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REGIONAL DIRECTORS

Chairman — Michael Vecchitto, 25 Howard Avenue, Middletown, Conn. Mickey has been an organizer and promoter of horseshoe for many years.

New England States — Howard White, 942 Woodbury Avenue, Portsmouth, N.H., has served in this capacity before and is one of the outstanding players in New England.

Eastern States — Lee Davis, 648 Abbott Avenue, Ridgefield, N. J. No one works harder to promote and foster the game of horseshoe or with more success than Lee. He has been active in the game for many years and is a New Jersey State Champ.

East Central States — Stan Manker, Route 2, Martinsville, O., a former winner of the Sportsmanship Award in the World Tournament. Stan has been a Regional Director for a number of years.

West Central States — Donald Koso, 2124 Wilson Street, Falls City, Nebr. He also heads the Nebraska State Association and the Falls City Club where he has promoted many tournaments.

North Central States — Art Engebretson, 1334 North First Street, Fargo, N. D. Art is the best known player and promoter of the game in the Dakotas and no tournament in that area is complete without his presence.

Southeastern States — Randall Jones, 2430 Queen Street, Winston-Salem, N. C. Randall is responsible for the re-birth and spread of the game in North Carolina and other areas of the Southeast and has been a real aid to the N.H.P.A. in that area.

Southwestern States — Gerald Kahle, 107 Forest Park Rd., Bartlesville, Okla. Has the biggest job of any of the Regional Directors for the southwest is the weakest area, but his work in Oklahoma this year as State Secretary where he has almost doubled the membership, indicates N.H.P.A. growth in the future.

Rocky Mt. States — Reinhard Backer, 165 North 2nd West, Salt Lake City, Utah. "Reiny" is the retiring N.H.P.A. President, but he will always be a booster and worker for the game.

Pacific Coast States — Earl Davis, 6308 Hillmont Dr., Oakland, Calif. Very active in the Northern California Association where he was once Secretary-Treasurer. Earl will make a fine Regional Director.

Canada — Maj. Jack Adams, Canadian Liaison Officer, Detroit Arsenal, Center Line, Mich. Jack is a Canadian army officer stationed in the U. S. and is a real fan and booster of the game. His connections all over Canada will make him valuable to the N.H.P.A.

COVER PICTURE . . . This month's cover shows the executive branch of the Nebraska state association. Left to right: Ralph Flebarty, Cozad, Nebraska, president; Joseph Foster, Omaha, Nebraska, vice-president; Donald Koso, Falls City, Nebraska, secretary-treasurer.

CURT DAY WINS HOOSIER TITLE AGAIN

Curt Day won his third straight and his fifth Indiana title, losing only the final game to John Coble after the championship was all wrapped up. Floyd Fowler pitched excellently to edge Red Brumfield for second.

Bob May won Class B in a three-way playoff with Karl Van Sant and Nelson Brown. Esta McKee annexed honors in the Ladies division, Hal Brown in the Juniors and Gary Craig in the Boys. Bob Clingerman became king of Indiana's "Lefthanders" and Lora Overhosler captured the "Old Timers" crown.

CLASS A

	W	L	%
C. Day	14	1	80.1
F. Fowler	13	2	78.8
G. Brumfield	13	2	76.3
M. Craig	11	4	71.8
C. Bellman	9	6	70.8
J. Coble	9	6	66.9
W. Horner	7	8	70.2
D. Owens	7	8	63.6
P. This'waite	6	9	68.3
E. Van Nater	5	10	68.1
C. Cummings	5	10	66.1
G. Mendenhall	5	10	60.6
C. Atwell	4	11	55.8
E. Billingsly	1	14	61.3
E. Sharp			Forfieted

CLASS B

	W	L	%
R. May	13	2	66.5
K. Van Sant	13	2	67.0
N. Brown	13	2	63.2
P. Hoover	10	5	64.8
F. Emery	10	5	57.4
H. Walker	9	6	58.2
E. Green	8	7	64.4
B. Royer	8	7	60.5
R. Carpenter	7	8	60.6
A. Quebe	7	8	57.0
K. Day	7	8	55.0
R. Pence	5	10	56.1
W. Dunn	4	11	53.1
M. Swanson	4	11	51.6
Ray Billingsly			Forfieted

CLASS C

GROUP ONE

	W	L	%
D. Chiddister	6	1	63.5
G. Weber	5	2	61.5
W. Jones	5	2	56.3
H. Marlow	5	2	55.1
P. Peterson	4	3	60.0
G. Hinshaw	2	5	50.9
C. Hanson	1	6	48.7
N. Farr	0	7	44.5

GROUP TWO

	W	L	%
Roy Billingsly	6	1	61.0
B. Taylor	5	2	63.3
C. Allwine	4	3	58.3
C. Tomlinson	4	3	59.8
V. Campbell	3	4	54.5
C. Green	3	4	50.0
R. Robinson	2	5	48.5
P. Van Sickle	1	6	47.5

CLASS D

GROUP ONE

	W	L	%
C. McCammon	6	1	51.3
V. Huffman	5	2	46.5
B. Shores	4	3	50.2
H. Keyes	4	3	48.8
L. Martin	3	4	49.7
R. Harrold	3	4	46.8
H. McFatrige	3	4	46.0
C. Fewell			Forfieted

GROUP TWO

	W	L	%
M. Chrisman	7	0	60.4
D. Salsbery	6	1	63.6
L. Overhosler	4	3	53.0
W. Buckallew	4	3	49.7
G. Sales	3	4	52.9
J. Carpenter	2	5	51.7
M. Hancock	2	5	45.4
J. Johnson	0	7	45.3

CLASS E

GROUP ONE

	W	L	%
G. Kingma	6	1	51.3
A. Moore	5	2	53.9
L. Meeks	5	2	53.1
J. Crane	5	2	50.0
J. Day	4	3	45.3
C. Schmidt	2	5	48.6
L. Crask	1	6	46.7
J. Schilling	0	7	42.0

GROUP TWO

	W	L	%
C. Maly	6	1	58.8
F. Coffman	6	1	55.6
A. Skinner	5	2	52.0
R. Bellman	4	3	50.5
H. Craig	4	3	48.0
D. Pitcher	2	5	47.7
P. Cunningham	1	6	38.4
C. Green			Forfeit

INDIANA STATE — (Continued)

CLASS F

GROUP ONE			GROUP TWO				
	W	L	%		W	L	%
H. Bellman	7	0	54.4	C. Dennigan	6	1	46.8
K. Haffner	6	1	56.5	T. Dawson	5	2	50.5
R. Feller	4	3	53.9	F. Dellinger	5	2	43.4
L. Mullin	3	4	47.5	C. Seibold	4	3	40.0
D. Buckallew	3	4	46.9	A. Lafon	3	4	43.7
W. Wilhoite	2	5	46.9	C. Fruitt	3	4	39.0
J. Kolaiser	2	5	46.8	E. Jamison	1	6	37.5
D. Reeves	1	6	40.0	R. Pitcher	1	6	35.1

CLASS G

			"Old Timers"				
	W	L	%		W	L	%
P. Mitchner	6	1	42.2	L. Overhosler	7	0	63.0
R. Fluehrer	6	1	40.8	C. Cumming	6	1	61.9
L. Keller	5	2	41.6	C. Green	4	3	57.1
R. McKinnis	5	2	38.8	G. Johnson Sr.	4	3	52.6
E. Toney	3	4	37.7	C. Haffner	3	4	44.6
O. Richter	2	5	35.2	V. Huffman	2	5	51.3
R. Wilson	1	6	29.8	L. Crask	2	5	44.5
P. Glaze	0	7	25.6	L. Hole	0	7	41.5

CLASS H

GROUP ONE			GROUP TWO				
	W	L	%		W	L	%
D. Taylor	5	0	42.3	M. Gillespie	5	0	38.5
L. Richards	4	1	38.9	W. McCog	4	1	40.0
K. Yoder	3	2	33.6	R. Gardner	3	2	27.8
E. Onley	2	3	38.6	E. Cast	2	3	31.8
H. Mohler	1	4	27.8	D. Lusch	1	4	25.0
M. Brandt	0	5	20.0	R. Ellenberger	0	5	30.0

"Left Handers"

	W	L	%
R. Clingerman	6	0	63.5
M. Briney	5	1	
C. Moit	4	1	
R. Robinson	3	2	
J. Kolaiser	3	2	
C. Richards	2	3	
R. Briney	2	3	
J. Evans	1	4	
J. Shuck	1	4	

Ladies

	W	L	%
E. McKee	5	0	
S. Gillespie	4	1	
B. Smith	3	2	
B. Seibold	2	3	
W. Ditmer	1	4	
E. Price	0	5	

GLYNDEN MOORE NEW TAR HEEL STATE CHAMPION

After several years of trailing close behind the winners in many tournaments, Glynden Moore of Burlington, North Carolina put together one of the finest performances of his career to win the North Carolina state championship. In a field of 12, Moore and defending champion, Woodie Thomas together with the "always tough" Darrell Eller finished the regular round robin play with each having 11 wins and 1 loss. All three averaged better than 70 percent in ringers. Moore's only loss came at the hands of Eller. Thomas' only loss was to Moore. In the final game of the round robin Thomas beat Eller to set up a 3-way tie for the title. In the play-off Moore defeated both Thomas and Eller for first place while Eller defeated Thomas for second place honors. In the class B division, Melvin "Pete" Seagraves made his NHPA debut by sweeping the field of 10 without a loss to pick up the honors.

