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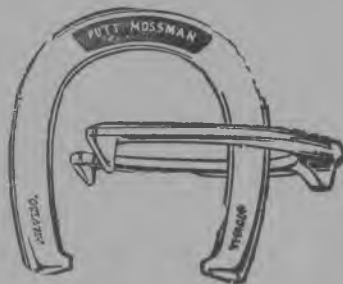
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Just Among Ourselves



WE want to make another plea that horseshoe pitchers, who are really interested in seeing their favorite sport amount to something, insist on equipment that is advertised in the Horseshoe World and comes from manufacturers who really help the game . . . A lot of firms are carrying horseshoe equipment as a sideline and don't contribute a red cent toward the growth of the game . . . why support them? . . . Look over the Horseshoe World any month for the past several months and you can count on one hand the real friends of the game among the equipment manufacturers. . . This magazine is now published at a loss in hopes that the game will grow and that manufacturers will see the wisdom of advertising . . . the association will soon be operated at a loss also, if we don't stick together . . . Let's help ourselves! Boost your national association and may we ask that you boost the Horseshoe World, too.

MAY, 1930

Let's Help Him

OUR secretary, D. D. Cottrell, is on a trip through Europe, but a capable man has been left in charge of the National Association's affairs—W. J. Seas, Treasurer of the organization, and now, Acting Secretary.

We owe it to Mr. Seas to give him our loyal support. He is a busy man and the additional duties put upon him will take much of his time. We are sure he won't mind this if all the clubs in the country rally to his support.

Why not surprise him by sending in your club membership dues now?

You will find Mr. Seas quite efficient and most willing to help you.

OUR READERS COME FIRST

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

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Ohio Tournament To Be Held At Lakeside August, 4-9

THE Ohio State Championship tournament will be held at Lakeside, August 4-9, according to an announcement by K. E. Miller, of Lakeside, secretary-treasurer.

A prize list of at least \$300 will be posted and it is expected that the entry list will be a large one.

Mr. Miller will act as tournament manager and will be assisted by other experts in the game.

Following is the list of those who pitched last year, many of whom will probably sign up for the Ohio classic this year:

Allison, Walter B., Northup, O.
 Anspaugh, J. R., New Carlisle, O.
 Beck, Fred, Mt. Gilead, O.
 Bement, M. E., Wakeman, O., Medina County Champion.
 Buchman, George, Fremont, O.
 Collins, Harry, Toledo, O., Toledo City Champion.
 Cooper, Edward Jr., Tippecanoe City, O.
 Craft, M., Toledo, O.
 Cutler, E. T., Toledo, O.
 Danner, H. Raymond, Gallipolis, O.
 Eachus, F. F., Gallipolis, O.
 Estep, John, Tiffin, O.
 Ferguson, Myron M., Columbus, O.
 Gardner, Chas. E., Canton, O.
 Hite, Frank, Fremont, O.
 Hough, James D., Urbana, O.
 Keim, Charles W., Old Fort, O.
 Light, Orlo H., Bucyrus, O.
 Meier, Art, Columbus, O., Columbus Dispatch, Central Ohio Champion
 Morris, D. F., Columbus, O., Madison County Champion.
 Phillabaum, Girard, Lakeside, O.
 Rockwood, Lyle, Wakeman, O., Lorain County Champion.
 Rodebaugh, Frank D., Canton, O.
 Rule, Roy, Galion, O.
 Shank, E. C., Clayton, O.
 Slorp, E. N., New Madison, O.
 Todd, Clifford, Zanesville, O., Muskingum County Champion.
 Todd, Bernard, Zanesville, O.
 Torbert, Myron, West Mansfield, O.
 Tobert, W. K., West Mansfield, O.
 Warner, C. T., Columbus, O.
 Wheeler, H., Canton, O.
 Wright, L. E., Canton, O., Stark County Champion.
 Yocum, W. P., Zanesville, O.; 1922-23 State Champion; present county champion.
 Zimmerman, Howard, Fremont, O.
 All Ohioans who toss the slippers

are urged to read the letter issued by Secretary Miller, which reads as follows:

To All Ohio Horseshoe Enthusiasts:

With the coming of spring weather horseshoe pitching fans all over the State of Ohio are getting out the old shoes and stakes and warming up in preparation for the season's campaign.

