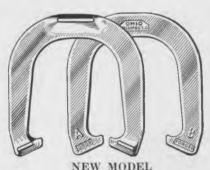
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**MARCH 1936** 

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We shouldn't take up much time here on the new membership plan . . . it is fully covered in this issue . . . we hope you turn to the Secretary's Page and read it carefully . . . we may have tramped on some toes there but it was for the good of those tramped on . . . believe us . . . this month's magazine has a bunch of little items from all parts of the United States . . . that's what we want . . . more clubs represented and more individuals mentioned in the news and all states in the news . . . it will come one of these days . . . we may have to run shorter articles to accommodate more states, but it will make the magazine more interesting to all . . . we haven't heard much from the quoit pitchers these days . . . what has happened to them? . . . get out the old shoes (or better yet, get a 1936 pair) and get ready to toss 'em on . . . it's going to be a big year . . . and talk the other fellow into joining the club you belong to and see that it is affiliated with the state and national organization.

## March, 1936

#### ORGANIZATION

Nothing succeeds like success, and judging from the beginning of the horseshoe membership drive it is going to be a real accomplishment.

The National Horseshoe Association cannot be any stronger than its state affiliated units. The membership of the National Horseshoe Pitchers' Association depends upon the work and enthusiasm put forth by the state organizations and the response of the pitchers.

Will those who have enjoyed horseshoe pitching for many years do something to further the game they like or will they be content to pitch on a lot in the neighborhood or in their own back yard in a selfish attitude, claiming organization means nothing to them. Do they realize that new model shoes, improved rules and everything that means enjoyment in the game came out of organization?

We believe horseshoe pitchers will accept the challenge and that the game will go far in 1936.

#### 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.

The time that your magazine expires is printed on the address slip, directly after your name, showing the month and the year.

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#### MOSSMAN IS WORLD HORSESHOE PITCHING AMBASSADOR

Putt. Mossman, of Iowa, Hollywood, and any place on the globe where his hat last hung, has written the Horseshoe World that he is in New Zealand.

Mossman, who was last reported to be in the Orient, is making a tour around the world and a letter written by him on February 3 was sent from the Speedway in Wellington, N. Z. He had a splendid contract in the Orient and thrilled the natives there with his dare-devil motorcycle riding, as well as spreading the gospel of horseshoe pitching.

The ex-national champion horseshoe pitcher has 14 men and women riders

with him and is meeting huge success in every country he visits.

Horseshoe pitching is an unknown sport in New Zealand, according to Mossman, who states that he is doing what he can to introduce the game. He recently gave an exhibition at Christchurch, N. Z., with his sister, Mrs. Dessie Grant, winning the match with over 70 per cent ringers. "The crowds ate it up," Putt. writes. Attendance at Christchurch was 15,000 and over 20,000 at Auckland.

"We may go to Australia and England before returning to America," says the ex-champ. "If so we will play all the European countries. We

will go by way of the Suez Canal, making a complete trip around the world."

Mrs. Mossman was injured in one of her husband's exhibitions when he missed the blindfold leap, the full weight of the machine coming down on his wife. She was able to sit up on February 3, when he wrote the magazine and he was planning a return engagement at Auckland to be dedicated to her courage.

Thus the former U. S. champion horseshoe pitcher and members of his family have become the "horseshoe ambassadors" throughout the world.

# \* KNICKERBOCKER HORSE\* SHOE PITCHERS LEAGUE \* OF GREATER NEW YORK \*

A meeting of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws of the newly organized Knickerbocker Horseshoe Pitchers' League of Greater New York was held recently at 4290 Broadway, N. Y. C.

This committee has held several meetings during the winter months and completed its work on the constitution and by-laws at the meeting held recently. A schedule for the season of 1936 calling for an eight club league has been prepared and will be submitted and acted upon at this meeting. Both constitution and schedule will be submitted to the various clubs for their approval at the regular club meetings to be held in April.

Provision has been made for a representative from each club in the league on the Board of Officers. It is also provided for an Official Handicapper whose duties it shall be to keep a record of all players of the league who take part in any and all tournaments, matches and other contests of the league during the season. On this basis each player will be classified and assigned to a group or division for competition in that group or division.

Any organized Horseshoe Pitching Club in Greater New York is eligible to become a member of this league.

Among the clubs listed as members of this league are: Woodlawn and Crotona Clubs of the Bronx, Fort George, High Bridge Park, Ft. Washington Point, Emerald and Heckscher Clubs of Manhattan and the Richmond County Association comprising eight clubs on Staten Island.

T. P. O'Gara, Chairman, 370 Wadsworth Ave., N. Y. C., Telephone WA-7-7476.

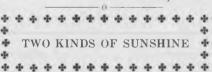
# WOODLAWN CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

The Woodlawn Horseshoe club elected officers for the 1936 season at its first regular semi-monthly meeting held at its club rooms at 307 E. 235th Street, Bronx, N. Y., on Monday evening, March 9, 1936.

