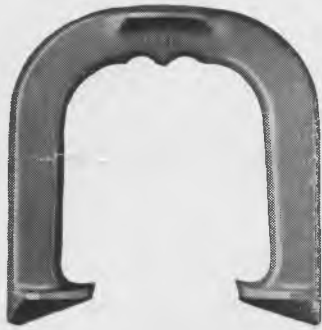


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THIS IS THE TIME of the year when we begin to look longingly at the melting snow on the courts and to begin thinking of the good times we will have with our fellow club members this summer. This is only natural and we hope that more pitchers than ever will be out this summer, for horseshoe pitching is a healthful exercise and one that doesn't cost much.

In speaking of the cost of pitching horseshoes, may we remind our horseshoe friends that they should not expect to pitch without doing their share of the work and in paying their proportionate share of the cost of operating a club. Horseshoe pitching would become a bigger and better game if those who can afford it would pay a little more into the treasury. Grumbling over dues is never in good taste, except in cases where a man can't, because of unfortunate circumstances, pay his way. In such cases club officials should see that the man pitches anyway—he deserves the help of the club and he needs the fellowship the game affords.

Do Your Share! There is a tendency in America to shorten working hours. There are many men unemployed—about as many as there were back in the depression days. This leisure time demands some kind of a recreation program and horseshoe pitching comes into the picture in a big way. Park boards recognize the need for more horseshoe lanes and live horseshoe clubs will begin now to secure the interest of their park commissioners in building new lanes, installing lights, etc. Then make sure that the man who is out of a job gets a chance to pitch. If you are in more fortunate circumstances do your share a little more cheerfully.

Leisure Time And don't forget that the officers of your club do a lot of work for which they get no pay. The least you can do this summer is to offer your help and to give them a "pat" on the back for their fine work. A little praise will make them feel pretty good.

And don't be one of those fellows who says: "I don't see any advantage to belonging to a state or national association." Who makes your rules? Who keeps the game alive nationally? Do you think a game that had different rules in every back yard or park would last long? Associations are needed and they will be just as good as those who play the game make them through their interest and their financial aid.



Gosh, but it is tough to get horseshoe news out of these indoor clubs . . . we thought that pitching indoors would result in a lot of match games but evidently not, or something is wrong, for horseshoe news is scarce these days . . . and next summer we will be "cussed" because we can't get all the state tournament results in the magazine . . . it's a matter of a "feast or a famine" with ye old editor who finds that Florida has gone pretty much shuffleboard and that King Winter has closed the northern courts . . . be that as it may, we get encouraging letters of bigger and better days ahead in 1940 and it looks like a big summer . . . we had the pleasure of visiting with Champion Ted Allen at the American and Canadian Sportsmens' Show in Cleveland recently . . . Ted was one of the topnotchers on the program and made friends for the game, playing to packed houses at the Cleveland Public Auditorium . . . he really puts on a swell act and as an ambassador of good will for horseshoe pitching, he rates high . . . in this issue will be found a letter written by Secretary Lee Rose which intimates he expects to award the 1940 World's Tourney to Toronto, Canada . . . this will come as a surprise to many as it did to this magazine . . . we, at least, hope a tournament is held and we hope that wherever it is held that the pitchers get behind the project and make it such a success that bids from other cities will not be so hard to get . . . we remember the hotel man at Moline . . . that was in 1935 . . . he was disappointed as the greater portion of the pitchers slept

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Rose Favors Canadian City For 1940 Meet

The Age-Old Question of Where To Hold the Tourney Springs Up Again—Toronto Makes Bid

The annual question of where to hold a National Convention and Tourney comes up again in 1940.

Former Secretary R. B. Howard did not become a candidate for reelection in 1939 because of criticism directed at him for not holding a National Tournament, and because of more pressing duties in other lines of endeavor. The tournament question is a tough one.

It was disagreement over the holding of the 1933 World's Fair Tournament that led to the selection of a new secretary—or at least that was one of the reasons. The late D. D. Cottrell held many successful tournaments in Florida, but failed to find a sponsor for one in the North.

In 1933 the World's Fair management offered a proposition that met with approval of many pitchers but did not meet the specifications of the Association or the secretary. Howard, then vice president, assumed the responsibility of scheduling a tournament and it was a success. Another was held in 1935 and it was a success, as those who visited Moline that year well know.

In 1939 it looked for a time like a meet might be held at the World's Fair in San Francisco, but this did not materialize, nor did efforts to secure enough money from the Iowa State Fair Board. In desperation, the officers called a convention in connection with the Mid-West Tourney at Des Moines. L. E. Tanner, then president, and Mr. Howard, then secretary, felt this was the best thing that could be done.