The pitchers who took part in the state tournament conducted at Lakeside last summer organized an Ohio State Horseshoe Pitchers Association and elected the following officers: Judge William N. Crowe, Millersburg, president; James Vinson, Toledo, 1st vice president; Judge Amos Keller, Bucyrus, 2nd vice president; Clifford Todd, Zanesville, 3rd vice president; and K. E. Miller, Lakeside, secretary treasurer. The constitution adopted last summer provides for individual membership at \$1.00; Class B clubs (under 50 members) \$5.00; Class A clubs (50 members or more) \$10.00; and further provides that only members of the state association or affiliated clubs may take part in the Annual State Championship Tournament.

A recent vote of the officers indorses the proposal of the secretary that we include a subscription to the Horseshoe World with each individual membership and five subscriptions with each club membership. An arrangement has been worked out with the editor of The Horseshoe World which makes possible the above agreement.

In other words, with the payment of \$1.00, any person may become a member of the State Association and eligible for the State Tournament; will help to boost the game in Ohio and will receive a year's subscription to The Horseshoe World.

Won't you send in your dollar now for a year's membership and, if you are already a subscriber to The Horseshoe World, your subscription will be extended one year. Talk to your friends and to the officers of your club and let's make it a real state organization.

By action of the State Executive Committee, the State Championship Tournament for 1930 will again be held at Lakeside, August 4-9. Further information about the tournament will be sent you later. Plan

now to attend the tournament either as a contestant or a spectator and send us the names of your friends that you would like to have interested in the State Association and in the tournament.

Yours for good pitching,

K. E. M.,

Sec'y O.S.H.P. Ass'n

New Club Has

Fine Clay Courts

The Nassau County Horseshoe Pitchers Club of Nassau County, Long Island, N. Y., is erecting five fine clay courts and interest in the game is rapidly growing. Included in the membership are physicians and business men, some who drive 40 miles just to toss the irons.

More members can easily be accommodated and it is expected that others will join. F. Albertus, 138 Sterling Place, Brooklyn, N. Y., is secretary.

Membership in the club includes a subscription to The Horseshoe World.

Members of the club would like to arrange matches by correspondence.

MOSSMAN BOOKS

IOWA STATE FAIR

"Putt" Mossman has signed a contract with the Iowa State Fair Association, whereby he is to give two daily exhibitions every day during the fair, ten days.

Mossman is to appear in fancy pitching, tumbling, and high kicking, every day at 11:30 a. m. on the horseshoe courts, and every night he is to make an appearance in front of the grandstand where he will be watched by approximately 15,000 persons, the largest crowd for horseshoe pitching as far as is known. At night "Putt" will do his fancy pitching, high kicking, tumbling, and stunt motorcycle riding. The contract also calls for Putt's sister Desie to do some stunt pitching both times.

The State Fair is held the last ten days of August.

Ferd Drey, Beresford, S. Dak., who last year defeated E. J. Stewart, of Adair, Ia., winning the world's championship in the veterans class of 65 years and over, is ready to defend his title this summer. He is in his 70th year.

FORT WAYNE, IND. INDOOR COURTS



Opposed To "Barn Yard Golf" As Name

We clip the following from Dr. M. M. Wickware's column in the National Gleaner Forum, Detroit, Mich.:

Keep young; keep fit; massage your liver; dissipate excess abdominal fat; stir your circulation and tone up your heart muscles! How? Why, play at horseshoes, of course. —M. M. W.

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The Gleaner Temple horseshoe courts are in use nearly every day at the noon hour, despite the weather conditions. Companion Josh Cochran and his "bunch" of Walkerton, Ind., please take notice.

