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LONG BEACH — SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAMPIONSHIP "A"

GROUP ONE

	W	L	R	SP	%
Jim Weeks, Norwalk	5	0	266	344	77.3
Gerald Schneider, Montebello	4	1	217	316	68.7
Homer Moefield, Long Beach	3	2	209	334	62.6
Jesse Gregory, Redondo Beach	2	3	158	296	53.4
Ned Shaver, Whittier	1	4	143	264	54.2
Harry Platt, Maywood	0	5	157	318	49.4

GROUP TWO

	W	L	R	SP	%
Wally Shipley, W. Covina	5	0	250	352	71.0
Frank Esperanza, Oxnard	3	2	232	352	65.9
Henry Fisher, Compton	3	2	211	352	60.0
Henry Durr, Baldwin Park	2	3	190	328	57.9
Norman Smith, Culver City	1	4	213	362	58.8
John Balzer, Santa Ana	1	4	198	350	56.6

CHAMPIONSHIP PLAYOFF

	W	L	R	SP	%
Jim Weeks, Norwalk	3	0	183	244	75.0
Gerald Schneider, Montebello	1	2	174	250	69.6
Frank Esperanza, Oxnard	1	2	160	240	66.7
Wally Shipley, W. Covina	1	2	131	210	62.4

SOUTH GATE — SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAMPIONSHIP "F"

GROUP ONE

	W	L	R	SP	%
Carl Dennis, Lynwood	5	0	126	310	40.6
Nick Neiderkorn, Duarte	3	2	130	326	39.9
Ross Faulkner, South Gate	3	2	128	328	39.0
H. Barrett, Maywood	3	2	117	308	38.0
William Pevehouse, Pomona	1	4	62	258	24.0
Wayne Boyles, La Puente	0	5	84	316	26.6

GROUP TWO

	W	L	R	SP	%
Sotero Libatique, South Gate	5	0	113	318	35.5
Oscar Sandberg, Covina	4	1	112	344	32.6
Robert Richards, Riverside	3	2	107	292	36.6
Fred Craven, Huntington Park	2	3	89	320	27.8
Carl Messenger, Huntington Park	1	4	90	356	25.3
E. Carrier, Downey	0	5	66	290	22.8

CHAMPIONSHIP PLAYOFF

	W	L	R	SP	%
Nick Neiderkorn, Duarte	3	0	88	204	43.1
Sotero Libatique, South Gate	2	1	76	194	38.8
Carl Dennis, Lynwood	1	2	80	240	33.3
Oscar Sandberg, Covina	0	3	56	198	28.3

COVER PICTURE . . . From Westfield, Massachusetts, came Bill Babinski to win the Massachusetts Open tournament. From left to right: Bill Babinski, 1960 champion; John Renfro, co-director; Ralph Forrstrom, co-director; and Joe Zichella of New York, runner-up.

ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION CROWNS NEW CHAMPION

After surviving the first day's preliminaries with a 4 and 3 record, Frank Polka, a Chicago greenhouse worker, came back strong on the second day with 10 wins and only one loss to win the 1960 Illinois state title. All those who have seen the new champ in various meets throughout the mid-west know that he is "tireless." It can be said that there was never a more thrilled and happy man than Frank when he finished his last game and was declared champion. Ellis Griggs of Plainville finished in the runner-up spot. David Hamilton of Potomac registered 6 wins and 1 loss to take home his first state championship in the Boys' State Tournament held during the second day of the men's division.

CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT

	W	L	R	SP	%
Frank Polka, Chicago	10	1	594	814	72.9
Ellis Griggs, Plainville	9	2	570	742	76.8
Harvey Kohlenberger, Millstadt	8	3	554	782	70.8
Ray Martin, Philo	7	4	566	780	72.5
Earl Bomke, Springfield	6	5	562	812	69.2
Arthur Dugle, Chicago	6	5	507	772	65.6
Gilbert Bancroft, Greenup	4	7	510	794	65.4
John Lindmeier, Broadview	4	7	520	818	63.8
Gary Farnsworth, Potomac	4	7	464	756	61.3
Nelson Vogel, Manito	3	8	518	796	65.0
Jack Stout, Melrose Park	3	8	457	756	59.9
Leslie Long, Sterling	2	9	443	738	60.0

PRELIMINARY SEMI-FINALS

	W	L	R	SP	%
Truman Standard, Canton	3	4	280	444	63.1
Gene Lawver, Canton	3	4	296	478	61.9
Woodrow Martin, Pekin	3	4	255	460	55.4
Merle Tirey, Shelbyville	2	5	253	444	57.0
James Hart, Winchester	2	5	260	468	55.5
Clarence Hess, Liberty	2	5	241	450	53.5
Ralph Dykes, Chicago	2	5	221	414	53.3
William Grimes, Mattoon	1	6	277	488	56.8
Bill Dannhauer, Jr., Chicago	1	6	228	426	53.5
Edward Lamb, Taylorville	1	6	226	444	50.9
Andy Horn, Galesburg	1	6	196	386	50.7
A. L. Austin, Hinsdale	0	7	174	366	47.5

BOYS' TOURNAMENT

	W	L	%
David Hamilton, Potomac	6	1	43.5
Joe Fordel, Pekin	5	2	42.7
Allen Fordel, Pekin	4	3	41.0
Jim Pribble, Pekin	4	3	31.2
Ronnie Bomke, Springfield	3	4	39.8
Bill Peterson, Lacon	3	4	32.4
Lewis Williams, Pekin	3	4	30.4
Dave Olsen, Pekin	0	7	22.0

Holiday Greetings . . .

from your . . . NHPA Officers



Left to right: Mary Craig, 4th vice-president, Indiana; Amos Whitaker, 2nd vice-president, Massachusetts; Robert Pence, secretary-treasurer, Indiana; Reinhard Backer, president, Utah; Paul Focht, 3rd vice-president, Ohio; Elmer Beller, 1st vice-president, California.

HORSESHOE PUBLICITY

Horseshoe has received some very good publicity from different sources during the past few months.

Following the World Tournament at Muncie the magazine section of the Indianapolis Star ran a special feature of two full pages including a great number of pictures on the World Tournament.

The Gear-O-Gram, employee magazine of the Warner Gear Corp., also ran a fine three-page article complete with many fine pictures on the tournament. Warner Gear is the biggest industrial plant in Muncie.

The September issue of the American Recreation Journal ran a one-page summary of the N.H.P.A.'s program and activities in an especially fine article outlining the association's aims and purpose.

MONASMITH TOP DIVISION WINNER IN WASHINGTON STATE

John Monasmith of Yakima, Washington, topped all divisions of the annual Washington state tournament held at Woodlawn park in Seattle. Taking home the blue ribbon in the Junior division was Earl Kettleon of Spokane. Other class winners are as follows: Al Miller of Yakima, winner of Class B; Ralph Taylor of Seattle, Class C; Howard Shatto of Malaga, Class D; Chuck Damm of Spokane and Washington state secretary, Class E.

ONTARIO — SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAMPIONSHIP "D"

GROUP ONE

	W	L	R	SP	%
Ronnie Simmons, Norwalk	4	1	116	246	47.2
Bill Rathbone, Anaheim	4	1	113	242	46.7
Glenn Dias, Azusa	3	2	130	298	43.6
Glenn Brown, South Gate	2	3	107	290	36.9
Sam Puopulo, Baldwin Park	1	4	105	282	37.2
Mel Lingenfelter, Fontana	1	4	97	302	32.1

GROUP TWO

	W	L	R	SP	%
Clem Birkenbach, Baldwin Park	4	1	161	332	48.5
Buster Parker, Norwalk	3	2	138	324	42.6
Ross Faulkner, South Gate	3	2	124	298	41.6
Jiggs Gasaway, Baldwin Park	2	3	164	338	48.5
Fred Brown, Huntington Park	2	3	144	338	42.6
Larry Hahn, Azusa	1	4	124	334	37.1

CHAMPIONSHIP PLAYOFF

	W	L	R	SP	%
Bill Rathbone, Anaheim	2	1	84	172	49.4
Ronnie Simmons, Norwalk	2	1	97	206	47.1
Clem Birkenbach, Baldwin Park	1	2	73	160	45.6
Buster Parker, Norwalk	1	2	79	196	40.3

Rathbone defeated Simmons 50-31 to win the Class "D" Championship.