Now the new secretary, Mr. Rose, is confronted with the same question, and, in a letter to Vice President Jack Claves and Alvin Dahlene, he indicates that he will accept the tourney offer of Toronto, Canada.

If it goes to Canada this will be the first time that it has ever been held outside of the United States.

Mr. Rose states that he has been told the Iowa State Fair will bid \$800, but that he hasn't had it officially.

As this is being written the facts are not all known, but Secretary Rose requests that his letter to certain officials of the National Association be printed in the magazine. In it he "raps" those who didn't reply to his request for a "vote" on the Canadian offer.

The Horseshoe World wants to be neutral in the matter, but prints Mr. Rose's letter in order that our readers may know his views. These col-

umns will be open to those who may oppose taking the tournament to Toronto. The Rose letter reads as follows:

"Dear Sirs:

"You are familiar with the offer I received from Toronto regarding the worlds' tournament. To date I have received only a post card from Mortenson and a letter from Gordon.

"Mr. Gordon declares he is completely for a tournament at Des Moines. Before going on with this any further I might say that I HAVE NOT RECEIVED ANY OFFER FROM DES MOINES. The only notice I have is contained in a letter from Leland Mortenson in these words: quote, '—the State Fair Board is going to make an \$800 bid for the world's tournament. To date I have have Mr. Corey's promise. But, of course, not official until the Fair Board meets,' unquote. That is all the offer I have from Des Moines.

"On the other hand, I have an officially guaranteed offer from Toronto, but this offer MUST be accepted BEFORE the 18th of February. To make it official in every way it is necessary to obtain the consent of at least two more of the Executive Committee. I dispatched each of them telegrams and air mail letters last Saturday. As I write this I have received only ONE answer, from Sam Somerhalder. Since the time for accepting the Toronto bid is growing short it seems that the matter is to be left entirely up to me, and here is my decision:

"Since I have received only ONE offer for a tournament, and since that offer MUST be accepted quickly, and since other offers are yet on the doubtful side, I cannot turn down a fine opportunity such as this for something not yet known, so I am wiring Toronto that they will have the official world tournament.

"There are many items in connection with this tournament which prompts my acceptance. Toronto is much closer to the majority of National Association members. Eastern players who went to Toronto last year returned home with nothing but praise for the way they were treated, and will be anxious to go again. A tournament at the world's largest permanent fair would elevate the game to a position of greater dignity. The possibility of opening the entire Dominion of Canada for a field for American-made shoes is certain to appeal to and receive the support of a majority of manufacturers who

are now paying stamp money for prizes. The bringing of the National Association and the Dominion Association into closer relationship cannot help but result in a gigantic boost for the game.

"Let us sincerely hope that now that the tournament question is settled all parties will attend without offering opposition that can only do he game irreparable harm. Any differences can be settled in an open meeting at the convention.

"Yours sincerely,
"LEE ROSE"

Brown is Winner

By Harlan Pelt

Marty Fourcade of Salinas, who recently won the championship of the Northern California Horseshoe Pitchers Association, and Dean Brown, who in September won top honors, after winning a pitch-off with Ray Gatewood for first place, at the Southern California meet, met on the courts of the Exposition Park Club on December 17 to settle the question as to who is really the best ringer slinger in our little old state.

A large gallery was on hand to witness the match, which proved to be something of a disappointment, Brown winning in four straight. The scores:

	P	R	DR	SP	Pct.
Brown	50	48	20	62	77.4
Fourcade	25	40	13	62	64.5
Brown	50	50	19	66	75.7
Fourcade	19	41	13	66	62
Brown	50	45	18	56	80.3
Fourcade	20	35	12	56	62.5
Brown	50	52	23	64	81.2
Fourcade	27	45	16	64	70.3

SEEK VISITORS

Ralph Randall, president of the Tulsa Horseshoe Club, Tulsa, Okla., writes that his club will be glad to have visitors this summer.

"We are expecting a big season in 1940," writes the prexy, who lives at 535 East Fifth street.

Two students on a train were telling about their abilities to see and hear. The one said:

"Do you see that barn over there on the horizon?"

"Yes."

"Can you see that fly walking around on the roof of that barn?"

"No, but I can hear the shingles crack when he steps on them."

SOUNDS PRETTY SIMPLE DOESN'T IT?

We were very much amused at the article which appeared in a recent issue of The Ohio Edison magazine, a publication put out by an electrical company for its Ohio employees.