MERRITT STAGES UPSET TO WIN MASSACHUSETTS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Melvin Merritt of Orange, Massachusetts staged a tremendous upset at the annual Massachusetts state tournament at the Moxies' Grove courts, Hampden Ponds, Orange, Mass. This was his first major tournament that he has won and he did so by winning all 7 of his games. Joseph Commeau, Mass. Open champ and William Babinski, Western Mass. champion and a former state champ, were victims of Merritt's steady pitching. Trophies were awarded to the top 3 in each class.

CLASS A

	W	L	%
Melvin Merritt	7	0	63.4
Joseph Comeau	6	1	68.7
William Babinski	5	2	61.1
Gilbert Brinkman	3	4	60.5
Amos Whitaker	3	4	56.4
Charles Richardson	2	5	53.8
Tom Laurino	1	6	49.3
Edward Pomeroy	1	6	49.2

CLASS B

	W	L	%
Guy Thrasher	6	1	46.0
Ernest Lecuyer	5	2	47.0
Leroy Peets, Sr.	5	2	46.9
Ralph Forsstrom	4	3	43.4
Val Moraski	4	3	41.8
Carl Walker	2	5	44.8
Gerard Dufault	1	6	35.2
John Renfro			Forfeit

CLASS C FINALS

	W	L	%
Stanley Luke	3	0	40.7
Clarence Gill	2	1	39.7
Charles Farnsworth	1	2	36.6
Wayne Castine	0	3	35.3

CLASS D

	W	L	%
Roland Borden	5	0	31.7
Leo Broulette	4	1	35.9
Percy Howe	3	2	25.5
Loran Malone	2	3	18.5
Russell Barnes	1	4	20.8
David Champiney	0	5	15.6

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OREGON STATE TITLE TAKEN BY ELDON HARVEY

Eldon Harvey of Canby, Oregon, proved himself master of the Oregon state association tournament at the state meet held at Bush Pasture park courts in Salem, Oregon. Hampton defeated Getchell in the play-off for second money.

CLASS A			CLASS C		
	W	L		W	L
Eldon Harvey	5	1	I. Lowe	7	0
B. Hampton	5	2	T. Zwickl	6	1
R. Getchell	4	3	W. Hulshif	5	2
R. West	3	3	E. Lowe	4	3
A. Richardson	2	4	L. Davis	2	5
H. Peterson	2	4	C. Riley	2	5
C. Chapelle	1	5	E. Solberg	1	6
			R. Bowman	1	6
CLASS B			CLASS D		
	W	L		W	L
E. Josh	7	0	T. Christensen	5	1
C. Schaumberg	5	2	G. Samuelson	4	2
E. Exzeem	4	3	F. Johnson	3	2
A. Kraft	3	4	W. Samuelson	2	3
L. Hernesmaa	3	4	J. Kraus	1	4
R. Miller	2	5	M. Lien	1	4
O. Myhre	2	5			
R. Weller	2	5			

CLASS E — Won by Bob Burt, Beaverton, 5-1; Ray Scheidler, Mt. Angel; Elmer Nass, Hillsboro; Pete Brachmann, Canby; Lloyd Day, Portland; Ellis Lauderback, Independence. CLASS F — Won by Orville Pettichord, Portland, 5-1; Henry McGraw, Lebanon; Fred Rauch, Hood River; Bud Parker, Portland; Gilbert Haman, Salem; Ernie LaVoie, Hillsboro. CLASS G — Won by Arnie Hukari, Hood River, 3-0; Ray Theis, Salem; Ed Karlbom, Cornalius; Ira Lewis, Salem. CLASS H — Won by Robert Summars, Independence, 4-1; Ray Mitchell, Tualatin; Allen Kraft, Canby; Al Barandsee.

GEORGE BUSKEY CROWNED NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE CHAMP

George Buskey of Keene, New Hampshire, became the first man from that city to win the coveted horseshoe pitching crown of the state of New Hampshire. Meet was held in Keene at the Alumni Field courts. He out-classed a large field in the Class A division to fire a 61 percent average. Leon West was the official scorer. At the annual meeting, Lionel Cayer was elected president with Paul Boomer as vice-president and Howard White as secretary.

CLASS A — George Buskey, Keene, 6-1, 61. Donald Craig, Portsmouth, 6-1, 58.8. Clyde Robinson, Derry, 5-2, 55.4. Zygmund Bedrinka, Keene, 4-3, 55.5. Eddie Paquin, Pelham, 3-4, 45.7. Paul Boomer, Keene, 2-5, 49. Arthur Fernald, Portsmouth, 1-6, 44.4. Robert Brodeur, Claremont, 1-6, 36.8.

CLASS B — Germai Gariepy, Manchester, 6-1, 45 per cent. Emile Remillard, Manchester, 6-1, 39.2. Lawrence Croteau, Kenne, 5-2, 41.7. George Sylvain, Manchester, 4-3, 39.6. Sam Raymonds, Pelham, 3-4, 31. Arthur Wayne, Manchester, 2-5, 29.4. William Paquin, Pelham, 1-6, 25.5. George Fish, Keene, 1-6, 23.8.

CLASS C — Darrell Flagg, Keene, 4-2, 42.6. Normand Durand, Hudson, 3-3, 38. Donald Pickering, Keene, 2-4, 38.6.

CLASS D — Victor True, Manchester, 5-1, 37.7 per cent. Lionel Cayer, Manchester, 4-2, 28.6. Albert DeLuca, Portsmouth, 1-6, 22.4.

CLASS E — Philip Drew, Dovre 2-1, 37.5 per cent. Robert Fernald, Portsmouth, 1-2, 35.8.

KEN JENSEN REGAINS MICHIGAN STATE RINGER CROWN

Ken Jensen of St. Joseph, Michigan, twice winner of the Michigan state crown is back on the throne after he very convincingly disposed of Roy Smith of Muskego, 50-30; 42-50; and 50-20. He averaged 70 percent ringers as against Smith's 65%. In the Class A consolation, Irwin Carlberg of Grand Rapids won both games from Jim Davis also of Grand Rapids. Clyde Gorton claimed Class B title winning over V. Fuller. Class C ribbon winner was Al Kerr of Lowell over Van Horn. Norbert Nelson disposed of Milt Greenman to take Class D. Virgil Singleto took out Harold Reilly for Class E honors. Bill Malvitz is the 1961 Boys' champion, while Darlene Swanson of Sparta won over Elaine Carlson to gain the Ladies' state crown.

CLASS A-1

	W	L	%
Roy Smith	5	1	65.0
Joe Lattzko	5	1	62.0
Alex Clark	4	2	65.0
Ralph Bacon	4	2	60.0
Alvin Malvitz	2	4	46.0
Harry Parmer	1	5	50.0
Leonard Vinkle	0	6	40.0

CLASS B

	W	L
Bill Parsons	4	1
Ralph Krimmel	3	2
Vern Fuller	3	2
Clyde Gorton	2	3
Bert Taylor	2	3
John Carlson	1	4

CLASS D—FINALS

	W	L
Norbert Nelson	3	0
Milt Greenman	2	1
G. Van Gelder	0	2
K. Kuchenruether	0	2

JUNIOR BOYS

	W	L
Bill Malvitz	3	1
Ivan Singleton	2	2
Tommie Smith	1	3

CLASS A-2

	W	L	%
Ken Jensen	6	0	67.0
Clarence Flynn	4	2	51.0
Delmar Hallock	4	2	61.0
Carl Lundgren	3	3	53.0
Irwin Carlberg	3	3	60.0
James Davis	1	5	49.0
James Ostrander	0	6	45.0

CLASS C—FINALS

	W	L
Al Kerr	4	1
Robert Van Horn	4	1
Menzo Brummels	3	2
C. Jenison	2	3
Ernie Shooks	2	3
Jack Shultz	0	5

CLASS E—FINALS

	W	L
V. Singleton	4	0
H. Reilly	2	3
G. Klomparene	1	2
D. Conley	0	2

LADIES

	W	L
Darlene Swanson	4	1
Elaine Carlson	4	1
Pearl Hanna	4	1
Eva Flynn	2	3
Dorothy Singleton	1	4
Maxine Reinhart	0	5

TENNESSEE TITLE WON BY FORTENBERRY

George Fortenberry retained his title at the Tennessee Valley Fair in Knoxville, but Ben Raskopf, state association president, plans to hold an official state tournament later in the season. The Tennessee chapter is handicapped by the lack of suitable courts, a situation they are trying to rectify. The only really good courts are the three deluxe courts of John Walker in Jefferson City, but these are not enough on which to stage a big tournament.

