

# THE HORSESHOE WORLD

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TALK about pep . . . the writer attended the opening of the new courts at Springfield, O. the other night and that club sure has the pep . . . D. B. Rutan is the efficient president of the Springfield City Horseshoe Club and he sure makes things hum . . . We see Putt Mossman is out in Hollywood hobnobbing with the movie stars . . . don't let the lure of the Kleig lights get the best of you, Putt . . . Bill Jackie, of Hollywood, is trying to arrange a match between Mossman and the present champion, Blair Nunamaker . . . It should prove a most interesting tilt if staged . . . but we don't think the National Association will consent . . . Keep an eye on the Salt Lake County league . . . they are comers and we don't see why they can't have a pitcher ready for the next National Tournament at the rate they are going . . . See your fair secretary today and interest him in holding a tournament . . . do your bit for the promotion of the game.

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## Special Matches

THE HORSESHOE WORLD is opposed to special championship matches and hopes that the National Association will not sanction any of the proposed games for the title of the world.

In our estimation the time for championships to be decided is in National Tournaments.

We have no quarrel with those who think they can "beat" Champion Nunamaker in a special match, but we believe they should be made to go through the trials of a tournament to win the title just the same as he did.

We believe the majority of pitchers and fans will agree with us.

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NEWS NOTES FROM SALT  
LAKE CITY, UTAH

Weekly tournament of the Salt Lake County Horseshoe Pitchers Association held at Liberty Park, Saturday.

L. Healy won in first division, and W. B. Walters in the second division. The scores were as follows:

## First Division

	W	L	R	DR	TR	Pts
L. Healy ....	5	0	84	35	154	250
O. Hunsaker ..	4	1	78	31	140	225
C. Little.....	3	2	79	32	143	234
P. O. Perry... 1	4	81	19	118	173	
G. Peterson.. 1	4	70	29	128	169	
C. R. Newey. 1	4	88	17	122	153	

## Second Division

	W	L	R	DR	TR	Pts
W. Walters.. 5	0	73	22	117	250	
A. Aamodt .. 4	1	71	11	99	241	
W. Healy .. 2	3	58	12	82	189	
J. Winberg .. 2	3	55	5	65	172	
A. Mendenhall 1	4	67	7	84	187	
R. Healy.... 1	4	59	14	87	175	

O. Hunsaker first and C. Little second in weekly tournament, Salt Lake County Horseshoe Pitchers Association in first division held at Liberty Park.

W. B. Walters first and G. Ecenroad second in second division.

Scores as follows:

## First Division

	W	L	R	DR	TR	Pts
O. Hunsaker 3	2	100	36	172	230	
C. Little ... 3	2	74	21	116	180	
L. Healy ... 2	3	84	30	144	218	
R. Bradford 2	3	88	25	138	201	
E. Ramshaw 2	1	50	29	108	137	
P. O. Perry 2	3	76	29	134	228	

## Second Division

	W	L	R	DR	TR	Pts
W. Walters.. 5	0	83	24	131	250	
G. Ecenroad 3	2	91	13	116	234	
W. Healy ... 3	2	78	16	110	221	
R. W. Healy 3	2	90	15	120	220	
A. Leonard 1	4	44	8	60	164	
J. Corley .. 0	5	37	1	39	94	

At the weekly meet of Salt Lake County Horseshoe Pitchers Association held at Liberty Park May 30th, L. Raty won first place and H. G. Talbot second place in the first division, and R. H. Bradford first place and C. R. Newpy second place in the second division.

Guests of the day were C. R. Newey, ex-state champion, L. Raty, state sportsman's champion for the past three years from Ogden, and H. G. Talbot, doubles champion for the past two years, and the Honorable Bishop Frank Hyde from Layton.

In pitch off game, L. Raty won from R. H. Bradford.

## First Division

	W	L	R	DR	TR	Pts
L. Raty .....	3	1	56	33	122	197
H. G. Talbot. 3	1	75	21	117	174	
E. Ramshaw 2	2	74	28	130	170	
C. Little.... 1	2	62	19	100	112	
G. T. Peterson 0	3	46	16	78	59	

## Second Division

	W	L	R	DR	TR	Pts
R. Bradford 3	0	58	14	86	150	
C. R. Newey 2	1	51	16	83	126	
F. Hyde .... 1	2	38	13	64	107	
F. M. Toone 0	3	32	12	56	85	



Among the horseshoe fans of Dora Ala., is Joe Frank, who has been interesting the boys in his town in the game.

Eric Eastman, Lansing, Ia., is a real booster for the horseshoe game.

Edwin B. Patterson, Louisville, Ky., president of the Kentucky Horseshoe Pitchers Association has sent the following notice to several Kentucky newspapers: "There is always a horseshoe pitcher in each city that is better than the rest. That is the man we want and you would be helping your county if you could help us find him and make it possible for him to represent your county at the state fair tournament."