Many won't agree, we know, to the advocacy of "cheapness" in building horseshoe courts—and we think, too, many expect to get by in this sport on a too-small budget—but this article "A Recipe for Recreation or, How to Have a Wagonload of Fun Pitching Horseshoes," will interest our readers and we reproduce it herewith:

"From time to time rumors have been heard of the fun Bernie Keeney and his neighbors have been having at a game commonly referred to as "barnyard golf." The other evening we decided to pay him a visit at his home, 1533 Canadian Avenue, to find out what it was all about.

Of course we knew the difference between a horse collar and a horseshoe, but what we didn't know was that you could have a wagonload of fun in addition to getting a lot of exercise out of this particular game.

Perhaps our inability to "find the peg," as a bystander put it, was in some measure responsible for a bit of over-exercise. Anyway, it was well worth the effort just to learn that heaving horseshoes isn't anything like playing tiddledywinks. If you think it is try it—and after you've covered the 40 feet between the pegs several dozen times, if someone doesn't have to lead you to the watering trough with your tongue hanging out, we'll pay off.

Naturally, it takes more than a nag, a bone and a hank of horse hair to construct a horseshoe court, however, if you go about it in the right way it can be done at a very small cost.

As we don't claim to be an authority on the aforementioned subject we aren't going to stick our neck out (very far) because some of the old-timers would know just when and where to rein us in. We are, however, going to pass on to those interested all that we can recall of the recipe Bernie used in building his court.

Ready with pencils and paper, here goes: Visit your nearest junk yard and secure two rear axles from a horseless carriage (these serve as pegs, they cost you about four bits each unless you know of a better way); next find a house that's being razed and get a couple of 4x4's about 10 or 12 feet in length and a supply of secondhand planks. The 4x4's will serve as supports for the lights and the planks are for the

backboards and footboards. (Chances are at least one member of the wrecking crew likes the game; challenge him and he'll probably give you all the lumber you need); then go to an abandoned pit for clay (if the pit is full of water don't hire a diver but go to a concern that is making tile or brick and the manager will in all probability give you the clay just to see you bend your back packing it away). About 600 soft brick, 2x4x8 inches, to be technical, will be sufficient to fill the two boxes; you'll need two funnels for reflectors (a postal card to a relative in Kentucky should fetch these in a hurry); some scrap wire and two light bulbs of 300 to 500 watt capacity just about fills the bill as far as material is concerned. Oh, yes, the shoes—they'll have to be paid for if the game is played according to Hoyle. In a pinch though it's worth remembering that occasionally drivers of milk wagons leave their horses tied at some mighty convenient locations.

When you've managed all the materials call in your neighbors and tell them that you'll furnish the ground for the court and make them charter members of the club provided they'll furnish the "elbow grease." You'll be surprised at how quick they will jump at the opportunity. Now that all that's taken care of it's time to start work.

Put some of the men to digging holes, two of them 36 inches square, 2 feet deep and 40 feet apart for the boxes. About 3 feet behind each box have holes dug for the 4x4's which support the lights. When all this has been done put the supports in place and tamp the dirt around them (an electrician in the crowd will have already attached the wires and funnels). Don't do it yourself but tell someone to nail up the backboards, pour the mixed clay in the boxes, put down the footboards and line up the pegs. A little whitewash on the backboards and supports will help appearances but if everyone is overly anxious to get a game started grab the shoes and be the first to try to find the peg. Simple, isn't it?

JUST AMONG OURS? YES

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in trailers or other places . . . you couldn't get him to put up money for bringing the National to Moline again . . . at least we don't think he would, judging by his attitude when we settled our hotel bill and sent him a bill for his advertising in the Horseshoe World . . . and you can't blame him much . . . we can all help on these things.

WINTER ON THE HORSESHOE COURT

The horseshoe courts are silent now,
Where lately laugh and merry shout
Filled sunny days with joy, and men
Seemed happy as children from school let out.

This is the court, here at the end,
Where "Dutch" was always won't to stand,
We laughed at his "stiff-arm fling,"
but say!
Right on the peg he'd make them land.

And jolly Bill; you'd hear his laugh
Before you'd see him, any day,
He'd laugh as loud when they rolled off
As when he won—that was his way.

And there was "Pop," he was our pride;
When other teams came to our town,
We always looked to "Pop" to win.
We shouted when he'd mow 'em down.

I seem to see them all again,
Though winter winds sweep coldly by
And snow is mingled with the rain,
While last year's leaves all scattered lie.

But soon the spring will come again,
Then we shall see them all once more,
And hear again the jolly shout,
"Four dead there, Pal, no score!"

MRS. LEO R. GOODWIN
1707 Easter Ave., Covington, Ky.

WHAT ABOUT BINDERS?

