving all the data available at present would be "telling tales out of school" but the National Association office has correspondence with at least four groups or cities contemplating making a bid.

So keep up the practice for the crowns now jauntily perched upon the heads of Ted Allen and Esther James might look well on yours!

OUR READERS COME FIRST

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

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Chess Explains Greater Cleveland League Method

By D. O. Chess, Secretary,

Buckeye State Horseshoe Pitching Association

Owing to the enormous amount of requests for further details respecting the pitch and scoring, etc., in connection with the 50 shoes, no cancellation per game used in The Greater Cleveland League schedule in 1935, as a result of the article written for the December issue of the Horseshoe World, it is a physical impossibility for me to answer all individually and certainly too expensive, as much as I would like to do it. We are therefore asking the Horseshoe World to carry it in an early issue and is as follows:

Pitching - Visiting player pitch first to start each game, and alternate turn about with home player throughout the game.

Scoring-Visiting player's name to be above, or ahead of home player on the score sheet, and visiting player's score called first at end of each inning regardless of which player wins most points.

Point Scoring - Credit all points made, 3 for each ringer, and one for each shoe within 6 inches of the stake for each player, the same as in cancellation, the only difference being that you "just forget all about cancellation."

Method of Computing the three percentages, the symbols, G-Games, W-Won, L-Lost, P-Points, R-Ringers, DR-Double Ringers, SP-Shoes pitched OP-Opponents points, SL-Shoes lost, PSL-Shoes lost percentage, PR-Ringer percentages, PP-Points percentages.

To find "SL" with a little practice should be done in three operations as follows, using an example of a single score as an illustration:

GWLPRDRSPOPSLPSL PR PP 1 1 0 75 20 0 50 0 15 30 40 50 P 75

60 points by ringers alone

15 other than ringer pts. (Subtract)

15 other than ringer pts.

35 total in count (Add) SP 50

35 total shoes in count

15 Shoes lost (Subtract)

To find SL, with a little practice this can be done in three physical operations by multiplying \hat{R} by 3 (in your head), and bringing the results down under P; set down the P, R and SP, as shown above; multiply R by 3, bring the result (60) down under P, and subtract. Bring this (15) down under R and add; bring this (35) down under SP (50) and subtract; result, 15, the answer for SL-Shoes Lost.

1. To find the "PSL" percentage, the formula is: Divide SL by SP, same as finding "PR"-Ringer percentages. Using the above example: 50)15.00(.30 PSL Answer

2. To find the "PR" the formula is: Divide R by SP. Usin gthe above example:

50)20.00(.40 PR Answer

20.0

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3. To find "PP" Point Percentage, the formula is: Divide P, by product of SP, multiplied by 3, (which represents the maximum or possible perfect point score). Using the above example:

50x3 is 150)75.00(.50 PP Answer 75.0

Until thoroughly familiar, it is best where there are a group of players' records to be computed, to work one column at a time to save possible confusion.

The factor behind this promotive effort was because as much as 30 per cent of the membership of some of our Greater Cleveland clubs dropped out year after year, mostly first-year men, and a like number "nearly" joined each year, the problem as we see it, is to do something that would put a stop to this dropping-out process, and by experiencing with "No cancellation," that it had the effect of accomplishing it, and therefore assumed that the cancellation factor was the thing that was discouraging them.

From the correspondence we are receiving for further details, it is indicated that this problem is the major factor confronting club officers throughout the country.

It should be understood that, while no-cancellation has worked wonders in our activities in this connection when made absolutely effective, it may not do so in some other localities and if something can be developed in other directions which will accomplish the desired results we should be glad to have the benefit of your pioneering efforts.

We resent remarks often made that horseshoe players are "cheap sports," and "just will not pay." We declare our faith in them. Indications are that possibly we have not dealt fairly with them in the past in offering them encouragement such as exists in other fields of sports. If we can get them into our clubs, naturally the thing to do is to keep them by offering them every appeal and encouragement and with some ingenuity the problem can be solved, the sooner this is done, the sooner the sport will take its place along with other leading sports.

Visualize the personal satisfaction of taking the newer member who we induce to join our club, out for an individual game of instructions using 25 or 50 points for game at no cancellation, and note his daily progress and how he reacts in encouragement and enthusiasm and have him report the following year to pay his dues, rather than to start out concelling everything he earns and not show up the next year.