A horseshoe club has been organized at Donnelsville, O. George F. Bargdill is secretary.

Horseshoe courts have been installed by Mayor C. M. Neff, of Mt. Sterling, a hits Neff-Anderson Spring Park, near Mt. Sterling.

Springfield, Ohio, City Horseshoe club and the Donnelsville, O., club enjoyed a fine match June 19.

The Preakness, N. J., Volunteer Fire Department No. 4 Horseshoe Pitching team in meeting stiff competition with numerous other teams and clubs defeated all opponents during the whole year of 1928. Their most recent victory was in defeating the Paul Klumpus Association three games out of five before a large crowd of enthusiastic spectators and fans. The Gary

De Youngs, father and son of the same name, are two of the leaders in the horseshoe sport in Preakness.

## FINE NEW COURTS AT SPRINGFIELD, O.

Springfield City Horseshoe club opened the season on the new club courts, operated by John H. Frey, at Cabin Camp, 2100 W. High street, Springfield, Ohio, June 3.

The editor of THE HORSESHOE WORLD was present and made a short address which was responded to by D. B. Rutan, president of the club. This is the fourth year for the Springfield organization and everything points to a most successful season this year.

A class pitch was held on the opening night, players qualifying for A, B and C classes.

Ray Peters is secretary of the club.

## INSTALL NEW COURTS FOR STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

The Kentucky Fair Association is installing 12 electric lighted courts at the fairgrounds. Mr. Storey, chairman of the State Tournament, will pitch his entrants in groups of 24 men each. When a player loses six games he is eliminated, until sixteen players remain. These sixteen will play four games—a new opponent each game—the four lowest to be eliminated, until only two players remain who will play for the championship.

Play will be from 1 p. m. until 10 p. m. for five days. No player having to play more than four games in succession. At this writing, May 15th, 32 entries have been received.

This committee is working hard to have every county in the state represented.

## NOLIN DROPS FIRST GAME

Nolin, Ky., lost their first game since their club was organized, Sunday, June 2, New Albany, Ind., winning 8 games to 5, and by 97 points. L. Akers, the Nolin champ, led the defeated warriors.

Due to rain the games were played on indoor lanes at the Elks club.

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The Horseshoe World, London, O.

# The Horseshoe Game Has "Arrived"!

By the Editor

**T**HE HORSESHOE GAME really has taken its place in the sun and no longer can the game that has often been called "barnyard golf" be termed a barnyard game by any means.

This summer will see the greatest number of pitchers in action in America in the history of the ancient and honorable game.

Just why the renewed interest?

That is a hard question to answer and answer correctly, but a half dozen good guesses should contain the true answer. First, the game has been steadily growing in popularity for years; second, the National Association has been broadening its efforts in behalf of the game; third, people have come to realize that horseshoe pitching is a healthful exercise; fourth, interest has been multiplied as a result of national, state and county tournaments; fifth, the manufacturers have been doing a wonderful "missionary work" and last, but not least, our National Secretary D. D. Cottrell has been on the job 365 days in the year.

These so-called "guesses" may not be listed in their proper order of importance, but it is sure that they all contain a part of the answer to the question, "Why the renewed interest?"

Let us pause a moment to look back only a few years to the days when Fred Brust, of the Ohio Horseshoe Co., Columbus, Ohio, George May, the Akron, O., fireman, and Uncle Hughie Palmer were in their hey-day. Then the game as a national pastime was only a theory.

Art Headlough, Akron, promoted the game in a national way for some time; Ben Leighton, now recreation director at Hibbing, Minn., did a great deal of work. B. G. is a natural born organizer and his fine efforts are still having a great effect upon the game. The champions, of course, have all given invaluable aid in promotion work.

Such men as Todd Flowers, David Lane, W. H. Motz and several others have always interested themselves in the game, along with the present-day officers, H. L. Ermatinger, W. J. Seas, Alex Cumming and Mr. Cottrell.

The untiring efforts of these men and many others have brought success to the game, making it one of the national games of the present time, recognized as a standard, healthful sport.

## Canada To the Front

Canada is taking great strides in an organization way. Pitchers in that country are becoming more numerous every day and it will not be long until the world's championship tournaments will have more of an international color as Canada is sure to provide some championship timber in the near future.

City recreation departments, the Y. M. C. A. and like organization have seized upon the horseshoe game as one of the finest promotional stunts that they can foster.

So, friends, the horseshoe game is out of the barnyard into the backyard, into the park and into the recreation program of thousands and thousands of men, women and children.

The horseshoe game has arrived!