Several of our readers have asked us why we don't provide binders for the Horseshoe World. We have investigated and find that a binder suitable for holding a year or more of issues would cost about \$1.25. We are wondering how many readers would be interested?

We hesitate to invest our money in these binders unless we knew they were wanted. We wouldn't want to make a profit on them but we wouldn't on the other hand, want to lose money on them. Any expression from our readers would aid us in making up our minds on whether to stock these binders for resale.

WANTS MARTIN SHOES

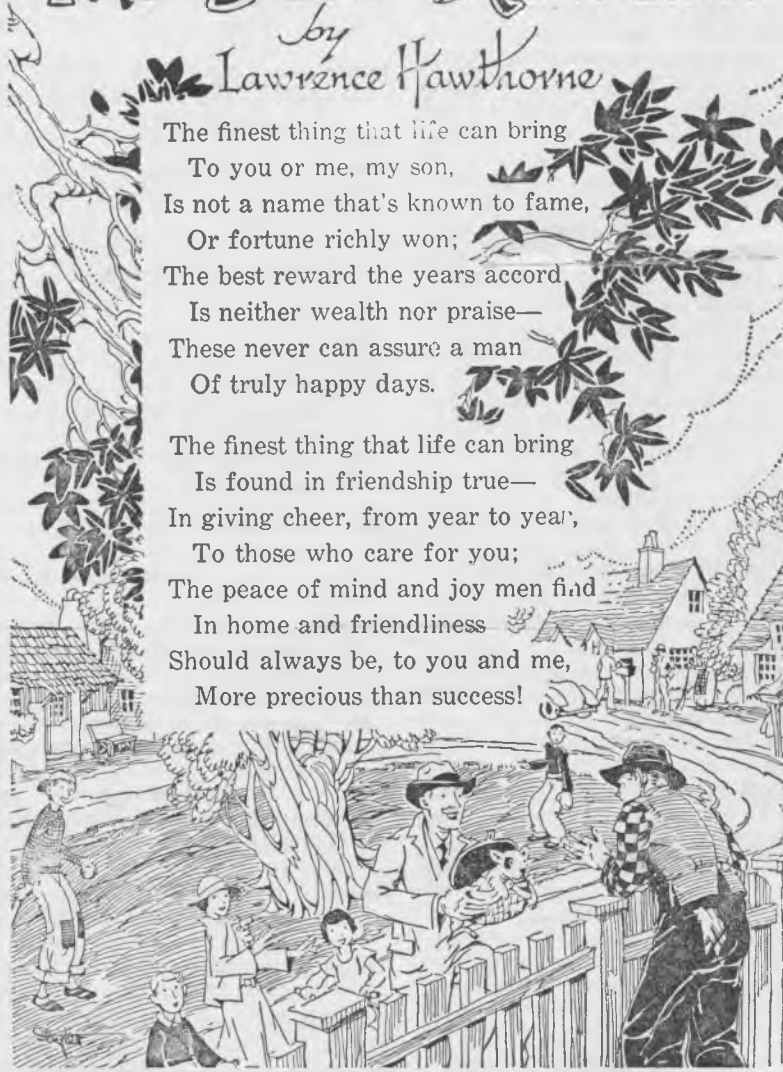
D. M. Ross, Etiwanda, Calif., is seeking a pair of Martin shoes. Any reader who has a pair should get in touch with Mr. Ross.

The Best Reward

by
Lawrence Hawthorne

The finest thing that life can bring
To you or me, my son,
Is not a name that's known to fame,
Or fortune richly won;
The best reward the years accord
Is neither wealth nor praise—
These never can assure a man
Of truly happy days.

The finest thing that life can bring
Is found in friendship true—
In giving cheer, from year to year,
To those who care for you;
The peace of mind and joy men find
In home and friendliness
Should always be, to you and me,
More precious than success!



Tut, Tut, Ted!

In connection with his recent appearance at the Canadian and American Sportsmen's Show in Cleveland, the Laugh in Sports column in the Cleveland Plain Dealer, by Earl Kay-erleber, had the following yarn to tell about Ted Allen, champion horse-shoe pitcher:

The Sportsmen's Show in Public Hall features a crack shot, champion anglers and an assortment of aids to the chase running all the way to a pack of coon hounds that bay thru the gallery.

But Ted Allen can turn up his nose at all those accessories. When he gets a hankering for game meat he just goes out and conks a rabbit in the whiskers with a horseshoe.

"At least I did it once," smiled the man who made barnyard golf a year-round business. "A rabbit

hopped into my back yard one day when I was practicing and on impulse I let fly with a shoe. It was a "ringer" and I had the critter for dinner."