RINGER CHATTER

Veterans' organizations are getting behind local horseshoe pitching programs in Neillsville and Medford, Wisconsin. NHPA member, James Jones in Neillsville, has interested the American Legion there in the game and in nearby Medford another NHPA member, Bob Gingles, and the VFW, is sponsoring a program. Both groups showed films of the World Tournament recently.

HOWIE GANZ WINNER OF MINNESOTA STATE MEET

Howie Ganz of Backus, Minnesota, is the new Minnesota state champion for 1961. Following close behind him was Ron Cherrier, the "old war horse" from Hopkins, Minnesota. Other top finishers in the Class A bracket were John Yernberg of St. Paul and his townsman, Hart Knutson who took fourth. Complete statistics were not available, only names were given.

Class B—Gus Magnuson, Camby, first; Carl West, St. Paul; Daryl Olsen, Storden; Archie Anderson, Westbrook. Class C—Jerry Goswick, St. Paul, first; Bob Kissner, Lamberton; Scotty Olson, Windom. Class D—Bill Barker, Windom, first; Don Le Fleur, Minneapolis; Bill Lorenz, St. Paul. Class E—Bud Roy, Jeffers, first; Art Peters, Westbrook; Harry Benson, Hibbing. Class F—George Mertz, St. Paul, first; Cliff Barkis, Hibbing; Les Bockes, Camby. Class G—George Holck, Storden, first; Leo LaBrosse, Hibbing; Darold Siebert, Clement. Class H—Charles Strafficia, Hibbing, first; Noels Lanes, Minneapolis; Elmer Berg, Redwood Falls.

H. RENO HITS 84.7% TO SWEEP OHIO STATE TOURNAMENT

Harold Reno of Sabina, Ohio and 1961 World's Champion turned on the "heat" to sweep the field at the annual Ohio state tournament held at the City park courts in Greenville, Ohio. Greenville club was the host and Ohio Buckeye association handled the tournament details. Ties for first place were played off and all other ties were decided by ringer percentages.

CLASS A

	W	L	%
Harold Reno	11		84.7
Paul Focht	10	1	79.7
William Penttila	8	3	74.4
Wilbur Kabel	7	4	72.6
Loren Crooks	7	4	67.9
Harry Sibert	6	5	68.5
Stanley Manker	5	6	67.0
Geo. Dilgard	4	7	65.7
Bill Sollar	4	7	63.7
Howard Bryant	2	9	61.7
Gary Roberts	2	9	59.5
Leonard Glass		11	59.3

CLASS C

	W	L	%
Melvin Kalb	7		65.2
Herman Oney	6	1	57.9
Lester Rose	5	2	61.0
Hobart Brunner	4	3	60.5
Merl Banister	3	4	53.6
A. J. Ball	2	5	46.5
Carl Reisinger	1	6	49.7
Arthur Porter			

CLASS E

	W	L	%
Robert Brubaker	5	2	46.2
Robert Hoff	5	2	37.7
Dale Miller	4	3	48.7
John Webb	4	3	42.2
Ross Shafor	3	4	40.4
Jerry Webb	3	4	40.3
Oral Blosser	3	4	39.6
Robert Rung	1	6	25.4

CLASS B

	W	L	%
Zach Campbell	9	2	59.7
Harold Wolfe	9	2	61.9
Charles Sipple	8	3	64.4
Bill Skidmore	8	3	63.3
Lee Bennett	8	3	60.1
John Reno	7	4	57.1
Charles Coppess	5	6	53.4
Donnie Roberts	5	6	50.7
Donald Grunden	4	7	47.1
Lawrence Shafer	2	9	43.9
Dale Estep			Forfeit
Alva Ames			Forfeit

CLASS D

	W	L	%
Fred Collins	6	1	55.3
Howard Roshon	5	2	49.8
Fred Bennett	4	3	46.8
Robert Brooks	4	3	39.1
Harold Godfrey	3	4	47.9
Pete Brombaugh	3	4	44.8
Walter Fender	2	5	44.8
Cecil Mangus	1	6	34.1

CLASS F

	W	L	%
Chadwick Mays	7		47.0
Ted Lackey	5	2	45.5
Audie Rich	5	2	38.8
Ansil Copeland	4	3	40.9
Dale Henry	3	4	39.4
Dan Miller	2	5	31.9
Rollin Futrell	1	6	32.2
Forrest Carpenter	1	6	26.3

OHIO STATE — (Continued)

CLASS G				CLASS H			
	W	L	%		W	L	%
Kenneth Deeter	5	2	47.1	Joe Luken	7		39.4
Roy McClure	5	2	40.4	James Lane	4	3	35.8
John Yohn	5	2	41.1	Dick Whiteman	4	3	35.6
Floyd Coblentz	5	2	42.2	Richard Mercer	4	3	27.1
Carl Gerhart	2	5	36.7	John Lane	4	3	26.0
Robert McMullin	2	5	34.3	Paul Lackey	2	5	28.0
Frank Sumpter	2	5	33.2	Tim Wehrley	2	5	25.1
Pete Finch	2	5	31.3	George Meek	1	6	20.2

CLASS I				CLASS J			
	W	L	%		W	L	%
Paul Hatfield	6	1	42.9	Gene Corn	7		36.5
Leonard Koogler	5	2	42.0	James Falor	6	1	38.6
Otis Clay	5	2	40.6	Sylvanus Kalb	5	2	37.6
Edwin Burt	4	3	33.9	Alfred Davis	4	3	24.0
Roy Honeyman	4	3	32.3	Dallas Snodgrass	3	4	22.7
Oscar Blosser	3	4	34.0	Frank Goodpaster	2	5	18.1
Ronald Titus	1	6	32.2	Gene Newman	1	6	17.9
Jay Bowman		7	20.7				

JUNIOR TOURNAMENT

	W	L	%
Gary Roberts	5		54.5
James Brubaker	4	1	34.2
Don Henry	3	2	16.0
Michael Kalb	2	3	22.4
Steven Newman	1	4	13.2
Dennis Brown		5	13.3

OHIO STATE**LADIES' TOURNAMENT**

	W	L	%
Kathryn Overman	3		22.7
Dora Vance	2	1	12.4
Janet Reno	1	2	06.9
Avanella Brown		3	00.8

LONE STAR STATE CHAMPIONSHIP WON BY BURGESS

Although interest in horseshoe pitching was at a low ebb during 1961, a small state tournament was held at Ballinger, Texas. It was sponsored by the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce. Although there were but three players available, they played a round robin of 3 games each. Rev. Martin Burgess came out with the long end of the straw as the 1961 state champion. Ballinger will again be the site for the 1962 state tournament, with a survey of the membership to be made in the meantime. The date will be selected at a date to be decided in the spring. Statistics as follows: Rev. Martin Burgess, first place, 5-1, 43.1; J. W. Cash, second, 4-2, 45.9; Mat Bowers, third, 0-6, 35.0.

Reports have not been received from Washington, Vermont and Rhode Island. Summaries will be carried in a later issue.

Jene Durham defeated Dale Carson in a special match recently to become recognized as the Maryland champion by the N.H.P.A. Others recognized by the N.H.P.A. as state champions are Jim Johnson of Kentucky, Floyd Toole of Arkansas and O. S. Plott of Louisiana.

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There should be some news in another month or two. The revised drawing of the new shoe makes it $\frac{3}{8}$ " longer, giving an added pitch to the slant at the heel opening. Also $\frac{1}{4}$ " to the body at the points which gives it a little more "peg-catching" advantage, plus making the hooks that much longer. It still retains the same good balance and made of the same excellent steel as before.

WALTER KING OF NORTH CAROLINA CROWNED "KING" OF HILL CITY OPEN TOURNAMENT, LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA

Walter King of Asheboro, North Carolina, lived up to his name by defeating Gene Durham of Baltimore, Maryland, 52-44, in a play-off for the championship of the Hill City Open held at Lynchburg, Virginia, September 23. Each had 6 wins and 1 loss at the end of the regular round robin. Each received a trophy as did Dale Carson who finished in third place. In the B division, at the end of regular round robin play, Pence, Murphy, Merricks and O. Burnette were all tied for second place. In the play-offs, Murphy won over Burnette, Pence over Merricks. Then Pence, N.H.P.A. secretary, went on to down Murphy for second spot in that class.