The club expressed its appreciation for the efficient and progressive leadership under the present regime by re-electing all incumbent officers for another term. The officers are James A. Connors, president; Felix Taggart, vice president; Joseph R. Tomlinson, treasurer; and William R. Noll, secretary.

The Woodlawn Horseshoe club has progressed rapidly and can point with pride to past achievements, the outstanding accomplishment being that of winning the title of Bronx County Champions for 1935. The club has not only gained notoriety from a horseshoe pitching standpoint, but has also been the source of promoting general social contact among the people of the community and has thereby provided a keen interest in and a tremendous impetus to the enjoyable sport of horseshoes and from present indications there is no doubt but that the 1936 season will be a very successful one.

W. R. KNOLL, Sec.



Raymond Putnam, 97 Lime Avenue, Long Beach, secretary treasurer of the Southern California Horseshoo Pitchers Association, not only warmed our hearts in the National Association office in a letter dated February 7, by sending in 93 membership fees, but he also gave us a real yen to be enjoying the California sunshine.

"We are playing today and sitting around in our shirt sleeves" he wrote on a day when the mercury was running the scale below zero in Ohio. He further said, "Jimmy Risk is still here and pitches regularly with the Long Beach club in its outside matches. Last Monday I scored a game pitched between Risk and Gray against Donathan and Brown. Final score was, Risk 133 ringers, 48 doubles; Gray 134 ringers, 48 doubles; Donathan, 133 ringers, 48 doubles, and Brown 117 ringers, 34 doubles. A total of 517 ringers in 10 standing games."

Not to be outdone, the Wyoming division of the National Association reported at about the same time a total of 103 members, reporting another a day or two later, making a total of 104 for Wyoming. These were mailed to us by Ernest P. Harrison, 2721 O'Neil avenue, Cheyenne, who stated Wyoming is going after this membership drive in a big way. And Wyoming is young in the organization, too!

#### WINS FARMERS' MEET

At a tournament conducted to determine the farmers' horseshoe pitching championship in Pennsylvania, John E. Fulton, Route 5, Carlisle, won.

He claims records of 20 consecutive doubles, 30 ringers out of 32 shoes, 42 ringers out of 50 shoes and 82 ringers out of 100 shoes.

#### GAME GIVEN BOOST

Three pages are devoted to horseshoe pitching, its history, records etc., in the 1936 edition of the All Sports Record Book, compiled and edited by Frank G. Menke, 235 E. 45th Street, New York, N. Y.

Records of all kinds of sports are included in the book. Menke is an authority on sports records and has shown keen interest in the horseshoe

The book sells for \$1.10 by mail.

