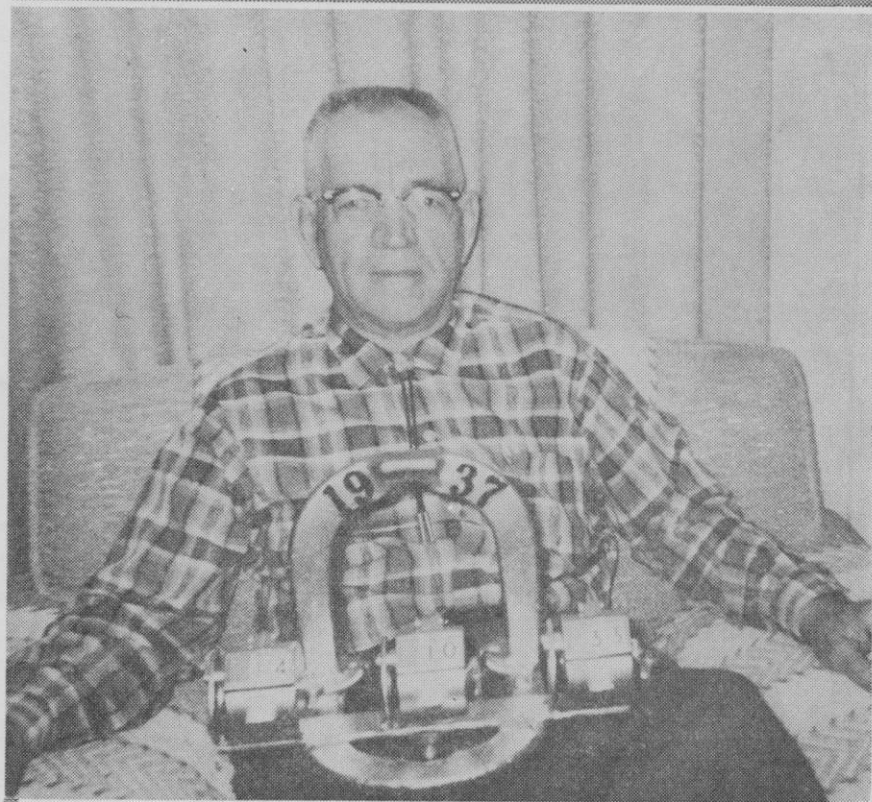


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## Bremen, Ohio Spring Open Slated For May 14-15

The Bremen, Ohio Spring Open tournament will be held on Saturday and Sunday, May 14-15 at the club's courts on North Broad Street, Bremen, Ohio. The Bremen club will award \$50.00 cash to the winner and \$20.00 to the runner-up in Class A. There will be trophies awarded in all classes. Mike Gardner is the defending champion.

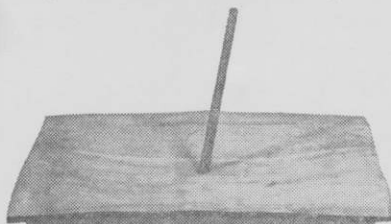
Classes A and B be made up of 16 men each, being divided into two groups of 8 men each, playing a round robin. The top two men of each group will advance to the 4-man play-off finale. Class B will start at 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 14. Class A will start at 10 a.m. on Sunday, May 15. All other classes will follow Class A and B playing their games during the week, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Cash awards will be given in Class B.

Players may qualify at Bremen on May 1-8 from 6 until 11 p.m. or 100 shoe scores should be sent to James Knisley, 217 Walnut Street, Bremen, Ohio 43107, together with the entry fee of \$3.00, Classes A and B add \$2.00. All entrants will be notified by mail as to the time that they will play and to which class they have been assigned.

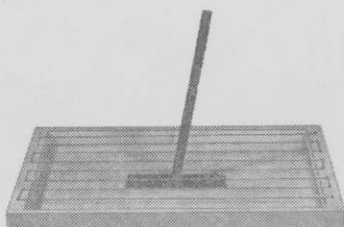
Another open tournament will be the 4th annual Bremen Open tournament to be held at the same courts on July 23 and 24. Wilbur Kabel of New Madison, Ohio will be the defending champion.

## The Ultimate . . . in Horseshoe Pitching Equipment

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## An Open Letter To The NHPA President, Harold Craig and Members

Harold Craig, President  
National Horseshoe Pitchers' Assoc.  
809 Carson St., Muncie, Ind.

March 19, 1966

Dear Harold:

I wish to formally announce I will not be a candidate for re-election when my current term as Secretary-Treasurer of the N.H.P.A. expires next August.

Since my successor must be chosen by the delegates to the 1966 NHPA Convention I feel you, the membership, and the Nominating Committee should be aware of my decision at once. It is important that the best qualified candidates possible be made available for the delegates to consider in making their choice.

This decision has been taken with reluctance after much thought on my part. I will always treasure the memories of my experiences, and the many wonderful people I have met while serving as NHPA Secretary-Treasurer. I want to emphasize that financial considerations have had no part in making my decision. My work in the NHPA has been a labor of love and a very rewarding one.

The basic reason for my decision is the welfare of the NHPA as well as personal. I find, that I no longer have the time and energy necessary to carry out my duties properly. Personal health problems, and increasing responsibilities of my daily work, are the main factors.

I have held the office for eight years, I feel that someone with fresh vigor, new ideas, and different approaches to our problems, could inject renewed vitality into the organization, and stimulate growth and progress.

I intend to remain active in the game and the NHPA, especially in the Indiana State Association. I will always be available to carry out any specific task the NHPA assigns me, and will see that there is an orderly transfer of the office to my successor.

Sincerely,

cc: Ellis Cobb  
Glen Sebring  
Elmer Beller  
Lucille Hopkins  
Ottie Reno

Robert G. Pence  
Secretary-Treasurer  
National Horseshoe Pitchers' Assoc.

*COVER PICTURE . . . This month's cover picture shows George Paulson of Rapid City, South Dakota holding a scoring device that he fashioned to help him keep score as he practiced. Having been the 1937 state champion of South Dakota, he made use of the horseshoes that he won the title with. He used them as the frame and mounted small dials on them. By this means he was able to record shoes pitched, ringers and points. It is mounted on a stand which can be set between the stakes and regulated by the participating players as they pass by. It can be readily seen by spectators as the numerals are large enough to be seen at a distance.*

## Washington's "Winter Open Classic" Tournament

With the Washington State Winter Series Horseshoe Tournament half over, Francis Winetrou from Lummi Island in Class A and Bill Van Egdome from Lynden in Class B who are regular performers in this series and travel 200 miles round-trip, are tied with 3 wins each at the conclusion of the 5th series held Sunday, March 6th on Seattle's Woodland Park 14 covered courts.

The 'Big' question is, will 3 wins be sufficient to get one's name on a perpetual wall plaque especially in Class A with only 5 series remaining and terminating May 15? Without any contention thus far from Washington's "Big 3" namely; John Monasmith, Ed Fishel and Henry Knauft who live remotely separated about the state as well as far distant from Seattle, the Class A pitching percentage for each contender is so evenly balanced, that no one is favored over the other.

It looks from here, that Bill Van Egdome who is a very good tournament pitcher under pressure and is improving steadily could win most of the honors in Class B.

In Class C there is a ringer duel going on between Ralph Taylor of Seattle and Norman Hansen of Kirkland with 2 wins each at the half way point.

