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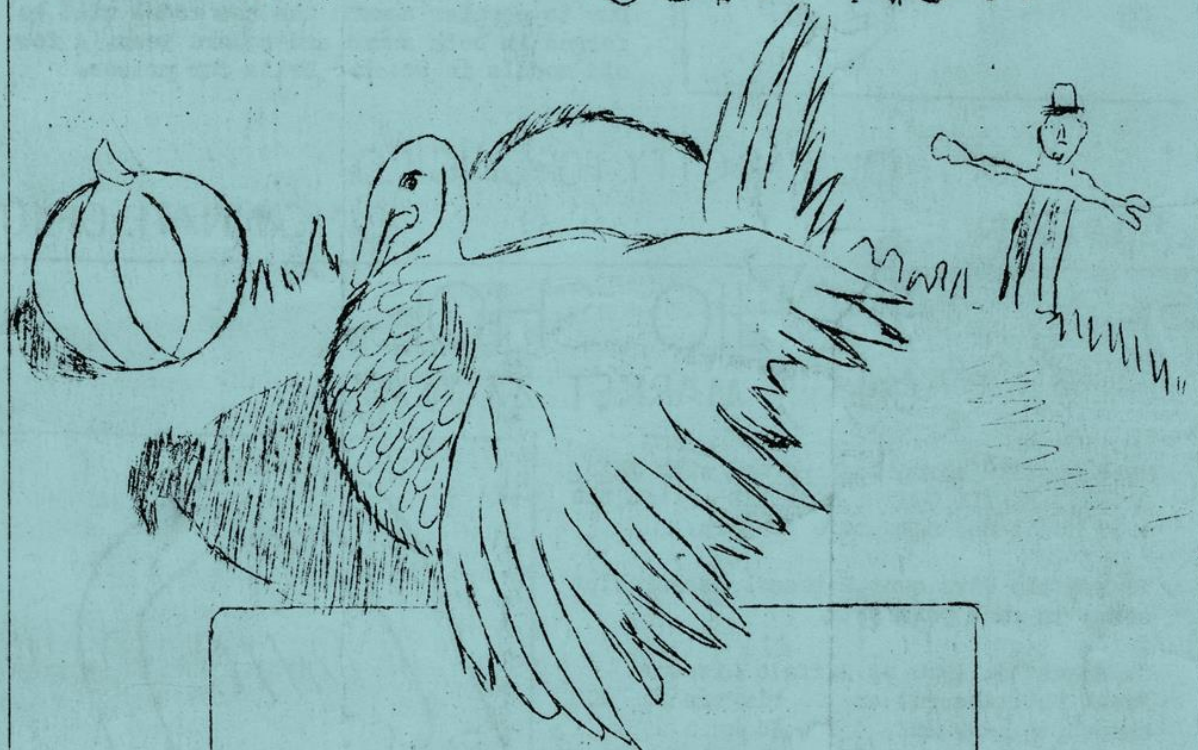

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MILWAUKEE

AUG. 16. TO 21. 1948.

According to Mr. Guy C. Wertz, of the Wisconsin State Centennial Sports Committee, the 1948 World's championship Tournament will be held in Milwaukee Aug. 16, to 21. Sponsored by the Wisconsin State Centennial Commission and under the joint direction of the Wisconsin State Horseshoe Pitchers Association ane the National Association. The tournament will be finished ten full days before the date usually set for most of the State championships and, for that reason Milwaukee can establish a new attendance record.

Other inducements, three thousand dollars set up by the State to which will b added the entry fees and a per centage of the Stamp fund. Los Angeles, San Francisco, Seattle and Portland Oregon would have to travel about 2200 miles. In the east, Portland Maine 1147, Boston 1081, New York, 930 and Washington D.C 789. Grand Rapids 268, Indianapolis 276, Detroit 360, Des Moines 371, St. Louis 379 Cleveland 439, Wichita Kans. 811, St. Paul 352, Salt Lake City 1500, Toronto Csnada and up-state New York about 700 miles. Chicago 92 miles.

It is most likely that 32 will enter the finals. The number of games played each day will depend on whether the courts will have lights. In any event the decision will rest with the State Assn. or the Centennial Comission. Mr. Wertz has planned some innovations that will add to the general interest. When they have taken more definite shape, they will be published in the NEWS.