In all individual games or activities where the results in games won and lost only, are kept, 25, 50, 75 or 100 point games should be used, eliminating the necessity of having score keepers. National rules provide and urge methods be used to meet conditions in club and league Why not take advantage activities. of this?

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THE NEW STAMP PLAN

The new stamp plan is working out nicely. Already a majority of the firms making shoes are co-operating. Orders for stamps have not been large, naturally, as this is the "off season" in horseshoe pitching, except in the warmer climates and where indoor courts are located. Next spring will see an increase in sales and pitchers should do all they can to support the manufacturers who are supporting their National Association.

The margin on the cheaper shoes or "picnic" type of shoe is so small some manufacturers feel they can't pay two cents per pair on this type but want to help the association in some way. Your National secretary is trying to work out something with the manufacturers in this connection. In the meantime all regulation or championship type shoes are being stamped, except by a few non-co-operating firms. They may come in later.

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HERE'S LIST OF FIRMS USING NATIONAL STAMPS

Manufacturers of horseshoes * who have made purchases of the little one-cent green "Official Shoe" stamps are:

Ohio Horseshoe Co., Columbus, Ohio.

Diamond Calk Horseshoe Co., Duluth, Minn.

Gordon Horseshoe Co., Cincincinnati and Los Angeles.

Giant Grip Mfg. Co., Oskosh Wisconsin.

W. L. Isaacs, Hamilton, Ohio. Lancaster Malleables and Steel Corp., Lancaster, N. Y.

Lattore & Levagood, Dearborn, Mich.

Anchor Horseshoe Co., Los * Angeles, California.

CARDS WILL BE READY SOON

Already many states have asked for the new National-State membership cards which are to be furnished each state association meeting the requirements of the National for state representation of the National association.

It had been our hope to be able to say they would be ready February 1, but due to the many details that have to be worked out, it was not possible to have them ready so soon. In some states there are more than one group contending they should be appointed as the National's representative. This has complicated matters and has held up the entire project. Furthermore, these cards are to be issued for the year June 1 to June 1, so there is plenty of time.

Temporary receipts are being given in some states where the membership drive is now on.

At least one local club has sent in a check with membership dues. DO NOT DO THIS. The National will deal only with a state association, as soon as appointed (several state organizations have already been given letters indicating their appointment where no doubt exists and National charters will be issued later), and in other states where there is no state group a city club or an individual will be named to represent the National. Local clubs and individuals MUST send their dues through these representatives or state associations. IN NO CASE WILL WE GO OVER THE HEADS OF THOSE APPOINT-ED AS THE NATIONAL'S REPRE-SENTATIVES IN THE VARIOUS STATES.

If your state has no state organization it will be considered a favor if you will write the National association, at London, Ohio, suggesting how one can be formed or giving us the name of some city club that can take the leadership in that state.

WINS CITY CROWN

By Jack Claves

In one of the most interesting matches held in St. Louis, Brooks Denny, the left-handed star who defeated Wilbert Steinkamp for the county championship, met Art Hofmann, winner of St. Louis City title, for the Greater St. Louis crown, in a best four out of seven game match.

Denny, who throws a one and three-quarter turn, won four straight games. Results as follows:

P R DR SP Pet Denny50 52 17 76 .682 Hofman40 48 15 76 .632 All four on four times.

Denny50 75 31 96 .781 Hofman37 72 26 96 .750 All four on 18 times.

Denny50 61 23 82 .743 Hofmann31 54 17 82 .659 All four on nine times.

Denny50 72 27 94 .766 Hofmann42 69 27 94 .734 All four on 14 times.

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W L R DR SP 4 0 260 98 348 R DR SP Pct. Denny .746 Hofmann 0 4 243 85 348 .696 All four on 45 times.

HAVE INDOOR COURTS

The Forest Park Horseshoe Club of Springfield, Massachusetts, has three indoor courts in the basement of the Y. M. C. A. The club has organized a league consisting of four teams, with five players on each team, and they play one evening each week. The averages of the 12 best pitchers in the league range from 42 per cent down to 30 per cent. Most of the players are taking advantage of the winter season to change their style of pitching, quite a number of them are changing from a threequarter turn to a one and threequarter turn. It is only in the last few years that the pitchers of the Connecticut Valley have learned the advantages of the turn pitching by attending the Jimmy Risk and Carol Jackson exhibitions in this vicinity and also from attending the State and New England championship meets at Medford, Mass.