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SIDELIGHTS ON THE 1960 BOYS' NATIONAL TOURNAMENT

Hal Brown is the 12-year-old son of Nelson Brown, one of the top pitchers in the Hoosier state association. Gary Roberts celebrated his 13th birthday during the tournament and is the brother of Donnie Roberts who was the 1959 winner. Bob Brumfield's dad finished in fifth place in the Men's division. There were 24 entries in the Boys' tournament. Wayne Casteen of Orange, Massachusetts, was just shy of being among the eight high qualifiers.



Left to right: Gary Roberts, Ohio, second; Bob Brumfield, Indiana, sixth; Hal Brown, Indiana, 1960 champion; Jim Ostrander, Michigan, seventh; Clarence Giles, president of Utah state association and Boys' tournament manager; Richard Backer, Utah, third; Billy Campbell, Ohio, fifth; Eddie Hinshaw, Indiana, eighth; and Jim Atwell, Indiana, fourth.

W. J. LILLY PITCHES 85.4 IN PLAY-OFF TO WIN NEOSHO OPEN

With daylight fading "fast away" the final two games in the Neosho Open meet held at Neosho, Missouri, were played in semi-darkness. Under such conditions the playoff games were extremely difficult. The 85.4 game thrown by W. J. Lilly was instrumental in his winning the playoff games between Lilly, Long, Winston and Reheis.

CLASS A

	W	L	%		W	L	%
Lilly	5	2	65.7	Adams	3	4	66.3
Long	5	2	73.5	Elkins	2	5	64.1
Winston	5	2	70.6	Wommack	2	5	65.2
Reheis	5	2	68.9	Banes	1	6	62.9

CLASS B

	W	L	%		W	L	%
Brouse	9	0	60.8	Carver	4	5	47.6
Storm	7	2	49.5	Yeoman	3	6	44.0
Lauridsen	6	3	48.9	H. Long	3	6	41.5
Roller	6	3	46.2	Graves	2	7	36.6
Kahle	5	4	45.0	Smith	0	9	30.7

JOHN FULTON NEW PENNSYLVANIA STATE RINGER KING

Pennsylvania crowned a new State Champion this year when John Fulton, well-known Carlisle player, came through almost unscathed, with Al Zadroga, Elizabeth, Pa., lefty, being the only man to leave his mark on the Champion. Not, however, until the last pitch was the trophy clinched, as Jim Ohler, defending champion, had fallen only to Herb Pinch, Sharon newcomer, and smooth-pitching Bill Porter. Thus, a win for Ohler would have meant the third pitch-off for the championship in the last four years. Fulton, however, was not to be denied the crown he had dropped four years previously, as he turned back Ohler 50-46 in a see-saw battle.

Frank Bohun, Erie, former outstanding semi-pro basketball and baseball player who took up horseshoes only last year, won the Class B Championship with a creditable 64.5 average. Milt Richael went unbeaten for 11 games to take the Class C crown to West Mayfield.

Achievement plaque was voted to Herb Pinch for his fine 4th place finish in his first Penn. Tournament. Sportsmanship trophy was awarded to Joe Peters, Northwest Invitational Champion, for his "philosophic" acceptance of 13th place. (Next year, Joe, work less and pitch more.) "Best Horseshoe Widow in Pennsylvania" plaque went to Mrs. Jack Potter because "There are a lot of worse places he could be living than at the courts."

The Horseshoe Widows Club of Erie put on a wonderful turkey dinner at the courts for the players and their families. Erie will again host the State meet in 1961. Several new courts will be added and the lighting system improved. Officers elected for the coming year were: Frank Bienaisz, President; Ralph Cougenour, Vice-President; and Glen Sebring, Sec'y-Treasurer.

CLASS A

	W	L	R	SP	%
John Fulton, Carlisle, Pa.	14	1	769	1018	75.6
Jim Ohler, Scottdale,	12	3	760	960	77.5
Herbert Pinch, Sharon	11	4	767	1050	73.0
Al Zadroga, Elizabeth	9	6	676	1000	67.6
Carl Metzler, Johnston	9	6	696	1054	65.9
Glen Sebring, Erie	9	6	697	1060	65.8
Bill Porter, Levittown	8	7	691	988	70.0
Wesley Kuchinski, Erie	8	7	752	1082	69.5
Burrel Brobeck, N. Brighton	8	7	721	1050	68.7
Jack Potter, Erie, Pa.	8	7	731	1080	67.7
Joseph Wohar, Donora	7	8	649	998	65.0
Jim Solomon, Uniontown	6	9	748	1154	65.0
Joe Peters, Erie	6	9	736	1142	64.5
Relman Wilson, N. Brighton	3	12	623	990	63.0
Frank White, Erie	2	13	523	920	56.9
Chas. Denk, Johnstown	0	15	383	768	50.0

CHAMPIONSHIP PLAYOFF

	W	L	%		W	L	%
Bohun, Erie, Pa.	5	0	67.5	Goreck, White Oak	2	3	61.2
Ehrlich, Pittsburgh	3	2	62.2	Shever, Butler	1	4	61.5
Kuchinski, Erie	3	2	60.0	Kilinski, Cannonsburg	1	4	58.5

ALLEN TO CONTINUE SHOE MANUFACTURE

There have been a few reports that I was quitting the making of horseshoes. On the contrary, not if I can help it. In spite of the excess work attached, it has been a great hobby with me. There are too many players, now, who have become down right fond of the shoe, including me, to give it up. When difficulties are straightened out with the forge, or arrangements made with another one, I will continue.

PENN STATE — (Continued)

GROUP ONE			GROUP TWO				
	W	L	%		W	L	%
Kuchinski, Erie	6	1	58.0	Ehrlich, Pittsburgh	6	1	63.4
Shever, Butler	6	1	61.4	Goreck, White Oak	5	2	61.1
Menarchek, Uniontown ...	5	2	57.0	Scheck, Johnstown	4	3	58.8
Mayes, Pine Grove	5	2	56.4	Cougenour, Bl. V'rn.	4	3	61.0
Trumble, Oakmont	4	3	55.0	Dickson, Butler	3	4	60.8
Wurst, Erie	2	5	48.0	Henry, Pittsburgh	2	5	49.3
Kader, Erie	1	6	47.0	Sebring, Erie	2	5	49.1
Kocher, Butler	0	7	43.5	Adams, Erie	2	5	42.3

GROUP THREE

	W	L	%		W	L	%
Bohun, Erie	6	1	62.3	Peluso, Butler	2	5	56.5
Kilinski, Cann'bg.	5	2	60.4	Roth, Erie	2	5	49.0
Tlessor, Erie	5	2	61.5	Beers, Erie	2	5	47.4
Simon, Erie	5	2	62.3	Riley, Uniontown	1	6	43.7

CLASS C

(Booster Tournament only — not all players sanctioned)

CHAMPIONSHIP PITCHOFF

	W	L	%		W	L	%
Richeal, W. Mayfield	5	0	61.5	Hall, Erie	2	3	44.3
Kownacki, Fairview	4	1	54.3	Kuchinski, Erie	1	4	41.5
Johnson, Summit	3	2	49.6	Schuler, Erie	0	5	40.6