As we meet only once each year, the final night exclusive of meetings should be held in a hotel or private dining room, where all should have the opportunity to say what is on their minds. When we could all get bettoraccquainted and a final farewell. It will offer all a chance to chat with others about subjects not concered with the tournament. There is lots of time to arrange about your vacation and tack on an extra day for the GOOD WILL MEETING. Lets hear from all.

NOW IS THE TIME TO PLAN FOR THE 1949 TOURNAMENT. To those States who may submit bids get started. Especially those who will celebrate their Centennial in 1949.

MURRAY ECHOS

Murray's Mayor, Ernest Smith and Gus Backman Secretary of the Salt Lake City Chamber of Commerce and Director of the Centennial opened the tournament by tossing two shoe each. Neither made a ringer but, they had no chance to warm up. W. A. Banta of Indianapolis, for many years President of Indiana State Assn came with Mrs. Banta in their car with portable sleeping and dining equipment that was envy of all who saw it. Mr. Banta did the work on it last winter. You should have seen the grin on his face at the great showing by Wayne Nelson Indiana State champ.

Harvey W. Clear our new National Secretary has original ideas of equipment. The score board made by him, was in two halves. Each half lined for eighteen players with chalked squares for 35 games each. When not in use, each half was nested face to face so that rain couldn't erase the scores. That suit case of his contained several gadgets including micrometers to determine whose shoe was nearest the peg and another to measure for ringers. (Editor's note) I wonder if he can come up with a design of scoring devices for each court?

NOTICE TO STATE SECRETARIES. HAVE YOU SENT IN YOUR 1947 MEMBERSHIP LISTS?

JAN. 1, 1948 TO JAN. 1, 1949 N.H.P.A. INVITES 5000 HORSE-

ON THE COURTS

Results of seversl tournaments were not published in September News, because of lack of space. The Utah State tournament had 16 pitchers in the finals, 8 in class A. and 8 in class B. The tournament was directed by Harvey Clear later, elected Sec. Treas. of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association.

STANDING CLASS A.

	W	L	R.	DR	SP.	R%		W	L	R	DR	SP.	R%
Bruce Walters	7	0	244	60	452	54.0	R. Edmondson	3	4	215	50	444	48.4
Ray Ohms	5	2	260	73	430	60.5	Goff Berger	2	5	200	44	452	44.2
Elwood Scott	5	2	256	66	504	50.8	Joe Clements	2	5	171	35	428	40.2
Bill Alder	4	3	228	57	452	50.4	J. Pehrson	0	7	140	24	40[illegible]	34.5

CLASS B.

	W	L		W	L		W	L
Garr Lester	6	1	J. Keyrs	4	3	G. Paul	2	5
Danny Hovey	6	1	D. Holfeltz	3	4	Jack Paul	0	7
Bill McCleary	5	2	Larry Affeldt	2	5			

The N. Y. Police Dept. tournament had the most number of entries since 1929 (The Evening Star " of Washibgton D. C. had 5000 participents in 1929) when they staged their First Annual horseshoe pitching event, sponsored by their Athletic Club and sanctioned by the Metropolitan AAU. There were 800 of New York's finest entered The eliminations started the first week in Agust.

By the second week in September, the first and second best players in each of the nine athletic units pitched 100 shoes . The six highest scorers qualified for the finals in a single round robin. Andrew Lo Piccolo, of Brooklyn a civilian enployee by winning all five of his games was crowned champion. Ptl. Robert Prael of the 32nd. Pect. was runner up with only one loss. Jimmy Dagg of the B. C. I. was third. Medals were presented by Plice Commissioner Arthur W. Wallender.

	W	L	R%		W	L	R%
1 - Andrew Lo Piccolo	5	0	47.0	4 - Richard Malina	2	3	43.7
2 - Robert Prael	4	1	38.2	5 - Wheeler Bowdon	1	4	32.2
3 - James Dagg	3	2	44.7	6 - Joseph Malina	0	5	23.5

Larry Mahoney, several times New Jersey State champion is back in the game and, doing quite well according to a report of the 1947 New Jersey State tournament. It was held on the Forest Hill Horseshoe Club Courts in Branch Block Park in Newark on September 28. Mahoney was winner and Art Scolari runner up in Class A. J. Mc Crink winner and Paul Puglise runner up in Class B. It appears that New Jersey like all other States active in horseshoe pitching are looking forward to 1948 for the best year of many. And no doubt will send quite a group to the 1948 Championship at Milwaukee August 16, to 21 inclusive. The Standings follow.