#### MIAMIL VALLEY HORSESHOE PITCHING ASS'N

Players' Standing for 1935

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Player, Club, League	P	R	DR	SP	W	L	Pct.	
	2480	1690	544	2622	93	9	.645	
Slorp, Edgemont, National	4 4/4	216	63	352	10	2	.614	
Thompson, E. Dayton, Natl		1617	488	2649	84	15	610	
Nester, E. Dayton, Natl		1659	471	2760	87	19	.601	
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Huff, Edgemont, Natl		1356	394		66	15	.591	
Hill, Armco, Natl		1744	504	2974	95	16	.586	
Lackey, Armco, Natl		1811	515	3118	98	19	.581	
Wright, Ft. McKinley, Natl		1206	335	2076	53	12	.581	
Webb, E. Dayton, Natl		1324	370	2326	71	13	.569	
Francis, Piqua, Natl		452	122	854	20	12	.541	
Morgan, Armco, Natl	2508	1545	386	2884	84	28	.536	
Miller, E. Dayton, Natl	2533	1679	433	3178	83	34	.528	
Buriff, E. Dayton, Natl	992	638	171	1248	33	12	.511	
Slaughter, Armco, Natl	2615	1734	447	3404	84	34	.509	
Miller, E., New Lebanon, Am.		30	7	62	3	0	.483	
Danlinger, Ft. McKinley, Natl		989	242	2068	40	25	.478	
Cook, Armco, Natl		1567	357	3414	70	43	.459	
Crabtree, Westwood, Natl		694	160	1524	39	17	.455	
Kuns, Ft. McKinley, Natl		1428	331	3142	52	53	.454	
Isaacs, Armco, Natl								
		1319	295	2952	59	42	.447	
Wesco, E., Piqua, Natl		394	85	884	16	14	.446	
Jones, E. Dayton, Natl		1419	302	3196	60	43	.444	
Miller, D., New Lebanon, Am	2	748	159	1702	54	11	.439	
Davis, Westwood, Natl		300	64	688	8	16	.436	
Kerns, Ft. McKinley, Natl		842	182	1984	22	37	.424	
Metzger, New Lebanon, Am	1472	737	156	1742	47	11	.423	
Cain, E. Dayton, Natl	1176	759	172	1804	28	33	.421	
Lutz, Westwood, Natl	1520	972	217	2354	35	49	.413	
Wright, Edgemont, Natl	168	141	34	344	1	11	.409	
Marcum, Armco, Natl		112	22	276	2	7	.406	
Miller, M., E. Dayton, Am		936	192	2316	56	25	.405	
Hildebrand, Piqua, Natl		841	167	2078	36	36	.404	
Thornton, C., Piqua, Am		1317	270	3272	72	42	.403	
Brandenburg, Lotz Paper, Am		319	80	792	25	5	.403	
Sweibat, Ft. McKinley, Natl		801	163	1998	33	33	.401	
Thompson, Piqua, American		1619	335	4062	79	58		
Pyle, Edgemont, American	489	306	57				.399	
				770	13	11	.397	
Jackman, E. Dayton, America		671	133	1700	42	17	.395	
Staup, N., Edgemont, Natl		924	177	2362	41	37	.391	
Elliott, Piqua, American	4 80 8 8	1076	207	2888	55	47	.373	
Weeks, Ohmer Park, American		834	172	2148	54	18	.388	
Brombaugh, P., New Leb'n, Am		727	146	1876	49	16	.388	
Mumford, E. Dayton, Am		719	136	1854	43	20	.388	
Slanker, E. Dayton, Am		64	118	1670	41	16	.381	
Veits, Ohmer Park, Am	1148	582	126	1532	34	20	.380	
Richardson, Piqua, Am		955	183	2524	50	40	,378	
Huges, Ohmer park, Am		527	97	1400	26	20	,376	
Shank, Lotz Paper, Am	1156	609	111	1652	33	21	.369	
Gilkison, E. Dayton, Am	542	264	45	716	21	3	.369	
Wesco, H., Piqua, Natl	165	134	13	182	4	2	.368	
Bowman, Ft. McKinley, Am	1835	926	171	2510	55	32	.368	
Ganger, Lotz Paper, Am		262	43	716	14	10	.366	
Garrett, Armco, Natl	170	103	21	282	3	6	.365	
Sharp, Westwod, Natl		791	157	2168	25	47	.365	
Boyd, Westwood, Natl	476	310	40	856	10	19	.362	
Staley, Piqua, Natl		1000	192	2780	38	60	.359	
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McLain, Westwood, Natl	200	68	12	190	4	2	.357	
Busch, N. Lebanon, Am	377	203	26	570	11	7	.356	
Miller, P., E. Dayton, Am.	933	496	89	1398	26	19	.356	
Brombaugh, Jr., N. Leba'n, Am		674	121	1904	44	24	.354	
Beatty, Westwood, Natl	769	460	80	1304	20	30	353	
Stump, Westwood, Natl		1037	166	2966	33	72	.350	
Heckman, E. Dayton, Am		821	133	2360	41	35	.348	
Overman, Ohmer Park, Am	409	217	43	624	11	11	.348	
Dasner, Edgemont, American	108	62	9	180	3	3	.344	
Rike, Ft. McKinley, Natl	160	82	15	240	4	5	.342	
Silverthorne, Edgemont, Natl	737	441	77	1302	16	30	,339	
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#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor Horseshoe World:

I am sending \$0.40 in stamps for a copy of the booklet "Science at the Stake." At the same time, I would like to say something about Alvin Dahlene's idea of putting a time limit on a horseshoe game.

I think a much better way would be to limit the number of innings pitched in each game. No matter how slow or fast the different players walk or throw their shoes, the games would all finish within a minute or two of each other and so have the same advantages as the games with a time limit. It is also much easier and faster to figure the ringer percentage when all players pitch the same number of innings.

We have found in our games that at the end of thirty innings, the winner's score is usually pretty close to fifty points. One club that we have played against can only pitch twenty-five innings in a game because they can figure the ringer percentage in their heads by multiplying the number of ringers "pitched by each player" by two.

In a game with a time limit the player that is behind near the finish of the game would probably try to hurry his pitching to get in a few extra throws and he might even accuse his opponent of stalling if he took his time throwing, while in a game with a limit to the innings, the player would just take his time all through the game.

Very truly yours,

RALPH FORSSTROM,

Mgr. of Forest Park Horseshoe Club 896 Worthington St., Springfield, Mass.

#### JOHN A. SWEIBAT

Funeral service for John A. Sweibat, 61, who died at his home on Briar Cliff road, Dayton, Ohio, was held recently at the residence and the Shiloh Congregational church, followed by burial in Woodland cemetery.

The deceased came to Dayton when he was eight years of age directly from his birthplace in Germany, and, for many years, followed his profession as painter and interior decorator. He was an active member of the Ft. McKinley Horseshoe Pitchers club and of the Buckeye State and National associations,

Surviving are his wife, Anna; two daughters, Mrs. Lillian Weishandel, Mrs. Mildred Spohn and a son, Wilson Sweibat; one granddaughter, Bettyjane Weishandel.

# BUCKEYE STATE NEWS

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

#### COMMISSIONERS MEET

The Buckeye State Executive Board met with the District Commissioners at Columbus, Sunday, March 8th, at the K. of C. hall and worked out a plan that will help materially to keep the machinery of the organization working smoothly and all are enthusiastic about the prospects for the biggest season Ohio has ever had. The meeting's high points were presented by talks by Raymond B. Howard, National Secretary-Treasurer, who explained the National-State arrangement and presented samples of the National-State membership cards which will be presented to each person paying their membership dues for 1936-37, which will be 35c. The editor told that the Horseshoe World would be sent to members in clubs of ten for 50c per vear.