The Forest Park club, of which Ralph Forsstrom is manager, holds an open tournament every Sunday afternoon, at the Y. M. C. A. courts,

for the benefit of all pitchers that live in Springfield or vicinity, and the winner receives a small prize. Tom Laurino of Springfield, who finished seventh in the New England meet last year, has won the tournament four times in the ten meets held so far. At the end of the season, all the different winners of this series of tourneys will pitch in a round robin to determine the champion of the winter season.

PREPARE FOR COMING SEASON

The representatives of the horseshoe clubs of the city of New York met at 4290 Broadway on Sunday afternoon to lay plans for the season of 1936. Lou Ziegler of the Woodlawn club presided.

The clubs represented included The Woodlawn, Crotona, Fort George, High Bridge Park, Emerald Clubs and the Richmond County Association, embracing eight clubs on Staten Island.

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The following We named as a committee on Consti on and By-Laws: T. P. O'Gara, or the Fort George club, ch irman; Alexander lub; Joseph Mason of the En L. Murphy, of the . 3ridge Park club; John Mullaney f Cortona club; John Taylor of e Bement club; Lou Ziegler, of the Voodlawn club; Frank Gamble of the Richmond County Association, and Edward Smith of the Jasper Oval club.

The appeal made by T. P. O'Gara, asking the individual members of the various club to participate in the St. Patrick's day parade met with a favorable response at this meeting. Further details on this matter will be announced later.

PLAY AT LANSING

The Eaton Rapids, Mich., pitchers have been visiting the Lansing club's indoor lanes every other week, according to F. O. Hutchison, 202 Broad street, Eaton Rapids. Contests between the two clubs are played every other Wednesday evening.

Among the Eaton Rapids pitchers are: Mr. Hutchison, Roy Hyatt, Harold Reese, Lee Curtiss, Harry Knapp, W. Smith, Ed Inman, Harry Cady, Otis Decker, E. E. Overfield, S. J. Bell. - 0 -

One of Minnesota's real boosters for the game is H. G. Sorensen, 484 Winona street, St. Paul.

BUCKEYE STATE NEWS

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

LEAGUE GOING GOOD

The North Central Ohio league is still going strong this winter, hanging up fine indoor court records.

Shelby, Galion, Bucyrus and Marion have teams in the league. The last report this magazine had Shelby was heading the league.

IMPORTANT ME-TING

The commissioners of each district are asked to meet with the officers of the state organization, Sunday, March 8th, at the K. of C. building at State and Sixth streets. The business meeting will be called prompt-

ly at one o'clock and will be concluded within an hour after which there will be a number of match games played between four of the state's best pitchers, the feature will be a 50-point match, two men teams, in which Myron Ferguson, of Columbus, and Grover Hawley, of Bridgeport, will pitch against Bill Yocum of Zanesville, and Lester Allen of

Commissioner Albert A. Mumford of the Fourth District, and a member of the Dayton Fire Department, will pitch best two in three 25-point games against Capt. Art L. Headlough, commissioner of the Eleventh District. Art is a captain on the Akron fire department.

These boys promise to turn on the heat for your amusement. For the encouragement of the ladies, Mrs. Hazel Allen, vice president of the State association, will pitch a 25-point game against Mrs. Nellie Johnston. Both women are from Springfield.

The state president asks that commissioners bring their wives along. They will be welcome at the meetings, and some music will be furnished for their entertainment.

LETTERS TO EDITOR * WANTS TO EXPERIMENT

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Dear Horseshoe Pitchers of America: In the December issue of the World, our very good friend, Mr. D. O. Chess, of Ohio, had an article pertaining to the history of horseshoes and its rules.

The present method of playing the game in which 50 or less points is the ultimate goal of victory is a very suitable way.

Variety is the spice of life, so they say, so why not introduce a little of it into our sport. Other sports change from time to time, sometime for the better and other times for the worse. Anyway a little experimenting will do no harm.

For the sake of variety why not introduce the element of time to our sport. As you know in football, basket ball and hockey, three of our major sports, a certain period of time is used to play the contest. In football it is four quarters of 15 minutes, or one hour; in basket ball, if college, there are two halves of 20 minutes each; if high school, four quarters of eight minutes each; in hockey they play three 20-minute periods. In the event of a tie in either basket ball or hockey, extra periods are played to break the tie.