GROUP ONE

	W	L	%
Hall, Erie	5	1	48.5
Kuchinski, Erie	5	1	40.5
Adamczyk, Erie	3	3	44.0
Wurst, Erie	3	3	37.6
White, Erie	2	4	36.5
Brown, Erie	1	5	35.6
Lobaugh, Erie	1	5	33.0

GROUP TWO

	W	L	%
Richael, W. Mayfield	6	0	55.6
Kownacki, Fairview	5	1	51.2
Fenya, Erie	4	3	42.0
Bauman, Erie	3	3	40.0
Kuchinski, Erie	2	4	35.0
Disher, Erie	1	4	33.3
Zadroga Jr., Elizabeth	0	6	32.5

GROUP THREE

	W	L	%		W	L	%
Shuler, Summit	4	1	47.3	Schneider, Erie	2	3	40.4
Johnson, Summit	4	1	46.5	Metzler, Erie	2	3	34.4
Semock, Erie	2	3	40.5	Byrne, Erie	1	4	37.0

FLORIDA SUNCOAST OPEN TOURNAMENT

Plans are being made for the third annual Florida Suncoast Open Tournament on February 16-17-18 at Bradenton, Florida. This meet opens the Florida winter tournament season. Each year this event attracts more and more top pitchers from the midwest and eastern states. Inquiries from Tennessee and North Carolina indicate a number of fine pitchers from that area are planning to attend this NHPA sanctioned meet.

Following closely will be the annual Florida Open on February 22-23-24 at St. Petersburg, Florida. This arrangement of dates will allow visiting pitchers to finish both tournaments and reach home for the beginning of their work week on Monday.

Remember the date, February 16-17-18 at Bradenton, Florida. A postcard to Charles A. Stephens, Florida state secretary, 118 - 52nd Drive West, Bradenton, Florida, indicating your intention of attendance, will greatly help to plan a better tournament.

DARKE COUNTY (OHIO) CLUB HOLDS MEET FOR MEMBERS

The Darke County club of Greenville, Ohio, concluded its season with a tournament for its own members. This has been the custom for the past several years, and was held on Saturday, October 2. Thirty members took part, being divided into five classes. Cash prizes were given to each player with trophies going to the winners of each class. The service award trophy was presented to Mr. E. J. Coppock. Charles Coppess, the Drake county champion, also received a trophy.

CLASS A

	%
Marvin Craig	65.8
Ben Farmer	62.3
Clyde Green	57.3
Charles Coppess	54.9
Robert Brooks	44.8
Henry Boroff	Forfeit

CLASS D

	%
Wayne Coblentz	31.7
Ed Starbuck	37.7
Floyd Coblentz	36.6
Gerald Mendenhall	31.0
Orval Oswalt	28.4
Kenneth Shields	26.4

CLASS B

	%
Don Grunden	50.6
Ed Carter	52.3
Glenn Miller	47.5
Walter Fender	48.3
Hubert Vanskyock	39.7
Robert Brubaker	39.3

CLASS E

	%
Ray Brooks	34.5
Kenny Mendenhall	21.6
James Welch	24.4
Dr. Joseph Worz	24.0
Frank Davis	22.0
Artie Burke	20.0

CLASS C

	%
Berdine Scholl	52.2
J. E. Sayers	42.0
Larry Jones	37.6
Rollin Futrell	39.2
Willis Hart	41.7
Art Halley	27.6

INDIANA-OHIO OPEN

Curt Day dropped his first game to Bill Neilson and came back to sweep the remainder and take the title from a field of 84 entrants in the Indiana-Ohio Open at Heekin Park in Muncie. Neilson had the high ringer percentage for the day but dropped two games to finish second. 80-year-old Maxwell's 68.6% ringers was low in the ten man Class "A" field.

Charlie Cummings averaged 67.9 to win Class "B". Other class winners were as follows:

Class C — George Hinshaw, 65.1%; Class D — Earl Green, 58.6%; Class E — Kenneth Day, 57.0%; Class F — Harold Keys, 57.6%; Class G — Clyde Green, 52.7%; Class H — Neil Farr, 50.3%; Class I — Ron Downing, 52.0%; Class J — Louie Williams, 41.1%; Class K — Howard Roshon, 49.1%; Class L — Pascal Lancaster, 34.7%; Class M — Gerald Mendenhall, 36.8%.

CLASS A

	W	L	%
C. Day	8	1	78.2
W. Neilson	7	2	79.5
Kabel	6	3	75.4
Focht	6	3	72.5
G. McFatrige	5	4	77.6
Maxwell	4	5	68.6
Nelson	3	6	74.4
Fowler	2	7	74.1
Horner	2	7	72.7
M. Craig	2	7	70.9

CLASS B

	W	L	%
Cummings	6	1	67.9
E. Mendenhall	5	2	64.4
Riffle	5	2	60.7
H. McFatrige	4	3	61.9
C. Bellman	3	4	69.5
Helton	2	5	61.7
J. H. Johnson	2	5	55.7
Hoover	1	6	61.3

In Memoriam

*"They sleep as gently as they lived; and high
Among the trees, and underneath where blow
The swelling buds, the green earth seems to know
And grieve — and hush — and softly say 'goodbye'
And all who loved them, when the blossoms bend,
Lean low to hear all nature whisper 'friend.'"*

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Again the horseshoe pitching world has been darkened by the passing of Edward Patnie on November 5, 1960 at Newark, Ohio. He was vice-president of the Ohio Buckeye State Association. For many years Ed had been a zealous supporter of organized horseshoe pitching in his home area and an ardent advocate of the Ohio State Association and the NHPA. He was a fine gentleman and a true sportsman. Our sincere sympathy is extended to his loved ones.

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We also learn of the passing of Burleigh Warner, a former member of the Bradenton, Florida club who passed away recently. He had been in ill health for over a year, and had not been active during that time. Our sympathy is extended to his bereaved family.

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We extend our sympathy to Fred Hart, an NHPA member in Jacksonville, Illinois, whose mother passed away on November 27th.

BALDWIN PARK — SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

BALDWIN PARK OPEN "D"

GROUP ONE

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Clem Birkenbach, Baldwin Park	3	2	144	302	47.7
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Glenn Dias, Azusa	3	2	113	282	40.1
James Harrison, El Monte	2	3	114	330	34.5
M. Oestereich, Glendora	1	4	78	288	27.1
Mel Lingenfelter, Fontana	0	5	84	276	30.4

CHAMPIONSHIP PLAYOFF

	W	L	R	SP	%
Fred Brown, Huntington Park	3	0	93	200	46.5
Clem Birkenbach, Baldwin Park	2	1	97	206	47.1
Jiggs Gasaway, Baldwin Park	1	2	85	218	39.0
Ronnie Simmons, Norwalk	0	3	73	192	38.0

CALIFORNIA INTERSECTIONAL MATCH WON BY SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION

The Roeding Park courts at Fresno, California was the scene of the Third Annual Intersectional match between the Northern and Southern associations of the NHPA. By virtue of winning 35 to 29 in close games, the Southern association gained the privilege of taking home the Roeding Park perpetual trophy for the next year. This being Fresno City's diamond jubilee celebration many visitors were in town and the tournament had a very large gallery throughout the match. A banquet and party was in the evening following the tournament, thus bringing the season in Fresno to a very successful conclusion.