## PREAKNESS FIRE

### LADS IN CONTEST

Deep interest is being shown by Preakness, N. J., residents in the horseshoe pitching tournament which is being conducted by the Preakness Volunteer Fire Company No. 4. Re-

cently the players gathered at August Dotterwich's courts and engaged in 32 games, comprising fifteen series. These were witnessed by a large gallery, which thoroughly enjoyed the contests.

A series consists of two out of three games, but in only two of the series of the afternoon was it necessary to play a "rubber" game to decide. In one of these games Frank Van Blarcom dropped the first contest to come back and win the remaining two, while in the other John Braddock came through to win after his opponent had evened the series.

Despite the fact, however, that most of the series were decided with only two games, there were a number of close scores and all of the games were interesting.

The results of the games were as follows:

Otto Myers, 21, 21; August Dotterwich, 17, 8.

Otto Myers, 21, 21; Jacob Van Dyken, 13, 17.

John Braddock, 21, 18, 21; Henry Dotterwich, 15, 21, 6.

Garry De Young, 21, 21; John Braddock, 1, 7.

August Dotterwich, 21, 21; John Braddock, 11, 13.

Frank Van Blarcom, 14, 21, 21; August Dotterwich, 21, 17, 14.

Robert Lees, 21, 21; Jacob Van Dyken, 16, 15.

Garry De Young, 21, 21; Jacob Van Dyken, 0, 3.

Frank Van Blarcom, 21, 21; Charles Hinchin, 13, 13.

Garry De Young, 21, 21; Charles Hinchin, 5, 2.

Frank Van Blarcom, 21, 21; Charles Romano, 6, 6.

Charles Hinchin, 21, 21; August Dotterwich, 17, 11.

Jacob Van Dyken, 21, 21; John Braddock, 7, 13.

Garry De Young, 21, 21; August Dotterwich, 5, 11.

Frank Van Blarcom, 21, 21; Henry Dotterwich, 14, 15.

In the individual standings of the players in the tourney thus far, Garry De Young is in the lead with eight victories to his credit and no defeats.

Others in the tournament are grouped and may easily better their positions by a better display of pitching to the pegs.

## State Champion



This gentleman is the Montana champion, Mr. E. E. Sawyer, a mighty fine tosser and a good sportsman. Mr. Sawyer resides in Suffolk, Montana.

NEWS, OFFICIAL  
REPORTS, ETC.

From The  
SECRETARY'S DESK

D. D. COTTRELL, Sec'y  
NORTH COHOCTON,  
NEW YORK

State championship horseshoe pitching tournaments have been sanctioned by the National Association to be held at the Kansas Free Fair at Topeka, on Sept. 7 to 11, 1929, and at the Iowa State Fair, Des Moines, Aug. 26 to 28, 1929. At both of these meets your secretary understands that there will be a good number of prizes offered, and the players of each of these states should plan to attend. Each winner will be given a certificate of championship under the seal of the National Association recognizing him as the state champion until another similar tournament is held under the sanction of this association.

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The announcement of the Ohio State Championship Horseshoe Pitching tournament to be held at Lakeside on Lake Erie, August 12 to 17, 1929, has just been published and mailed to all players and clubs in the State of Ohio that were on the list that was used. The Lakeside Association offers \$330 in prize money, divided as follows: first prize \$75 and championship gold medal; second, \$60; third, \$50; fourth \$40; fifth, \$30; sixth, \$20; seventh, \$15; eighth, ninth and tenth, each \$10; and \$5 each for the 11th and 12th. The entry fee for the tournament is only one dollar, but a deposit of two dollars must be sent in with each entry fee as a guarantee that the contestant will play out all of his scheduled games. This deposit will be returned to the player after the end of the tournament if he has completed his schedule of games.

The entry fee and deposit should be sent to K. E. Miller, Lakeside, Ohio, not later than August 1, 1929, so that the names of the contestants may be published and an admission ticket to the Lakeside grounds sent to each player in time to reach him before he leaves home. Your National Secretary will conduct the tournament. The tournament will be conducted on the Round Robin plan unless there are so many entrants that some sort of elimination must be used to determine who shall play in the round robin. The championship will be decided on the greatest number of games won. All games to be 50 points. Entry blanks and any further information will be

furnished promptly on writing to Mr. Miller. No present or former national champion will be allowed to compete.

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For the sixth consecutive year the American Agriculturist published in New York City co-operating with the county farm bureaus of the state and the New York State Fair will hold an Amateur Horseshoe Pitching Tournament at the state fair grounds. The tournament will start at 11 a. m. on Tuesday, August 27, and will probably be finished in two days. Contestants must report at the tournament grounds at least one hour before time to start.