TO INSTALL COURTS

H. G. Starbuck, lessee-manager of Livingston Park, Jackson, Miss., plans the addition of horseshoe courts to the many other attractions at the park.

One of the best indoor courts in America was that operated by J. C. Hahn, in Ft. Wayne, Ind., the past year.

Mr. Hahn gives the following description of his courts: Clay boxes filled by brick clay five and one-half inches deep, from side to side, 5 ft. 10 ins., with 14-in. standing place. Stake holders bolted in an 8x2 board. Boxes set on floor. Back board 2 1/4 ins. high and back of this a 1-in. mesh netting set back eight inches and on the side.

In the picture above are: (Left to right) Harold Hartman, Henry Lemke, Morris Parisot, Dr. Paul Kucher, George Lenz, Officer Wm. Fett, Chris. Worbleking, William Sheets (sitting) Chris. Hahn, Mgr., F. C. Parham, Harry Vaughn.

We have just received some press matter regarding the Missouri State Fair, Sedalia, August 16-23. Nothing said about a horseshoe tournament, but we presume one will be held.

MOSSMAN IN "BELIEVE IT OR NOT"

Robert Ripley, author of the "Believe it or not" drawings, which are appearing in various newspapers in the United States, has announced that he will undoubtedly use Putt Mossman in one of his subjects for a drawing soon, because of the El-dora boy's record as an all-around athlete.

Mossman bases his claim to the title of world's champion all-around athlete because of his record as a horseshoe pitcher, tumbler, high kicker, baseball player, motorcycle rider and about a dozen other accomplishments.

MANAGED COURT

F. O. Burt, 511 Washburn Street, Elgin, Ill., was manager, the past winter, of indoor courts at Elgin. Much interest was manifest in the indoor sport.

∴ THE LETTER BOX ∴

Where Ideas are Exchanged and Gossip of the Shoe Lanes are Written

(EDITOR'S NOTE—We print all letters sent to us for publication. We do not always agree with the writers, but believe our readers have a right to their opinions. Unsigned letters are ignored.)

Walton, N. Y., April 14, 1930
Mr. R. B. Howard;

Dear Sir: After reading the Horseshoe World for a few years I thought I would write a few lines about the open shoe. I never heard of such a thing until I went to the State Fair at Syracuse, N. Y., in 1924. I have pitched horseshoes all my life for the sport I get out of it. The American Agriculturist put up a prize of \$100 for the best team in the state. I took my partner and went up to the state fair. My partner and I thought we would win, but we got our eyes opened then for the first time. We made up our minds that we had something to learn.

I have been pitching on and off ever since, when I could get in a tournament, but have never gotten anywhere, but yet I love the game, and love to watch the good fellows pitch. I don't see how they pitch the way they do. I don't know whether it would make me better if I would change my name to Mossman, Risk or Nunamaker, or several other names or not. I have gone to Rochester, New York, for four years to the tournament. I met a lot of the best fellows you ever saw and I have had more fun than any other man there.

I like the sport and the vacation. It does me good to see those fellows pitch those ringers. If I can't do it myself, I like to see the other fellows do it. I think every year that I will not go to the tournament, but it is a hard job to stay away after you get at it once again.

Sincerely yours,

G. B. TWEEDIE.

Editor Horseshoe World,
London, O.

Dear Sir:

As an ardent lover of the game of horseshoes, it seems to me that the suggested change in the rules would be most radically unwise.

It would remove the thrill of con-

test which is absolutely necessary to hold interest of players in any game of skill. While not an expert, yet pitching a fairly good game, I am convinced that the first pitch has no advantage, and surely the fans would not enjoy seeing two men try to see how many ringers they could make.

That change would spoil the game for me.

Yours very truly,

LEON L. COLE

St. Bonaventure, N. Y.

The Horseshoe World.

Gentlemen: Enclosed please find my renewal to The Horseshoe World magazine. I would not be without it. I find it very interesting, as I am a great lover of the game myself, being a member of the Lincoln Park Horseshoe Pitching Club, of Chicago, Ill., as its manager.