Class A.	W	L	R.	DR.	SP.	R.Pct.		W	L	R	DR	SP	R.Pct
L. Mahoney	9	0	328	113	472	69.6	S. Brozowski	3	6	242	50	620	43.2
A. Scolari	8	1	313	100	510	61.3	E. Faulkner	1	8	238	56	560	42.5
J. Waltz	5	4	298	79	548	54.5	Class B.						
L. Davis	5	4	283	61	554	52.9	J. Mc Crink	5	0	145	38	258	56.2
W. Kolb	4	5	332	84	574	54.0	P. Puglise	4	1	141	35	250	56.4
F.W. Sowers	4	5	295	67	624	47.2	A. Mc Crink	3	2	120	30	284	42.2
H. Potts	3	6	286	71	614	46.1	H. E. Covert	2	3	104	17	292	35.9
B. Mullady	3	6	264	57	560	45.9							

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SHOE PITCHERS AND FANS TO PURCHASE MEMBERSHIP -

NEW JERSEY STATE TOURNAMENT CONTINUED.

CLASS B.	W	L	R	DR	SP	R%		W	L	R	DR	SP.	R%
L. Coulter	1	4	76	13	240	31.6	R. Shober	0	5	72	13	264	23.5

The 1947 champion of Vermont is, Maynard P. Brown a registered Pharmacist of Brattleboro. In a battle for the title with 11 other finalists he lost only one game. He won in 1939 and placed 3rd in last year's contest. A. Falco was 2nd. with two losses and, R. Brown 3rd with three. The champ intends to set up indoor courts in Brattle boro this winter. The line up.

	W	L	R.pct.		W	L	R.pct
M. Brown	10	1	51.2	B. Parkhurst	6	5	50.5
A. Falco	9	2	55.3	L. Carley	4	7	33.1
R. Brown	8	3	42.8	P. Sausville	4	7	42.3
M. Balargeon	7	4	43.3	A. Herbert	2	9	30.5
F. Butler	7	4	50.9	G. Mosher	1	10	36.7
L. Kerry	7	4	49.9	K. Frechette	1	10	30.4

OHIO STATE LEAGUE STANDINGS.

Canton " Selways "

	Pts.	R.	DR.	SP.	R.pct.
J. Sebek	2984	899	332	1250	71.9
E. Hanna	1984	606	205	850	71.3
A. Stolarik	643	185	61	300	61.6
H. Burt	2679	774	238	1250	61.9
H. Thompson	2085	593	174	1000	59.3
R. Yaus	2445	694	200	1200	57.8
J. Kovacs	1732	478	115	950	50.3
K. Konter	727	192	40	400	48.0
L. Miller	1180	341	71	700	48.9
COLUMBUS					
M. Ferguson	2041	593	185	950	62.4
L. Hill	522	153	45	250	61.2
H. Oney	1671	483	140	800	60.5
D. Burden	1556	444	132	750	59.2
Beck	879	240	64	450	53.2
A. B. McCoy	463	128	35	250	51.2
G. Bowman	1515	399	100	850	46.9
G. Geiger	329	77	8	250	30.8
DAYTON					
H. Sibert	959	283	93	450	62.8
P. Focht	916	267	75	450	58.2

DAYTON CONT'

	Pts.	R.	DR.	SP.	R.%
R. Lachey	506	155	44	250	62.0
G. MILLER	868	249	64	450	55.3
J. Webb	825	229	58	450	50.8
GALION					
F. Swartz	644	176	54	300	59.3
E. Pry	619	183	56	300	61.0
G. Bowman	593	172	48	300	57.3
H. Ruby	578	166	49.	300	55.3
Smith	542	136	28	300	45.3
C. Harsh	245	60	8	150	40.0
Schafer	155	34	2	150	22.6
CLEVELAND					
B. Cash	1413	430	155	600	71.7
J. Cash	668	188	71	300	61.3
H. Schultz	1308	364	128	600	64.0
Smith	554	161	44	300	53.7
F. Haas	1063	298	86	600	49.7
A. Schultz	1014	253	67	600	42.1
W. Beattie	476	128	25	300	42.6
W. Cash	373	95	11	300	31.6

TEAM STANDING	Won	Lost	Pct.
Canton	6	0	1.000
COLUMBUS	2	2	.500
DAYTON	0	2	.000
GALION	0	2	.000
CLEVELAND	0	2	.000

The report of the Ohio State League was sent in by John Kovacs of 3303 Arbor Road S. W. Canton Ohio, league president. He will call a meeting early next Spring possibly in Columbus. Plans for reorganization of the present set up, the formation of an Interstate league and State-wide sectional leagues will be important issues of that meeting. At Murray, turn in any direction you saw several Californians. Fifteen placed in the finals. We haven't exact number that came to Utah from that State. We may be able to print it on another page What we

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CARDS, ONE DOLLAR PER-YEAR, FROM JAN.1. TO DEC.31.