In the semi-finals Childress, Bullion, Owen and Williams finished in that order in Group 1, while Toney, Manuel, C. Hix and Monday did likewise in Group 2 of the Class A. In Group 1 of the B section, N. Hicks, Greer, Woody and T. Jones finished in order as did Seagraves, Raskopf, H. Burnette and Dowdy in Group 2 of the B section.

Summary of top finalists for two days follows: Walter King, 11-3-63.5; Gene Durham, 11-3-68.7; Dale Carson, 11-3-67.1; John Fulton, 9-5-67.1; Glyndon Moore, 8-6-60.4; Larry Templeton, 7-7-58.4; Burrell Brobeck, 5-9-56.5; W. Lunsford, 4-10-52.1.

HILL CITY OPEN — (Continued)

CLASS B — Thomas Ballowe, 13-1-52.0; Bob Pence, 10-4-50.0; C. Murphy, 9-5-48.3; Jr. Merricks, 11-3-51.0; O. Burnette, 8-6-36.4; Fred Duncan, 7-7-47.0; Marvin May, 6-8-45.0; Robert Ragland, 5-9-36.2.

DIXON OF IOWA HAWKEYE ASSOCIATION RETAINS MIDLAND EMPIRE CROWN

Dale Dixon of Des Moines, Iowa, successfully defended his Midland Empire title by sweeping all his games in his group and then going on to defeat Ken Markley of Mt. Ayr, Iowa, winner of group 2 in a play-off for the title, 50-40. Roland Kraft, champion of Kansas, defeated Alvin Dahlene also of Kansas for third place honors, 50-24. In previous play-offs, Kraft had defeated Ray Cavin while Dahlene downed Roger Vogel of Illinois.

Another highlight of the tournament was the perfect ringer contest which was won by Edward Wood of Mayetta, Kansas, by pitching one shoe, regulation distance at 3 matches placed 1 inch in front and to each side of the stake without touching either matches or the stake. He was awarded a cash prize of \$6.00 for his "sharp shooting."

CLASS A — Group 1 won by Dale Dixon, Iowa, 5-0-74.9; Alvin Dahlene, Kansas, 3-2-57.7; Roger Vogel, Illinois, 3-2-63.9; Wellington Taylor, Iowa, 2-3-61.2; Ivan Long, Kansas, 2-3-55.3; Leo O'Brien, Missouri, 0-5-41.9.

CLASS A — Group 2 won by Kenneth Markley, Iowa, 4-1-63.8; Roland Kraft, Kansas, 3-2-65.9; Ray Cavin, Missouri, 3-2-66.2; Nelson Vogel, Illinois, 2-3-60.5; Jerry Davison, Missouri, 2-3-46.8; Cliff Huntley, Missouri, 1-4-50.4.

CLASS B — Marion Huff, Missouri, 5-0-49.9; Fred Foster, Missouri, 4-1-45.4; Loren Cain, Missouri, 3-2-35.9; Edward Wood, Kansas, 2-3-44.3; Charles Kilgore, Missouri, 1-4-42.3; Wilbur Gay, Missouri, 0-5-33.9.

CLASS C — Lavern Long, Kansas, 5-0-55.2; Seth Redmond, Missouri, 3-2-44.5; Louis Jeter, Iowa, 3-2-46.1; Max Minkler, Missouri, 2-3-43.2; Ronald Vogel, Illinois, 2-3-45.3; Arlo Williams, Iowa, 0-5-21.6.

CLASS D — Bud Sexton, Missouri, 4-1; Charles Cook, Iowa, 4-1; Marvin Woollums, Iowa, 3-2; Micky Markley, Iowa, 2-3; Ralph Minkler, Missouri, 2-3; Pick Jones, Missouri, 0-5.

FROM HERE AND THERE

Ben Meberg and George Phoenix are engaged in interesting players in Preeceville, Saskatchewan in NHPA membership preparatory to forming an official state chapter.

RALPH MADDOX SHINES IN WEST VIRGINIA STATE TOURNAMENT WIN

Ralph Maddox of Poca, West Virginia, third place winner in the 1961 World tournament added to his laurels by winning the 1961 West Virginia state championship. Meet was held at the City park courts in Parkersburg, West Virginia. Maddox lost one game to Andy Deem 40-51. Deem hit 73.4 percent while Maddox averaged 69.3 in the game. Maddox averaged 74.1 for the 11 game round robin. At the annual election held during the running of the tournament, Archie Pratt was elected president; Dennis Freshour, vice-president and Anna Lindquist, secretary-treasurer. Bill Sargent won play-off match for Class B title while Dennis Deem did likewise in Class C.

A CLASS

	W	L	%		W	L	%
Ralph Maddox	10	1	74.1	Grover Anderson	5	6	60.1
Andy Deem	9	2	66.1	Bill Riley	5	6	57.8
James Boggess	9	2	59.3	Carrroll Wilson	3	8	54.2
Harold Huffman	7	4	60.2	Willard Gray	3	8	45.4
Arner Lindquist	6	5	59.1	Howard Barnett	2	9	45.7
E. L. Edwards	6	5	56.2	Jesse Parson	1	10	51.4

B CLASS

	W	L	%
Bill Sargent	8	1	51.8
George Mihalic	8	1	54.9
Tom Davis	6	3	47.8
Dennie Freshour	6	3	45.5
Archie Pratt	4	5	40.8
Riley Gain	4	5	39.3
David Sims	3	6	36.9
Dr. R. Frazier	3	6	30.9
J. C. Owens	2	7	36.0
Forrest Hill			Defaulted

C CLASS

	W	L	%
Dennis Deem	8	1	38.8
Kenneth Buckhannon	8	1	42.5
Bernard Hull	6	3	37.8
Gene Rice	5	4	30.7
Lee Deem	5	4	26.6
J. B. Lowe	5	4	24.8
G. C. Hartman	3	6	23.9
Charles Kirkpatrick	2	7	26.3
William Fruits	2	7	18.9
Charles Hammand	1	8	22.1

L'ABBE IN EASY WIN COLORADO STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Gerald L'Abbe of Denver successfully defended his Colorado state title in the annual Colorado state tournament held at the Denver City park courts. It was conducted in between sudden bursts of rain and snow.

Averaging 72.1 percent for the day, he easily topped his 11 opponents. He had two hot games of 84.2% and 86.7%. Keith Kelsey was the only one to get more than 40 points against the titleholder. In another game Eino Tiilikainen, after trailing his opponent Roy Radcliff 25-46, turned on the heat by throwing all ringers except 1 out of the last 20 shoes to defeat Radcliff 50-49. Chet Minger won the play-off game to take Class B honors.

CLASS A

	W	L	%
G. Labbe	11	0	72.1
R. Radcliff	8	3	62.8
K. Kelsey	8	3	60.3
E. Tiilikainen	8	3	59.5
W. Berg	7	4	53.6
F. Derby	7	4	53.5
S. Palese	6	5	48.3
D. Fuller	4	7	44.1
F. Engel	3	8	39.2
S. Eitelgeorge	2	9	44.7
V. Zelman	2	9	42.3

CLASS B

	W	L	%
C. Minger, Denver	7	1	48.9
J. Freeman, Denver	6	2	39.4
E. McCarthy, Denver	5	2	29.0
G. Sawiko, Aurora	4	3	26.4
W. Freeman, Denver	3	4	24.4
B. Stevens, Denver	2	5	23.7
L. Louks, Broomfield	1	6	25.1
F. Cawood, Denver	1	6	19.3

BILL KOLB, NEW JERSEY RINGER VETERAN, TAKES NEW JERSEY STATE TITLE IN TOW FOR 9th TIME

In the best matched tournament ever held in the state of New Jersey, Bill Kolb of Belleville, New Jersey, came out towing the state crown for the ninth time in his pitching career. As the last round of play was started, 4 men were tied and when it ended Kolb and Dr. Sol Berman were still tied as were Davis and McCrink who decided third place. Kolb disposed of Berman in 66 shoes, 50-38. Kolb also pitched an 80% game against Davis. Other high games were: Berman, 77.8%; and Davis, 79.5%. Class B title was won by Walt Haring for the 4th time winning in the play-off over Rugg, 50-45.