Class D known as the beginners bracket and for pitchers whose percentage doesn't exceed 35%, finds Marion "Pop" Smith the leader with 2 wins.

### The 6th Tournament in the Winter Series March 20, 1966

Just prior to tournament action a meeting of State members was called to order by Howard Shatto, President of the W.S.H.P.A. who commented on the importance of Nationally sanctioned tournaments and read article V of the revised edition of the National Constitution and By-Laws Section 1. Besides other business pertinent to promoting our game of Horseshoes the President appointed Ralph Gilbo of Seattle to the office of Editor of Washington States News Letter called the "News and Ringer Reviews," being mailed out monthly to an ever increasing number which totals now 222.

Because of the increased work load, Washington's Secretary, Francis Winetrou is most pleased about this very timely and wise selection of him who has proven his constructive ability and aggressiveness in other related fields pertaining to the improvement of horseshoe court facilities and his devotion in general to promoting our great inexpensive game of Horseshoes. The Washington State Horseshoe Pitcher's Association is most fortunate to have an official of his caliber.

Ray Brumfield of Edmonds, a Seattle area pitcher and a steady performer in Class A tournaments for years, finally won a 1st place trophy. In a temperature more likely suitable for penguins, Ray overwhelmed the best of the field of 24 weather seasoned pitchers who participated in the 6th series of the Winter Open Classic Sunday, March 20. It was truly a great win for a deserving pitcher who has devoted so much time, material and constructive effort also in promoting our horseshoe sport.

Wally Rehard and his lovely wife from Spokane have distinguished themselves on this occasion, as having traveled the longest distance, 300 miles, to this tournament. He's another real horseshoe enthusiast.

Bill Van Egdome, in this series not only cinched a tie for the Class B wall

## Washington Winter Classic — (Continued)

plaque but won his 4th trophy as well.

In Class C Ralph Taylor has taken over the lead from N. Hansen with 3 wins.

Marion "Pop" Smith is learning sufficiently fast enough in Class D to dominate for the most part the 2 fathers and sons teams to win 3 times.

### Results of the 6th series, March 20, 1966.

CLASS A			CLASS B		
	W	L		W	L
Ray Brumfield, Edmonds .....	6	0	Bill Van Egdome, Lynden .....	5	0
Howard Shatto, Okanogan ...	4	2	Elmer Andersen, Lynden .....	4	1
F. Winetrout, Lummi Island	4	2	Bob Hansen, Lynnwood .....	2	3
Paul Snow, West Seattle .....	4	2	Ed Bartlett, Everett .....	1	4
John Reedy, Edmonds .....	4	2	Ken Elvig, Bellingham .....	1	4
Burl Matteson, Bremerton ...	1	5	Ralph Gilbo, Seattle .....	1	4
Wally Rehard, Spokane .....	1	5	How about this?: Ralph Gilbo won his first contest in the 23rd game of his 5th series.		
Vic Bertoldi, Seattle .....	forfeit				

CLASS C			CLASS D		
	W	L		W	L
Ralph Taylor, Seattle .....	4	0	Marion "Pop" Smith, Seattle	4	0
Norm Hanson, Kirkland .....	3	1	Les "Pop" Alvord, Seattle ...	3	1
Ed Shidler, Seattle .....	2	2	Warden Butler, Seattle .....	2	2
Mike Miller, Seattle .....	1	3	Mark Alvord, Seattle .....	1	3
"Pop" Hansen, Seattle .....	0	4	Mike Smith, Seattle .....	0	4

### Results of the 5th series, March 6, 1966.

CLASS A			CLASS B		
	W	L		W	L
F. Winetrout, Lummi Island ..	4	1	Bill Van Egdome, Lynden .....	6	1
Herb Pidde, Seattle .....	3	2	Elmer Andersen, Lynden .....	5	2
John Reedy, Edmonds .....	2	3	Bob Hansen, Lynnwood .....	4	2
Ray Brumfield, Edmonds .....	0	3	Ken Elvig, Bellingham .....	3	3
			Otto Selstad, Bellingham .....	3	3
			Ed Bartlett, Everett .....	1	5
			Ralph Gilbo, Seattle .....	0	6

CLASS C			CLASS D		
	W	L		W	L
Ralph Taylor, Seattle .....	3	0	Marion Smith, Seattle .....	3	0
Norman Hansen, Kirkland ...	1	2	W. Butler, Seattle .....	0	3
Ed Shidler, Seattle .....	1	2			
"Pop" Hansen, Seattle .....	1	2			

## Indiana—Illinois Open — Cayuga, Indiana

10:00 A.M. Sunday, May 22

No qualifying. All players will be classed by their previous records. Entry fee \$2.00 and all entries must hold a 1966 NHPA membership card. NHPA membership cards for both Illinois and Indiana players will be available at the courts.

Entry must be made in advance by mail accompanied by \$2.00 entry fee not later than Saturday, May 14. Mail entries to: Karl Van Sant, Box 415, Cayuga, Indiana.

Only the first 48 entries will be accepted. All others will be returned. New courts have been added at Cayuga and a total of 12 will be available. Play will start promptly at 10:00 AM in the morning.

## Elmer Hohl, Sue Gillespie Appear on TV

Our two World Champions, Elmer Hohl of Canada and Sue Gillespie of Indiana recently appeared on the nationwide Mike Douglas TV Show, along with NHPA Secretary Bob Pence.

They appeared for 20 minutes in the last half hour of the Mike Douglas Show, and gave a horseshoe pitching demonstration which was narrated by Bob Pence. The show was live in the Philadelphia area, where it originated and was shown later on 85 different stations throughout the United States and Canada.



Elmer Hohl



Sue Gillespie

Appearing on the show with our horseshoe representatives and Mike Douglas were singing stars, Patti Page and Enzo Stuarti and comedienne Carol Burnett.

Pitching on the show was a tough chore for Elmer and Sue. They had very short notice and neither had played since the end of the season last September. They did not have any practice to speak of at the studio, on the Dixon portable court which was used, and no warmup before the actual show. Conditions were quite different from normal, Elmer being backed up against the spectators. Nevertheless they connected for a fair ringer percentage in the shoes that they pitched, and Elmer ended with two straight doubles, although Sue had outpitched him during the first few frames.

Arrangements for the appearance were made thru the NHPA office, but thanks must also go to New Jersey members, Lee Davis who arranged for the Dixon portable court owned by Dr. Sol Berman and Hal Hannia of the Middlesex, N. J. Club, who brought the court to the Philadelphia studios.

## Ernie La Voie New Oregon Secretary

Ernie La Voie, 454 East Main Street, Hillsboro, Oregon is the new Secretary-Treasurer of the Oregon State Association.

He succeeds Gil Hamman of Salem who has guided the association in a very efficient manner for the past several years. Other officers for the Oregon State Chapter this summer have not yet been announced.

Ernie was one of the founders and organizers of the Hillsboro club a few years ago and in that short time it has taken its place as one of the outstanding local groups in the country. Ernie was also the editor of the outstanding brochure published by the Hillsboro club last fall when the club was host to the Oregon State tourney for the first time, and Gil Hamman, his predecessor, credits Ernie with helping him increase Oregon's membership last year.



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## In Memoriam

It is with sadness that we learn of the sudden passing of Mrs. Lois Kolb, wife of William Kolb of Belleville, New Jersey, on Saturday, March 19. Although she was not a member of the New Jersey association, she served in many ways at the New Jersey tournaments. She was justly proud of her husband, in each of his 11 triumphs as state champion of New Jersey. Her presence at the desk or scoring will be greatly missed by all of her friends and associates. The sympathy of the New Jersey association together with that of the NHPA and the News Digest staff is extended to her bereaved family in their hour of sadness.