(continued from page 3.) in mind is, Illinois, Ohio, Iowa, Michigan Missouri and Minnesota have anexcellent chance to beat California's 1947 attendance record when we meet at Milwaukee next August. Indiana will make seven States that generally speaking, Have less than half the distance to drive to Milwaukee that the Californians had to get to Murray.

John Kovacs also sent in the results of the 1947 Stark County Horseshoe Pitcher's Handicap League with records of 8 teams and 50 players. We will print that in November NEWS.

Washington D. C. hold it's first annual Metropolitan Championship October 12, on the Commerce Courts. The first to be staged minus the sponsorship of "The Evening Star " The largest employer in the Nation's Capital is " Uncle Sam " The horseshoe pitching associations formed here in the past seven years have derived their members mostly from Federal Government employees.. Due to resignations and relocations of these employees, it was necessary to form a new association each year.

This winter pitchers from nearby Maryland and Virginia will meet with District of Columbia residents to form what promises to be a permanent organization with a larger National membership than ever before. Results of tournament follow.

Class A.	W	L	Class B.	W	L
Robert Heflin	7	0	Roy [illegible] Wilson	6	1
Mike Ostrosky	6	1	Louis Mattingly	5	2
Louis Haley	4	3	Walter Bahnson	4	3
Fred Niner	4	3	J. Hill	4	3
Russell Woodley	3	4	Frank Felton	4	3
Everett Clift	3	4	M. Stepionski	3	4
Melvin Mosnard	1	6	Cecil McDgal	2	5
E. F. Hughes	0	7	Bill Hartley	0	7

Medals were presented to winners and runners up in both classes. Gold and bronze medals for Class A were donated by Clarence Pearson prominent Washington Jeweller and a famous athlete of the Nineties.. Third and Fourth PLACES in both classes received N. H. P. A. approved pitching shoes. The winner of Class A. in 1948 will be slegible to challenge Clayton C. (Boo) Henson for the Class AA. Metropolitan championship. Wm. K. Cooper of 6209 42nd Ave. Hyattsville Md. Secretary of Prince George County Y. M. C. A. is successfully reviving horseshoe pitching in that county with several tournaments to his credit including 1946 and 1947 County Championships.

WILLIAMSBRIDGE OPEN

One of the greatest exhibitions of horseshoe pitching ever staged in the East, was sponsored by the Williamsbridge Horseshoe Club in September at Reservoir Oval, New York City. The event the Williamsbridge Open Championship was won by Joe Zichella of the Hilltop Club, with Jim McManus of Fort George Club, runner up and Leo Davis of Englewood New Jersey third, in Group One.

The competition in Group Two, resulted in a three-way tie for the honors. which was decided on a ringer percentage basis after each contestant had won five games and lost two. Andy Courtock of Somerville New Jersey, Charlie Ayvaliotis of Sunnyside and Chas. Seabord of Hilltop finished in that order.

George Sahavel of Prospect Park and Owen Farmer of Hilltop were tops in Group Three elimination with ten tossers competing. During the afternoon there were 81 scores of 50 per cent or better. 48 in Group One and 33 in Group Two. Joe Mc. Crink of Fort George Club had high ringer average of the day chalking up 73.4 in his last. Game. (Summary on page Five.)

HOW MANY CLUBS HAVE TRIED "SCORE ALL POINTS?

(continued from page 4. WILLIAMSBRIDGE OPEN SUMMARY)

GROUP ONE

	W	L	R.pct.
1 - Zchella	6	1	62.5
2 - McManus	5	2	62.4
3 - Davis	5	2	61.4
4 - McCrink	4	3	61.0
5 - Glynn	3	4	53.4
6 - Fitzpatrick	3	4	50.9
7 - Frisco	2	5	56.2
8 - Zanner	0	7	54.6

The tournament was directed by T.P. O' Gara for many years prominent in the promotion of this grand old game. According to the won and lost column and the fact that between the winner of Group One and 6th spot in Group Two the ringer per centage was only 9 points apart. There must have been many games in doubt until the last shoe was pitched. One of those tournaments that was chuck full of thrills.