We have 12 up-to-date courts here and we sure do have some regular high-class pitching here namely, for city title of Chicago, also Cook county and the city recreation parks titles are played here on our courts.

I never miss any of the tournaments. A strange thing happened here last fall. One of our members, Mr. Geo. Lufkin, held city title for championship which was won from him in a tightly contested game by a boy only 14 years old, who, by the way, also won the Cook county and the city parks, which take in all the parks in the city. He is a wonder. He had to throw 65 per cent to win in the city and county.

I am personally acquainted with a good many of the stars of the good old game, such as Putt Mossman, Frank Jackson, of Kellerton, Ia., and his sons, and believe me they can put them on the peg, too. Mr. C. C. Davis, of Columbus, that by the way, is my old home town. I spent one winter in your town of London, O., too. Mr. C. R. Thompson, the past several years a national tournament contender is a personal friend of

mine. He lost the Illinois state title at Fairbury, Ill., last fall by three points, score 50 to 47.

Also know the Schultz sisters, of Harvey, Ill., of whom you gave an account in your February issue. The girls are good. I just got through seeing them perform on an inside court in one of our largest department stores here in the city, namely the Fair, located at Adams and State. They were there for a week, doing wonderful pitching against all comers. They made as high as 78 ringers in several games. Of course this was a 30-foot pitch, but I did not see any of the boys beat them, and I saw quite a number of them try to do just that.

Well, now, I hope we all have a good year for the good old game. I wish I knew my Bible like I do this grand old game of horseshoes.

P. S.—Our courts are now covered with about two feet of snow here in Chicago. We had an awful storm here this last week. All transportation was tied up.

Well, here's hoping for a very good and prosperous year for the good old sport.

Yours truly,

HARRY H. SULLIVAN,

331 Center St.,

Chicago, Ill.

Mgr. Lincoln Park Horseshoe Pitching Club.

TO HOLD BANQUET

The Lee Sportsmen's Association, Lee, Mass., is making elaborate plans for their Annual Banquet, which will be held on or about May 15th, at which time they anticipate entertaining about 350 sportsmen, representing the entire western section of the state.

COTTRELL SAILS APRIL 26

We had a post card from Secretary D. D. Cottrell acknowledging the Horseshoe World's telegram of good wishes for a splendid trip to Europe. The card was mailed from Boston, Mass., where his ship, the S. S. Arabic, touched the day after he sailed from New York, April 26.

The Horseshoe World has received requests from all parts of the United States for sample copies following the recent article of horseshoe pitching in the Country Gentleman. Many new subscribers have been added to the list and we welcome all the newcomers and invite their suggestions, news and criticisms.

More About Amateurs

Editor The Horseshoe World:

Comments in The Horseshoe World under the heading, "Just Among Ourselves," was quite interesting, especially what was said regarding giving amateur pitchers a chance.

Where is the line to be drawn when it comes to designating the amateur and the professional. And how many pitchers would be left, if strict classification was made of the two divisions, and the professionals taken from the ranks?

Are we sure the amateurs (if any really true amateurs could be found) would approve of this, since they would not want to be confined strictly to their own class, but have a chance to meet the higher-ups.

To the rookie in the game, the real thrill comes with the opportunity of meeting the big boys. And again if a tournament was open only to bonafide amateurs, there would not be enough spectators to furnish scorekeepers for the event.

I most certainly agree with the suggestion of The Horseshoe World that something must be done, and it is not along the line of endeavoring to encourage more so-called amateurs to enter the local, state and national contests, as there are always enough of these to swell the entry lists.

The evil lies in the fact that the average spectator knows just what the outcome will be before the tournament starts. He has come to realize that there are just a few men who have held a monopoly on the world's championship through all the years, and from all indications, are going to continue to dominate the situation, and for that reason he is not going to take the time and spend his money to see exactly the same thing happen that he has seen so many times before.

If some rule or system could be worked out, that would be no bar to any class of pitchers, and at the same time build up an interest in the game from the spectators' point of view, it would be a forward step in gaining the support the game must have.