CLASS A

	W	L	%
Dr. S. Berman	5	1	64.9
W. Kolb	5	1	68.6
L. Davis	4	2	61.0
J. McCrink	4	2	55.7
Al Ward	2	4	50.8
F. McCrink	1	5	47.0
D. French	0	6	46.7

CLASS C

	W	L	%
N. Mappa	4	1	31.1
Q. Cooper	4	1	25.1
C. Ogg	3	2	22.4
H. Hoodiman	3	2	21.6
B. Fournier	1	4	28.7
J. Baunhuber	0	5	16.0

CLASS B

	W	L	%
W. Haring	6	2	46.2
C. Rugg	6	2	48.0
T. Skinner	4	4	44.1
J. Dykstra	4	4	40.9
A. Gerber	4	4	40.1
W. Stelzenmuller, Sr.	4	4	38.7
W. Stelzenmuller, Jr.	4	4	37.8
W. Stokem	4	4	36.7
E. Falkner	0	8	36.4

CLASS D

	W	L	%
Barnes	2	0	15.4
Youtt	0	2	13.0

RILEY WINS FIRST ANNUAL NEW MEXICO STATE TOURNAMENT

P. D. Riley, a former Texas state champ and now a resident of New Mexico, became that state's first state champion by virtue of winning every game in the recent first annual state tournament of New Mexico held in conjunction with the Valencia County Fair. There were 27 entries. Nine beautiful trophies were awarded to the top 3 men in each class. Riley also claimed high qualifying honors. A great deal of credit for the great success of this meet goes to Ralph Brandt and Parker Burns for promoting it. Plans are being made for the 1962 meet.

CLASS A

	W	L		W	L	%
P. D. Riley	9	0		Jim Taylor	4	5
Lou Eversgerd	8	2		Fonzo Cossell	3	6
Parker Burns	7	3		J. B. Sweatman	3	6
John Hiller	6	3		Lloyd W. Jones	1	8
Joe Robertson	4	5		Roland Trottier	1	6

CLASS B

	W	L
Sam De Haan	8	1
Allan Gruer	7	2
R. J. Sinkey	7	2
Pat Edeal Sr.	6	3
Jim Wade	4	4
Carlos Ortega	3	5
Eldon Fleck	2	6
Jack Gruer	1	7
Nazario Gonzales	0	8

CLASS C

	W	L
Charles Rettinger	7	0
F. G. Gabaldon	6	1
Arthur Costello	5	2
Fred B. Grey	3	4
Ralph Brandt	2	5
J. Breidenbach	2	5
Dave Hill	2	5
Pat Edeal, Jr.	1	6

ART KAMMAN STILL ARIZONA STATE RINGER CHAMP

Art Kamman of Mesa, Arizona, successfully defended his state championship in the annual Arizona state tournament held at Encanto park in Phoenix, Arizona. Kamman won all his games while Stan DeLeary of Phoenix was in the runner-up spot with 6 wins and 1 loss which was sustained at the hands of Kamman. DeLeary who has been rather inactive in the last few years, will be remembered by many as one of the top pitchers in World tournament competition about 10 years ago. We are happy to learn that he has returned to the ranks. Glen Crandall and Gifford Thompson finished in third and fourth. Due to the high winds that prevailed the ringer percentages were not as high as usual.

In the class B tournament held the week previous Rev. Walter Stearns defeated Van Zanten 50-15 in the play-off for first place in that section. Charles Carson was third.

CLASS A

	W	L	%
Kamman	7	0	57.7
DeLeary	6	1	58.3
Thompson	4	3	47.2
Crandall	4	3	46.3
Adair	3	4	43.3
Nonnamker	2	5	40.0
Stearns	2	5	39.1
Shaffer	0	7	38.2

CLASS B

	W	L	%
Stearns	8	1	44.4
Van Santen	8	1	44.4
Carson	7	2	43.8
Mauthe	5	4	43.1
Patschke	5	4	41.5
Miller	5	4	35.0
Phillips	2	7	34.9
Webb	2	7	30.0
Smith	2	7	29.0
Newell	1	8	25.7

Stearns announces that the annual Valley of the Sun tournament will be held in Mesa, Arizona, in February. Class A, February 24-25 and Class B, February 17-18. Ira Allen of California will be on hand to defend his title. Winter visitors to Mesa or other parts of the valley of the sun are cordially invited to take part in this annual pitching fiesta.

TITCOMB, FORMER WORLD CHAMP, WINS CALIFORNIA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

In spite of the way the weatherman acted, Don Titcomb, former world champion, came through with a clean record of 13 wins and no losses to capture the California state championship held at San Jose, California. It rained on the morning of the tournament opening thereby holding up the qualifying until mid-afternoon. As a result the condition of the courts caused lower qualifying scores and game percentages.

	W	L	%		W	L	%
D. Titcomb	13	0	73.6	C. Moskalik	6	7	56.3
B. Fraser	11	2	69.1	C. Marcevich	5	8	56.9
Ira Allen	10	3	69.0	B. Blexrude	4	9	60.3
H. Moefield	9	4	66.2	J. Hagerman	4	9	56.4
L. Anderson	8	5	59.2	A. Peters	2	11	55.2
J. Seymour	8	5	58.4	A. Almieda	2	11	54.1
Jim Weeks	7	6	65.2	F. Esperanza	2	11	53.9

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GLEN HENTON TOPS FIELD TO BECOME IOWA STATE CHAMPION

Glen Henton of Maquoketa, Iowa topped the field in the annual Iowa state tournament held in conjunction with the Iowa state fair at Des Moines, Iowa. His only loss was at the hands of John Paxton of Ottumwa. In the opening ceremonies, Rev. David Shaffer, a member of the Iowa-Hawkeye association, presided. It was his pleasure to crown Miss Janice Henton, daughter of the new champion, as "Miss Ringer" queen of the 1961 Iowa state tournament. Also during the running of the tournament, an exhibition was given by the junior boys, Mickey Markley and Gary James assisted by Nancy Henton. Tournament highlights were: High percentage game, Earl Wiges, 88.5%. Shortest game of 32 shoes by Dixon with 81.2%. At annual meeting the following were elected: Leo Hamand, president; Marion Lange, vice-president; Mrs. Lucille Hopkins, secretary-treas.; Rev. David Shaffer, publicity director. Each of the top four men in the championship flight received a trophy.

CHAMPIONSHIP

	W	L	%
G. Henton	14	1	71.4
J. Paxton	13	2	66.3
K. Markley	12	3	64.9
E. Wiges	12	3	68.6
D. Dixon	12	3	67.2
F. Rogers	9	6	64.4
H. Rogers	8	7	63.7
W. Taylor	8	7	60.4
M. Lange	7	8	62.1
W. Uhlig	6	9	62.4
C. Vandergriff	6	9	57.9
L. Wiges	5	10	59.0
W. James	3	12	54.8
F. Thomas	2	13	54.7
E. Danielson	2	13	52.2
L. Hamand	1	14	48.8

BOYS DIVISION

	W	L
M. Markley, Trophy	11	0
N. Vandergriff	10	1
G. James	9	2
E. Underwood	8	3
B. Bennett	7	4
R. Rothert	6	5
G. Toney	4	7
J. Moore	3	8
K. Toney	2	9
R. Toney	2	9
R. Reese	2	9
R. Burns	1	10

WYOMING STATE CROWN GOES TO LESTER FORSYTHE

In spite of the 40 degree weather and light showers, Lester Forsythe of Cheyenne walked off with the Wyoming state title in the tournament staged at the Holiday park courts in Cheyenne.

In the Junior division, Max Miller of Saratoga won the first place trophy, Billie Patton of Saratoga was second and Terry Anderson of Albin came in third. The Art Rugg trophy for the most improved pitcher was presented to Max Miller. A business meeting was held at the home of James Strange following a barbecue given by the Cheyenne club.

CLASS A

	W	L	%		W	L	%
L. Forsythe, Cheyenne	8	2	58.4	N. Miller, Saratoga	5	5	51.3
M. Palmer, Cheyenne	7	3	60.7	L. Laughlin, Cheyenne	4	6	56.3
S. Patton, Saratoga	6	4	51.7	C. Arnold, Albin	0	10	42.2

CLASS B

	W	L	%
W Patton, Cheyenne	9	1	44.8
C. Palm, Albin	6	4	39.1
R. Sherard, LaGrange	5	5	41.5
C. Duggan, Casper	5	5	40.7
W. Cork, Cheyenne	3	7	39.0
B. Roberts, Cheyenne	8	2	36.4

CLASS C

	W	L	%
E. A. Anderson, Albin	8	2	30.8
J. Strange, Cheyenne	7	3	32.0
R. Burns, Laramie	6	4	29.8
H. Steeley, Wheatland	4	6	25.2
G. Powers, Cheyenne	3	7	27.2
G. Bayless, Cheyenne	1	9	19.5

JOHNNY DAVIS NEW CHAMPION OF FLORIDA

The Florida State Tournament played off under difficult conditions because of showers, ended in a 3 way tie for top honors. Defending champion Charles Stephens, going into the last round with the only 5-1 record, could have wrapped it up with a single point in a game with Joe Kelly, which stood at 49-49. On the last pitch with 2 dead, and both players second shoe within an inch of the stake, Joe's shoe measured a mere $\frac{1}{16}$ " the closer. This decision necessitated a 3-man playoff between Stephens, J. Davis, and Kelly to break this 5-2 deadlock. Johnny Davis, a comparative newcomer to Bradenton, won close games over both Stephens and Kelly in the playoff, thus becoming the new state champion of Florida. In the consolation game, Stephens won a close one over Kelly, giving him runnerup position, with Kelly in 3rd place. John Clingan, Apopka, Fla., tossed the high percentage game of the Class A event, a 75.0% job over Les Hilliard, in this N.H.P.A. sanctioned tourney.