Allen is a stubby little fellow from Boulder, Col., who towers a few inches over the peg at which he fires his shoes. He dethroned Cleveland's Blair Nunamaker as world champion in 1933 and has been on the road with his pitching act ever since. He travels 35,000 miles or so in a year to light matches with his steel missiles and knock cigars from between the teeth of people courageous enough to serve as his targets. So far he has missed all the teeth, but he had to quit ringing pop bottles with the shoes because he once broke one.

Galloping Act Out

"Once was enough, I got to thinking about what might happen if that

glass started flying around, and I dropped the bottles from my routine."

Allen's big regret is that he hasn't found a show willing to let him race in on a galloping horse and shoot ringers from the saddle. He says he averages 50 per cent ringers in practice with that stunt.

His average from a standing start runs so high it gets monotonous, but occasionally a shoe gets away from him, such as the time in a Chicago theater when one went right through a drum in the pit orchestra.

"But the fellow I take off my sombrero to is the one in California who rung (not wrung—Ed.) a hawk's neck with a shoe," Allen declares solemnly. "This guy lived down in the San Joaquin Valley. He was pitching shoes in his yard when a hawk flew by going north. He fired a one-and-three-quarter turn and made a perfect ringer on the bird's neck. The next day the poor hawk fell to the pavement in a Los Angeles street, exhausted from carrying the 2½-pound shoe all those 300 miles from the valley."

Buckeye News

Following is a summary of affiliations received during year 1939:

June 2, Warren	11	\$3.85
July 20, Monroeville.....	14	4.90
July 24, Galipolis	10	3.50
Aug. 17, Hamilton	10	3.50
Sept. 16, Youngstown.....	1	.35
Oct. 20, Columbus.....	20	7.00
Dec. 11, Canton	22	7.70
Ted Allen, Natl. Champ.....	1	.35
Dr. W. E. Dafler,		
State President	1	.35
Henry J. Gunselman,		
State Treasurer	1	.35
D. O. Chess, State Sec.....	1	.35
Total.....	92	32.20

National portion, \$13.80.

State Portion, \$18.40.

Post office money order attached hereto as follows:

Mr. Rose, for the National Association in amount, \$13.60.

Mr. Gunselman for the Buckeye State Association in amount, \$18.40.

The fee being 35 cents per card, 15 cents for National and 20 cents for State Association.

Yours sincerely,

D. O. CHESS, Sec.

Big Year Ahead

There is every indication that Indiana will have a big horseshoe year in 1940.

W. A. Banta, Indianapolis, is president of the Indiana Division of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association and Paul S. VanSickle, 32 Whit-tier Place, Indianapolis, is secretary.

AS IT LOOKS TO ME

MAIL FROM OUR
READERS

WRONG, SAYS GAMBLE

To All Concerned:

I have never met or ever heard of a J. Maloney, Jr., Elmhurst, whose article appeared on Page 2 January issue of this magazine, and neither have many others I have inquired of. Whoever he may be, he takes a lot for granted, and his statements or rather misstatements should be very obvious to those who really know me.

I retired officially from the game in good faith and shall remain in retirement. For Mr. Maloney's benefit, who seems to know all, I do not find my retirement at all "irksome" as I have many interests to occupy my spare time.

He speaks of "remote interior of Staten Island." This same Staten Island is 57 square miles in area, and has 180,000 inhabitants; is connected with the state of New Jersey by three bridges costing more than \$30,000,000; connects with Brooklyn, N. Y., and New York City proper by ferries, the best in the world. In the exclusive Country Club grounds reside the wealthiest and most influential families in the United States. Our parks are of the finest. We also boast of the only county in the land maintaining a battery of 48 regulation horseshoe courts at Willow Brook Park. There is nothing very remote about Staten Island, N. Y.

In conclusion, whenever time permits I shall visit the many friends I have made throughout the Eastern States and Canada, from past associations. Wishing all connected with the game every success, I am

Sincerely yours,

FRANK P. GAMBLE.

STICKS TO PRINCIPLE

It was mighty fine of Mr. Howard in his writing captioned "SPARKS OFF THE PEG," last paragraph on page six, particularly with reference to championships among others in nominating me for "sticking to an idea." I was not struck with the word "idea" because it don't get to first base after all; rather, it should have been "sticking to a principle," which is a fact.

For twenty years enthusiastic boosters have been doing their utmost to draw money into the National Association to make it self-supporting in tournaments, etc., all the while with a national scoring method "special" for the champions, wherein they use the "cancel" and play as a "ringer game," and any old method the total count or what not for

the run-of-the-mine to be played as a "horseshoe game."