Every contestant must be certified to the tournament committee by the farm bureau agent of the county from which he comes and probably will be selected to represent the county by winning the horseshoe pitching contest which is usually held at the county farmers picnic. Only one contestant from each county will be allowed to compete. In previous years about 40 of the 62 counties have been represented. No former winner or anyone who has won any prize money in any state or national tournament will be allowed to compete. First prize is \$50 and an appropriate medal of championship; second prize, \$40; third \$30; fourth \$20; fifth \$10, and sixth and seventh, \$5 each. All contestants who go to the state fair to compete will have their transportation paid by the state fair authorities from their home and return. It is expected that there will be a larger number of counties represented this year than ever before.

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The Salt Lake County (Utah) Horseshoe Pitchers Association which is incorporated under the laws of Utah elected the following officers for the year beginning May 1, 1929.

President and Director George Eckenrood, 548 E. 4th South St.; first vice president, C. Little, 468 S. 12th St.; second vice president and director, S. Anderson, 145 E. 9th South St.; treasurer, P. O. Perry, 1344 Emerson and secretary J. D. Skeen, 460 South 12th East St., all addresses in Salt Lake City. The club has 41 members against only 19 last year.

Mr. Eckenrood writes that they expect to hold their state meet for sin-

gles championship beginning the Saturday before Labor Day and continuing through Labor Day. He expects to get the commercial clubs of Salt Lake City and Ogden and his own county association to put up enough money for prizes for the state meet so that they will be able to offer a good series of prizes. He says that they hold mid-week and Saturday tournaments as their courts have very good lights. He gets good publicity weekly or oftener in the three Salt Lake City and the one Ogden paper for the game and boosts the game as he travels around the state. This shows what a live wire, always-on-the-job horseshoe fan can do to popularize the horseshoe sport. Mr. Eckenrood sent fee for the membership of the association in the National for the year 1929.

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Your secretary has recently received a letter from Mr. F. C. Borchert, Jr., business manager of the Wisconsin State Fair in reply to one I wrote him about holding the state tournament at the fair again this year as they have for the past number of years. The letter reads as follows:

"We have decided to again have the horseshoe pitching tournament at our fair the same as in previous years. Was pleased to receive your letter and be informed of the information in same. As I understand it at this time the tournament will be held for four days, starting Monday, August 26th, with a program for that day for boys, the regular contest for men to be on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, August 27, 28 and 29."

Until the Wisconsin State Association, the horseshoe pitchers of the state, and your secretary got into action and showed the fair authorities what interest the tournament had aroused in the state and what their champion had meant to the state in the National Tournaments, they were not sure that they would hold the state tournament this year. Other state, county and local fairs will be glad to hold horseshoe pitching tournaments if the horseshoe pitchers in their territory show that they have an interest in having such a contest held. Write your National secretary and he will be



glad to help you all that he can in planning such tournaments.

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I have recently had so much correspondence about individuals and clubs joining the National association that I am giving this information again. Every individual horseshoe pitcher should be a member of the National association by sending \$1.00 and receiving a card of membership bearing the seal of the association or by belonging to some club that is affiliated with the National association. The fee for a club to join the National is \$5.00 for clubs of 50 or less members, and \$10 for clubs of more than 50 members. When a club joins the National each individual member of the club is just as much a member of the National as he would be if he had sent \$1.00 direct to it for an individual membership card. There are more clubs and individuals writing me this year about joining the National than ever before, which shows that there is more interest in boosting horseshoe pitching as one of the major sports than ever before. Every club that sends its fees to the National receives a beautifully engraved charter good for one year, issued by the officers of said association and bearing its official seal.

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The Phoenix (Ariz.) Horseshoe club has just sent its membership fee for the coming year and a club charter has been sent to them. Mr. E. L. Howard, 711 E. Adams St., is secretary-treasurer, and says in his letter that they have a membership of 119, although the club was started only the first of the present year. The other officers are President, Mr. R. W. Smith, and vice president, Frank Dykes. This club is the result of the good work of Mr. Al. King, of Akron, Ohio, who has been in Phoenix nearly a year, and has been very active in popularizing the horseshoe sport. He so sold the game to the local newspapers that they gave it much and frequent publicity which helped in getting the leading and influential men of the city to become active in the club. I understand that Mr. King is again back in Akron, Ohio. He has been one of the big leaders in the game for a good many years.

The Paul Klump Association is being organized at Pompton Lakes, New Jersey.

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## SEEK TO MATCH MOSSMAN AND NUNAMAKER IN HOLLYWOOD, CALIF.

**P**UTT MOSSMAN seems to be anxious to meet Blair Nunamaker, world's champion, in an effort to wrest the championship crown from the latter.

The latest attempt to secure the sanction of such a match by the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association comes from one Bill Jackie, a Hollywood, California, promoter.

It is likely that the officers of the National Association will turn down the request on the grounds that not enough is offered Nunamaker to make a trip West; that he will have everything to lose and nothing to gain.