#### GEM CITY ON TOES

Dayton Recreation Director Edw. V. Stoecklein and Dr. Pottle are working out a plan by which batteries of six or eight lanes will be placed in the public parks and playgrounds, without cost to the horseshoe clubs, but the director asks the doctor to guarantee that the courts will be cared for and used in the regular season schedule and that proper publicity be given the games and the results be given to the newspapers.

#### TO INSTALL COURTS

Horseshoes in Columbus will take on renewed interest at the meeting March 8th. The Parkview Amusement Company sent Managers Leo and Elmer Heanlein to meet with Commissioner Fred Brust and Dr. Alan Pottle for the Buckeye State Association. The result is that Messrs. Haenlein said the Amusement Company would install a bat-tery of eight lanes in Olentangy Park "Inferior to none in Ohio," provided we furnish high class exhibitions and play the regular season schedule on the new Olentangy Park courts. The Genial Gentlemen of Olentangy Park will issue passes to the horseshoe pitchers for entrance to the park and promise to give our sport radio and newspaper publicity. This should be a big thing for horse-shoes in Central Ohio and this Buckeve State Association will cooperate with the Park Association by having big horseshoe events take place in Olentangy park this summer. This places District No. 9 out in front for accomplishments up to this date. Fine work Commissioner Fred Brust.

#### LADIES TO ORGANIZE

Vice President Hazel Allen spoke encouragingly to the ladies present at the Columbus meeting, urging them to organize as Springfield ladies Horseshoe League has six lady teams of four ladies each, and pitched a regular schedule last season. Hazel will travel anywhere in the state to help the ladies organize. Just write Mrs. Hazel Allen, 1602 West Pleasant St., Springfield, Ohio. The Springfield Ladies League will conduct their own business meetings and arrange their own schedule this season and threaten to place a candidate for Buckeye State President at the next state election. More power to the laries.

#### "WIDOWS" ATTEND MEETING

Henry Gunselman and "Whitie" Reese, two of the mainstays in the Greater Cleveland Association came down to the meeting, bringing their wives with them. The two ladies are really "Horseshoe Widows." Henry and "Whitie" are very busy promoting the game up there and the ladies are left at home. Our sympathy goes out to them, BUT, what would we do about the game without these boosters? Watch these two or three Cleveland Big Boosters do things for the game right soon. They are working on some mighty big ideas, and we think they will "put it over."

#### PLAN BIG YEAR

Fred Robinson, Commissioner for District 14, has high hopes for the biggest year in the Canton area. Fred is a main booster over there. He thinks the National-State set-up is a splendid help to the game.

#### SEEK DUES

Club members are to pay the 35c membership to their secretary, who will turn in the names and the money to the District Commissioner, who will send both the names and the money to the state secretary. Membership cards will then be issued to the paid members and the cards

will be sent to the District Commissioner, who will give them to the club secretary, then the members receive their cards which will be honored on any horseshoe court in the United States where they are affiliated with the National Association.

#### SCHOOL MAN BOOSTS

Commissioner H. G. Danford of District No. 2 is Director of Recreation for the Lima Public Schools, and a real live wire and a booster for our sport. He writes that he will install horseshoe courts in each of 12 of the public schools in Lima. We are mighty glad to have him working with us for the good of the sport and his lead might give our commissioners an idea to approach the school board in their district and offer to furnish a competent instructor at scheduled intervals, if the schools will install proper courts. It's a wonderful idea; let's teach the boys who may show an interest. The coming world champion may be in your school right now; help develop him, then be proud of your achieve-

#### ISSUES CHALLENGE

A challenge was issued to the commissioners when Commissioner Art L. Headlough, of District 11, the Akron District, in a spirited talk to the Columbus assembly said he was determined to secure more memberships than any other commissioner. Art said, "I'm not going to sit around and wait for the members to come to me; I'm going out and work; I'll get the memberships and more of them than any other commissioner." We noticed a significant smile come over the face of Commissioner Henry Gunselman and Albert Mumford while Art was issuing the challenge. We predict a heated contest among the commissioners from here on. Watch them go.

#### RADIO SKIT

The Horseshoe World has in its possession a copy of the radio skit "Horseshoe Pitching," presented recently over WGAR, Cleveland with Henry J. Gunselman, Elmer Schroeder and William Slaybaugh taking part. The script might come in handy for use elsewhere and Mr. Gunselman has kindly consented to our lending it to anyone interested.

BOOST YOUR GAME

# THE NATIONAL SECRETARY'S PAGE

R. B. HOWARD

LONDON, OHIO

USE OFFICIAL SHOES

#### CARDS NOW READY

MEMBERSHIP cards are now ready for distribution to the various state organizations. These cards are done in two colors and are so nice that any horseshoe pitcher will be proud of them.