In view of these facts, I am going

to submit a plan, which I realize is far from perfect, but one I believe is workable, and far better than the present system.

I would first recommend that Mr. D. D. Cottrell, secretary of the national organization, and Mr. R. B. Howard, editor of The Horseshoe World, be named a committee of two on classification and handicapping; their work to be the grouping of all pitchers into four divisions, according to their rank or ability, and the placing of handicaps in the various divisions.

The four groups would consist of Class A, all players who have held the world's championship; Class B, all players that have been runners-up to the world's champions, including those that have finished fifth or better in the national tournaments. Class C, all players who finished in the positions from sixth to twelfth in the national pitches, as well as all state champions; Class D all players not reckoned good enough for the other classes.

The handicapping plan would be along this line: Credit the pitchers of each group in this manner:

Class A—The best pitchers in the world, no credit points, merely a cipher in the first inning on the scorecard, which means they will have to get the full fifty points in their games to win.

Class B—Pitchers of the second rank, we give a credit of five points which will be placed to their credit on the scorecard and they will be required to get 45 more points in their games to win.

Class C—Third rank pitchers we will give a credit of 10 points and they will need 40 more points per game.

Class D—Will include all pitchers not good enough for the upper ranks and will have a credit of 15 points; 35 to be made by the pitcher in order to win his game.

Let us say that the pitchers under these four classifications and handicaps are all lined up, and ready to start in a tournament, each player will have pinned to his back a card

giving his regular player number; also the number of his credit points and when two pitchers are called out for a game, the scorekeeper will note for the exact number of points the these and give each player credit in the first inning on the scorecard cards show are allotted to each pitcher. In other words the allotted points to each pitcher will stand to his credit in every game he pitches.

The classification would no doubt have to be revised after each tournament, since many pitchers in the lower ranks would be working to the upper divisions, while possibly some in the upper group would have to be ranked downward, with the exception of Class A pitchers who would have to remain in that group.

I believe this system of handicapping the good pitchers, thereby equalizing the chances of all players in winning in a tournament, will create an absolute uncertainty as to the final result and thus stimulate a decided increased interest in the game.

A pitch conducted along this line would be similar to the Grand American Handicap premier Trapshooting event of the world, which had last year 1000 participants, including all the best shots in the world, and the handicaps work so nicely that practically a new man wins each year.

In order to hold down the entry list to reasonable proportions and also assure high class pitchers in each division, I would increase the entry fee to eight dollars.

This system could be applied to state as well as national tournaments, by ranking the pitchers of the state into their proper groups, with the exception of Class A pitchers which would be barred from competition.

I would like very much to see a national summer tournament held in a northern state this year with some such plan as this given a trial.

I am not advocating that this system be adopted and used just as it is given. I am submitting it only as an outline, whereby, if favored by the pitchers, and my suggestion that the Messrs. Cottrell and Howard serve as the committee on arrangements, approved, then it will be up to the committee to make the classification place the handicaps, and put the plan into action.

W. K. TORBERT.

West Mansfield, O.

NEWS, OFFICIAL REPORTS, ETC.

From the Secretary's Desk

W. J. Seas
Treas. and Acting Sec'y
P. O. BOX 1735
ST. PETERSBURG, FLA.

I am pitching words for D. D. Cottrell. Pitching words for him because someone had to do it. He is in Europe somewhere by this time looking things over. It's not his first time over that way. He visited Europe, Asia and Africa some years ago and can tell you more about the Holy Land in ten minutes than any other man I ever met. When he returns he will have a lot more to tell.

When Mr. Cottrell said he was going to make that trip this summer, no matter what turned up in the way of business, I knew he meant it. We officers were afraid he would resign as secretary of the National Association. Winter being a very busy time for me, I left it to the other officers to look around for some one to act for him during his absence. That's how I got this job. I was afraid not to take it, thinking Cottrell might resign if the first man they asked turned it down. You might think differently, but you may not know Cottrell. Having this in mind, I am going to get you better acquainted with your secretary.