Two methods create a class feature within our organization which cannot succeed in a democracy such as ours. The writers of our Declaration of Independence as a nation particularly avoided this. I do not believe any booster has worked harder than myself in my efforts to help the National Association which apparently all goes for naught.

To make it more discouraging, I just recently received the resignation of two of our best boosters as District Commissioners. They tell me it is hopeless to affiliate members in the State and National Associations, although the boys gladly pay their club dues and as they improve they want to play as the champions do, "the cancel," but when asked to affiliate they say "that is the champions' game, let them pay to keep it up." It would only seem reasonable that if there was but one method to be played as a horseshoe game for all, then everything would be lovely and we could reasonably expect support from not only the club members but also the millions of employers and office workers who carry horseshoes to picnics and outings every opportunity, besides, we could get to the press.

Fortunate is the National Association to have as secretary such a hard worker as Mr. Rose, but what a shame it is with apparent prospects of paying him for his labor accordingly. Seems that I have done all I can do except "stick to the principle" and do my best as a club president.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

D. O. CHESS, Sec.

WANTS NEW IDEAS

To the Readers of The Horseshoe World:

I am the secretary and treasurer of the Columbus Horseshoe Club of Columbus, Kansas. I have taken the Horseshoe World for several years and will say it is a real live magazine for horseshoe players and fans.

We, of Columbus and vicinity, organized our club two years ago the eighth of next month, and it went over in fine shape the first year, but the second year it did not go so well, so I am taking this opportunity to ask the readers of the Horseshoe World for some new ideas as to keeping up the interest in our club. We have six concrete and electric lighted clay courts in our city park and the ones that do pay dues into our club do so for the sake of the sport.

I would like to hear from anyone that has had this same trouble in

their own club or has any ideas along this line.

I am a real booster of the horseshoe game. Our state tourney was held here last year.

FLOYD BOND,

206 Lee Ave., Columbus, Kans.

ACCEPTS CHALLENGE

Dear Mr. Howard:

You will find enclosed one dollar to pay for the subscription to your paper for the year 1940. I saw in your paper the fore part of last summer that an old fellow challenged any old pitcher from 60 years old or older. Now I have decided to accept that challenge for next spring I am 70 years young.

As I remember, he lived in Illinois. If he still is in the notion, I will meet him at Danville, Ill. I will pitch him one game or all day, whatever suits him. If you can give me his address I wish you would do so, please.

Now I am wishing you the best year ever, and I am wishing all the pitchers a bumper year and lots of good luck.

Yours,

CHAS. W. COWAN,
405 West 10th St.,
Veedersburg, Ind.

SPARKS

OFF THE PEG!

We have a nice letter from Roy E. McCann, champion horseshoe pitcher of Manitoba, Canada, who sends a subscription to the Horseshoe World with an apology, saying "How can we expect our sport to come to the top if the champions don't support their only magazine." We appreciate those kind words.

Joseph White is one of the leaders in horseshoe pitching at Iron River, Michigan.

W. E. Smith, Goodland, Kansas, again writes that his city is interested in a National Tournament. Funds could not be raised last year and the idea was dropped, but Mr. Smith says he is hopeful this year. Latest word indicates that the tourney may already be settled—that it will go to Toronto, Canada.

Will Have Lights

Harry Woodfield, Washington, D. C., states that the 12 new courts in the Capital City will have lights and there is every indication of a big season ahead.

LONG ISLAND MAN LIKES DOUBLES

The following is a recent "Ringer" column by J. J. Enright in the Long Island Daily Press:

Bill Coakley says he's in favor of the movement to revive the popularity of the doubles game in Long Island. Being one of the best doubles pitchers in Queens (along with Doc Orth and Bert Ball), his enthusiasm in such a cause is not unexpected.

"No one," writes Bill, "can deny the superiority of the singles game, whether it be horseshoe pitching or any other sport, but for the less skillful and the less youthful player horseshoe doubles is more fun and better competition. It not only provides better training for the novice but saves wear and tear on oldsters like myself who find in horseshoe pitching a healthful pastime befitting our years and energy. What's more, the doubles game makes better watching for the spectators.

"The fact that the A. A. U. includes a doubles championship in its annual national tournament is evidence that this style of play is still popular in other parts of the country. Just how, and why, the doubles game got itself sidetracked in these parts is a mystery.

"Five years ago, in the heyday of the old Newtown Club and the St. Francis Club of Astoria, singles were a novelty in most club matches. Since the doubles game permits twice as many pitches to play in any match, I am at a loss to understand why the Long Island Association restricts its season program to singles competition. If the association is genuinely concerned with promoting the game's best interests, it should make haste to remedy the present system by which almost 50 per cent of the local pitchers are compelled to serve as spectators and scorekeepers instead of playing in the many club matches."