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### **Captain H. O. Hansen, Promotes 1966 Pacific Coast World Tournament Fund**

In order to increase the prize money in the forthcoming 1966 World tournament to be held at Murray, Utah in August, Capt. H. O. Hansen, president of the Northern California Association has sent out a memorandum to all the clubs in California, Oregon and Washington to combine forces and by means of holding tournaments between now and June 20 raise funds with a minimum goal of \$20.00. Entry fees would be charged at each tournament, with some of the money being used for trophies and the balance after expenses sent to the state secretaries on June 20. The above state secretaries would in turn send the association checks to Captain Hansen made payable to the NHPA. Each contributing association would be given copies of the transaction so that they can send a copy to each club as proof that the money reached the NHPA. With 30 clubs expected to participate in the Pacific Coast area, a successful fund drive will realize \$600.00 to add to the World tournament prize list. The limited funds would be added to the first three places in the championship class in addition to the regular guaranteed prize money. Other state associations could organize the same kind of a fund raising campaign. (Remember, that the first "Crosby Pro-Am" golf tournament in 1937, had a prize purse of \$3,500 and now it has grown to \$104,500).

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### **Joe Schilling Memorial Open May 28 & 29 Kingma Courts, Lafayette, Indiana**

Entries in advance by mail - the first 44 to be accepted and notified of the starting time for their class. No qualifying. Previous records will determine your class.

Mail entries accompanied by \$3.00 entry fee to Earle Wilmore, 1350 Dearborn Street, Gary, Indiana before Saturday, May 21st. NHPA membership card required. These will be available at the tournament.

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### **Tulsa, Okla. Club to Stage "Oil Capitol Open"**

The Tulsa Horseshoe Club announces "The Oil Capitol Open" to be held in Tulsa, Oklahoma at Central Park, 6th and Peoria, May 28 and 29 with 3 classes — A, B, and C.

Class C will start pitching Saturday at 9 AM; Class B will start at 1:30 PM; and Class A, Sunday at 1 PM.

This will be a sanctioned tournament. Entry fee of \$2.00 and qualifying score or last year's tournament record must be sent by May 21 to Tournament Director Willis Bettis, 16 North 35th West Avenue, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74127.



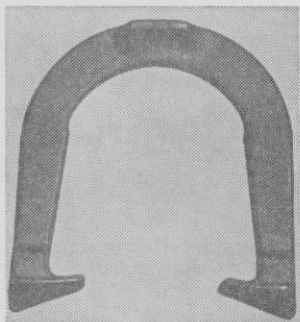
# SPOTLIGHT

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## Local Clubs

**RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA** — After having been in a dormant stage for the past several years, the Rapid City club has taken on new life and has regained the prestige that it once had. Through the efforts of several younger men and women who are showing a lot of interest, a new 12 court layout was constructed equipped with lights and an asphalt surface. At the present time there are over fifty members in the club. The club is proud of its achievements after having sponsored the 1965 South Dakota state tournament in Rapid City last season, with a record entry of 72 contestants. This year more tournaments are planned. The club members gather each Wednesday evening during the pitching season. Any vacationers visiting in the area of the Black Hills and Mt. Rushmore, are invited to enjoy the hospitality of the Rapid City club. Details of the scoring device shown on the cover can be secured from Mr. George Paulson, 1532 West Omaha Street, Rapid City, South Dakota.

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## Extra Attractions at 1966 World Tourney

The World Tourney, August 1-9 will be returning to Murray, Utah, a suburb of Salt Lake City for the first time since 1959.

Many new players and their families will attend this year, although the event has been held there 12 times in past years.

These newcomers will find many attractive and interesting things to occupy their time in addition to the tournament itself, for the area is full of beautiful, interesting and historical sites to visit.

Nestled among the Wasatch mountains full of scenic canyons with Bridal Veil Falls at Provo, the Great Salt Lake and Timpanogas Mountain and cave are only a short drive away. Those who like scenic drives will find plenty to please them.

Other tourist attractions in the area are the famous Mormon Tabernacle and the historic State House in Salt Lake City and the world's largest open copper mine at nearby Bingham.

Another plus is the fact that the Salt Lake County Fair will run concurrently with the tournament and next door to it. This will insure plenty of good eating places for the horseshoe players and their families during the tournament.

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## Annual Greenville Open Set for June 3-4-5

The annual Greenville, Ohio Open tournament will be held at the City Park, Greenville, Ohio courts on June 3, 4 & 5. Entry fee will be \$5.00 with qualifying from 6 to 9 p. m. on Friday, June 3, and from 9 a. m. to noon on Saturday, June 4. All entrants must be registered before noon on Saturday. Lower classes will pitch on Saturday afternoon and evening and the higher classes on Sunday, June 5th. This tournament will be sponsored and conducted by the Darke County Horseshoe Club.

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## Pike County (Ohio) Indoor Meet Ends

Play ended in the Pike County Winter Horseshoe League with Donnie Roberts winning his seventh league championship. Clark Johnson was the runner-up in Class A. Jimmy Lowe was the most improved pitcher. In final week pitching scores were: Donnie Roberts 356, Clark Johnson 319, Jimmy Lowe 288, and Gary Roberts 230.

The Class B champion was Ellis Brown. Henry Bye took the runner-up spot. Herman Harris was the most improved pitcher. Last week's scores were: Ellis Brown 265, Paul Crabtree 227, Herman Harris 191, Homer Scaggs 222, Glen Mustard 227, Roy Jennings 199, Larry Curtis 183, and Henry Bye 232.

Wayne Daily copped the Class C crown with John Turner taking the runner-up spot. Final round scores were: Jack Schuetz 212, Charles Sims 224, and Wayne Daily 269.

Verda Hickman won the championship in the Women's division. She finished with a 297 series. Verda also won the most improved award. Avanelle Brown took the runner-up spot finishing with a 204 series. Dora Vance finished with a 190.

Rosemary Cool won Class B in the Women's League. Dolly Crabtree was the runner-up. Shirley Cool was the most improved.

Camp Creek won their fourth straight Team League championship winning all 4 match points from the second place Chargers. Round scores were 272 to 261, 254 to 252, and 284 to 278. Camp Creek won the total 810 to 791. Donnie Roberts led all scorers with 332 points.

The Cyclones took 3 match points from Crabtree Heating and Plumbing by round scores of 249 to 224, 219 to 230, and 265 to 206. The Cyclones won the total 733 to 660.