NORTHERN	W	L	R	SP	%
Ira Allen, Oneals	5	0	220	310	71.0
Bill Fraser, San Francisco	6	2	327	464	70.5
Jack Seymour, San Francisco	5	3	308	528	58.3
Bob Stevenson, San Bruno	4	4	299	504	59.3
Ray Lambeth, Fresno	3	5	247	502	49.2
M. A. Preo, Fresno	3	5	211	436	48.4
E. E. Davis, Fresno	2	3	152	312	48.7
Rusty Cima, Dinuba	1	2	93	192	48.4
Kim Ludlow, Fresno	0	4	74	188	39.4
Ray Willingham, Oakland	0	4	46	172	26.2
Bruce Lyon, San Francisco	0	3	28	116	24.1
Totals	29	35	2005	3724	53.6

SOUTHERN	W	L	R	SP	%
Jim Weeks, Norwalk	7	1	327	480	68.1
Frank Esperanza, Oxnard	7	1	329	502	65.5
Carl Moskalik, Sunnyvale	6	2	306	458	66.8
R. A. Long, Santa Paula	4	4	300	512	58.8
Larry Geer, S. San Gabriel	4	4	260	480	54.2
Ralph Navarro, South Gate	4	4	225	480	46.9
Archie Gregson, Crestline	2	2	85	224	37.9
Elmer Beller, Bellflower	1	7	204	450	45.3
Albert Couchan, Pasadena	0	4	37	138	26.8
Totals	35	29	2073	3724	55.7

KAMMAN & LEAVER ARIZONA STATE CHAMPS

Art Kamman of Mesa won the 1960 Class "A" Championship Horseshoe title, November 6, at Daley Park in Tempe, Arizona. Kamman breezed through all opposition and finished the Round Robin without a loss. Russ Shaffer, the left-handed ringer artist from Scottsdale, won the runnerup trophy. This is Kamman's second time to hold the championship, having won it in 1957.

The Class "B" pitchers found that they had to "Leave It to Leaver", as the nearly-70-year-young Mr. Leaver, pitching smoothly and consistently, annexed the title without a loss. Bill Hunt, from Tolleson, gave a good account of himself and was the runnerup, edging out Vanzanten in their play-off in the Class "B" division.

CLASS "A"		CLASS "B"	
W	L	W	L
Art Kamman, Mesa	7	Whitey Leaver, Mesa	7
Russ Shaffer, Scottsdale	6	Bill Hunt, Tolleson	5
Giff Thompson, Tempe	4	W. G. Vanzanten, Tolleson	5
Willard Phillips, Tempe	4	Alfred Teigland, Mesa	3
Ernie Snyder, Tempe	3	Otis Dunivan, Scottsdale	3
Nelson Parry, Phoenix	2	John Mauthe, Phoenix	2
Bill Adair, Phoenix	2	LeRoy Miller, Mesa	1
		Pat Patschke, Tempe	1

CARL STEINFELDT REGAINS NEW YORK STATE RINGER CROWN

Carl Steinfeldt of Rochester, New York, regained the New York state pitching crown, thereby making him champion of that state for the eighth time in his career. Following in second position was Tony Natale, also of Rochester, who was the defending champion. Leif Erickson of Corning, New York, won Class C, which was probably as one could wish for because the tournament committee only a few hours before had voted to hold the 1961 meet in that city. Wilbert Hyland was elected president, succeeding Larry Proudman of Levant, New York. Leif Erickson was elected to the secretary-treasurer position. Merle Alexander of Falconer, New York, had a 12 and 3 record to cop high honors for Class B.

CLASS A

	W	L	%
Carl Steinfeldt, Rochester	15	0	81.0
Ginger Natale, Rochester	13	2	71.1
Terry Early, New York City	12	3	67.4
George La Rosa, Fayetteville	12	3	65.1
Tony Sauro, Syracuse	10	5	67.0
Jack Reed, Jamestown	9	6	62.2
Joe Zichella, New York	9	6	61.2
Steve Fenecchia, Rochester	8	7	65.3
Wally Lindstrom, Jamestown	8	7	61.3
Bob Rice, Corning	7	8	56.1
Al Hilsinger, Rochester	5	10	57.4
Lewis Wahl, Conklin	4	11	53.5
John Cysalla, Nunda	3	12	41.3
Bill Delehanty, Rochester	2	13	52.2
Chuck Dickinson, Falconer	2	13	44.1
Roy LaRose, Syracuse	1	14	49.2

CLASS B

	W	L	%
Merle Alexander, Falconer	12	3	49.3
George Hale, Jamestown	11	4	53.3
Owen Farmer, New York City	10	5	52.1
Wilbert Hyland, Corning	10	5	51.9
Henry Orszulak, Buffalo	10	5	51.8
Don Ludwick, Falconer	9	6	52.3
Cliff Mount, Cherry Creek	9	6	51.7
Joe Valantino, Nunda	9	6	51.4
W. Smith, Hornell	8	7	50.6
Lefty Stearnes, South Dayton	8	7	46.7
William Packard, Macedon	7	8	48.4
Don Coe, Falconer	6	9	46.2
Ted Callahan, Corning	4	11	45.5
Pete Scheria, Jamestown	4	11	43.2
Bob Anderson, Kennedy	3	12	46.4
Troyl Carr, Dunkirk	0	15	40.6

CLASS C

	W	L	%
Leif Erickson, Corning	5	0	44.2
Matt Mozalf, Buffalo	4	1	39.0
Baron Parker, Buffalo	4	1	51.1
Elwin Smith, Corning	3	2	30.7

JIM WEEKS WINNER OF VICTORVILLE, CALIF. OPEN

	W	L		W	L
J. Weeks	8	1	C. Merrill	4	5
W. Shipley	7	2	W. Hagy	4	5
H. Moefield	7	2	R. Navarro	3	6
I. Allen	5	4	N. Smith	2	7
H. Morse	5	4	L. Dean	0	9

ELLIS GRIGGS, ILLINOIS SHARPSHOOTER TIES UP ROCK RIVER OPEN TOURNAMENT TITLE WITH 77.6 AVERAGE

Ellis Griggs of Plainville, Illinois, swept through his opponents with a 77.6 ringer percentage and 7 straight wins to win the Rock River Valley Open championship for the third time in 5 years. Annual tournament was held at Sterling-Rock Falls, Illinois courts located in Lawrence park, Rock Falls. Ellis Cobb of Aurora won all his games to take the Class B trophy. Don Grove of Rock Falls won Class C while Ralph Quanstrom, Galesburg, copped Class D.

CLASS A

	W	L	%
Griggs, Plainville	7	0	77.6
Vogel, Manito	4	3	67.1
Stout, Chicago	4	3	66.2
Long, Sterling	4	3	65.9
Lindmeier, Broadview	3	4	69.9
Palka, Chicago	3	4	61.5
Austin, Hinsdale	2	5	64.8
Doogan, Willow Springs ..	1	6	59.4

CLASS C

	W	L
Grove, Rock Falls	5	2
Gordon, Galesburg	5	2
Taylor, Dover	5	2
Drager, Graymont	4	3
Horn, Galesburg	4	3
White, Peoria	3	4
Anderson, Prophetstown	1	6
Chrisman, Peoria	1	6

CLASS B

	W	L	%
Cobb, Aurora	7	0	65.4
Dugle, Chicago	6	1	63.7
Elliott, Peru	4	3	51.0
Terry, E. Moline	4	3	60.7
Bellings, Iowa	3	4	56.3
Hefner, E. Peoria	3	4	53.2
Hart, Jacksonville	0	7	54.1
W. Dannhauer, Chicago ...	1	6	46.2

CLASS D

	W	L
Quanstrom, Galesburg	7	0
Phillips, Magnolia	4	3
Spencer, Walnut	4	3
Law, Gladstone	3	4
Bressler, Sterling	3	4
Willard, Manito	3	4
Sorenberger, Galesburg	2	5
Bush, Morrison	2	5

BOB WEST IN FOURTH CONSECUTIVE WIN OF OREGON STATE

Bob West of Salem, Oregon, was forced to win the Oregon state ringer crown by doing it the hard way. At the end of regular round robin play he was tied with Eldon Harvey of Canby, Oregon, each having 7 wins and 1 loss. In the playoff for the crown, West came out on top 52-47. This made four straight years that he was able to capture the coveted trophy.