The following is a telegram sent by Jackie to D. D. Cottrell, National Secretary:

"Mr. D. D. Cottrell, secretary National Horseshoe Pitchers Association, North Cohocton, N. Y.

"Will give five hundred dollars to have Blair Nunamaker pitch Putt Mossman here Saturday afternoon, July 27th, for world's championship. Three hundred dollars and fifty cents

to Nunamaker; sixty-two dollars and fifty cents to National Association; balance of one hundred dollars will be given you to help association pay your expenses to be here at least 70 days before and during the match and officiate. Mossman has consented to above and will take his chances with me on gate receipts. If you cannot come I will be glad to have any person in Southern California appointed to represent your association and officiate, or will be glad to send list of several good reliable men for you to pick from. Mossman to get the one hundred dollars unless you come. I will promote this event myself and will post money at once in Citizens National Trust Bank here. Will have clay court and use National rules.

Please get in touch with Nunamaker at once and wire answer soon as possible.

Bill Jackie,  
1735 N. Gramercy Place,  
Hollywood, Calif.

### Another Star **TWINKLES** In Hollywood Mossman Shows the California Boys Some of His Stunt Pitching

By COURTNEY HASLAM  
Secretary Hollywood Horseshoe Club

"Putt" Mossman, known to the horseshoe pitching world and enthusiasts as the king of them all, blew into Southern California about a month ago and electrified the tossers of old dob-b'n's footwear with more tricks than a monkey can do on a cocoanut. In addition to his accurate and well-performed stunt pitching, "Putt" has given exhibitions of his skill by defeating all of the best players the various clubs in California could produce and in many instances defeating the club's champion 2 to 1.

Horseshoe pitching is progressing very rapidly in California, and much of the success of the sport is due to the interest created by "Putt" himself; in fact we Californians give "Putt" his due credit for the estab-

lishing of a big percentage of the newly formed clubs and creating the vast interest among the sports enthusiasts in general.

On May 17th, "Putt" Mossman hung up a new record of 996 ringers out of 1400 shoes pitched on the Hollywood horseshoe club grounds an average of 71 plus per hundred shoes. In addition to making a state record of 81 ringers, 28 doubles with 243 points for California. The shoes pitched as follows:

	Ringers
1st 100 Shoes.....	63
2nd 100 Shoes .....	68
3rd 100 Shoes .....	72
4th 100 Shoes .....	69
5th 100 Shoes .....	67
6th 100 Shoes .....	75
7th 100 Shoes .....	72
8th 100 Shoes .....	81
Calif. State Record, Hollywood Club	
9th 100 Shoes .....	75
10th 100 Shoes .....	70
11th 100 Shoes .....	70
12th 100 Shoes .....	72
13th 100 Shoes .....	72
14th 100 Shoes .....	70
Total Ringers.....	996

Official Scorer: Joe Stamp, captain Hollywood Club Team. Referee, G. G. Sheppard and Judge E. F. Short.

# Horseshoe Pitching in Louisiana

By D. D. Cottrell

IN a letter from Mr. Sidney Plott, 1722 Oxford St., Shreveport, La., he encloses some clippings from the Shreveport Times showing the recent progress of the game in that section and also includes \$1.00 for individual membership in the National Association. Mr. Plott played in the National tournament held in Duluth in August, 1927, and has always defeated all comers in his state and has been considered the state champion although no regular state tournament has ever been held.

This spring The Shreveport Times and one of its sport writers, Mr. Joe R. Carter conceived the idea of holding a tournament in which anyone in the state could compete. The paper offered a large silver loving cup to the winner, a pair of horseshoes and a leather case to the runner-up and a small silver loving cup to the winner of the third place.

About 30 pitchers entered, several communities and towns in the state being represented, among them, Monroe, Vivian, Many, Grayson, Coushatta, Jamestown, Pleasant Hill and Bethany. The players in the tournament each drew numbers that decided who each one would play, and the loser of the 50-point game dropped out of the tournament. The games were played in a local park in Shreveport.

Different industries, commercial firms and fire companies sent teams to compete. Among these representatives of the Ideal Laundry, The Brown Paper Mill of Monroe, The Metzger Dairies and some of the city fire companies. Mr. Grover C. Thames of the city recreation department acted as supervisor of the tournament, assisted by "Lefty" Walker of the same department.

The statistical results of the tournament were as follows:

Sidney Plott, Shreveport .....	4	0	200	69	11	180	.384
Bill Vosbury, Shreveport .....	3	1	169	46	7	196	.235
O. S. Plott, Sr., Shreveport .....	4	1	241	64	8	234	.274
E. Mellor, Shreveport .....	4	2	229	30	3	334	.090
Ed. Worthen, Monroe .....	1	1	62	11	0	96	.114
S. B. Page, Shreveport .....	1	1	62	18	3	102	.176
Carroll .....	1	1	77	9	0	108	.083
Lloyd .....	1	1	56	7	0	98	.071

All of the others were defeated in the first round.