## Pike County — (Continued)

### CLASS A MEN

	W	L	Pts.
Donnie Roberts ....	45	0	5019
Clark Johnson .....	32	13	4403
Jimmy Lowe .....	26	19	4016
Gary Roberts .....	22	23	3827
Paul Roll .....	14	25	3253
Harold Wipert .....	14	16	2641

### CLASS C HANDICAP

	W	L	Pts.
Wayne Daily .....	35	10	3406
John Turner .....	39	6	3216
Jack Schuetz .....	28½	16½	2966
Charles Sims .....	19½	25½	2920
Joe Turner .....	4	23	1314

### CLASS A WOMEN

	W	L	Pts.
Verda Hickman ....	43	2	4528
Avanelle Brown ...	24	21	3103
Dora Vance .....	20	25	2983

### CLASS B MEN

	W	L	Pts.
Ellis Brown .....	35	10	3566
Henry Bye .....	35½	9½	3505
Paul Crabtree .....	38½	6½	3467
Glen Mustard .....	24	21	3347
Roy Jennings .....	23½	21½	3067
Larry Curtis .....	16½	28½	2844
Homer Scaggs .....	24½	20½	2784
Herman Harris ...	15½	29½	2650
Leroy Jennings ...	9	12	1101

### CLASS B WOMEN

	W	L	Pts.
Rosemary Cool ....	39	9	2544
Dolly Crabtree ...	29	16	2410
Shirley Cool .....	24	21	1823
Jill Martin .....	0	12	235

### TEAM STANDINGS

	W	L	Pts.
Camp Creek .....	31½	13½	44½
Chargers .....	27½	17½	36½
Crabtree Heating ..	20½	24½	25½
Cyclones .....	12½	32½	13½

### Individual Team Standings

	W	L	Pts.
Donnie Roberts ....	37	8	6471
Verda Hickman ...	30½	14½	6368
Ottie Reno .....	24	21	6097
Avanelle Brown ..	19½	25½	6020
Dolly Crabtree ....	8½	36½	5992
Dora Vance .....	22	23	5958
Ellis Brown .....	20	19	5406
Paul Crabtree .....	20	19	5362
Rosemary Cool ...	19	20	5239
Mary Vallery .....	19½	16½	4903
Gary Roberts .....	19	11	4115
Roy Jennings .....	12	15	3542
Homer Scaggs .....	13½	13½	3648
Gene Reno .....	3	6	1189
Shirley Cool .....	1	8	1134
Helen Roberts .....	0	6	750
Herman Harris ...	0	3	401
Rita Long .....	1	2	394
Leroy Jennings ...	0	3	383

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## COMING EVENTS

- May 1 — Tournament, Legion park courts, Red Oak, Iowa. Qualifying score and \$3.00 to Woody Wilson, 606 Skyline, Red Oak, Iowa. Qualifying also April 30 at courts.
- May 15 — Iowa Hawkeye tournament (Members Only) Birdland park courts, Des Moines, Iowa. Men, Juniors, and Ladies. Entry fee \$2.50.
- May 22 — Iowa Open tournament, McKinley park courts, Creston, Iowa \$3.00 fee to Art Reed, 604 West Mills, Creston, Iowa, with qualifying score. Qualifying also on May 21 at courts.
- May 28-29 — Vanport, Penna. Spring Warm-Up tournament, Van Port, Pennsylvania.
- May 30 — Annual Spring Warm-Up Open tournament, Lawrence park courts, Sterling-Rock Falls, Illinois.
- May 30 — Dimondale Capital NHPA Open tournament, Dimondale, Michigan.
- June 11-12 — Iowa Hawkeye Picnic tournament (Members Only) Birdland park courts, Des Moines, Iowa, Qualifying scores with \$2.50 fee to Lucille Hopkins, 124 So. Cherry St. Ottumwa, Iowa. Qualifying June 11 also at courts.
- June 18-19 — Iowa Hawkeye tournament (Members Only) Riverside park courts, Ottumwa, Iowa. Qualifying score and fee of \$2.50 to state secretary. June 18th qualifying at courts.
- June 18-19 — Eastern National Open tournament, Scotty's courts, Rt. 18, 2 miles south of Washington, Pennsylvania.
- June 11-12 — Northwest District (Ohio), Fulton county club courts, Wauseon, Ohio
- June 19 — Crete, Nebraska Open tournament, Crete, Nebraska.
- June 11-12 — Tournament of Champions, contact Harry Strohm, 419 So. White St., Kansas City, Missouri for details, as to place.
- June 26 — St. Joe Open tournament, Noyes Field courts, 28th and Edmund Streets, St. Joseph, Missouri.
- July 4 — Atkins, Iowa Celebration tournament, Iowa pitchers only.
- July 10 — Annual 4-State tournament, City park courts, Falls City, Nebraska.
- July 16-17 — Iowa Open tournament, Birdland park courts, Des Moines, Iowa. Qualifying score and \$3.00 fee to Lucille Hopkins, 124 So. Cherry St., Ottumwa, Iowa.
- August 1-9 — World tournament, Murray park courts, Murray, Utah.
- August 16-17 — Illinois State tournament, State fairgrounds, Springfield, Illinois.
- August 17 — Illinois State Boys' tournament, State fairgrounds, Springfield, Illinois.
- August 20-21 — Annual Cornbelt Open tournament, Crapo park courts, Burlington, Iowa.
- August 14 — Annual Galesburg Open tournament, Lincoln park courts, Galesburg, Illinois.
- August 14 — Falls City, Nebraska Open tournament, City park courts, Falls City, Nebraska.
- September 5 — Annual Rock River Open tournament, Lawrence park courts, Sterling-Rock Falls, Illinois.
- September 3-4 — Ottumwa Open tournament, Riverside park courts, Ottumwa, Iowa. Qualifying score and \$3.00 fee to Lucille Hopkins, 124 So. Cherry St., Ottumwa, Iowa.
- September 5 — Stone City Celebration tournament, Stone City, Iowa. Qualifying score to Archie Matheny, Rte. 3, Anamosa, Iowa. Iowa pitchers only.
- September 11 — Annual Midland Empire Open tournament, Noyes Field courts, 28th and Edmund Streets, St. Joseph, Missouri.
- September 18 — Afton, Iowa Open tournament, Afton, Iowa. Qualifying score and \$3.00 fee to Lewis Jeter, Afton, Iowa.

## First Shamrock Open Won by Matt Bowers

Lakeside Horseshoe Club of San Antonio, Texas held its first Shamrock Open tournament on March 19 — 20. Favored with clear, beautiful 83 degree weather, a crowd of several hundred turned out to watch Matt Bowers, Houston, Texas take the Class A title with a 9-0 record.

Virgil Callow topped the Class B throwers with a 6-1 record. John Geer and John Levette were forced into a playoff game for the 2nd place trophy and Geer came out victorious with a 50-49 win.

Charlie Lutz topped a field of 16 men to take the Class C trophy.

### CLASS A

	W	L
Matt Bowers .....	9	0
Jim Woodson .....	7	2
Mose Sanderson .....	5	4
C. Thomas .....	5	4
Bob Graham .....	4	5
Archie Roach .....	4	5
B. E. Sipple .....	4	5
Chester Zarnicki .....	3	6
Red Kisel .....	3	6
Tom Mc Gowen .....	1	8

### CLASS B

	W	L
Virgil Callow .....	6	1
John Geer .....	6	2
John Levette .....	5	3
Billy Wavviner .....	4	3
Milton Sanderson .....	3	4
R. H. Johnson .....	3	4
John Lozier .....	2	5
Howard Burnett .....	0	7

**Shamrock Open — (Continued).****CLASS C**

Flight 1			Flight 2		
	W	L		W	L
Bob Procter .....	6	1	Charlie Lutz .....	7	0
Ray Hickman .....	6	1	Tom Haslett .....	5	2
C. Sanderson .....	6	1	Dick King .....	4	3
Denver Mc Gaa .....	4	3	A. Tangney .....	4	3
R. Fulcher .....	2	5	Dick Byrd .....	4	3
Joe Prevost .....	2	5	Don Walling .....	3	4
Billy Castle .....	2	5	Lou Belcher .....	1	6
Jimmy Burrell .....	0	7	Charles Able .....	0	7

**PLAY OFF**

	W	L
Charlie Lutz .....	3	1
Ray Hickman .....	3	1
Bob Procter .....	2	2
Tom Haslett .....	2	2
Charles Sanderson .....	0	4

**Indiana State 1966 Schedule**

The Indiana State Association held its annual spring meeting at the 4-H Fairgrounds Community Center in Lebanon last month and made plans for the coming season, drew up a schedule of events and elected officers.