CLASS A

	W	L	R	SP	%
Bob West, Salem	8	1	528	714	73.9
Eldon Harvey, Canby	7	2	505	694	72.7
Cletus Chapelle, Portland	5	3	378	560	67.5
Glen Morris, Portland	4	4	388	560	69.2
Bryant Hampton, Portland	4	4	406	586	69.2
Oscar Myhre, Salem	4	4	322	538	59.8
Howard Peterson, Portland	3	5	348	562	61.9
Henry Hill, Boring	2	6	299	504	59.3
Alvin Richardson, Corvallis	0	8	304	550	55.2

CLASS B

	W	L	R	SP	%
Alfred Kraft, Canby	6	1	273	508	53.7
Ivan Lowe, Lebanon	6	2	321	570	56.3
Elmer Josh, Roseburg	5	3	263	494	53.2
C. J. Schaumburg, Veronia	3	4	255	520	48.2
Pete Brackmann, Canby	3	4	230	488	47.1
Ted Zwickl, Corvallis	3	4	215	464	46.3
Clyde Riley, Sr., Canby	2	5	212	464	45.7
Ezra Exceen, Winston	1	6	215	488	44.0

OREGON STATE — (Continued)**CLASS C**

	W	L	R	SP	%
Lowell Davis, Creswell	5	0	154	276	55.8
Roger Bowman, Eugene	4	1	146	296	49.3
Otto Johnson, Milwaukee	3	2	136	290	46.8
Joe Miller, Salem	2	3	95	290	32.7
Ellis Lauderback, Independence	1	4	78	296	26.3
Denver McComb, Salem	0	5	59	268	22.0

CLASS D

	W	L	R	SP	%
Tony Prothe, Corvallis	5	0	148	306	48.4
Bill Hulshof, Portland	4	1	128	330	37.6
Leonard Holland, Woodburn	3	2	139	344	40.4
Melvin Lien, Salem	2	3	119	326	36.5
Ted Christiansen, Hillsboro	1	4	117	316	37.0
Carl Bayliss, Salem	0	5	95	330	28.8

CLASS E

	W	L	R	SP	%
Eugene Lowe, Portland	6	1	198	428	46.3
Steve Fenner, Lebanon	4	2	157	448	35.0
Ray Thies, Salem	4	2	135	360	37.5
Charles Griffith, Lebanon	2	3	97	350	27.7
Albert Erickson, Beaverton	1	4	109	336	30.1
Orville Pettichord, Portland	0	5	83	324	25.6

CLASS F

	W	L	R	SP	%
Jim Mills, Clatskania	5	0	117	318	36.8
Ray Schiedler, Mt. Angel	4	1	116	314	37.0
Glen Savage, Salem	2	3	105	332	31.3
Wm. Isaacson, Clatskania	2	3	102	320	31.9
Ray Mitchell, Tualatin	1	4	98	336	29.5
Ed Solberg, Salem	1	4	75	324	23.1

CLASS G

	W	L	R	SP	%
Fred Rauch, Corvallis	3	1	80	288	27.8
Ernie La Voie, Hillsboro	2	2	88	274	32.1
Gilbert Hamman, Salem	1	2	50	224	22.3
Lester Jacob, Westport	1	2	32	194	16.0

THE 1961 WORLD TOURNAMENT

The N.H.P.A. has received many inquiries concerning plans for the 1961 World tournament.

A definite site has not yet been selected but the tournament will again be held at Heekin Park in Muncie, Ind. the last weekend in July unless some other suitable location is found within the next 60 days.

In event another location is found the dates will be the same, so N.H.P.A. members who must make their vacation plans in advance can count on the above mentioned week. This is one week earlier than last year's affair in order to avoid conflict with the annual Delaware County Fair in Muncie.

The drawback to a definite announcement at this time is, as is usually the case, financing, but your N.H.P.A. officials are at work on the problem and expect to have definite plans announced in the January issue. Meanwhile, plan on the last week in July at either Muncie or some other midwestern location.

SOUTH GATE — SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**SOUTH GATE OPEN "F"**

	W	L	R	SP	%
Bob Richards, Riverside	6	1	163	442	36.9
M. Oestereich, Glendora	5	2	137	460	29.8
H. Barrett, Maywood	4	2	136	378	36.0
Oscar Sandberg, Covina	3	3	121	370	32.7
E. Carrier, Downey	3	3	113	394	28.7
John Latin, LaHabra	1	5	100	390	25.7
Albert Cauchon, Pasadena	0	6	64	326	19.8

SOUTH GATE — SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**SOUTH GATE OPEN "E"**

	W	L	R	SP	%
Carl Dennis, Lynwood	4	1	126	340	37.1
Sotero Libatique, South Gate	3	2	118	318	37.1
Larry Hahn, Azusa	3	2	100	294	34.0
Nick Niederkorn, Duarte	2	3	144	332	43.7
Buster Parker, Norwalk	2	3	111	334	33.2
Glen Brown, South Gate	1	4	111	354	31.4

L'ABBE, DENVER STAR, WINS SOUTHWEST NEBRASKA OPEN

Gerry L'Abbe of Denver, Colorado, using 9 straight wins as a lever, lifted the Southwest Nebraska Open away from his two nearest competitors, Don McCance and Sam Somerhalder, who had identical records of 7 and 2. In the playoff for second place, McCance won 50-33. This annual event was staged on the Curtis, Nebraska, courts.

CLASS A

	W	L	R	SP	%
Gerry L'Abbe, Denver, Colo.	9	0	407	604	67.6
Don McCance, Gottenburg, Nebr.	7	2	393	562	69.5
Sam Somerhalder, Minden, Nebr.	7	2	389	488	70.4
Darold Earlywine, Omaha, Nebr.	6	3	320	520	60.2
Joe Foster, Omaha, Nebr.	5	4	303	530	56.8
Ivan Long, Linn, Kansas	4	5	343	600	57.5
Ralph Flaharty, Cozad, Nebr.	3	6	282	564	50.5
Merl Denning, Elmcreek, Nebr.	2	7	295	568	51.3
Lavern Long, Linn, Kans.	2	7	311	598	51.1
David Fischer, Maywood, Nebr.	0	9	223	468	47.6

CLASS B

	W	L	R	SP	%
George Schmidt, Kimball, Nebr.	8	1	232	510	45.6
Jerold Harvey, Tryon, Nebr.	7	2	230	536	42.8
Wade Dilley, Merino, Colo.	7	2	234	572	39.5
Russell Dilley, Windsor, Colo.	6	3	239	552	44.3
Will Barry, Sutherland, Nebr.	5	4	200	610	32.8
Ed Wolf, Gering, Nebr.	4	5	184	554	33.5
Albert Johnson, Stamford, Nebr.	3	6	202	558	36.4
Harold Neal, Tryon, Nebr.	3	6	196	580	34.9
Chas. McCance, Cozad, Nebr.	2	7	182	546	33.3
Bud Harwick, Curtis, Nebr.	0	9	91	490	18.2

ONTARIO — SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAMPIONSHIP "C"

GROUP ONE

	W	L	R	SP	%
Don Peterson, Downey	5	0	185	360	51.4
George Easterling, Los Angeles	4	1	202	370	54.6
Ken Outhouse, La Puente	2	3	174	352	49.5
Bill Rathbone, Anaheim	2	3	157	330	47.6
Jesse Gregory, Redondo Beach	1	4	157	326	48.2
Nick Port, Santa Monica	1	4	103	262	39.3

GROUP TWO

	W	L	R	SP	%
Rolla Baker, Los Angeles	5	0	181	312	58.0
Harry Platt, Maywood	4	1	118	230	51.3
Ralph Navarro, South Gate	3	2	176	334	52.7
Clark Bell, Covina	2	3	103	212	48.6
Jiggs Gasaway, Baldwin Park	1	4	111	282	39.4
Adolph Hernesmaa, Los Angeles	0	5	Forfeited all games.		