When D. D. was a boy, he sold magazine subscriptions for ready change. He was working for one magazine only until one day a lady asked him to take her subscriptions for several other monthlies. Knowing the price, he never hesitated a minute until the lady suggested to the boy that she should have a reduction in price because he was getting such a big order. The lady did not know it, and may not know it to this day, but her words to a boy are what started magazine subscription selling on the club plan, and selling them by mail.

Cottrell started building a business on that lady's words. Soon he had to have a stenographer, and he had to have that girl right in the little New York town where he still lives. It wasn't long until he had to have another and another, and so on until all the young girls in the community were stenographers and working for Cottrell in the magazine subscription business. They were all helping to sell magazine subscriptions by mail to everybody from the baby on up to the grandparents.

Long before this reached the big business stage Uncle Sam had also handed the small town postoffice with the big business over to Cottrell. He handled this so efficiently that mail order men all over the country still point to our secretary as the ideal postmaster for the mail order business.

Eventually he got to the age where he wanted to retire and enjoy accumulated returns. He did that thing one morning when a blizzard was raging. While standing at a window, looking out and wishing he could go where he could get some outdoor exercise in his shirt sleeves, a young man walked in and the business changed administrative heads.

In a few days he was headed for Florida. There he saw some fellows pitching horseshoes. It looked to him as if the game could be improved in many particulars. Getting a pair of shoes he started to play the game, began to suggest improvements in the shoes, the manner of pitching, methods of scoring and a hundred other things. Things pertaining to the game that you may wonder where they came from. I know where they came from because I was watching Cottrell and learning a lot about horseshoes and life in its many phases from the former magazine subscription man.

Without qualifying the statement whatever, let me tell you that D. D. Cottrell has done more for the horseshoe game than any other man. Instead of living retired as he had intended to do, he has for nearly a decade, put more time to boosting the horseshoe game than most of us do in our regular vocation. Since he was elected national secretary he has been drawing \$50 a month salary for his work and spending several times that much out of his own pocket to go here and there to boost the game and in other ways. I know he can not even charge all his postage, etc., because I have his files and correspondence beside me as I write this (you ought to see the pile) and I, as treasurer, also pay the bills he hands in for postage.

And now, you horseshoe pitchers in all frankness and fairness, do we

appreciate the efforts of Mr. Cottrell as secretary of the National Association? I will give you a few figures; then let you judge for yourself.

The National Association during the past fiscal year had an income of \$888.84. Cottrell got that money for us. Got it in by applying business principles to the horseshoe game and a lot of time that a man likes to have for himself and his family. He sold \$60 worth of advertising in the "Horseshoe Pitching" booklet he wrote and we published; he received \$75 from a manufacturing concern for permission to reprint a part of the text in that booklet; he got \$173.13 as the bonus for the 1929 winter tournament at St. Petersburg; he got \$86.00 entrance fees, some of the remainder of the \$888.84 came from the several state associations and clubs that paid their dues and from five people who paid individual dues for membership in the National Association. This part of the income, however, was small compared to what he got in for us by selling the booklets at a small profit and selling the idea of conducting horseshoe pitching tournaments at the state and county fairs to the fair associations according to the association rules, charging for these sanctions and issuing certificates of championship for them. In addition to this we still have a supply of booklets for sale that will net us a neat sum. In presenting these facts I do not seek to admonish anybody. I am simply laying the proposition before the horseshoe pitchers so they can individually see what the pitchers are collectively doing to help Cottrell in his efforts.

In conclusion I want to call the attention of all pitchers and others interested to the impetus the game is receiving this spring from publicity in the weekly and monthly periodicals. And the inquiries that are coming to me by way of Mr. Cottrell's postoffice from people who want to start playing the game. I have before me now, ready to mail, 15 booklets on the game in answer to letters that came in one mail. No the game is not dying. It is mere-

ly suffering from growing pains. One of these bright mornings we are going to wake up and learn that some man or a group of men are preparing to start a professional horseshoe league. There has only been a little ripple here and there, but the wave of interest that is in the making will sweep the game over the whole country.