Spieß, Backous and Ridge tied for 2nd place. Backous forfeited, and Spiess winning 2 games of 3 from Ridge was awarded 2nd place trophy, Ridge 3rd, and Backous 4th. High game Spiess 63.3%.

Class C honors went to John McDonald, West Palm Beach who won all his 5 games. Bob Gibbs, Orange Park 2nd, 4-1, Frank Wise, Orlando, 3rd, 2-3, John Barnosky, Titusville, 4th, 2-3, Max Kuschell, Sarasota, 5th, 2-3 and Edward Muller, Sarasota, 6th, 0-5.

	W	L	%		W	L	%
J. C. Davis	5	2	60.4	Willard West	7	0	48.3
Chas. Stephens	5	2	60.8	Henry Spiess	5	2	45.6
Joe Kelly	5	2	49.3	Earl Ridge	5	2	50.1
Les Hilliard	4	3	50.0	Paul Backous	5	2	46.1
Dale Clingan	4	3	48.0	Albert Pawela	3	4	44.3
John Clingan	3	4	52.9	R. E. McDonald	1	6	26.0
Les Peary	2	5	46.7	Wesley Crittenden	1	6	25.9
Horace Kemp	0	7	37.9	Harry Lauffler	1	6	25.4

D. McCANCE IN SUCCESSFUL DEFENSE OF NEBRASKA TITLE

Don McCance of Gothenburg, Nebraska, successfully defended his Nebraska state title in the 1961 annual Nebraska state tournament held at Curtis, Nebraska early in September. Sam Somerhalder and Howard Robinson turned in the best performance of the tourney when they pitched a 100 shoe game. Somerhalder starting with 12 straight doubles with Robinson topping most of them. Soon after they had 6 straight 4-deads. Somerhalder finally subdued Robinson 50-31. Next year's meet will be held on the 12 lighted courts in Falls City, Nebraska, on the Sunday before Labor Day. It will be a one day affair.

CLASS A

	W	L	%
D. McCance	5	0	73.1
S. Somerhalder	4	1	70.0
H. Robinson	3	2	73.4
J. Foster	2	3	57.7
M. Denning	1	4	53.3
R. L. German	0	5	50.0

CLASS C

	W	L	%
V. Nordgren	5	0	37.9
M. Arensdorf	3	2	36.0
D. Koso	3	2	30.8
G. Camero	3	2	28.6
A. Johnson	2	3	32.1
C. Case	0	5	27.3

CLASS B

	W	L	%
A. Alexander	5	0	50.6
E. Mach	4	1	50.4
R. Fleharty	3	2	43.1
J. Harvey	2	3	46.0
D. Fischer	4	1	43.9
W. Barry	4	1	32.6

CLASS D

	W	L	%
H. Neal	5	0	40.1
W. Summers	3	2	36.5
D. Nickalon	3	2	33.4
E. Rasmussen	2	3	36.3
J. Coba	2	3	21.7
L. Neal	0	5	29.8

CARL HORN, THREE-TIME WINNER OF MONTANA CHAMPIONSHIP

The third annual Montana state tournament was held on the Double Ringer Horseshoe Courts at Wibaux, Montana. Carl Horn of Miles City successfully defended his title as Montana State Champion. He lost his first game to Willson Hubbard, but came back strong to win the rest of his games. Carl is the only player to hold this position, as he has won it all three years. 1959 was the first year that a sanctioned State Tournament was held. Carl pitched 55.7% ringers to also take the ringer trophy. Baker's Willson Hubbard took the second place trophy.

D. C. Lawrence of Wibaux won Class B followed by Olger Lunden of Poplar. Sabino Puopulo of Great Falls took Class C; the runnerup was Tom Wagner of Nashua. Glendive claimed the honors in Class D which was won by Myron Appel, who never lost a game; and second place was captured by Larry Zeller, his fellow townsman.

Trophy for the highest qualifying score was won by Phil Prescott of Poplar who scored 202 points with 100 shoes pitched. The sportsmanship award was given by vote of his fellow players to Henry Sand of Glasgow. Henry Sand and his 15-year-old son both competed. Another father and son team was Arnold Kuhlmann and his son, Hank of Wibaux. Hank beat his father in their first game. Later in exhibition play Sunday evening, the Kuhlmanns defeated the Sands by a score of 51 to 48. Other special features of the tournament were a no-host breakfast on the second day of the tournament, a performance by the City Band, and the Baton Twirlers.

This tournament was sanctioned by the N.H.P.A. and sponsored by the Wibaux County Horseshoe Ass'n, with Roger J. Barnaby in charge.

CLASS A

	W	L	%
Carl M. Horn	6	1	55.7
Willson Hubbard	5	2	50.4
Ira O. Jensen	4	3	52.8
Phil L. Prescott	4	3	51.9
Ing Ronning	4	3	50.6
Ernest McChesney	2	5	50.0
Earl Brown	2	5	46.7
Kenneth Triplet	1	6	42.9

CLASS B

	W	L	%
D. C. Lawrence	6	1	44.7
Olger J. Lunden	5	2	44.7
Walter Quilling	4	3	39.8
Gordon Larson	4	3	37.8
Grant Burgess	3	4	38.7
Robert M. Baird	3	4	38.7
Donald Burns	2	5	36.5
Henry Sands	1	6	29.8

CLASS C

	W	L	%
Sabine J. Puopulo	6	1	36.5
Thomas A. Wagner	5	2	32.7
John Neubauer	3	4	33.7
Jacob A. Germann	3	4	30.9
Victor Germann	3	4	29.5
R. M. Mustad	3	4	26.2
W. E. McChesney, Sr.	3	4	25.3
Arnold Kjelgaard	2	5	28.9

CLASS D

	W	L	%
Myron Appel	7	0	36.9
Larry A. Zeller	5	2	32.6
Thomas P. Lund	4	3	28.5
Clarence L. Keller	4	3	27.8
Arnold Kuhlmann	3	4	27.5
Hank Kuhlmann	2	5	25.9
Herbert Sand	2	5	22.9
Gordon Quilling	1	6	20.8

WILEY HAS CLEAN SLATE TO WIN IDAHO STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

E. J. Wiley of Nampa, Idaho took the measure of all his opponents in sweeping the field in the annual Idaho state tournament held in Nampa, Idaho. Awards were made to first and second place winners. Twenty-six pitchers took part. Class A—E. J. Wiley, first; D. F. Wolfenberger, second. Class B—Al Raney, first; Fred Anderson. Class C—Rod Holloway, first; Everett Eager, second. Class D—Wally Cahoun, first. Ringer averages were not kept.

ENGBRETSON GRABS 11th NORTH DAKOTA STATE CROWN

Defending champion Art Engebretson of Fargo bagged his 11th North Dakota state horseshoe pitching title at the Oak Grove Park courts by going through the nine-game Class A round robin schedule unbeaten. Bill Lybeck was runnerup with a 7-2 record.

Tony Cederberg of Arthur won the Class B title after he tied with Ray Rheault of Horace with a 6-1 record. Cy Trottier of Fargo won the Class C crown and John Myhre of Kindred led the Class D field.

CLASS A

	W	L	%
A. Engebretson, Fargo	9	0	71.3
B. Lybeck, Kindred	7	2	53.1
H. Peterson, Havana	6	3	53.6
G. Lykken, Kindred	6	3	55.3
A. Nelson, Arthur	6	3	48.0
L. Veitch, Fargo	4	5	39.2
B. Viestenz, Arthur	4	5	35.8
G. Dahlen, Kindred	2	7	34.0
H. Loseth, Fargo	1	8	32.3
A. Seastrand, Fargo	0	9	28.4

CLASS B

	W	L	%
T. Cederberg, Arthur	6	1	43.7
R. Rheault, Horace	6	1	41.4
O. Vinnard, Heimdal	5	2	
H. Oien, Grandin	5	2	45.3
E. Hamry, Kindred	2	5	40.8
E. Overboe, Kindred	2	5	34.6
M. Pederson, Arthur	1	6	39.0
H. Jallen, Fargo	1	6	30.7

CLASS C

	W	L	%
C. Trottier, Fargo	6	1	37.6
Q. Eidsvig, Fargo	5	2	30.4
K. Wisness, Maddock	5	2	33.6
W. Nicholson, Kindred	4	3	41.0
H. Sundet, Maddock	4	3	34.9
J. Johnson, Fargo	2	5	29.5
H. Wisness, Maddock	2	5	22.7
E. Letness, Fargo	0	7	15.1