The National Association now has them ready for distribution soon after receipt of an order from state organizations — they are printed in one color and when an order is received the name of the state will be imprinted in another color, including the numbering of the cards which will be numbered consecutively. Numbering makes it easy to record the number sent to each state and to keep the number issued by each state straight. The cards are signed by the National Secretary and are to be countersigned by the State Secretary or other representative in the state where they are issued.

They are mailed out blank to each state association and are to be filled in by the person issuing them. Each state group or state representative of the National will be charged with all cards sent out and either the cash must be remitted or cards returned to balance the account. A fee of 25 cents is to be charged each member secured. This is to be known as the National fee and each state may add as much as it requires for its own dues to this 25 cents. Local clubs may add both their dues and the state dues, if they desire, but in all cases 25 cents must be segregated as a National Association membership fee. From this amount the State Association may retain 10 cents, remitting 15 cents to the National Secretary at London, Ohio. Blanks for weekly reports will be provided each state official responsible for the report.

No direct memberships will be accepted by the National Association from individual members writing us (except in states where we have no representation). They will be referred to the state organization, who will have complete jurisdiction in that state from June 1, 1936, to June 1, 1937, and as long thereafter as their charters are renewed. The state groups will also issue sanctions

for tournaments in their state, accept club affiliations, etc. (and in the case of club affiliations it must be remembered that such clubs must agree that their members will all pay the National and State dues required).

In cases of district tournaments where more than one state is involved the National office will issue the sanction.

This new plan goes into effect June 1. Several states already have collected many membership fees and both Southern California and Wyoming associations were in in February with money orders covering their first reports. Others report they are ready to follow. Some have been waiting for the membership cards to come off the press.

These cards are now ready for state organizations that can qualify as units of the National Association. Many states have not been heard from and after ample time has been allowed for them to write (and we feel ample time has been allowed) the National Association will proceed to appoint a local or district club or some individual in such states to represent the National. State organizations may later object to this but we can't help it as they should get under the wire NOW. We plan to have an effective membership drive under way in EVERY STATE if possible by June 1, with charters issued and everything working in smooth order. A few state associations have been given official OK by the National Association and these charters will be in their hands in plenty of time to begin the new horseshoe year on June 1. In the meantime the letters issued to them by the National Secretary are ample authority to proceed to collect dues in advance of June 1.

If enough funds are collected in 1936 to finance our own National tournament, and we hope this will happen, the state registering the most members with the National Secretary will be given first opportunity at the 1937 National Tournament. Of course this plan should not be followed in subsequent years as it might be possible for one state to win almost every year and the holding of a tournament in one state year after year would not be a healthy condition. The game is

spread by moving tournaments about as much as possible.

Go to it, now! The membership standings of the states will be published in the Horseshoe World each month. Southern California (93) and Wyoming (104) are in the lead now. Who will be next month?

#### WANT A COPY?

A number of groups planning state horseshoe organizations in the past have written us for copies of constitutions. The Horseshoe World now has a supply of a very excellent set of by-laws and the constitution of the Buckeye State Horseshoe Pitchers Association for those who might wish a copy. Send a 3-cent stamp with the request.

#### WANTS TO JOIN

Dick Oostenink, Jr., box 161, Hull, Iowa, writes us he would like to join the Iowa State Association, thus becoming affiliated with the National. We were compelled to write him that, so far, the Iowa association was not affiliated with the National. How about it, Iowa, are you going to join in the new membership plan adopted at Moline?

Some of these states need to get

#### USE REPORT FORMS

States receiving membership cards from the National Association are asked to report memberships (weekly if possible) on the blanks furnished the state officers. These blanks are the right size and are punched to fit our record book, thus saving a lot of work in our National Association office. Secretaries may receive reports from clubs, district commissioners or others in their state in any form they desire, but please report to the National Association on the blanks provided. Ask for blanks when your supply is low.

#### URGES SHOE COURTS

Dr. Alan R. Pottle recently wrote the City Park Commissioner of Troy, Ohio, urging them to build horseshoe courts in the new athletic field being built under WPA provisions. He wrote them immediately upon seeing a news story in the papers regarding the new project. A good example for state association or club officials to follow. More public courts would be provided if we went after them.

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### MIAMI VALLEY HORSESHOE PITCHERS ASS'N (Cont'd)