CHAMPIONSHIP PLAYOFF

	W	L	R	SP	%
Rollo Baker, Los Angeles	3	0	99	172	57.6
Don Peterson, Downey	1	2	91	178	51.1
Harry Platte, Maywood	1	2	99	198	50.0
George Easterling, Los Angeles	1	2	82	176	46.6

LONG BEACH — SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAMPIONSHIP "E"

GROUP ONE

	W	L	R	SP	%
Russ Hudgens, Lynwood	5	0	122	242	50.4
Ross Faulkner, South Gate	3	2	97	240	40.4
Nick Niederkorn, Duarte	3	2	112	288	38.9
Oscar Sandberg, Covina	2	3	133	362	36.7
Albert Cauchon, Pasadena	2	3	92	296	31.1
Billy Crick, Los Angeles	0	5	89	308	28.9

GROUP TWO

	W	L	R	SP	%
Mel Lingenfelter, Fontana	3	2	139	324	42.9
Al Papke, Covina	3	2	144	338	42.6
Fred Brown, Huntington Park	3	2	156	372	41.9
Buster Parker, Norwalk	3	2	144	374	38.5
Fred Craven, Huntington Park	3	2	86	316	27.2
Carl Dennis, Lynwood	0	5	103	328	31.4

CHAMPIONSHIP PLAYOFF

	W	L	R	SP	%
Ross Faulkner, South Gate	2	1	76	184	41.3
Russ Hudgens, Lynwood	2	1	76	174	43.7
Al Papke, Covina	1	2	89	216	41.2
Mel Lingenfelter, Fontana	1	2	73	206	35.4

PLAYOFF

Faulkner	50	31	64	48.4
Hudgens	36	29	64	45.3

ARIZONA VALLEY OF THE SUN OPEN

Mesa will again be host to the Valley of the Sun open horseshoe tournament. It will be held at Rendezvous Park in February.

The Class "B" 16-man round robin, for pitchers with averages under 50%, will be held on Feb. 18 & 19. The tournament will be sanctioned and 1961 NHPA cards will be required. The entry fee will be \$3. The prizes will be for first place, \$15.00; 2nd, \$10.00; 3rd, \$5.00; plus trophies for winner and runnerup.

Class "A" will be played on Feb. 25 & 26, and will include those with averages over 50%. The entry fee will be \$5.00. The winner will receive \$50.00; 2nd, \$25.00; 3rd, \$15.00; 4th, \$10.00. The winner and runnerup will also receive trophies.

Anyone wishing to participate in either class should send his average to the Arizona State Secretary by January 20, 1961. Send no money at this time. The secretary will then notify you of your qualifying position by Feb. 1; then send your entry fee to secure your entry to reach the secretary by Feb. 10. This will let each one know where he stands and no one will be disappointed.

We had entries from Kansas, Iowa, Montana, Wyoming and California last year. Why don't you plan your vacation for February and come along and represent your state? Why not send a card to Walter Stearns, 332 West 9th Street, Mesa, Arizona, indicating your intention?

CENTRAL IOWA CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

Arlo Williams of Lineville, Iowa, topped Lewis Jeter 50-46 to win the Central Iowa Championship held on the Birdland park courts in Des Moines, Iowa. The meet was hampered by intermittent rain.

	W	L		W	L
Arlo Williams, Lineville	7	1	Harry Savage, Des Moines	3	4
Lewis Jeter, Afton	6	2	Jim Wilkinson, Winterset	3	4
Charles Cook, Corydon	5	2	Charles Boston, Des Moines	1	6
Leo Hammand, Peru	4	3	Melvin Bricker, Earlham	0	7

FACTS AND FIGURES

Los Angeles County has more members by far than any other county anywhere in the U. S. Lafayette, Ind. has more members than any other city, but Lynchburg, Virginia is close on the Hoosier's heels.

The southernmost member of the N.H.P.A. is Willard West of Miami, Florida, while Fred Brown and Cyrus Warrington of Chester, Mont. live the farthest north, although they are Arizona State Association members.

Walt Joy of Ellsworth, Maine is the easternmost member and his western counterpart is Ralph Warthen of Hoquiam, Wash.

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ARIZONA — 24

MESA — Rendezvous Park, 12 L.
MESA — Ringer Ready Court, 1.
MORRISTOWN — Deseret Pioneer Club, 1.
MORRISTOWN — Cactus Ranch, 1.
TEMPE — Daley Park, 8 L.
TEMPE — Willard Phillips, 1 L.

ARKANSAS — 3

PINE BLUFF — Floyd Toole, 1.
PINE BLUFF — Roberts Park, 2.

CALIFORNIA — 58

BALDWIN PARK — Morgan Park, 6 L.
CRESTLINE — Archie Gregson, 5.
LONG BEACH — City Park, 8 L.
LOS ANGELES — Exposition Park, 5.
OAKLAND — Mosswood Club, Webster & MacArthur Blvd., 8 L.
SAN BRUNO — Bob Stevenson, 1.
SAN FRANCISCO — Golden Gate Park, 12 L.
SANTA ROSA — John Hagerman, 1 L.
SANTA ROSA — Roscoe Squires, 1 L.
SOUTH GATE — South Gate Park, 8 L.
SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO — Paul Mori, 1.
SOUTH SAN GABRIEL — William Bauer, 1.
W. LOS ANGELES — 3752 Hughes St., 1 L.

COLORADO — 8

BOULDER — Municipal Park, 8.

CONNECTICUT — 13

MIDDLETOWN Veterans Memorial Park, 12.
MIDDLETOWN — Mickey Vecchitto, 1.

FLORIDA — 25

BRADENTON — Trailer Park, 10.
FT. LAUDERDALE — Holiday Park, 4.
FLORIDANA — Mobile Home Park, 3 L.
ST. PETERSBURG — Sunshine Club, 8 (2L).

IDAHO — 10

BOISE — Julia Davis Park, 9 L.
BOISE — Jim Kosterman, 1 L.

ILLINOIS — 60

AURORA — Ellis Cobb, 1.
CHICAGO — Garfield Park, 7 L, 3 I.
CHICAGO — Lincoln Park, 12 L.
DECATUR — Fairview Park, 5 L.
GALESBURG — Lincoln Park, 16 L.
GALESBURG — Irv Herrin, 1.
GALESBURG — Herb Nelson, 1 L.
GALESBURG — Andy Horn, 1 L.
GALESBURG — Oren Carlson, 1 L.
GALESBURG — George Stegall, 1 L.
HINSDALE — A. L. Austin, 1.
MELROSE PARK — Jack Stout, 1.
STERLING-ROCK FALLS — Lawrence Park, 8 L.
VALLEY CITY — Hugh Tooley, 1.

INDIANA — 173

CAYUGA — Ed Onley & Karl Van Sant, 2.
CONNERSVILLE — Roberts Park, 8 L.
CONNERSVILLE — Clint Amyx, 1.
CONNERSVILLE — Ray Pitcher, 1.
CRAWFORDSVILLE — Milligan Park, 5 L.
DANVILLE — Lowell Edmondson, 1.
DECATUR — Jim Johnson, 1 L.
DECATUR — Alton Corson, 1 L.
FAIRBANKS — Mike Chowning, 1.
FARMERSBURG — Walt Horner, 1.
FARMLAND — Bob Rinard, 1.
FLORA — Carl Atwell, 1 L.