Walter Wilhoite of Lebanon was re-elected President and Earle Wilmore of Gary re-elected Secretary-Treasurer. Vice Presidents elected were Enoch Edwards of Kouts, Randy McKinnis of Lafayette, Ray Pitcher of Connorsville, Morris Gillespie of Indianapolis and Chet Reel of Kokomo.

The group also voted to again conduct a fund raising "raffle" to help defray travel expenses of the state champions Curt Day and Sue Gillespie to the World Tournament in Utah and to help increase cash awards in the state tournament. Last year, the first for a fund raising "raffle" resulted in a profit of nearly \$800.00.

The "no qualifying plan" for tournament play, in effect last year for the first time, will be continued with minor changes to iron out the rough spots.

All players will be put into five general divisions on the basis of last year's records in the following manner: Division "A" 58% and up, Division "B" 50 to 58%; Division "C" 45 to 50%; Division "D" 38 to 45%; Division "E" under 38%.

Each division will be assigned a specific starting time for round robin play in each tournament during the year. Entries in each division of each tournament will be sub-divided into 6 and 8 man classes to be designated as follows; A-1, A-2, A-3, B-1, etc., depending on the number of entries in each division in each tournament.

Players who feel they are capable of playing in a higher division may do so at their own risk, but no one can pitch in a division lower than they are rated.

New members and players without previous rating must pitch 100 shoes to obtain a rating for their first tournament.

As a player's ringer average raises or lowers him to a higher or lower division he will be notified by mail. Ratings will be figured following each tournament.

This plan will enable each player to know in advance exactly when he will be scheduled to start round robin play in his class in each tournament regardless of the number of entries.

The complete Indiana schedule and starting times will appear in the May issue.

## 1966 Strawberry Festival Tournament Won by Les Long

The second annual Strawberry Festival tournament was held at Plant City, Florida on March 11 & 12th, 1966. Les Long of Sterling, Illinois won the championship by posting seven wins and no defeats. Ross Hitchcock of Poland, Ohio won the class B with a clean slate also. Gene Rademacher won over Joe Thonert, both of Plant City in a play-off match in Class C, and Opal Corbett of Newcastle, Penna., won the Class D title. The matches were played at the courts at the fairgrounds under windy conditions.

### CLASS A

	W	L	SP	R	%
Les Long, Illinois .....	7	0	310	193	62.3
J. Clingan, Florida .....	6	1	388	205	52.8
J. Rademacher, Florida .....	4	3	388	196	50.5
A. L. Austin, Illinois .....	4	3	388	185	47.9
J. Foster, Nebraska .....	4	3	390	185	47.4
V. Fuller, Michigan .....	2	5	310	107	34.5
H. Cook, Illinois .....	1	6	384	139	36.2
L. Neal, Indiana .....	0	7	360	113	31.4

### CLASS B

	W	L	SP	R	%
R. Hitchcock, Ohio .....	7	0	424	191	45.0
L. Peary, Florida .....	5	2	432	185	42.8
J. Wilkinson, Ohio .....	4	3	420	150	35.7
F. Sumpter, Ohio .....	3	4	408	164	40.2
H. Kemp, Florida .....	3	4	390	151	38.7
R. Gravink, New York .....	2	5	452	174	38.5
J. Ellis, Florida .....	2	5	392	140	35.7
W. Figy, Ohio .....	2	5	442	155	35.1

### CLASS C

	W	L	SP	R	%
G. Rademacher, Florida .....	5	1	370	167	45.1
J. Thonert, Florida .....	4	2	374	116	31.0
H. Hudson, Indiana .....	3	2	318	106	30.0
J. Guernsey, Michigan .....	2	3	354	111	31.4
A. Berdan, Michigan .....	1	4	348	113	32.5
T. Corbett, Pennsylvania .....	1	4	296	77	26.0

### CLASS D

	W	L	SP	R	%
O. Corbett, Pennsylvania .....	5	0	288	92	31.9
B. Webster, Florida .....	4	1	412	74	17.9
H. Hookway, Florida .....	3	2	340	64	18.8
H. Cook, Florida .....	2	3	428	61	14.3
D. Carley, Florida .....	1	4	384	39	10.2
D. Toney, Florida .....	0	5	392	41	10.5

Trophies were presented to the winners and runner-ups in all classes by the Hillsborough County Fair Association. Radio Station WPLA carried spot interviews and announcements during the last day of the tournament. The statistics were handled by M. A. Bruce and Leo McGrath who kept the action going without a hitch.

## From Here And There

Roger Bolduc, the energetic President of the Maine State Association reports that attempts are being made to obtain a parcel of land in the city of Lewiston where 20 courts could be built to accommodate the program of the state association and hold sanctioned and open tournaments in the future.




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## “From Out Of The Mail Bag”

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Mr. F. Ellis Cobb, Editor  
The Horseshoe Pitchers' News Digest  
1307 Solfisburg Avenue  
Aurora, Illinois 60505

Dear Mr. Cobb:

Winning the Oregon state championship was, I am sure, the highlight of my pitching career. Finding my picture on the cover of the News Digest was a very pleasant surprise, which I never dreamed would ever happen to me.

The officers of the Oregon state association have done a very remarkable job in promoting the game and keeping the interest alive, which is so important. I'm sure with this kind of dedication, the game of horseshoes will continue to grow as it has in the past.

I have met and made many new friends in my travels playing horseshoes, and have never found a better group of sportsmen anywhere.

The rewards of being a member of the National Horseshoe Pitchers' Association and the Oregon state association are many and I consider it an honor and a privilege to be a part of these organizations.

Sincerely,

Lowell C. Davis  
Creswall, Oregon

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### Levi Brumbaugh Memorial Ringer Classic, July 1-2-3-4

The annual Greenville Ringer Classic will be held again this year at the City Park Courts in Greenville, Ohio. The tournament has been designated as a memorial to the late Levi Brumbaugh, a charter member and many times president of the Darke County Horseshoe Club, who passed away on January 7, 1966.

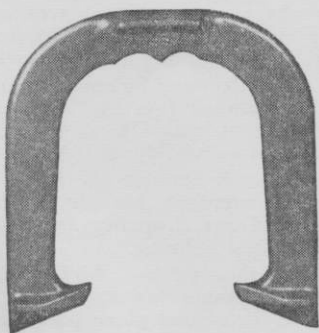
The tournament will be sponsored by the Darke County Horseshoe Club and will be sanctioned and conducted by the Ohio Buckeye Association. All entrants for the men's tournament must qualify by pitching 100 shoes. Qualifying times will be from 6-9 on Friday evening, July 1, and from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday, July 2. The tentative pitching schedule will be for lower classes to begin pitching at about 11 AM on Sunday, July 3rd, while Class A & B pitching will be held on Sunday evening and on Monday afternoon. Entrants must be registered by 9 PM on Saturday, July 2nd. The entry fee will be \$5.00.