Have you pitchers ever thought of the two big advantages of this system? The first is this: All games in tournament will start and stop at the same time. This is fine for officials running the game. The second advantage is a very distinct one to the pitchers in this way—since all games will start and stop at the same time there will be no undue rest period between games to get a pitcher off his stride. If two men in a tournament finish their game in eight or 10 minutes, and it takes another pair 38 minutes, look at the handicap you put on the former two pitchers. If they have to rest 20 minutes between games they are going to cool off and get out of stride. It is true they can practice alone, but that is nothing like competition to keep you on a feather edge.

Some of you pitchers who are looking for new ways to play just give it a try. I am, and I think I might like it. Let's hear some comments on this new scheme.

Sincerely yours,
ALVIN DAHLENE,

Lawrence, Kansas P. S.—You might make your games 15 to 20 minutes long.

PLAYING "RINGERS"

Springfield, O., Jan. 22, 1936 Editor, Horseshoe World:

I want to keep in touch with all the activities of horseshoe pitching in this year of 1936. Naturally, the best and only way is through your elegant magazine, the Horseshoe World, which I patiently and eagerly wait for each month.

Winter horseshoe pitching in our city is very much enjoyed by a club of 12 members, known as the Parker Indoor Horseshoe club, and it is at this club where we discuss the many well written articles printed in your Horseshoe World.

At this time we are experimenting on that great game, the ringer game. The ringer you save is the point you score. Some months ago we read a number of well written articles referring to a change in the name of the great old game to "Ringers." I have never been very much enthused in the changing of the name which it now carries—Horseshoe Pitching.

Try this game of ringers as we are trying it, and you will gain in the experience, in the attitude of the many that have always loved to win by a point, if he has thrown but five or six ringers in a 50-shoe match.

It is enjoyable to notice how quickly the gentlemen referred to will change their contention of winning by the point method and conserve themselves to the art of placing a ringer on the stake. You will find it is ringers they are trying to throw, instead of a safety with one close.

Let us hear something more through the columns of the Horseshoe World about this method of play.

Yours truly, D. B. RUTAN,

Springfield, O.

TELLS ABOUT MELROSE CLUB Editor, Horseshoe World:

We have here in Melrose, three of the finest indoor clay courts in this part of the country; also have some of the best pitchers as members. So far this winter we have conducted three tournaments indoors. The first was a non-handicap, and was won by yours truly. The second was a handicap match and was won by Geo. Gilmartin, of Dorchester. The third

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An indoor court, used by approximately 25 pitchers, has been established in Broadway Temple Methodist church, according to Victor Larsen, secretary of the Metropolitan Horseshoe league.

* Walter Haring, Westwood, N. J., is wintering in Lake Worth. He sends us a picture post card of the beautiful Lake Worth courts and with the mercury near the zero mark we feel like taking the next train.

Edward W. Babush is one of the Community Center Horseshoe club's best pitchers. This Chicago club was the one that played Moline the day the new Moline courts, on which the 1935 tourney was played, were dedicated. Babush has an average of 65 to 70 per cent in two years' pitching.

Stanley Voda, Route 2, LaPorte, Ind., is very much interested in the horseshoe game.

A. J. Gregson, 520 N. New Ave., Monterey Park, Calif., is a booster for the game.

D. M. Ross, of Etiwanda, California, recently sent his "vote" in on the proposed changing of the horseshoe game's name. "I, for one, say let it remain as it is." He also registers an objection to the constant drive of a few players to change the rules.

* A new horseshoe club has been formed in Pinehurst, Mass. Arnold B. Christle is secretary. *

Marvin Chrisman is captain of the Connersville, Ind., horseshoe team. John Quinn is president of the Connersville association.

* Roy M. Smith, Sangus, Mass., is greatly interested in the game.

Aaron Jelinek is a Wilber, Neb.,

J. D. Hough, Urbana, Ohio, is still mighty handy with the shoes. He usually spends his winters in Florida.

Lee R. Davis, 56 Orange street, Englewood, N. J., is very much interested in the game.

W. W. Whitton, Yountville, Calif., is an ardent horseshoe fan.

* * * The Horseshoe World can furnish ANY KIND of Printing.

Earl W. Baldwin, 1747 South Senaca Ave., Alliance, Ohio, is a horseshoe pitcher and a booster for the

Complaints come in almost every week that horseshoe players, either exhibitionists or members of visiting teams, appeared in old clothes, were not cleaned up, had failed to shave or some other complaint. Let's watch it, boys and girls, and keep as tidy as we can. It helps boost the game. Dress suits aren't required, but it costs little to be neat.

A subscription renewal to the Horseshoe World from Henry W. Flink, Morton, Minn., reminds us that he is one of our first subscribers.