W. J. SEAS.

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State Association Officers

There has been quite a little demand that the list of the state associations be published with the names and addresses of their officers. The list is as complete and accurate as possible to give at the time this is written, and only covers the state associations that are affiliated with the National Association and have been given a national charter by it and who pay \$25 annual dues. Other state associations are invited to join the National and a charter will be sent to any state association that is organized or any state that wants to organize and become a member of the National on receipt of application and payment of first year's dues.

California State Horseshoe Pitchers' Association—W. H. Smith, president, 838 Tenth St.; Glenn B. Porter, secretary treasurer, 346 Salem St., Glendale; State Champion, W. R. Bradfield, 1570 Elm Ave., Long Beach.

The State Horseshoe Pitchers' Association of Illinois, Inc.—L. E. Tanner, president, Anchor; vice presidents, O. G. Addleman, 825 So. Douglas Ave., Springfield, and A. W. Houston, Gibson City; S. G. Smith, treasurer, Anchor; Geo. J. Hilst, secretary, Green Valley.

Kentucky Horseshoe Pitchers' Association—Edwin B. Patterson, president, 1050 S. 7th St., Louisville; first vice president, C. L. Sengel, 666 S. 41st St., Louisville; second vice president, L. P. Soete, 1644 Stevens Ave., Louisville; secretary, Wm. A. Hill, 2319 Winston Ave., Louisville; treasurer, L. Gagner, 2123 Speed Ave., Louisville; publicity agent, W. B. Reynolds, 1175 E. Broadway, Louisville; tourney secretary, T. P. Storey, 611 S. 34th St., Louisville.

Michigan State Horseshoe Pitchers Association—President, Harry Ellerby Albion; secretary, E. Peckham, Albion; treasurer, Ben Emerson, E. Michigan Ave., Battle Creek; state champion, Joe Latzo, Mt. Pleasant.

New York State Horseshoe Pitchers

Association—President, Frank Torpy, Rochester; vice president, Victor Russell, 186 Alexander St., Rochester; second vice president, James Welcher, Newark; secretary, Corwin W. Kindig, Maplewood Branch Y. M. C. A., Rochester; treasurer, Frank Niden, 102 W. Main St., Rochester, who is also state champion.

Ohio State Horseshoe Pitchers Association—President, Judge W. N. Crowe, Millersburg; first vice president, James Vinson, 1509 Ketchum Ave., Toledo; second vice president, Judge Amos Keller, Bucyrus; third vice president, Clifford Todd, Zanesville; secretary treasurer, K. E. Miller, Lakeside; state champion, Harry Collins, Toledo.

Oregon State Horseshoe Pitchers Association—President, Major M. M. Repp, 5010 63rd St., S. E., Portland; first vice president, J. F. Natham, Woodburn; second vice president, H. C. Cook, 1745 Franklin Blvd., Eugene; secretary treasurer, R. L. Eldredge, 1156 E. Alder St., Portland.

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There are now more state associations affiliated with the National Association than at any other time in

its history, as far as the writer knows. In fact the writer knows of no state that has an active state association that does not belong to the National. However the players and fans in every state should get together and form a state association and become affiliated with the only ruling body of the game. Where there are clubs in states not organized the national invites them to become members of it direct. The annual due for clubs are \$5.00 for less than 50 members, or \$10 for more than 50. Let's all get together this year and make it the banner year of the good old sport.

If there are any errors in these names and addresses please notify W. J. Seas, Acting Secretary, P. O. Box 1735, St. Petersburg, Fla., at once so that the National records may be corrected.

S. N. Pullins, Glendale, Ariz., champ pitcher of that state, is a real tosser. We recently saw his score on 200 shoes pitched and he hangs them on the irons.

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The Flints have won the championship two years, now having two legs on the Permanent cup. If they win the other one it belongs to them.

Jack H. Claves has been re-elected president and treasurer for the third term. Edw. H. Schroer is vice president and L. A. Fogassey is secretary.