In announcing the tournament, The Shreveport Times published a diagram

of a regulation horseshoe court, two columns wide and ran the accompanying article double column width occupying more than two columns of matter. The report of the first two days play was run under a double column heading and was a very full and detailed write-up of the games and results so far occupying more than a column. The final report of the meet had a heading, "Sidney Plott Carries Off First Place in Shreveport Times Horseshoe Pitching Tourney" which ran clear across the top of the page with a three-line double column sub-heading and the story took more than a column of space.

Although this evidently was the first such tournament held by this paper their sport writer, Mr. Joe R. Carter, who wrote all the articles that I saw, certainly rose to the occasion like a veteran reporter of such tournaments. Every story contained the special details of the players and the games that contained the human interest that made them interesting to any reader whether he was especially familiar with the game or not. This publicity certainly will be a big boost for the game wherever this daily circulates.

E. Mellor, who is 68 years old and weighs just 100 pounds, tied with O. S. Plott, who is the father of Sidney Plott, for the third place. Mellor always placed his shoes close to the peg, but couldn't seem to get ringers in which Plott seemed to be very successful by making a large number of points in the play-off of the tie game while all Mellor seemed to get was close shoes. As consolation prize The Shreveport Times presented to Mellor who was a popular favorite with the crowd a pair of horseshoes.

This tournament was the first of its kind staged in northern Louisiana and

W	L	Pts	R	DR	SP	Pct.
4	0	200	69	11	180	.384
3	1	169	46	7	196	.235
4	1	241	64	8	234	.274
4	2	229	30	3	334	.090
1	1	62	11	0	96	.114
1	1	62	18	3	102	.176
1	1	77	9	0	108	.083
1	1	56	7	0	98	.071

it begins the movement to popularize the sport. The spectators were amazed at the skill of many of the contestants as they "looped the stakes

with the slippers."

The writer has just recently received a letter from J. M. McBride, Darnell, La., which was sent to the Chamber of Commerce, St. Petersburg, Fla., and finally referred to him for reply. He writes to them that the boys there just pitch an old-fashioned game, but thought they might like to enter a contestant in the next National tournament. He inquires about the rules and regulations of the game and wants to know the name of a dealer who handles regulation equipment and the procedure for enlisting contestants in the next tournament.

Delaware, Idaho, Mississippi and New Mexico are now the only states in which the National Association have no record of players or any knowledge of any activities in the game. Most if not all of the provinces of Canada are represented by players and clubs in these records and the game seems quite popular in different parts of that country. If this article comes to the attention of any players in those states mentioned above, the writer hopes that they will at once write to him and tell him as much as they can about the activities in the game in their section.

## CANTON-WOOSTER

Following is the score of a game played between Canton, Ohio, and Wooster, Ohio, horseshoe clubs, on June 9:

	Wooster						
	W	L	P	R	DR	SP	Pct
Lavengood ..	6	2	269	143	33	292	.489
Cassky .....	5	3	212	99	14	296	.334
Swinhart ....	2	6	206	103	13	342	.301
Webb .....	5	3	228	91	14	374	.243
Oxenrider ...	7	1	265	118	28	316	.373
Dawell .....	3	5	242	134	22	353	.374
Garrison ...	1	7	178	81	16	326	.248
Kinney .....	4	4	219	102	15	328	.314
	Canton						
	W	L	P	R	DR	SP	Pct
Bly .....	4	4	229	135	23	348	.387
Coss .....	3	5	190	86	13	288	.298
Berlin .....	2	6	171	89	12	332	.267
Elmore .....	2	6	160	70	8	312	.221
Lindsay ....	1	7	188	79	13	344	.229
Reynolds ....	6	2	244	108	14	336	.321
Wright .....	6	2	270	155	28	366	.423
Gardner ....	7	1	263	144	25	296	.486

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# Mohawk Valley Horseshoe League Organized

The Mohawk Valley Horseshoe League has been organized in New York state through the efforts of the Gloversville Y. M. C. A. Horseshoe Club.

The first match of the league indicates a good start. The results of the first match were:

## Upper Tribes Hill

	W	L	Pts	R
Bennett .....	0	4	167	68
Goody .....	2	2	164	23
Hockert .....	4	0	205	63
Quinn .....	2	2	176	49
Total .....	8	8	712	203

## Gloversville

	W	L	Pts	R
Van Heusen .....	3	1	199	63
Williams .....	1	3	153	38
Kalil .....	1	3	164	59
Walrath .....	3	1	169	43
Total .....	8	8	685	203

"Due to the fact that our present rules did not cover the above situation the entire match will be played over at a later date," writes Director Wallace W. Manning, Physical Director, Gloversville Y. M. C. A.