L. I. LEAGUE, 1939

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E. Hubbs	30-10	B38.0	W. Gorham	29-16	C29.7
T. Erkmann	19-11	B37.1	W. Clayton	8-16	C238.
			S. Smith	3-14	C20.0

Nassau Bulletin

The West Hempstead Club isn't waiting for spring to start thinking about the new season. Pete McGill reports that the annual curtain raiser, the Nassau County open tournament, will be held at the Fairlawn pasture on Sunday, June 2.

At last night's Hempstead meeting, Angus Hamilton was re-elected president, with Ernie Skellington vice president, Edwin Markert, treasurer; Frank Woreth, sergeant-at-arms, and McGill, secretary. Pete's new address is 135 Railroad avenue, Lakeview.

Peg Sparks

Still a patient in Flushing Hospital, John Roll confesses he's not being overwhelmed with horseshoe visitors during his convalescence. After three months, John is learning to manipulate a pair of crutches in preparation for the day he can quit the medicine factory and return to Elmhurst.

Billy Rhodes, the Hempstead ringier prodigy, has won a Yale scholarship. Fred Egger hints young Bill's

horseshoe prowess had something to do with the award.

No4 California News

A meeting of the Northern California Horseshoe Pitching Association was held at the Marina Horseshoe Club rooms February 9, 1940, for the election of officers for the coming year. The following officers were elected:

President, J. P. Laurence, Crocker-Amazon Club, San Francisco; Vice President, G. Callas, Mission Club, San Francisco; Secretary Treasurer, Miss V. Coker, Mission Club, San Francisco.

A rousing vote of thanks was given to the retiring officers for their honest and upright efforts in the past year for their horseshoe activity.

A committee of delegates of the various clubs was formed to work out a league schedule for the coming year. The following clubs have agreed to play:

Redwood Empire, Santa Rosa, California; Masswood Park Club, Oak-

land, Calif.; Redwood City Club, Redwood City, Calif.; San Mateo Club, Burlingame, Calif.; Daly City Club, Daly City, Calif.; Golden Gate Park Club, San Francisco, Calif.; Mission Horseshoe Club, San Francisco, Calif. Marina Horseshoe Club, San Francisco, Calif.; Crocker-Amazon Club, San Francisco, Calif.

The following clubs will be asked to enter our association and our schedule: The Richmond Club of Richmond, Calif.; the Santa Cruz Club of Santa Cruz, Calif., and the Modesto Club of Modesto, Calif.

The Northern California officers are going to exert their best efforts to have a successful year of horseshoe play.

VIRGINIA COKER.

Officers Named

The annual meeting of the St. Albans Horseshoe Pitching Club was held February 12, and the following officers were elected to office:

President, Clarence Shepherd; Vice President, Thomas Byrne; Treasurer, Louis Lenhardt; Financial Secretary, Frederick Egger; Chairman, Publicity, Frederick Egger; Sergeant at Arms and Courts Supervisor, George Stepree; Delegate to the L. I. Horseshoe Pitchers Association, Ralph Van Nostrand; Alternates, Clarence Shepherd and Frederick Egger.

The St. Albans Horseshoe Pitching Club presented a gavel to Louis Lenhardt in honor of his re-election as president of the L. I. Horseshoe Pitchers' Association, and urged him to use it at all meetings to maintain order and to properly conduct the procedure of the business of the Association.

The Dance Committee reported a profit of \$71.00 when all outstanding bills are paid to the club.

Next meeting of the L. I. Horseshoe Pitchers Association will be held February 29th.

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George D. Chumard, of Cincinnati, has been reappointed National A. A. U. Horseshoe Pitching Chairman.

Just where the 1940 A.A.U. shoe events will be held has not been made public, but they will be in charge of Mr. Chumard, 644 Main St., Cincinnati.

Games Wnted

B. B. Taggart, Sewickley, Pa., writes: "As manager of the Pittsburgh All-Stars for 1940, I wish to arrange Saturday and Sunday games with first-class teams in Ohio and Pennsylvania. My team consists of the 1939 and former Pennsylvania state champs."

Out In Oregon

Medford, Oregon, has a club of about 30 members, according to W. D. Bruce, secretary-treasurer.

Included in the roster are some pitching 50 per cent, some tossing 'em at 40 per cent, and yes, they have some 60 and 70 percenters, too!

Mr. Bruce says "We are trying to promote the game here in Southern Oregon as much as we can. We welcome any horseshoe pitchers from any other state or club. Look us up when in our town."