Division No. 2 also started activities May 4. Hy. Kuhlman is president. Five teams are represented.

"PUTT" MOSSMAN TO GIVE MANY EXHIBITIONS

"Putt" Mossman, world's greatest all-round athlete, and nationally known dare-devil, formerly of Eldora, but now residing in Des Moines, is to appear in a variety of athletic and dare-devil exhibitions in this part of the country this summer.

Mossman's first outdoor exhibition will be in front of the motion picture camera, probably in May, when he will appear in a Grantland Rice Sportlight Motion Picture. The local youth will have the distinction of being one of the first athletes in the world to be featured in these Sportlight films since sound instruments have been used.

The exhibition which Mossman will give during the coming season will include motorcycle stunt riding, tumbling, high kicking, rifle and revolver shooting, horseshoe pitching, wrestling and boxing. At 23 years of age he has participated in 22 fights without losing a decision. — Des Moines, Iowa News, March, 1930.

OPENING MEETING

The New Albany Central Horseshoe club held their opening meeting recently at their club house. They elected Mr. R. F. Thomas as president; Mr. Otto LaDuke as vice president; Jas. J. Russell, secretary treasurer; J. P. McGarvey, manager.

The club will have a much better team than in 1929, and is going to try and beat their last year's record of 12 wins and no losses. They won the Falls Cities title with ease, and expects to duplicate their feat again this year.

Al Longest, who was the high ringer man of the league is a member of the Central Horseshoe club; he also holds the high point record, and the highest percentage of ringers in one game, which was 72 per cent.

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She's practising some of our law.
She's taken our job and she must pay our bills,

And be good to her father-in-law.
She's drinking our gin without any regrets,

And occasionally gets really stewed;

She swears, if she must, and smokes cigarettes,

With confidence she is imbued.

She's playing baseball and tennis to boot,

She fishes, she swims and she skates;

She's stepping out now and learning to shoot,

She arranges her own party dates.
She's welcome to golf and to football and such,

But this is what gives us the blues,
She's taken our stand-by and now we're in Dutch—

The women are pitching horseshoes.

—L. N. BULL,

Now, in connection with the above, and while we're somewhat puffed up we'd like to rise to remark that, along with many others, we are much opposed to calling the game of

horseshoe pitching "barnyard golf." In the first place, the game did not originate on the farm, but was invented by hardy, fearless, firefighters, back in the early days of horse-drawn fire engines. In the second place—well, we just don't like it, that's all.

We're inclined to believe that our golf-enthusiast friends are wont to use this humbling appellation most frequently (can it be professional jealousy?) but, if they don't soon desist, we'll feel inclined to refer to their favorite game as "pasture-lot croquet." There now!

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State of Ohio, County of Madison, ss.

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

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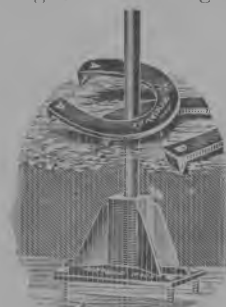
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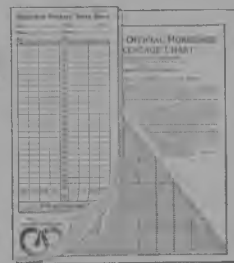
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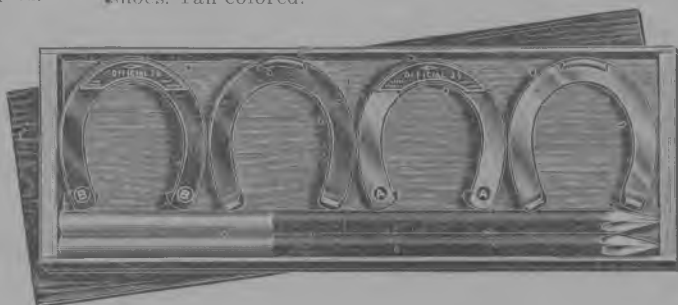


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