"Our rules read in case of tie team ringer percentage should decide a tie. However the ringer percentage was just the same. One team had a few more points and the other a couple extra double ringers.

"The officers immediately drew up a clause to cover this.

"In Gloversville, horseshoe pitching is progressing with leaps and bounds. We will start an Industrial League in the near future with eight teams entered.

"At present we are running off a boys' horseshoe tournament with an entry list of 22. Later in the summer we hold the Fulton County Class A and B Championship, which attracts the best talent in the county. We are proud to advertise the fact that the president of our club, Harold C. Forbes, is the present champion of New York state. Forbes won his title last fall at Rochester, N. Y., and has been a great asset in organizing and promoting horseshoes in our territory.

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Following is the schedule and playing regulations of the Mohawk Valley league:

## Schedule

Monday, June 3—Gloversville at Upper Tribes Hill.

Monday, June 3—Lower Tribes Hill at Fro-Joy.

Monday, Jun 10—Lower Tribes Hill at Upper Tribes Hill.

Monday, June 10—Fro-Joy at Gloversville.

Monday, June 17—Upper Tribes Hill at Fro-Joy.

Monday, June 17—Gloversville at Lower Tribes Hill.

Monday, June 24—Upper Tribes Hill at Gloversville.

Monday, June 24—Fro-Joy at Lower Tribes Hill.

Monday, July 1—Upper Tribes Hill at Lower Tribes Hill.

Monday, July 1—Gloversville at Fro-Joy.

Monday, July 8—Fro-Joy at Upper Tribes Hill.

Monday, July 8—Lower Tribes Hill at Gloversville.

## Rules and Regulations

1. Rules—The official rules governing the play of this league shall be those codified and adopted by the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association.

2. Matches — Matches decided by games won and lost. A tie match to be decided by ringer percentage of the whole team. A match to consist of competition between two four-man teams, each man playing his four opponents.

3. Final Standing—The league's final standing shall be decided by the number of matches won.

4. Bad Weather—In case of bad weather, home team should phone the visiting team not later than five o'clock same day of game. Phones are as follows: Gloversville 3330; Fro-Joy 401; Tribes Hill 30F2.

5. Postponed Games — Postponed games to be played the same week at a later date.

6. Games Played — Where and When—Gloversville at Darling Field, 6:30 p. m.; Fro-Joy at Fro-Joy Courts 6:30 p. m.; Tribes Hill, 6:30 p. m.

7. Team Qualifications—Each team will consist of four regular players and any number of substitutes. The heads of the four local clubs agreed to use members of their organizations. This clause should be closely followed.

8. Score Sheets—Score sheets to be furnished by the home team and completely filled out and mailed with master sheet to Secretary Harold R. Ballard, Tribes Hill, N. Y.

9. Shoes—Horseshoes which have been officially recognized by the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association

may be used in this league.

10. The officers of the Mohawk Valley Horseshoe League reserves the right to make decisions on any questions not specifically covered in the above rules and regulations.

Respectfully submitted,

H. L. Berning, President, Tribes Hill, N. Y.; William Heath, vice president, Amsterdam, N. Y.; H. R. Ballard, secretary, Tribes Hill, N. Y.; W. W. Manning, managing director, Gloversville, N. Y.

## G. BUCHNA SETS

### NEW SHOE RECORD

Another local horseshoe record fell last night when the Buchna brothers, Frank and George, made their appearance at the Relief St. grounds. The latter tossed 11 double ringers in a game with Gerrish to defeat his opponent, 50-19. Gerrish was forced to make 19 ringers himself to score in the game. Buchna had 29 ringers and five straight doubles out of 44 shoes pitched for an average of 66 per cent. Frank Buchna was city champion in 1927. George Buchna also defeated an opponent by the most lopsided score made this year when he downed Beichner, 50-2.

Scores of last evening's games were as follows:

G. Buchna .....	50
Gerrish .....	19
G. Buchna .....	50
Beichner .....	2
Gerrish .....	50
Rugh .....	16
F. Buchna .....	50
Stoltenburg .....	42
G. Buchna .....	50
Beichner .....	12
Gerrish .....	50
F. Buchna .....	42
G. Buchna .....	50
Stoltenburg .....	9
Stoltenburg .....	50
B'ckel .....	32
Dahle .....	50
Bender .....	40
F. Buchna .....	50
Rugh .....	29
Stoltenburg .....	50
Dahke .....	29
Gerrish .....	50
Rugh .....	36
Rugh .....	50
Stoltenburg .....	84
Gerrish .....	50
Stoltenburg .....	26



G. Buchna	50
F. Buchna	45
Loboudger	50
Bickel	24
G. Buchna	50
G. Buchna	39
Gerrish	50
Brakeman	16
Rugh	50
Brakeman	33
G. Buchna	50
F. Buchna	27
F. Buchna	50
G. Buchna	35
Gerrish	50
G. Buchna	44

—Oil City (Pa.) Derrick, May 17

#### DUBUQUE, IOWA, WINS

In the horseshoe game between Dubuque and Monona, the Dubuque players won. There were 12 players on each side, playing 20 games, Dubuque winning 11 games and Monona winning nine. On points Dubuque won 25 more points in the games played than Monona. H. Richman and J. Burk, and Fred Gedwalska and Lew Gedwalska pitched good horseshoes. These boys were in good shape and played exceptionally good, enabling Dubuque to win the tournament.