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Brombaugh, E., N. Lebn'n Am	226	99	16	292	7	3	,339
Holloway, Lotz Paper, Am		441	79	1309	25	17	.333
Davidson, Ohmer Pk., Am		726	113	2158	41	29	.336
Johnson, Ft. McKinley, Natl	639	444	82	1328	9	39	,334
Mendenhall, Ft. McKinley, Am		1132	191	3410	45	65	.332
McCoy, Ohmer Park, Am	704	326	49	984	22	10	.330
Harmony, Westwood, Natl		701	110	2118	18	55	.331
Derringer, N. Leban'n, Am		591	101	1794	32	28	.329
Long, Edgemont, Am	402	230	40	702	7	17	.328
Shuttleworth, R., Ft. McK, Am	665	321	40	1052	20	14	.304
	1071	524	82	1728	26	33	.303
Mowery, Edgemont, Am	801	467	70	1540	15	34	.303
Timm, Edgemont, Am	325	192	23	636	6	14	.302
Wooley, Westwood, Natl	113	50	5	166	3	3	.300
Thornton, Piqua, Am		884	138	2886	41	50	.306
	353	185	25	626	6	10	.296
Jones, Westwood, Natl	517	234	37	802	16	10	.292
	298	135	28	462	6	11	.292
Deterle, Ohmer Pk, Am	152	-87	14	298	2	9	.292
McKellar, Piqua, Am.	10.2121	425		VI. V. W. C.	12121	26	.291
Adams, Lotz Paper, Am	906		61 36	1460	23		.288
Hodson, Edgemont, Am.	432	305		1058	3	36	
Netzley, J., Edgemont, Am	167	1007	159	302	3	6	.288
Evilsizor, Piqua, American		1087	153	3770	50	76	.288
Bandy, Westwood, Natl	1087	665	81	2316	15	67	.287
Sharp, Ohmer Park, American	335	186	27	654	6	15	.284
Leach, Westwood, Natl	659	363	53	1280	7	39	,284
Johnson, Edgemont, Am	865	489	76	1752	15	47	.279
Stammer, Lotz Paper, Am		633	88	2284	26	46	.277
Strain, Lotz Paper, Am	327	156	18	578	8	10	.270
Shuttleworth, Ft. McK, Am		47	6	178	0	8	.267
Looker, Ft. McK, Am	1219	572	83	2156	32	38	.265
Galligan, Edgemont, Am		1150	162	4352	36	112	.264
Bowman, Edgemont, Am		951	131	3636	29	97	.262
Wilson, Westwood, Natl	92	49	3	188	1	5	.260
Derringer, D., N. Lebanon, Am	694	337	36	1308	15	26	,258
Snodgrass, Ft. McKinley, Am	1173	530	77	2078	22	49	,255
Merrick, Ohmer Park, Am	300	155	21	616	4	17	.251
List, New Lebanon, Am	369	139	17	554	10	7	.251
Blevins, Lotz Paper, Am	277	137	21	566	4	14	.242
Connors, Ohmer Park, Am	503	207	26	856	12	14	,242
Ford, Piqua, American	83	37	3	154	2	2	.240
Ayer, Westwood, Natl	27	13	2	54	0	2	.240
Brombach, O., N. Lebanon, Am	52	27	3	114	0	3	.237
Houser, Piqua, American	154	93	13	396	0	12	.235
Etter, M., Ft. McKinley, Am	443	201	27	860	8	20	.234
Shepard, Edgemont, Am	595	252	33	1078	11	25	.234
Etter, G., Ft. McKinley, Am	840	446	53	1916	9	60	,233
Beair, Piqua, American	1026	484	71	2118	19	51	.229
Hughes, Westwood, Natl	1380	695	93	3091	26	67	.225
Heckman, Ft. McKinley, Am	505	266	28	1222	5	35	.218
Lewis, Ft. McKinley, Am	642	298	34	1390	10	38	.215
Weikert, Lotz Paper, Am	115	55	4	258	1	8	.213
Kelly, E. Dayton, Am	310	134	14	638	5	19	.210
Tanner, E. Dayton, Am	641	280	29	1332	10	31	.210
Waggoner, Lotz Paper, Am	191	68	5	332	5	7	.205
Keener, N. Lebanon, Am	61	23	5	112	0	3	.205
Brombaugh, R., N. Leb'non, Am	91	39	5	192	3	4	.203
Boyd, Ohmer Pr., Am	63	30	3	144	2	2	.200
Brown, Lotz Paper, Am	156	49	5	248	4	5	.198
Logan, Edgemont, Am	172	78	4	406	2	10	.193
Wright, Lotz Paper, Am	414	139	5	750	8	21	.185
Heitsman, Ft. McKinley, Am	22	11	1	60	0	2	.183
Gabor, Edgemont, Am	74	32	6	176	2	4	.181
Smith, Ohmer Park, Am	63	28	0	156	1	3	.179
Drake, Edgemont, Am	750	316	39	1806	13	45	.175
Powell, Edgemont, Am	52	27	4	156	0	6	.173
Cordonnier, Ohmer Pk., Am	67	31	3	186	0	7	.166
Marshall, Edgemont, Am	268	96	5	601	4	17	.158
Slorp, C., Edgemont, Am	96	28	4	180	2	4	.155
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Angeles, California.

# RICHMOND COUNTY NOTES

Members of the Richmond county (N. Y.) association have had a wonderful time at every meeting held. They also had three get-together parties for members and their families. At the closing of last season, a great New Year's party and last month a barn dance. The association medal for the best costume for men was won by Arthur Jones. The association bar pin for the best costume for ladies was won by Mrs. Ray Emde. The Dark Horse, a beautiful electric alarm clock won by Mr. Carl Boelke.

Mr. William Simmons, ably assisted by Messrs. Hanly, Jones, Emde and "Scoty" Forbes put on a wonderful barn dance. They secured the Great "Eyes" Carter and his Hot Peppers to play for the dancing. These men are the best colored musicians and entertainers to be had around New York City. Frank Gamble acted as a reception committee chairman and as master of ceremonies.