J. L. Hamilton, of the Hamilton Printing Co., Ashland, Ohio, is a shoe

* * Bert Duryee was unable to pitch in the Kansas State tourney this year to defend his title. He has not been in the best of health but latest reports indicate he is improving.

* * * W. R. Noll is secretary of the Woodlawn Horseshoe Club, New York. His address is 271 E. 237th street.

Samuel S. Foor is a Macy, Ind., shoe tosser.

S. A. Ringer, Leesburg, Ohio, is interested in the game and he should be with a name like that. He is a candidate for Congressman-at-large in the 1936 primaries.

Horseshoe pitching is one of the activities of the summer colony at Croton Point Park, New York. F. A. Kearney, of 247 Park avenue, New York City, is chairman of the athletic committee and plans the formation of a league for next year's

The Jasper Oval Horseshoe Club, New York City, has more than 100 members. Frank Ring, 500 W. 140th street, Apt. 3-B is secretary treas-

Watch for the GREEN STAMPS.

****** SNOW COULDN'T STOP HIM

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Farmer Walks Seven Miles And Wins Horseshoe Championship.

****** The following is an Associated Press story carried January 17 under a Harrisburg, Pa., dateline:

John Fulton, a farmer of Cumberland county, who is a veteran of five state horseshoe championship tournaments, is the new Pennsylvania champion. He is 20.

He took the crown at the annual tourney of the State Farm Show last night by defeating Dick Fulmer, of Merion Center, Indiana county, in two straight matches, 52-32 and 51-

Fulton started for Harrisburg by automobile at noon, but his car stuck in a drift. He walked seven miles across fields and through snow, to Carlisle, caught a bus and arrived less than an hour before he started the matches.

He disposed of James Mayes, Pennsylvania Furnace, 52-33, and Emil St. Onge, Pottstown, 50-21, and continued his steady pitching against Fulmer who was a veteran of four tournaments.

LETTERS TO EDITOR (Cont'd.) is still in progress, and we expect to see some high ringer percentage in this match.

We had a little difficulty in getting our members together the first of the season, but now we have 31 members and more coming each day.

Perhaps some of the readers of the Horseshoe World that live in this section have not heard of our indoor courts, and if they see this in print and would like to join with us, come on over; there is always room for one more.

We are now making plans for spring and expect to have six or eight teams from this section, which will be known as the South Shore H. S. League. Any teams within 10 miles of Melrose that may wish to join this league please write me.

Before closing I would like to tell you of one of the most enthusiastic players in our club. This man is Dr. Baker, of Dorchester. He has donated medals, miniature silver horseshoes for all our match games here, and is a great booster of the game.

Here's looking for a big year for the National association, The Horseshoe World and to the greatest of all sports, horseshoe pitching.

Yours truly, CARL H. LARSON, 57 Ryder Ave., Melrose, Mass.

MARTIN IS A 'COMER'

A newspaper clipping, sent to the Horseshoe World by Royle Stratton, of Pulaski, Va., tells of the city-county championship match won by James Martin. Martin hopes to enter a state meet next summer to see if he can't add a state title to his string.

The article reads as follows:

Jim Martin was crowned king of horseshoe pitchers when he won his match Sunday afternoon, making a total score of six wins and one loss for the tournament, it was learned this morning.

Martin has an odd way of defeating his opponents by allowing them to get a good lead and then opening up with a burst of ringers to win the match. He holds high ringer percentage having made 39 throws out of 50 and during the tournament threw 10 consecutive double ringers.

J. Gray, W. Hall and S. Bayse all tied for the second place honors and to settle for their own satisfaction as to which player was entitled to the position, a play-off was started with Mr. Gray defeating his two opponents.

Old heads in the game were astounded to note the high scores and records set by the horseshoe tossers. This tourney will well be remembered as a great pitching classic and will probably be the turning point in a new era of horseshoe pitching for Pulaski, it is understood.

Final standing in the class "A"

division.			
	W	L	Pet
J. Martin	6	1	.856
J. Gray	5	2	.714
W. Hall	5	2	.714
S. Bayse	5	2	.714
E. Hall	4	3	.571
R. Stratton	2	5	.285
P. Burchett	0	7	.000
T. Gleson	0	7	.000
Final standings in th	ie.	class	"B"
division:			
	W	T.	Pet

	W	L	Pet
L. Carper	4	0	1.000
M. Hall	3	1	.750
J. Neese	2	2	.500
R. Bayse			.250
F. Hall	0	4	.000

HAVE LIVE CLUB

Veedersburg, Ind., has a live horseshoe club. Chas. W. Cowan, 405 W. 10th street, is chairman of the club and states that his club hopes to have from four to six players in the next national event.