There will be a Ladies Tournament and a Junior Tournament on Sunday afternoon, July 3. All entrants for these tournaments must also be registered by 9 PM on July 2nd. There will be an entry fee of \$3.00 for women but none for juniors. No qualifications. Entrants will be placed in classes by tournament officials.



## New Jersey State Association 1966 Schedule

- May 15 (Sunday) Rain date following Sunday. Junior A. A. U. Tournament - Middlesex Horseshoe Club Cooke Field, just off Marlboro Road, Middlesex, N. J.
- June 5 (Sunday) Rain date following Sunday. A.A.U. Open Tournament - Warinanco Park Elizabeth, N. J.
- June 26 (Sunday) Rain date following Sunday. John Rosselt Memorial Tournament - Warinanco Park Elizabeth, N. J., Sponsored by the Union County Park Commission.
- July 10 (Sunday) Rain date following Sunday. Senior A. A. U. Tournament - Branch Brook Park, Newark, N. J.
- July 24 (Sunday) Rain date following Sunday. New Jersey Open Tournament - Middlesex Horseshoe Club. Cooke Field, Middlesex, N. J.
- Aug. 7 (Sunday) Rain date following Sunday. Essex County Open Tournament - Branch Brook Park, Newark, N. J.
- Aug. 21 (Sunday) Rain date following Sunday. New Jersey State Singles Championship - closed tournament. Classes A-B-C and D if we get enough entries. Warinanco Park, Elizabeth, N. J.
- Aug. 28 (Sunday) Rain date following Sunday. New Jersey State Doubles Tournament - Closed tournament. Location will be announced on August 21. Classes A-B and C according to entries. All entries for the N. J. Doubles must be filed with your tournament director no later than August 21, 1966.
- Starting time of all classes will be announced by mail one week prior to each tournament. Tournament Director - Paul Puglise.



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## Class "E" Open — Southern California

### GROUP ONE

	W	L	SP	R	%
Larry Ford, San Diego .....	4	1	135	360	37.5
Ron St. Thomas, Bell Gardens .....	3	2	112	292	38.3
Floyd Brown, Exeter .....	3	2	118	310	38.0
Oscar Sandberg, Glendora .....	3	2	114	306	37.1
Charles Siebert, Fullerton .....	1	4	89	308	28.8
Ross Faulkner, Huntington Park .....	1	4	84	304	27.6

### GROUP TWO

	W	L	SP	R	%
Fred Percy, La Habra .....	4	1	130	316	41.1
Eldon Carrier, Downey .....	4	1	125	316	39.5
Sam Puopulo, Baldwin Park .....	3	2	137	362	37.8
Ray Victor, Huntington Park .....	3	2	99	306	32.3
Louis Strauss, El Segundo .....	1	4	86	292	29.4
Mel Lingenfelter, Canoga Park .....	0	5	88	304	28.9

### PLAYOFF

	W	L	SP	R	%
Fred Percy, La Habra .....	3	0	100	208	48.0
Eldon Carrier, Downey .....	1	2	90	204	44.1
Larry Ford, San Diego .....	1	2	85	206	41.2
Ron St. Thomas, Bell Gardens .....	1	2	70	198	35.3

## Engle Captures Pennsylvania Winter Invitational

Oscar Engle, with essentially no practice since last September, won first place honors in an extremely close class where every pitcher was either a present or past state champion, or county champion. The round-robin ended in a tie between Zadroga and Engle with Engle winning the play-off 51-22.

Some of the tournament highlights in Class A were Solomon's early season high average of 79.2%, even though he finished fourth; Engle pitching 602 shoes in 5 games, winning every game except with Ohler, 48-51; Peluso nearly beating Ohler, 44-52, even though he was visibly suffering from a sore leg.

In Class B some of these were Kilinsky compiling his highest average of his horseshoe tournament career to date; Martz throwing an 80% game against Metzler; and Kilinsky's 84% game against Sebring.

Class C focused attention on a new horseshoe pitcher, Richard Maroni, who in his first tournament threw a very respectable 64.0%.

Class D ended in an exact percentage tie for second place between Bruce and Sowa. Bruce won the pitch-off, 52-42.

In Class E a new pitcher, Charles Sowa, won his first tournament class, with the veteran pitcher, Dean Mayes, capturing second place.

The Mt. Pleasant Horseshoe Club under the direction of Robert Myers did a very fine job in hosting and promoting this event. The club hopes that this tournament will become an annual event and from the response this year it will probably be even more popular next year.

### CLASS A

	W	L	%
Oscar Engle .....	5	1	77.8
Al Zadroga .....	4	2	75.1
James Ohler .....	3	2	73.9
James Solomon .....	2	3	79.2
Sam Sutton .....	2	3	73.9
Frank Peluso .....	0	5	62.7

### CLASS B

	W	L	%
Clyde Martz .....	5	0	69.8
Frank Kilinsky .....	3	2	70.6
Glen Sebring .....	2	3	61.5
Frank Oliverio .....	2	3	61.0
Carl Metzler .....	2	3	54.1
Andrew Ponick .....	1	4	56.0

## Pennsylvania Invitational — (Continued)

CLASS C			CLASS D				
	W	L	%		W	L	%
Richard Maroni .....	5	0	64.0	Charles Eppley .....	5	0	49.7
Lester Boyer .....	3	2	59.9	Clair Bruce .....	4	2	53.5
Vince Sedlacek .....	3	2	58.7	Peter Sowa .....	3	3	53.0
Robert Myers .....	3	2	54.8	Gilbert Fridinger .....	2	3	53.5
Carl Nagode .....	1	4	45.0	Reg Gaugler .....	2	3	43.0
Marland Comstock .....	0	5	40.0	Jake Fiore .....	0	5	31.5

### CLASS E

	W	L	%
Charles Sowa .....	4	1	41.2
Dean Mayes .....	3	2	47.7
Robert Johnson .....	3	2	43.5
Ray Henry .....	3	2	39.9
George Keffer .....	2	3	39.0
Gilbert Bailey .....	0	5	35.3

## Vanport, Penna. Spring Warmup Open Tournament

This event will be held at Vanport, Pa. (near Beaver) during May 28 and 29. The tournament is a sanctioned event and open to anyone belonging to the NHPA.

To qualify the pitcher is to use the home club "honor system". He is to throw 100 shoes under the auspices of a club official, have it signed by the official, and mail with \$3.00 to Herman Boyer, R. D. No. 2, Beaver, Pa. 15009, no later than May 17, 1966. The actual qualifying should take place on or near May 14 or 15. If a second chance is desired in the qualifying, an additional \$2.00 is to be sent in. Under no circumstances is there to be more than two qualifying attempts. All qualifying is to be done out of doors for uniformity reasons. Pitchers will then be notified of pitching time and classes. In case a pitcher does not make the competition his qualifying fee will not

## 1966 Eastern National Horseshoe Tournament

**Date:** June 18 & 19

**Host:** Red Mill Horseshoe Club

**Place:** Washington, Pa. at Scotty's Restaurant. The restaurant is located on route 18, approximately 2 miles south of Washington.

**Qualifying:** To qualify for this event the contestant will be required to submit ringer averages from two sanctioned tournaments he participated in since the last Eastern National (1965) that has been published in the Digest. The committee will average these two results and place the contestant. If the pitcher has not competed in two sanctioned events since the 1965 Eastern, he shall submit his last tournament average. Anyone that has not participated in a published sanctioned tournament in the past two years will not be eligible for this event.