All members of this association will be in uniform this coming season.—Contributed.

#### CHANGE IN TURN HELPED

George LaRose, member of the Syracuse Horseshoe club was pitching 60 per cent with the three-quarter turn and decided to adopt the one and three-quarter with the result that in 23 days he was pitching 70 per cent. Harold Ellen reports this and substantiates the fact that La-Rose is a good pitcher by sending us a certified copy of scores kept at the club showing an average on 400 shoes pitched by the New Yorker, resulting in a ringer percentage of 69.5. The total of the five 50-shoe tosses is: 939 points; 278 ringers; 102 doubles; 400 shoes.

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### SECRETARY'S PAGE (Cont'd)

#### CINCINNATI LAGS

The horseshoe pitchers of Cincinnati, Ohio, and vicinity, seem to be lagging behind so far as organization is concerned. We had hoped to see them well represented at the Columbus meeting. Maybe it isn't fair for us to single out a community like this but the Greater Cincinnati area should be on a par with Cleveland, Canton and some of the others. Akron is getting back in the fold, after having once been the horseshoe capital of the world. Why not Cincinnati?

#### AND STATES LAG ALSO

And a number of states are lagging behind also. How many of our readers live in a state where there is no state organization? If so, why not get busy. Even a small club may become the beginning of a state organization.

And how many of our readers live in a state where there is a state organization and nothing has been done to tie into the new National-State membership drive. There used to be state organizations who claimed they felt the \$25.00 charter fee asked by the National was too much. This is no excuse now-the state charters are free to live-wire state organizations who will help themselves as well as the National by collecting 25 cents per year as National dues (in addition to whatever the state or local club may wish to add) and retaining 15 cents of this for their trouble in making the collection. All kinds of help from the National will be given and their pitchers will be permitted to play in recognized tournaments, including the National tour-

It is bad where there is no state association, but it is far worse where there is one and nothing is done in the interest of its membership looking toward affiliating with the National. Pitchers in such states would do well to urge their officers to do something about it at once. The new year begins June 1.

#### WILL START CLUB

It is the hope of horseshoe pitchers at Casper, Wyo., to organize a horseshoe club there soon. John S. Humphreys, 1215 East Third street, Casper, is one of the leaders there.

#### JUDGE IS PITCHER

We don't hear much about horseshoe pitching in Texas, but there's at least one real booster for the game in Vernon, Texas. He is Judge W. N. Stokes, of the 46th Judicial District.

#### TANNER IN TOWN NOW

Our genial National President L. E. Tanner is now living in Anchor, Ill. He recently had a public sale on his farm and moved to town.

President Tanner has shown keen interest in the new membership drive and the stamp plan and urges all the horseshoe pitchers to make 1936 the banner year in organization work.

#### LOOK FOR THE STAMPS

Horseshoe pitchers will be buying new shoes now that the warmer weather has come in the northern areas. Be sure the shoes you buy are made by one of the manufacturers co-operating in the National Association stamp plan if you want to be sure that your purchase has caused the manufacturer to contribute two cents to your National Association. This fund will permit the National to do many things for you as a horseshoe pitcher. It is such a small sum no manufacturer can reasonably object. Most all manufacturers are co-operating and we hope to have the others in by the next

#### NEW BOOKLET PRICE

Roy W. Smith, Box 313, Wallowa, Oregon, author of the booklet, "Science at the Stake," writes us announcing that he has cut the price of the booklet to 25c per copy instead of 40c,

A flashy new red cover has been placed on the booklet which is a very interesting one and contains many helpful hints to pitchers. Mr. Smith is a very good horseshoe pitcher and offers considerable valueable advice to those who wish to improve their game.

#### MAKES 'EM STEP LIVELY

A. J. Buchanan is one of the better pitchers on the Lake Worth, Fla., lanes. He put on the ringers in games with Frank Jackson and Blair Nunamaker, when they visited Lake Worth, making these ex-champs step.

#### REAL SPORTS IN PHILLY

The Bodine Horseshoe club has a fine indoor club room with four lanes located at 4265 N. Bodine St., Philadelphia, Pa., and would like to get in touch with other Philadelphia tossers, according to Bob Holdcraft, president.

"What we lack in skill we make up in enthusiasm," Bob says in his letter. That's the spirit, and more power to you!