GROUP TWO

	W	L	R.pct
1 - Courtock	5	2	59.0
2 - Ayvaliotis	5	2	56.2
3 - Seacord	5	2	53.3
4 - Brady	4	3	56.9
5 - Brumek	4	3	54.7
6 - Miller	4	3	53.0
7 - Saladak	1	6	41.1
8 - Goodwin	0	7	27.0

HENN OF COLD SPRING GETS HOT.

Horseshoe pitchers and fans, who were in Des Moines in July 1946 and Murray Utah, August 1947 remember Harry Henn of Cold Spring Kentucky, the running and jump-referee. He admits in a recent letter that something goes wrong with his game when he tries to qualify in a World's Tournament. At any rate he failed to make the grade in the last two. But when he returns to his own back yard, it's quite different.

Henn operates in the Cincinnati Ohio and the Covington Kentucky area. The fans in that section rate him tops in the world. They are ready to put $500.00 on the barrel head that he can trim any horseshoe pitcher bar, none. No wonder they are willing to back him. They saw him in action October 26, in a ten game 500 shoes match with Joe Clore (using the Doc Chess Count All System) In the 4th game he put on 42 ringers in the 50 shoes, in the 7th. 45 for a 90 per center.

He won nine games. 1253 pts. 385 ringers, 157 double ringers, 500 shoes for 77.0%. Clore 1087 pts. 312 R. 102 DR. 500 SP. 62.4%. Immediately after this Jim Johnson of Ludlow Ky. former AAU. champ challenged honn to a game. Harry won, 139 pts. to Johnson's 125. Henn's 45 ringers gave him another 90 per cent game. The following Sunay Johnson and Henn mat for a ten game match but, could only finish five. Harry won four. He had 76% to Johnson's 70%.

Henn has agreed to accept the sponsorship of his friends and requests the names and addresses of the top ten pitchers. We suggest that No. 4 in the tournament in Murray hails from Muncie Indiana, less than 100 miles away. He is Wayne Nelson 1404 West 16th Street . Why not a home and home match with him.

Just received in a neat little book, the annual report of the Gopher State Horseshoe Pitchers Assn. for 1947. The new officers are, Pres. Ed. Siben, 801 Seminary St. St. Paul, V. Pres. K. Tuenge 5040 Newton St. No. Minneapolis and Sec. Frank J. Drassal 407 Courthouse St. Paul. Results of the State tournamnet follow.

CLASS A.	W	L	R.	D.R.	SP.	R.%
N.Peterson	10	2	466	141	756	61.6
Carl West	8	4	442	129	724	61.0
F. Stinson	9	3	467	141	766	60.9
G. Suess	7	5	433	124	736	58.9
R. Lundberg	9	3	401	120	682	58.7
K. Tuenge	9	3	382	99	664	57.5
c.Barker	8	4	422	120	756	55.8

	W	L	R.	DR.	SP.	R%
B.Trollen	5	7	397	102	766	51.8
M.Madigan	4	8	378	92	768	49.2
C.Carlson	2	10	355	91	724	49.0
L.L.Larson	4	8	381	87	778	48.9
F.Lyden	2	10	280	60	650	43.0
B.Tschida	1	11	273	57	676	40.0

(class B. standing Page six.)

DON'T FORGET TO SEND IN YOUR IDEA FOR AN N. H. P. A. EMBLEM.

HOT STOVE LEAGUE

MORE HONORS FOR ARCH! For the part he played as chairman of the Centennial horseshoe tournament, held this year in Murray, A. L. (Arch) Stokes 1106 E. 45th. South, Salt Lake postal clerk, Thursday evening (Nov. 6.) was awarded the Eagle,s annual civic service award at a meeting in the Fraternal Order of Eagles hall in Murray. Vaughn Soffe, Eagles, member presented the award.---Pat DeLeary who like Ruth (Allen) Hoelzle pitches men's distance, found it difficult to toss them 30 feet in the Womwn's tournament at Murray. Stanley her husband who shares with Tod Allen the new world's record of 12 consecutive 4 Deads, writes Pat is practising at 30 feet and doing quite well. --- "THUE" The man's magazine, 67 West 44th. St. New York 18. N. Y. in a future issue, will publish a map of the U.S. on one of it's pages. On the map will be designated by place and dates various world championship tournaments. Our 1948 tournament will be one of these. ---- Mrs Anna Lindquist 305 6th. St. Morgantown W. Va. runner up in the Women's tournament at Murray is, the first to write, favoring a Women's Natipnal Tournament as a reqested in Sept. HORSESHOE NEWS.