Mr. Cowan suggests a division in the next national event for men from 65 years of age up. He suggests these games all be pitched in daylight.

AN EXPLANATION

The National association office has received a letter from a real booster, T. C. Clayberg, secretary of the Denver Horseshoe club, making valuable suggestions for the enlargement of the National association. Among other things Mr. Clayberg raises a question that evidently isn't clear in the minds of many people.

He objects to the method of awarding national tournaments under the new plan, saying that he notices the plan is to give the 1937 meet to the state with the largest membership enrolled and points out that Colorado might be barred forever under this plan. May we explain - just to clear up the point for all, as well as Mr. Claybergthat it is the intention to pursue this plan in 1937 only. This was done just to stir up interest in the new membership plan. A much better method can be used after 1937. Let's hope our funds reach the point where we can finance our own tournament in 1937.

Thanks for raising the question, Mr. Clayberg.

A BOY MARVEL

Jack Fourcade, a nine-year-old Salinas, Calif., lad, has been tossing a 65 to 70 per cent game and has a record of 19 straight ringers and one game with 79 per cent, according to word received from the Salinas horseshoe club. He has been pitching 30 feet, but has now changed to 40 and is still going strong.

WINS COUNTY MEET

J. Miff Nave, Elizabethtown, Tenn., was the 1934 and 1935 winner of the silver loving cup offered by the Cherokee Athletic association for the county horseshoe pitching championship.

Nave defeated Queen Nave in 1934 50 to 36 and 50 to 16, with an average of 72 per cent in the first game and 60 percent in the second. In 1935 he defeated Cameron Cole by a score of 50 to 41, with an average of 80 per cent in the first contest, and 50 to 10, with an average of 62 per cent in the second game.

DID YOU READ IT?

We commend to all the readers of this magazine the two articles printed in the January issues entitled: "The New Membership Plan Next on Program" and "New Stamp Plan Under Way."

These articles explain, better than we can repeat here, the details of the two major steps taken by the association at its Moline, Ill., convention. If you still have your magazine read them over again—if not we have a few copies left.

WAUKESHA ACE



"CASEY" JONES

Charles "Casey" Jones, Waukesha, Wis., is one of the nation's best, and may hold the championship one of these days. Watch this lad!

HOLD BENEFIT PARTY

The Medford Horseshoe club recently held its annual whist party and dance for the benefit of the horseshoe sport, in preparation for the spring opening. Here's a good idea, folks!

SIX CYLINDER SENTENCES By Dr. John W. Holland

The way of the transgressor makes it easy for the lawyer. When you commit a kindness, keep silent; let the receiver publish it.

The person who says, "I have no friends," means that he has not paid the high price for them.

The simplest way to lose five minutes of happiness is to stay mad for one minute.

Wisdom is what remains in our minds after experience has deflated our stores of pride and knowledge.

Nothing can get away from us so fast as a bill which has been allowed to run.

HORSESHOES

***** Of all the games that I would choose It's the game of pitching horseshoes. It trains the eyes and gives you health,

Which after all is a form of wealth.

There never was a game so fair, In which you could possibly share, No sweeter music than the clink of the shoe

When you are getting ringers, could come to you.

It may seem dull indeed to some, But to control that shoe is fun. Barnyard golf was once its name, But now it is a regular game.

Played now in a scientific way, It is the most popular game today. Crowds will come from far and near, Whenever a champion is to appear.

To toss the horseshoes through the air,

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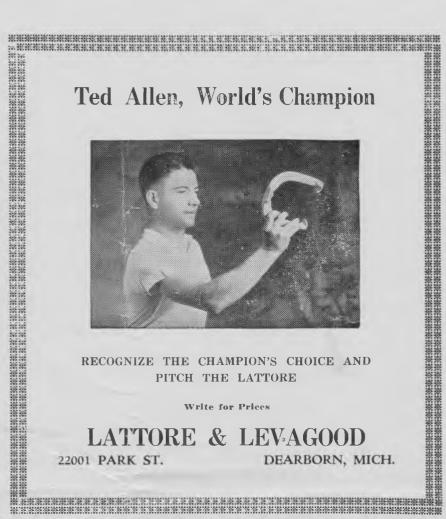
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