CLASS D

	W	L	%
J. Myhre, Kindred	4	1	34.1
M. Rheault, Horace	4	1	25.6
E. Morlock, Fargo	3	2	15.8
W. Graff, Kindred	2	3	17.2
N. Luidel, Kindred	2	3	20.2
J. Rolie, Kindred	0	5	13.5

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE TOURNAMENT

CLASS A

	W	L	%
Leigh Dunker	10	1	64.4
Walter Fickbohm	10	1	64.5
Lloyd Swartwout	9	2	66.3
Arnold Christianson	8	3	61.4
Robert Beigler	8	3	57.4
Everette Peterson	6	5	52.1
Bob Gordon	4	7	50.6
Bob Dunham	3	8	49.6
Engwald Oren	3	8	47.6
Ken Fedderson	3	8	39.9
Carl Skovsky	2	9	40.2
High Gilmore	0	11	37.3

CLASS C

	W	L	%
Gene Ehresman	7	0	42.8
M. Larson	6	1	43.1
E. Alberts	4	3	40.2
H. Carter	3	4	36.2
A. Neuharth	3	4	37.9
Glen Palmer	2	5	32.4
M. Tschudy	2	5	33.7
E. Juul	1	6	27.3

CLASS B

	W	L	%
Don Schaunaman	11	0	47.1
Lavurne Fickbohm	8	3	43.5
Dan Roberts	8	3	44.2
Eldon Anderson	7	4	48.1
Don Coy	7	4	45.8
Henry Schaunaman	5	6	37.2
Ernest Hassinger	4	7	39.9
Henry Hallickson	4	7	40.7
Lynn Outka	4	7	34.9
Alvin Johnson	3	8	34.3
James Fillback	3	8	32.6
Oris Hove	2	9	34.2

CLASS D

	W	L	%
C. Neilson, Sioux Falls	5	2	34.1
S. Nelson, Lyons	5	2	29.4
H. Dornath, Sioux Falls	5	2	29.1
L. Tillery, Spearfish	5	2	33.4
R. Dunham, Akron, Ia.	3	4	36.6
Bob Dunham, Elk Point	3	4	33.8
Geo. Struck, Aberdeen	1	6	26.5
A. Schmidt, Langford	1	6	27.8

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE — (Continued)

CLASS E				CLASS F			
	W	L	%	W	L	%	
Orv Dahme	6	1	36.9				
Al Schaunaman	6	1	36.2	Roger Skovly	3	0	30.7
W. Frederickson	5	2	32.0	Roy Bergeson	2	1	24.5
L. Schiferl	4	3	28.9	D. Whitmore	1	2	18.9
J. Meyerink	3	4	26.4	Jess Fiscus	0	3	6.6
Charles Irving	2	5	23.6				
L. Rowland	1	6	22.4				
V. Engebrecht	1	6	20.8				

BOB BALES 1961 VICTOR IN MISSOURI STATE TOURNAMENT

Bob Bales of Kansas City, Missouri, "baled" up the 1961 Missouri state horseshoe pitching crown at the annual state tournament held at the Missouri state fair in Sedalia, Missouri. It was necessary for him to defeat William Kempfe of Alma 2 games in a play-off. He turned the trick with 75.1% and 73.6% ringer average for the 2 games. Earl Winston of LaMonte had the highest single game percentage with 88.6%. The tournament was one of the special events at the fair and was well received by the large crowd that watched throughout. Class B was played in 6 man round robins with 2 top men playing for the title. Class C used same method only in 4-man round robins.

CLASS A				CLASS B			
	W	L	%	W	L	%	
Bales	9	2	64.9	Gardner	5	0	59.7
Kempfe	9	2	70.5	Brouse	4	1	54.0
E. Winston	8	3	67.9	V. Winston	4	1	53.8
Cavin	6	5	63.4	Adams	4	1	62.6
Lilly	6	5	65.9	Foster	3	2	50.0
Elkins	6	5	60.3	Nixon	2	3	49.4
Schroeder	5	6	66.7	Beard	2	3	51.0
Walker	5	6	62.3	Picraux	2	3	51.4
Long	5	6	61.2	Stoenner	2	3	41.8
Greenlee	3	8	57.4	Kilgore	1	4	45.6
Strohm	2	9	55.7	Storm	1	4	41.3
Carmack	2	9	56.5	Winckler	0	5	40.3

CLASS C				CLASS D			
	W	L	%	W	L	%	
Heidel	3	0	59.9	McNeal	2	1	30.3
W. Winston	3	0	55.7	Adams	1	2	25.8
Kiper	2	1	41.8	Noland	1	2	37.6
Carver	2	1	38.4	Ross	0	3	37.2
Gay	1	2	36.2	Smith	0	3	28.6

KANSAS, WISCONSIN AND CONNECTICUT

As previously reported in the "Digest", Casey Jones won the Wisconsin title, Roland Kraft the Kansas championship and Willie Paradis the Connecticut crown.

Casey Jones returned to the horseshoe courts after a number of years absence to win the Wisconsin title at the State Fair from the 1960 champ, Ed Schimek.

Roland Kraft's victory in the Kansas Centennial at the beautiful new courts in Topeka's Gage Park gave him the Kansas title again.

Willie Paradis added the Connecticut crown to his New England title for a most successful season despite the fact he was inactive most of the year.

OHLER'S STEADY PITCHING WINS HIM 4th PENN STATE CROWN

Jim Ohler of Scottsdale is the 1961 Pennsylvania state champion. Losing only to Jack Potter in the tough 20-man round, Ohler's steady pitching carried him to his 4th crown in the past 6 years. Al Zadroga, popular Elizabeth lefty slipped into runnerup spot as defending champion John Fulton had to settle for third. This marks the first state tourney in which Fulton has not been champion or runnerup.

Blair Shever, veteran Butler pitcher won the Class B crown, with smooth-pitching Matt Voithafer a close runnerup. (15-year-old Matthew, of Uniontown, incidentally, will be making himself known in the game during the next few years.)

Ed Menarchik, Uniontown, swept through undefeated for Class C honors, while Adam Richard took the Class D crown back to Aliquippa.

The tournament will be held at New Brighton, Pennsylvania next year. Further report on Pennsylvania's association and plans in a subsequent issue of the Digest.

CLASS A

	W	L	%
J. Ohler, Scottsdale	18	1	76.1
Al Zadroga, Elizabeth	15	4	73.9
J. Fulton, Carlisle	15	4	73.7
G. Sebring, Erie	14	5	73.7
H. Pinch, Sharon	14	5	71.4
J. Solomon, Uniontown ..	13	6	70.0
C. Metzler, Johnstown	13	6	68.0
S. Sutton, Washington	12	7	67.6
R. Wilson, N. Brighton ..	11	8	67.9
F. Bohm, Erie	11	8	65.9
D. Mayes, St. College	9	10	62.6
W. Grove, Conemaugh	8	11	63.7
W. Kuchcinski, Erie	8	11	62.5
J. Peters, Erie	6	13	65.1
M. Kuhn, Mt. Pleasant ..	6	13	64.3
C. Scheck, Johnstown	6	13	63.2
C. Martz, Pittsburgh	5	14	60.4
J. Potter, Erie	4	15	63.5
F. Simon, Erie	2	17	60.3
C. Williams, Wash.	0	19	58.0

CLASS B PLAYOFF

	W	L	%
B. Shever, Butler	5	0	67.8
M. Voithafer, Union'twn ..	4	1	62.3
Francis White, Erie	2	3	60.2
J. Ehrlich, Pittsburgh	2	3	57.3
J. Kilinski, Cannonsburg ..	2	3	57.0
F. Peluse, N. Brighton	0	5	58.3

CLASS C PLAYOFF

	W	L	%
E. Menarchick, Union'tn ..	3	0	52.6
W. Shirosky, Wash.	2	1	52.2
H. Boyer, Beaver	1	2	47.8
Glen Brown, York	0	3	47.5

CLASS D CHAMPIONSHIP

	W	L	%
A. Richards, Aliquippa	3	0	50.4
F. Graham, Titusville	2	1	47.3
P. Prizinski, Erie	1	2	46.8
W. Hultz, Beaver Falls ..	0	3	42.5

OKLAHOMA HAS NEW CHAMP

The most successful Oklahoma state tournament in many years crowned a new champ in Andy Mogus of Bartlesville who dethroned Charlie Schrumm.

Oklahoma almost doubled its membership during the past year under the direction of Gerald Kahle and looks forward to an even bigger season in 1962. The only discordant note was heavy rain the night before the tourney which cut down ringer averages.

Mogus averaged 59.9 percent, runnerup Charlie Schrumm 63.7 and third place winner Earl Wall 60 percent. Others in the championship division were Ed Allredge, Bill Muirhead, Gerald Kahle, Fred Livengood and A. A. Hollingsworth.

L. H. Harris of Tulsa copped honors in Class "B" while Ben Brown edged out Carl Moody and R. L. Belden for Class "C". Trophies were given by the Phillips Petroleum Co. Officers for the coming year are Guy Goddard, Earl Wall and Gerald Kahle.