Monona players, Ben Davis and V. Zierman carried off the honors in two exhibition games with Dubuque. Davis and Zierman played Roussell and Burk 100 to 76. They also won from O'Hare and Engle, score 100 to 81. This was a hard-played game and one of the best ever seen on the Monona court. Davis and Zierman are rated as the best players in northeastern Iowa and were in great form Sunday. The amount of ringers pitched in these games were not up to the average, on account of a very strong wind blowing. All Dubuque players throw a very high shoe; Roussell thrown an exceptionally high shoe.

#### HERE'S A HOT ONE!

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	SP	R	DR
Roussell	29	17	5
Zierman	29	23	3
Burk	29	11	3
Davis	29	18	4
O'Hare	39	32	9
Zierman	39	25	3
Engle	39	24	4
Davis	39	31	5

In this 100 point game they had 112 ringers or 36 ringers on each side.

Dubuque (Ia.) Telegraph-Herald

#### WEST POINT CADET HEADS OHIO CLUB

The Wilmington (O.) Horseshoe club has elected the following men to fill the offices for the coming season: president, Gerald Smith; secretary, Maynard Jefferis; treasurer, Elza Hughes; captain of the team, Gerald

Smith. Young Smith is a West Point cadet, home on furlough this summer. Since the Wilmington Horseshoe club has entered the South Central Horseshoe Pitching league, grounds are being sought that those interested may see the tossers do their tsuff.

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Ringers were plentiful during the evening's play. Charles Kramer encircling the peg the most times—82. Edward Conrad was second with 71 ringers, and Matt McCarty third with 69.

A feature of the pitch was the match between Edward Massie and Charles Kramer in which Kramer won four 25-point games by one point, one game by two points and one by three points.

The next pitch which is slated for Monday night will have as its principal attraction Ronald Peters, county champion, pitching against Ray Patton, leader of Class A in the classi-

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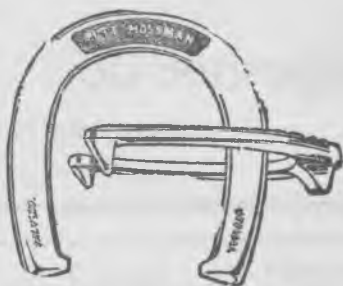
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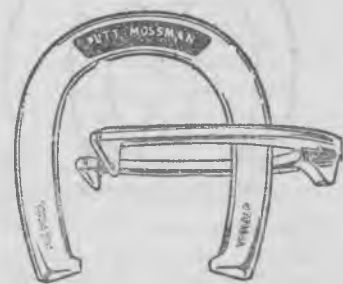
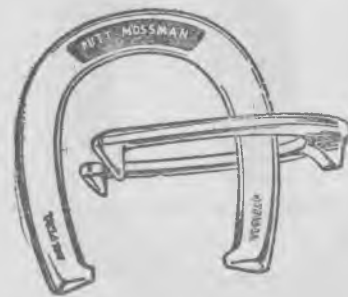
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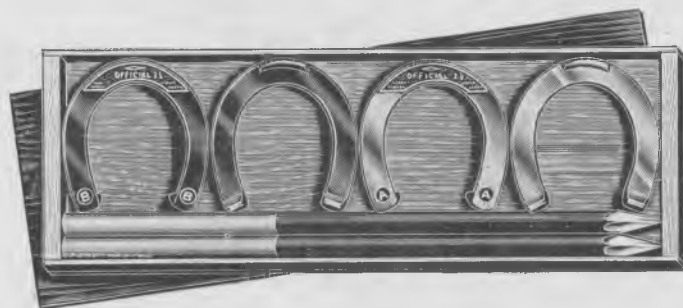
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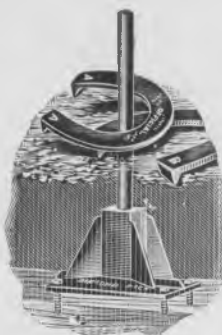
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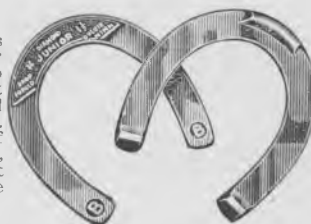


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