**Entry Procedure & Fee:** Contestants are required to send in their two averages, stating from what tournament and where they can be found in the Digest, to Clyde W. Martz, 3233 Arapahoe Road, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15234, along with \$10.00 ((check or money order — no cash please) and their complete address, which includes your zip code, and phone number before June 4. The committee's decision on placement shall be final. Any pitcher not accepted for the competition will have his money refunded. All players will then be notified of their pitching classes and time so they can plan accordingly.

**Tournament Schedule and Prize List:** Class A will be made up of 16 men playing a round robin. Classes B, C, D, E, and F will have 8 men in each class. Total men in the tournament will be 56.

## St. Joseph, Mo. Club To Open Season On Newly Reconstructed Noyes Field Courts — St. Joe Open To Be First Event

With the completion of the reconstructed Noyes sports facilities which include 12 new, all lighted courts, located at 28th and Edmund Streets in St. Joseph, Missouri, the annual St. Joe Open tournament will again be held this year. This great ringer event will take place on Sunday, June 26th, starting at 9 a.m. central standard time. At this time the lower classes will take to the courts, with the Championship and Class B division following in the afternoon session. All classes will have 8 players each.

As there will not be any qualifying on the day of the tournament, all qualifying scores plus an entry fee of \$3.00 should be sent to Mr. Ray Cavin, 1824 Holman Street, St. Joseph, Missouri 64501. However, qualifying rounds will be conducted on the courts all day Saturday and evening until 10 p.m., June 25.

Due to the highly controversial subject of women competing with men at their regular pitching distance of 30 feet, it has been decided that, if they compete in the men's division, they **MUST** pitch the 40 foot distance. However, it is hoped that there will be enough women entered, to conduct a ladies' division.

On September 11 the annual Midland Empire Open tournament will be held on the same courts with the same starting time and under the same conditions as the St. Joe Open. Trophies will be awarded to the winners in each tournament.

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## South Gate — Southern California Class "A" Open

### GROUP ONE

	W	L	R	SP	%
John Balzer, Santa Ana .....	5	0	251	372	67.1
Ronald Simmons, Bell .....	3	2	220	312	70.5
Ward Berg, Pasadena .....	3	2	206	348	59.1
Bill McNally, Oakland .....	2	3	214	346	61.8
Bill Jones, South Gate .....	2	3	219	374	58.5
Wally Shipley, W. Covina .....	0	5	117	268	43.6

### GROUP TWO

	W	L	R	SP	%
Tal Turner, Las Gatos .....	5	0	224	344	65.4
Jesse Gonzales, San Luis Obispo .....	4	1	214	328	65.2
Henry Durr, Los Angeles .....	3	2	239	386	61.9
Tom Wheeler, Fullerton .....	2	3	206	346	59.5
Frank Esperanza, Oxnard .....	1	4	169	310	54.5
Ralph Brunner, Manhattan Beach .....	0	5	115	266	43.2

### PLAYOFF

	W	L	R	SP	%
Ronnie Simmons, Bell .....	3	1	214	316	67.7
Tal Turner, Las Gatos .....	2	2	210	312	67.3
John Balzier, Santa Ana .....	2	1	169	258	65.5
Jesse Gonzales, San Luis Obispo .....	0	3	163	254	64.1

## Class "D" Open — Southern California

### GROUP ONE

	W	L	R	SP	%
James Paul, W. Covina .....	4	1	154	310	49.6
Fred Percy, La Habra .....	4	1	157	338	46.4
Fred Brown, Huntington Park .....	3	2	132	284	46.4
George Farrell, South Gate .....	3	2	127	312	39.0
Sam Puopulo, Baldwin Park .....	1	4	132	338	39.0
Ron Morton, South Gate .....	0	5	66	258	25.5

### GROUP TWO

	W	L	R	SP	%
Leo Dooley, Long Beach .....	4	1	131	286	45.8
Mike Velarde, San Gabriel .....	4	1	148	342	43.2
Eldon Carrier, Downey .....	3	2	129	348	37.0
Russell Hart, Santa Maria .....	2	3	152	386	39.3
Willis Sims, Long Beach .....	1	4	140	348	41.1
Ross Faulkner, Huntington Park .....	1	4	83	310	26.8

### PLAYOFF

	W	L	R	SP	%
James Paul, W. Covina .....	3	0	101	172	58.1
Fred Percy, La Habra .....	2	1	86	180	47.7
Mike Velarde, San Gabriel .....	1	2	83	186	44.6
Leo Dooley, Long Beach .....	0	3	48	150	32.0

## Fulton County Ohio Club Plans Busy Season

The Fulton County club in Wauseon, Ohio have set several tournament dates, which indicate a full schedule of activity for the coming season.

The first tournament will be the Northwest Ohio District meet to be held on June 11 and 12. This meet will be limited to players from the district as laid out by the Ohio state association. As this is a sanctioned meet it will be necessary to have an NHPA card.

## South Gate — Southern California

### Class "B" Open

#### GROUP ONE

	W	L	SP	R	%
Ward Berg, Pasadena .....	5	0	191	334	57.1
Norman Smith, Culver City .....	3	2	197	364	52.8
Harry Morse, Beaumont .....	3	2	191	372	51.3
Wally Shipley, W. Covina .....	2	3	158	324	48.7
Fred Dunn, Norwalk .....	1	4	144	316	45.5
James Paul, W. Covina .....	1	4	151	334	45.2

#### GROUP TWO

	W	L	SP	R	%
Don Shubert, Los Angeles .....	5	0	186	302	61.2
Bill Jones, South Gate .....	4	1	148	272	54.4
Leo Dooley, Long Beach .....	3	2	132	298	44.2
Russ Hudgens, Lynwood .....	2	3	153	312	49.0
George Farrell, South Gate .....	1	4	92	264	34.8
Willis Sims, Long Beach .....	0	5	127	304	41.7

#### PLAYOFF

	W	L	SP	R	%
Bill Jones, South Gate .....	3	1	131	208	62.9
Ward Berg, Pasadena .....	2	2	124	226	54.8
Don Shubert, Los Angeles .....	1	2	104	196	53.6
Norman Smith, Culver City .....	1	2	73	158	46.2

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The National Horseshoe Pitchers' Association and the Mosswood Club of Oakland, California were most proud to have as an honorary member such a gallant man as the late Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz who passed away recently. During the war years, Admiral Nimitz commanded 2 million men and 5000 ships.

He had a horseshoe court at his home and pitched whenever he had time available. He invited members of the Mosswood club to his home and played a round robin. He also visited the Mosswood club on many occasions where he witnessed three world champions perform, namely, the late Guy Zimmerman, Fernando Isais and Don Titcomb. He watched a game being played between Guy Zimmerman and Fernando Isais at the Santa Clara fair in San Jose, California.

He posed for pictures with many of the players and gave his autograph. Elmer Beller of Bellflower, California and a vice-president of the NHPA had the pleasure of talking with him and inviting him to some of the tournaments held in Southern California. Oak Knoll Hospital in Oakland, California had a tournament in his name. Invitations were extended to Czar Marceovich, Earl Davis, Bill Fraser, George Callas, Bill Belxruide, California state champion and many others to participate in the tournament. He provided a luncheon for the players.

While Admiral Nimitz was at Pearl Harbor during the war years, he had horseshoe courts installed for the service men stationed there.

The Mosswood club is most proud of the autographed pictures that he presented to the club showing him in action pitching horseshoes. He averaged 35 percent ringers. He will long be remembered by the club.