ANTHONY "GINGER" NATALE REGAINS N. Y. STATE CROWN

The 31st New York State Championship tournament held in Corning, New York over the past Labor Day weekend saw Anthony "Ginger" Natale, of Rochester, emerge from the field of 16 A class contestants as the 1961 champion.

The Corning horseshoe club, sponsoring its first major tournament, went all-out to provide one of the most colorful tournaments in the history of State competition. At 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 2, immediately following qualifying, Miss Faye Emerson made an appearance at the courts, and following welcoming remarks by Mayor Joseph Nasser, threw the first shoe to officially open the tournament. She was then presented with the shoes she was using by club president Ted Callahan.

Among the "dignitaries" introduced by president Callahan were Mayor Joseph Nasser, defending champion Carl Steinfeldt, and State Association president Wilbert Hyland, along with Miss Emerson.

The Corning club had worked feverishly to get the approaches to the courts blacktopped, 1500 watt bulbs in the six floodlights in place of 1000 watt bulbs, malls between the courts seeded, and bleachers erected for spectators, so that Corning was, in effect, a "little Muncie" when the contestants and guests arrived. It was still "little Muncie" during the two days of competition, for an estimated crowd of some 3,000 kept the bleachers filled to capacity over the entire competition, and on Friday evening Carl Steinfeldt and Joe Zichella put on an exhibition game followed by one by Natale and Vitto Feliccia. Vito then delighted the crowd with an exhibition of trick shots. After 10:00 p.m. all adjourned to the Baron Steuben hotel for an informal "get acquainted" party, where all percentages, past and present, jumped from 10% to 25% as the evening closed.

All contestants who qualified for actual competition were given a Pyrex glass teapot courtesy of the Corning Club, and all trophies were made of glass with descriptive tournament information engraved on them.

Two four by eight feet signs were erected at the entrances to the city welcoming contestants, and arrows pointed the way to the courts. A half page advertisement appeared in the local newspaper Friday evening adding to the warmth of their welcome, by the Corning Glass Works, and local merchants co-operated with donations of prizes for the most colorful player, and the best sportsmanship award, as well as advertisements in a brochure put out by the local club to help defray expenses. The Barker Lumber Company donated materials for a four by 16 foot scoreboard which again resembled the one at Muncie, and facilitated the scoring for the benefit of the spectators and contestants alike.

1961 VIRGINIA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP GETS NEW LOOK BY "TONEY"

The Virginia state championship has the "Toney" look since Robert Toney of Lynchburg applied 14 curling wins against 1 loss to win the annual Virginia state crown. In the round robin play-off for second place, Monday beat Templeton, 50-36 and Merricks, 50-24. Templeton then beat Merricks, 50-45 for third. In the Templeton-Merricks match, 104 shoes were pitched with Templeton hitting 66.3% and Merricks, 63.5%.

	W	L	%		W	L	%
Robert Toney	14	1	54.4	James Bullion	7	8	44.4
Cecil Monday	13	2	57.5	O'Hare Burnette	6	9	40.5
L. E. Templeton	13	2	56.9	Robert Ragland, Jr.	4	11	39.8
Jr. Merricks	13	2	53.9	Paul Woody	4	11	38.5
Fred Childress	11	4	53.3	Ellis Greer	4	11	37.9
Royall Williams	9	6	50.9	James Wilkerson	3	12	37.8
Thomas Ballowe	9	6	50.9	Clarence Dowdy	1	14	31.8
Willam Owen	9	6	50.1	N. E. Hicks	0	15	34.6

MILT TATE, "MR. TELEVISION" WINS UTAH STATE TITLE

Milt Tate, who won prominence on the "Championship Horseshoes" TV program of a couple of years back emanating out of the NBC studios in Chicago where he gained the name of "Mr. Television," latched on to seven straight wins and no losses to take over the Utah state association championship. Although Clive Wahlin had a higher ringer percentage he succumbed to the former Illinoian. In their match Tate had 75% against Wahlin's 66%. Both pitchers have been hitting 80% ringers consistently during the season.

CLASS A				CLASS B			
	W	L	%		W	L	
M. Tate, Salt Lake	7	0	72.4	W. Backer, Salt Lake	6	1	
C. Wahlin, Taylorsville	6	1	76.0	N. McBride, Clearfield	5	2	
C. Davis, Provo	5	1	59.3	E. Robinson, Fillmore	5	2	
R. Parsons, Midvale	4	3	60.0	M. Swain, Payson	4	3	
Dr. Moesinger, Ogden	3	4	56.8	Rick Backer, Salt Lake	4	3	
A. Madsen, Amer. Forks	1	6	47.0	O. Cole, Clearfield	3	4	
O. Funk, Murray	1	6	42.0	R. Thurgood, Roy	1	6	
C. Giles, Riverton	1	6	47.0	D. Pendleton, Ogden	0	7	

CLASS C

	W	L
J. Thompson, Amer. Forks	7	0
H. Chipman, Payson	5	2
A. Throckmorton, Payson	5	2
B. Wixom, W. Jordan	4	3
E. Wight, Ogden	4	3
R. Strom, Payson	2	5
Reiny Backer, Salt Lake	1	6
J. Blight, Hooper	0	7

NEW FLORIDA OPEN TOURNAMENT PLANS ANNOUNCED

The Florida Horseshoe Pitchers Association is pleased to announce plans for a new open tournament to be held at Orlando, Florida, soon after the new year. Frank Wise, Orlando Club President, with close cooperation of the Orlando Park Board, has seen their new 8 court lighted installation become a fact. This will be the site of the new tournament. Definite dates and details will be announced later.

At Bradenton, the 4th Annual Florida Suncoast Open will again be held in mid-February, followed closely by the St. Petersburg Open one week later.

These three events make it almost a necessity that you spend your vacation this year in Florida. Where else can a horseshoe pitcher enjoy a summer-like winter vacation, and still indulge in his favorite sport at the same time? Why don't Y'All Come?

SUNSHINE PLEASURE CLUB ANNOUNCES ST. PETERSBURG, OPEN DATES

The Sunshine Pleasure Club of St. Petersburg, Florida, has scheduled the annual St. Petersburg Open tournament for February 20th through 23rd. This will again make the tournament end on Friday, allowing any northern pitchers who must get home by Monday morning time enough to make the trip home without missing any work.

Last winter our club and the Bradenton club both held wonderful tournaments with good entry lists. Quite a number of northern pitchers made the trip down. As will be remembered, the winners of 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in the Old Timers' event at the National were won by members of our club. Mr. Wilkinson, the champion, averaged 72.5 percent in ringers. Several Florida pitchers were in Class A.



“From Out Of The Mail Bag”

Horseshoe Pitchers' News Digest
Aurora, Illinois

Dear Mr. Cobb:

During the past few years, we in New Jersey have noticed a slow decrease in the membership of our state association. This past winter the members decided to put on a campaign to increase the popularity of horseshoe pitching throughout our state. The state association was completely reorganized with abandonment of some out-dated offices and the establishment of new vital ones.

Plans were made to establish a major league under the supervision of the state and this league turned out to be a tremendous success. Teams were composed of three men with combined averages totaling 150%. Each man played the regular 50-point cancellation game with each of the men from an opposing team, but instead of counting wins and losses, just the total points were recorded. The winning team was the one who accumulated the most points in its nine games. This method had two good features, in that it was not necessary for a weaker player to actually defeat a stronger player in order to aid his team and that there was no reason to lose interest in a game because of a lopsided score. Both the stronger and weaker players must try to score as many points as possible at all times. The league was composed of top A and B players, and everyone participating in it appears to have enjoyed themselves.

Another encouraging event was an increase in membership this year when the Bergen County Handicap League joined the state association. The Bergen County League is a 100% Handicap league and was organized a number of years ago with the hope that it would develop new players. Apparently it was a good idea for this year 40 new members were added to the state association when this league joined the state.

However, I believe that one of the best ways to promote the sport of horseshoe pitching is to provide the public with courts. For just as the old saying, “where there’s smoke, there’s fire,” I say, “where there are horseshoe courts, there are horseshoe players”. With this thought in mind our association contacted Mr. Alfred Walden, the Freeholder from Bergen County, and before long the Bergen County Park Commission installed 22 new regulation courts, four in each of the four county parks and six in another one. Already plans are underway to organize a league of novice players in one of the parks, so our efforts appear to be worthwhile.

All in all we are very pleased with the progress we are making in our attempts to further the sport of horseshoe pitching in New Jersey.

William Stelzenmuller, Jr.

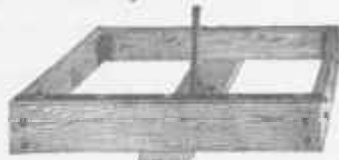
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