#### CHEYENNE (WYO.) CLUB RECORDS

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	W	L	GP	Pct.	R%c
C. Carllson	54	1	55	98.2	56.8
E. Harrison	93	14	107	86.9	46.3
G. McMasters	40	8	48	83.3	39.1
R. D. Viner	53	18	71	74.6	34.2
T.M. Wymore	43	15	58	74.1	37.0
E. Zwonitzer	46	16	62	72.6	33.2
L. L. Briggs	29	13	42	69.0	27.7
M. Thompson	73	33	106	68.9	36.1
A. L. McNeil	55	30	85	64.7	39.8
L. W. Farrell	77	43	120	64.2	35.6
L. Davis	16	9	25	64.0	40.9
Art Lind	55	31	86	64.0	36.2
Geo. Donovan	42	25	67	62.7	38.9
E. Thompson	42	33	75	56.0	29.6
E.M. Johnson	39	32	71	54.9	26.4
H. Neeman	32	36	68	47.1	24.8
R. Bendio	31	38	69	44.8	27.9
J. W. Esther	33	45	78	42.3	23,6
C.M. Scrinber	25	36	61	41.0	23.0
W.I. Wollcott	22	35	57	38.6	23.6
A. R. Martin	16	33	49	32,7	19.9
		400			

#### WANT QUOIT GAMES

The Bonnie Leslie Quoit club is seeking match games with other Quoit clubs and those who are interested in pitching this splendid Kentucky outfit should get in touch with Charles Boschert, Jr., secretary treasurer, Bonnie Leslie Quoit Club, 237 Grandview Avenue, Bellevue, Ky.

# ORGANIZE NEW LEAGUE IN MARYLAND

At a recent meeting a new horseshoe league to be known as "The Maryland State Horseshoe League" was organized. A handicap system which will aid the less efficient pitcher will be in progress.

The league will be run in the following manner:

1. Each team will play 144 games throughout the season.

2. A game will consist of 50 pitched shoes by one of the four man team.

3. The player obtaining the greatest total number of ringers including the handicap out of the 50 shoes pitched wins the game.

4. Explanation of the handicap system: Player A averages 30 ringers out of 50 shoes; Player B averages 15 ringers out of 50 shoes; As the difference is 15 ringers, player B receives a 15 ringer handicap.

5. League averages and handicaps will be determined each week.

"We are trying out this new idea because the game of horseshoes on an organized plane is comparatively new in the state and we have had some difficulty in persuading the beginners to take part in the state tournament or to pitch in competition against the high class pitchers," writes Temple R. Jarrell, 23 Ralston Av., Hyattsville, Maryland.

#### MIDWEST TOURNAMENT

Horseshoe pitching will be featured at the Sportsmen's exhibition and horse show in the American Royal pavilion, in Kansas City, Mo., April 17, 18, and 19. A Midwest tournament, open to all tossers of the shoes, will be held in connection with bait casting, archery, soccer football and other competitive events on the program. Two hundred elimination shoes to be tossed in events of 100 each, will be pitched for qualification. Cash awards will go to the winners. The awards:

First place, \$30; second place, \$20; third, \$15; fourth, \$10; fifth, \$7;, sixth, \$5.

The entry fee will be \$2, which will include admittance to the show. All entries should be sent to F. H. Servatius, 200 Livestock Exchange building, Kansas City, Mo.

#### WILSON IS RE-ELECTED

Hugh C. Wilson, who originated organized horseshoe pitching at Peekskill, N. Y., was re-elected President and General Manager of the Peekskill Brookside Horseshoe Pitching club for the fourth consecutive year at the annual meeting of the club held on February 27th.

The Peekskill Brookside Club will rebuild its courts in the spring. The plans are for a perfect layout of six courts in a row.

The club has five courts at present with a group of three running north and south and the other two running east and west. The new arrangement will permit the construction of a grand stand that will permit observers to overlook all six courts during the progress of contests. It is proposed to construct the new platforms of concrete.

William Valentine and Clessen Croft two of the ace pitchers of the Brookside club have been spending the Winter at St. Petersburg, Florida, where they have been enjoying their favorite game. Valentine recently placed sec-

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ond to J. D. Hough, veteran horseshoe pitcher from Urbana, Ohio, in a contest conducted on the courts of the Sunshine Pleasure club. Hough won 10 games and lost one while Valentine won nine and lost two. There were 12 entries in the contest.

#### THE COLUMBUS MEETING

On the Ohio page, news for which is contributed to this magazine, will be found notes on a recent meeting of the Buckeye State Horseshoe Pitchers Association officials and commissioners at Columbus.

It was the good fortune of the editor of the Horseshoe World to be invited to this meeting and we found it one of the most interesting and enthusiastic attended in a long time.

It did us a lot of good to meet "Dad" Fisher, of Columbus, again, who attended the meeting and renewed old acquaintances. Of course the regular stand-bys were there with some new faces. Art L. Headlough, former head of the National Association, came down from Akron and injected some enthusiasm in the meeting which was ably handled by Dr. Alan Pottle, president.

Secretary D. O. Chess is now prepared to receive membership dues in Ohio. The procedure is explained on the Ohio page.

The editor wishes it were possible to attend such meetings in other states, but so far the expense has been prohibitive.

COLLECTORS ARE BUSY

The stamp collectors are taking an interest in the green stamps published by the National Horseshoe Pitchers' Associtaion for sale to the manufacturers. Several sales have been made to stamp collectors.

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Thomas, E. Dayton, American	132	44	3	348	2	10	.126
Day, Lotz Paper, American	62	19	2	152	0	16	.125
Dafler, E. Dayton, American	256	102	Б	836	0	30	.122
Schwartz, Ft. McKinley, Am	31	18	0	252	0	12	.071
Netzley, Edgemont, Am	18	5	0	76	0	0	.065

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