Thus, we commend to the ages, the memory of a truly great man, Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz.

**Southern California Fullerton "F" Open****GROUP ONE**

	W	L	R	SP	%
James Paul, W. Covina .....	5	0	122	264	46.2
Ed St. Pierre, El Segundo .....	3	2	113	310	36.4
Mel Lingenfelter, Canoga Park .....	2	3	95	318	29.8
Jerold Royster, Ontario .....	2	3	91	308	29.5
Sam Davis, Downey .....	2	3	73	270	27.0
Joe Holder, Pico Rivera .....	1	4	90	330	27.2

**GROUP TWO**

	W	L	R	SP	%
Henry Thompson, San Gabriel .....	5	0	121	328	36.9
Ray Victor, Huntington Park .....	4	1	104	332	31.3
Louis Strauss, El Segundo .....	2	3	124	378	32.8
Ken Mapes, Fullerton .....	2	3	97	322	30.1
Ray Faulkner, Fullerton .....	1	4	115	360	31.9
Robert Hupp, Fullerton .....	1	4	74	308	24.0

**PLAYOFF**

	W	L	R	SP	%
James Paul, W. Covina .....	3	0	69	140	49.2
Ray Victor, Huntington Park .....	2	1	58	192	30.2
Henry Thompson, San Gabriel .....	1	2	74	204	36.2
Ed St. Pierre, El Segundo .....	0	3	37	164	22.5

## Paxton Winner and Top Average Man In Burlington Indoor Meet

John Paxton of Ottumwa, Iowa proved himself to be the best man in the first annual Burlington Indoor Open tournament held at the armory in Burlington, Iowa on Sunday, March 27. There were four classes of 8 men each. Class B was won by Jensen of Monmouth, Illinois with Herman Gilpin of Keokuk, Iowa claiming first in Class C. Ben Murray of Oakville, Iowa was the key man in Class D. Harold Darnold was the promoter of this winter classic.

### CLASS A

	%
John Paxton, Iowa .....	67.5
Creighton Vandegriff, Iowa .....	65.0
Lewis B. Jeter, Iowa .....	58.3
Art Dugle, Illinois .....	61.0
Truman Standard, Illinois .....	67.9
Harold Darnold, Iowa .....	64.9
Andy Jackson, Iowa .....	49.9
Ernie Danielson, Iowa .....	55.3

### CLASS B

	%
Paul Jensen, Illinois .....	54.2
Charles Foxx, Iowa .....	48.2
Bob St. George, Illinois .....	42.0
Byron Hafner, Iowa .....	52.6
Arnold Lester, Illinois .....	43.2
Russ Rubison, Illinois .....	45.2
John Law, Illinois .....	48.8
Charley Hopkins, Iowa .....	42.8

### CLASS C

Herman Gilpin, Iowa .....	57.5
Bernard Ricker, Iowa .....	56.6
Hollis Wainscott, Iowa .....	43.4
Bill Lovdall, Illinois .....	44.2
Jack Cook, Iowa .....	46.0
Madeleo Blake, Iowa .....	46.0
Fred Harden, Iowa .....	49.2
Harold Paxton, Iowa .....	38.7

### CLASS D

Ben Murray, Iowa .....	45.8
Earl Rymer, Illinois .....	32.4
Paul Harden, Iowa .....	41.8
Junior Waddle, Iowa .....	34.4
Cecil King, Iowa .....	39.0
Bill Waddle, Iowa .....	16.0
Leonard Schultz, Illinois .....	34.4
Larry Waddle, Iowa .....	12.4

## Southern California Schedule

April 17 — 12 Noon Class "G" Open, Baldwin Park.	July 31 — 12 Noon Pomona "F" Open, Pomona.
April 24 — 12 Noon Class "C" Open, Pomona.	August 7 — 12 Noon Oxnard "B" & "F" Open, Oxnard.
May 1 — 12 Noon Added "E" & "B", South Gate.	August 14 — 12 Noon Pomona "G" Open, Pomona.
May 14-15 — 12 Noon May Round Up, South Gate.	August 20 — 4 p.m. (Sat.) Special Open, Pomona.
May 22 — 12 Noon Added "A" & "F", South Gate.	August 21 — 12 Noon Fullerton "B" Open, Fullerton.
May 28 — 12 Noon (Sat.) Pomona Doubles, Pomona.	August 27-28 — 2 p.m. (Sat.) 12 Noon Sun. State Championship.
May 29 — 12 Noon Added "D" & "G", South Gate.	Also "B" & "C" Women & Juniors State Champ. at South Gate.
June 5 — 12 Noon Long Beach Open, Long Beach.	September 4-5 — 12 Noon Ringer Round Up, South Gate.
June 11 — 12 Noon Baldwin Park Doubles, Baldwin Park.	September 11 — 12 Noon S. C. Champ "A" & "G", South Gate.
June 12 — 12 Noon Added "C", Fullerton.	September 18 — 12 Noon Baldwin Park "D" Open, Baldwin Park.
June 25-26 — 12 Noon June Round Up, South Gate.	September 25 — 12 Noon S. C. Champ "B" & "F", South Gate.
July 2 — 10 a.m. Semana Nautica "B" Santa Barbara.	October 2 — 12 Noon Pomona "C" Open, Pomona.
July 3 — 10 a.m. Semana Nautica "A" Santa Barbara.	October 16 — 12 Noon S. C. Champ "AA" & "E", South Gate.
July 9 — 5 p.m. (Sat.) Barstow Open, Barstow.	October 23 — 12 Noon S. C. Champ "C", Baldwin Park.
July 10 — 12 Noon Baldwin Park "E" Open, Baldwin Park.	October 30 — 12 Noon Fullerton "A" Open, Fullerton.
July 16-17 — 12 Noon Western Open, South Gate.	November 6 — 12 Noon S. C. Champ "D", Pomona.
July 24 — 12 Noon Oxnard "AA" & "C" Open, Oxnard.	November 13 — 12 Noon South Gate Open, South Gate. 60 Years Old & Juniors.

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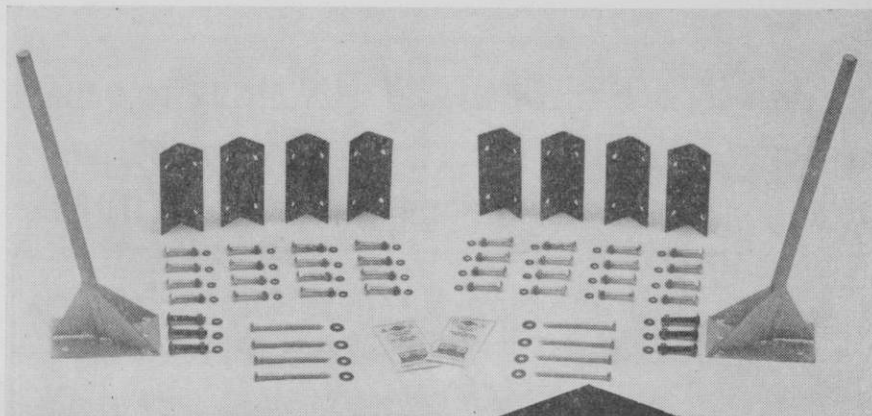
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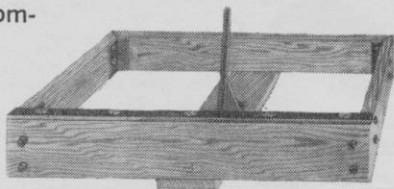
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