INDIANA — (Continued)

FOWLERTON — City Park, 3 L.
FRANKFORT — Dornier Park, 16 L, 3 I.
FRANKFORT — Ike Atwell, 1 L.
GARY — Jackson Park, 4.
GARY — Bob Pence, 1.
GARY — A. Earl Miller, 1.
GENEVA — City Park, 10 L.
GLENWOOD — Bob May, 1.
GOSHEN — Fairgrounds, 5 L.
GREENCASTLE — Bethel Courts, 6 (2 L).
GREENCASTLE — Burl Taylor, 1 L, 1 I.
HAMMOND — 7021 Marshall St., 1.
INDIANAPOLIS — Garfield Park, 10 L.
INDIANAPOLIS — 1608 So. Vinewood, 1.
KOKOMO — Highland Park, 18 L.
LAFAYETTE — George Kingma, 8 L.
LAFAYETTE — Clay Anderson, 1 L.
LAFAYETTE — Joe Schilling, 1 L.
LAFAYETTE — Al Lafon, 1 L.
MARION — Ed Jamison, 1 L.
MARION — Gilbert Lee, 1 L.
MUNCIE — Heekin Park, 18 L.
MUNCIE — Herb Pack, 1.
MIDDLETOWN — Lowell Hinkle, 1.
MODOC — Paul Hoover, 1.
NOBLESVILLE — Gene Mendenhall, 1.
NOBLESVILLE — Forest Park, 6 L.
PENNVILLE — Harold Walker, 1 L.
PERU — John Coble, 1, 1 I.
PARKER — Windsor Courts, 5 (3 L).
PORTLAND — Clyde Green, 1 I, 1 L.
SULLIVAN — Henry LaFollette, 1.
SUMMITVILLE — Don Owens, 1 L.
SWAYZER — Neil Farr, 1.
SWEETSER — Charles Cummings, 1 L.
TERRE HAUTE — John Stimac, 1 L.
VALPARAISO — 809 Brown St., 1 L.
WABASH — City Park, 8 L.
WARSAW — Clarence Bellman, 1.

IOWA — 45

CEDAR RAPIDS — Ellis Park, 12 L.
CRESTON — Art Reed, 1.
DES MOINES — Birdland Park, 12 L.
FAIRFIELD — Harold Shaw (What Cheer, Ia.), 1.
KEOKUK — Allen's Alley, 1717 Johnson St.
KEOKUK — Kelly's Kourts, 607 S. 9th St.
OSCEOLA — East Side Park, 8 L.
OTTUMWA — Riverside Park, 8 L.

KANSAS — 3

HUTCHINSON — 1016 West 1st St., 1.
LAWRENCE — Alvin Dahlene, 1.
TOPEKA — Perl Pepple., 1.

KENTUCKY — 5

COVINGTON — Jim Johnson, 1 L.
FLORENCE — Spanish Villa, 4 L.

LOUISIANA — 1

SHREVEPORT — 3936 Huston St., 1.

MARYLAND — 1

BALTIMORE — Dale Carson, 1.

MASSACHUSETTS — 29

BRIDGEWATER — Clarence Gill, 1 I.
HOLYOKE — Avery Field, 2 L.
ORANGE — City Airport, 2 L.
ORANGE — Amos Whitaker, 1.

DIRECTORY OF HORSESHOE COURTS

MASSACHUSETTS — (Continued)

ORANGE — Bernard Barnes, 1.
 ORANGE — Charles Robinson, 1.
 SPRINGFIELD — Ralph Forsstrom, 1 L.
 SPRINGFIELD — Gilbert Brinkman, 1.
 SPRINGFIELD — Charles Bent, 1.
 WEST SPRINGFIELD — Forest Park Club,
 Moxie's Grove, 16 L.
 WILLIMANSETT — Joe Fairbanks, 2 L.

MICHIGAN — 6

DETROIT — Carl Lundgren, 1 L.
 DETROIT ARSENAL — Maj. Jack Adams, 1.
 BATTLE CREEK — James A. Davis, 2 L.
 GRAND RAPIDS — Irwin Carlberg, 2 PL.

MINNESOTA — 40

HIBBING — Bennett Park, 12 L.
 MINNEAPOLIS — Loring Park, 12 L.
 ST. PAUL — Ramsey Co. Fairgrounds, 16 L.

MISSOURI — 5

KANSAS CITY — Henry Strohm, 7730
 Main St., 1 L.
 ST. LOUIS — Art Schroeder, 1 L.
 ST. LOUIS — William Young, 1.
 SPRINGFIELD — Al. Smith, 2 L.

MONTANA — 5

CULBERTSON — Herman Jensen, 1 L.
 WIBAUX — Double Ringer Courts, 4 L.

NEBRASKA — 29

CURTIS — Chamber of Commerce, 6 L.
 FALLS CITY — City Park, 12 L.
 NEBRASKA CITY — Howard Robinson, 1.
 OMAHA — Dewey Park, 8.
 SUTHERLAND — L. E. Arnold, 2 L.

NEW HAMPSHIRE — 24

KEENE — Municipal Park, 24 L.

NEW JERSEY — 39

CLIFTON — Paul Puglisle, 1.
 ELIZABETH — Sol Berman, 1 L.
 ELIZABETH — Warinanco Park, 10.
 ENGLEWOOD — Duxie Ave. Stadium
 Courts, 6 L.

ENGLEWOOD — Al Anderson, 1.
 HASBROUCK HEIGHTS — Wm. Fournier, 1.
 LYNHURST — William Lawson, 1.
 LYNHURST — Wm. Stelzenmuller, 1 L.
 NEWARK — Dreamland Bowling Arena, 2 I.
 NEWARK — Branch Brook Park, 10.
 RAMSEY — Doug Fogal, 1 L.
 RIDGEFIELD — Lee Davis, 1 L.
 RIVERDALE — Geo. Roberge, 1 L.
 TENAFLY — Dr. Irv Pitman, 1 L.
 TOWACO — Don French, 1 L.

NEW YORK — 31

CORNING — City Park, 8 L.
 CORNING — Elwin Smith, 1 L.
 FALCONER — Rod & Gun Club, 8 L.
 NEW YORK CITY — Ft. George Club, 193
 Ext. Ft. George Ave., Washington Hts., 11.
 SCARSDALE — Art Scolari, 1 L.
 SOUTHOLD — Irving Pitman, 1.
 ROCHESTER — Carl Steinfeldt, 1.

NORTH DAKOTA — 1

ALICE — Ken Ronning, 1.

OHIO — 84

ALPHA — V.F.W. Post 8312, 2 L.
 BALTIMORE — Howard Roshon, 1.
 BELLFONTAINE — Harmon Field Play-
 ground, 8 L.
 BLANCHESTER — Charles Cook, 1 L.
 BUCYRUS — Melvin Kalb, 1.
 CEDARVILLE — Harold Wolfe, 1 P.
 CRESTLINE — George Dilgard, 1 L.
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 EAST DAYTON — 901 Xenia Ave., 2 L.
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 KETTERING — Mickey Broughton, 1 L.
 LUCASVILLE — Oattie Reno, 1.
 LYNCHBURG — Lions Club Park, 6 L.
 MARTINSVILLE — Stanley Manker, 1L.
 MARTINSVILLE — Delbert Fawley, 1 L.
 LAKESIDE — Church Recreation Area, 9 L.
 NEWARK — Orval Cross, 1 L, 1 I.
 NORWOOD — City Water Works Park, 12 L.
 PIKETON — Roy Jennings, 1.
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 8 L.
 WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE — Howard
 Bryant, 1.
 WILMINGTON — Williams Memorial
 Park, 8 L.

OKLAHOMA — 1

BARTLESVILLE — J. M. Copenhaver, 1 L.