Paging a Judge Landis!

Maybe the contending forces in New York State who have trouble over "who has the charter" could convince Al Smith to become the Judge Landis of the horseshoe game down there and settle it for good. Or is Al still out for a walk?

See Your Fair Board

Don't forget to see your fair board about a tournament at your state or district fair this summer. Now is the time to get it in the "premium budget"—not next summer!

Jack-the-Vice-president

Somebody asked us the other day, after receiving the job of vice president in an organization we belong to in London: "What on earth is a vice president good for?" and our mind immediately flashed to Jack Claves. Not only was he re-elected to the National Association Executive Board but he has been busy for years doing a good job of vice-presidenting!

Accept Our Thanks

The editor of the Horseshoe World wishes to acknowledge the many Christmas and New Year greeting cards. Thanks, and may 1940 be a bigger and better year for all our friends!

BEST SHOES?

"Will you please send me information on the best horseshoes on the market." That's a typical letter that we get many, many times during the year.

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LINE UP!

An Irish drill sergeant was putting a squad of recruits through their paces. Try as he would, he could not get a straight line.

Finally, in exasperation, he shouted: "What's the matter wid yez? Can't ye line up? All of yez fall out and take a look at the line you've made!"

SHORTCOMINGS

Moses Diggs an old Negro, had been arrested for having more than one wife.

"How many wives have you had?" demanded the judge.

"Six," was the reply.

"Why couldn't you get on with them?"

"Well, suh, de fust two sp'iled de white folks' clo's when dey washed 'em; de thu'd warn't no cook; de fo'th was jest nacherally lazy; an' de fifth—I'll tell you, jedge, de fifth, she—"

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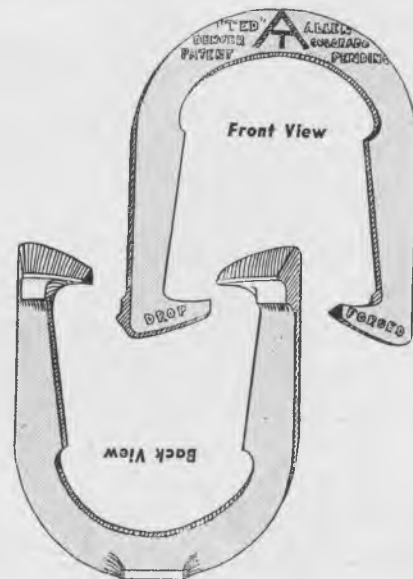
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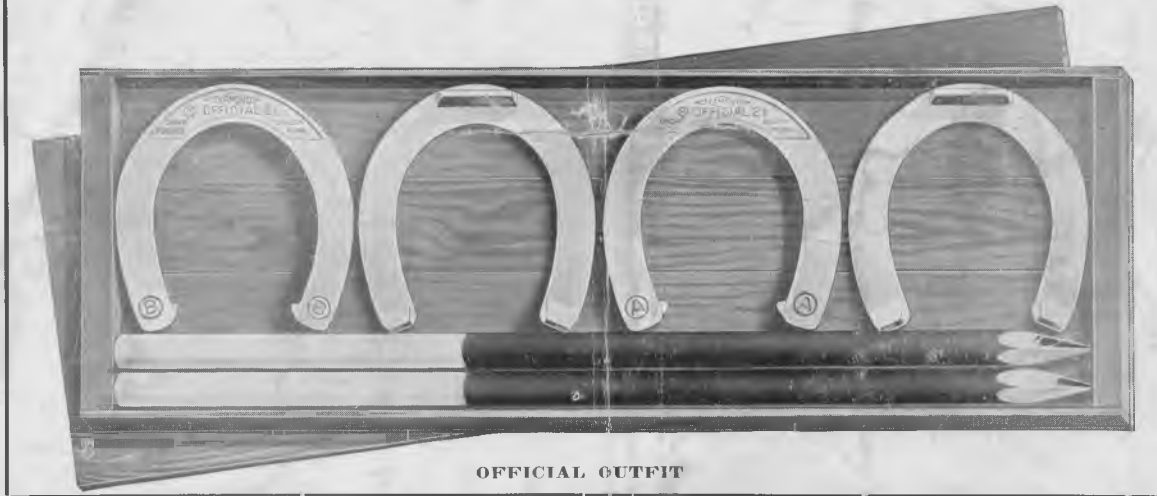
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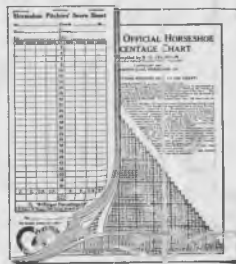
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