OREGON — 22

MILWAUKEE — Otto Johnson, 1.
 SALEM — Bush Pasture Park, 12 L.
 PORTLAND — Laurelhurst Park, 8.
 PORTLAND — Glen Morris, 1.

PENNSYLVANIA — 19

BEAVER FALLS — William Hulse, 1 L.
 BEAVER FALLS — Herman Boyer, 1.
 BELLE VERNON — Ralph Coughanour, 2.
 BROUGHEVILLE — City Courts, 2 L.
 CARLISLE — John Fuiton, 1.
 FELTON — Glenn Brown, 1 L.
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 MT. PLEASANT — Rainbow Gardens, 9 L.

SOUTH DAKOTA — 12

ABERDEEN — City Park, 12 L.
 SIOUX VALLEY—IOWA—SO. DAKOTA, 14.

UTAH — 89

AMERICAN FORKS — City Park, 6 L.
 LOGAN — City Park, 4 L.
 MURRAY — County Fairgrounds, 18 L.
 OGDEN — Leslie Park, 8 L.
 PAYSON — City Park, 8 L.
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 SALT LAKE CITY — Clive Wahlin, 1.
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 WEST JORDAN — West Jordan Park, 10 L.

VIRGINIA — 1

LYNCHBURG — Wm. McLoed, 1 L.

WASHINGTON — 15

SEATTLE — Woodlawn Park, 14 L.
 SPOKANE — Wally Rehard, 1 L.

DIRECTORY OF HORSESHOE COURTS

WISCONSIN — 13

MILWAUKEE — Washington Park, 7 L.
WEST ALLIS — State Fairgrounds, 6 L.

WEST VIRGINIA — 3

PARKERSBURG — Pratt's Courts, 2.
MORGANTOWN — Arner Lindquist, 1.

WYOMING — 12

CHEYENNE — Holiday Park, 12 L.

CANADA — 10

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Total number of courts registered — 933.

MEMBERS EXPRESS OPINIONS

During the past year a huge number of suggestions, plans and ideas contributed by individual members have been received by N.H.P.A. officials. Without exception these suggestions are designed for the betterment of the game and the N.H.P.A. and contain many valuable and worthwhile ideas. This is a healthy and welcome sign of interest and vigor in the game and the organization.

None of these ideas are cast into the wastepaper basket or ignored. Your officials living in widely scattered locations in the U. S. and having only a limited amount of time at their disposal are seriously handicapped in their ability to consider, approve and put into action many of these plans.

Other very worthwhile plans and ideas have been expressed which take more administrative manpower than the N.H.P.A. now possesses. Every plan that is worthwhile needs some person or persons to put it into operation and make it work. So very much could be accomplished if the N.H.P.A. had a full time person or staff to handle administrative and promotional work.

The idea of a graduated system of membership dues has been suggested in various forms by Bob Pence (Ind.), Claude Benedict (O.), Czar Marcevech (Calif.), Ralph Forsstrom (Mass.), and others during the past year. This definitely needs consideration.

Regional setup plans have been discussed by Al Hudson (R. I.), Claude Benedict (O.), Amos Whitaker (Mass.), among others.

Others who have contributed various ideas and suggestions include Harold Blackman (Can.), Al Smith (Mo.), Elwin Smith (N. Y.), Lee Davis (N. J.), Carl Steinfeldt (N. Y.), Mrs. Hopkins (Ia.), and many others.

Still other plans that have been suggested need the official approval of the annual Convention to make them meet with the requirements of our constitution and by-laws. Your officials do not have unlimited power.

Some ideas have been put into operation. The registration of horseshoe courts for a comprehensive directory of courts is one example. Other ideas are in the process of being worked out. Sol Berman's (N. J.) idea for a concession booth at the World Tournament and Joe Anzaldi's (Minn.) idea for an official N.H.P.A. shirt insignia for example.

The real groundwork of promoting the game must be done locally however. The N.H.P.A. can not do this job for the local groups. All it can do is assist. In this line the work of the Falconer, N. Y. Rod and Gun Club, the Keene (N. H.) club, the big Junior tourney in New Jersey, the publicity efforts by Glen Sebring in Erie (Pa.), the beginners tournament by Stan Manker in Ohio, Herman Boyer's work in the Beaver Valley (Pa.) league, Randall Jones' plans for a Southeastern Open in North Carolina, Ed Edwards' work in forming a Florida East Coast team league, and Harold Falor's industrial horseshoe tournaments in Akron, O., have all been outstanding in the past year.

Ed Edwards of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., has designed an electric scoreboard and constructed a working model which has been used by the club at Holiday Park in Ft. Lauderdale. He has also written what he hopes will become the official song of the N.H.P.A. which goes to the tune of "Peg of My Heart."

— THE CHALLENGE AHEAD —

By CLAUDE BENEDICT

Our Job — Any Job — is different today . . . far More Demanding . . . more Outreaching . . . and it calls for a broader perspective than ever before . . . our horseshoe Game is no exception. These facts must be recognized now—by everyone if we wish the game to advance as we want it, as it should—and could—and will—once the pattern is set—which must be started now in order to accomplish our goal. Yes — we have a building and a rebuilding job to do as each of us face our share of the challenge of the sixties.

During the next ten years — our ten-point ten-year plan of action will see our membership grow to heights unknown and to the extent we make it grow with proper plans properly executed and all will be an automatic natural growth by the proper incentive program of interest to all would-be horseshoe pitchers — the results of which will be almost unlimited when we realize the potential among the youth alone today who will be the men of tomorrow or ten years from now to take their place among any and all sports of their choosing. It is up to us to help them choose our horseshoe game as their sport — which they can use for health and pleasure as long as they live whether TEN Years or 90 years of age. Our graduated scale of dues will be a great aid toward this development. Let's give the boys a chance to participate and then graduate on up through the different levels as their proficiency dictates for we all know what happens once the bug bites and keeps biting. The rest will be up to all of us in our respective locality to keep up the momentum as it should be — for it will be then, and only then, that each and every one will fully realize the full possibilities from a well correlated program from the low levels to the high. From such there is every reason to believe that the game can and will be made into a self-supporting proposition whereby each phase could and would look after its own finances from their own field of operations — on a certain underwriting plan favorable to all, and by all, once they know the fundamentals of the operational plan, whereby a set program of operation is set up for all levels on a 5-man team basis to be operated on similar plan of bowling leagues where certain receipts and expenses are derived from properly constituted leagues and all other activities which would eventually lead to properly organized and operated world and other tournaments the like of which has never been approached in the history of the horseshoe game.

Yes - generally speaking — Horseshoe pitchers are real sports, un-equalled perhaps in many ways in any other sport. We can make them even better sports by the adoption of certain operational plans beneficial to all and especially the average, and below, pitcher for his or their participation, on a National scale, along with all others. It is the feeling of this writer, and many others, that pitchers will gladly stand their share of the financial load — once given a reasonable chance at the stakes, financial or otherwise, along the way, which means from the lower level to the highest.

Let's make our program one of collectivism and by so doing we will make for a better program of individualism — for out of it all will come, under proper guidance, what we all want — the UTOPIA in our favorite sport, THE HORSESHOE GAME, with hundreds and more potential world champions contending for the title the country over — at least, this is the logical viewpoint of the writer and of many in other states who feel it the only logical way for sustained success in this or any other endeavor. Much more could be said to substantiate all the above — but we feel actual operation, experience and results in the field will prove these statements, which never will be evident until given the proper test of plans to make it so.

So all of the above, and more too, constitute the great challenge to all of us for now and the SIXTIES, what we do about it will depend on our immediate course of action. All that is asked is that each of you share your part in this great challenge and then eventually see for yourself — the results of a unified, universal program — then we will have the answer to the challenge. All for one — one for all —

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