MILWAUKEE NEWS ITEMS. Guy C. Wertz, 201 Delafield Ave. Waukesha, Sports chairman of the Wisconsin Centennial Exposition writes of meeting with the Wisconsin State Horseshoe Pitcher Assn. officials and Casey Jones to decide on distribution of prize money, courts and etc. LISTEN TO THIS 16 courts fenced in, most likely with lights. Each court to have individual score boards. Cash prizes for m32 finalists. Winner $500.00 2nd. 400.00 3rd. 300.00 4th. 250.00 5th. 200.00 6th. 150.00 7th. 125.00 9th. 95.00 10th. 90.00 -- 23, 24, 25 and 26th. each $40.00 32nd. $25.00 A total of $3280.00 For high qualifier in the men's division $25.00 . . 8th prize $100.00

Women's Tournament --- Winner $50.00 2nd. 40.00 3rd. 35.00 4th. 30.00 5th. 25.00 6th. 20.00 7th 15.00 8th 10.00 9th. 10.00 10th. and last $5.00 Winners in both men's and Women's divisions to receive individual trophy.

ATTENTION LADIES Are you surprised that $240.00 has been set up for you? Mr. Wertz did not mention it at Murray. You should have seen the expression on our face when we read it. We really were pepped up. How mnay of you will come to Milwaukee? HOW MANY WILL ENTER THE TOURNAMENT? WRITE TO THE HORSESHOE NEWS BE SURE AND GIVE YOUR ADDRESS. LETS GET THAT WOMEN'S PAGE STARTED.

JOHN LANDERS GIVES US ANOTHER LIFT. 11 Moore Terrace West Orange N. J. his address. He and Bill Kolb have signed up enough National members to renew the New Jersey State charter. He sent in the membership list to Secretary Clear. On top of that he is the first to send in drawings of a proposed N. H. P. A. emblem. They will be shown elsewhere in this issue. We should have an emblem ready to wear at Milwaukee. The National Association and the game will be publicized in 1948 as never before by other agencies. LETS IDENTIFY OUR SELVES. Combine a modern pitching shoe (minus the toe notches) with N.H.P.A. make it simple.

(con' nued from page five) GOPHER - Minnesota State results.

CLASS A B	W	L	R	DR	SP.	R.pct.
H.M.Gam	11	2	373	103	696	53.69
V.MAKI	10	3	394	81	826	47.70
A.Shock	9	4	347	75	808	42.94
C.Bruso	9	4	370	75	862	42.92
P.Pederson	9	4	317	74	746	42.49
Al.Bush	5	8	314	56	772	40.64
L.Clobots	10	3	316	66	780	40.51

	W	L	R	DR	SP	R.pct
S.Szaley	6	7	310	71	796	39.39
N.Degideo	6	7	351	65	918	38.23
H.Tilly	6	7	311	50	818	38.02
S.Adamic	5	8	293	44	842	34.79
V.Walker	2	11	267	31	788	33.89
F.Peterson	3	10	264	42	796	33.16
R.Basarich	0	13	144	16	698	20.62

HOT STOVE LEAGUE

(Continued) A clipping from a recent St. Paul Minn. newspaper has photos of two really handsome horseshoe pitchers. Winners in the 1947 Minnesota State tournament. Nels Peterson of Rochester Class A. and Howard M. Gans of Backus in Class B.

CLEVELAND CITY CUYAHOGA COUNTY,
DISTRICT TOURNAMENT

	Pts.	PP	R.	R%	DR	SL	PSL	W	L	SP
1 - H. Schultz	1303	789	393	71.4	142	33	060	11	0	550
2 - F. Haas	1147	695	339	61.6	99	80	145	8	3	550
3 - Wm. Phillips	1115	675	315	57.2	94	65	118	8	3	550
4 - J. Cash	1097	664	305	55.6	85	63	114	7	4	550
5 - A. Schultz	1087	652	299	54.3	71	61	110	5	6	550
6 - H. Jarus	1040	630	281	51.0	71	72	130	7	4	550
7 - L. Koby	1025	621	277	50.3	70	79	143	4	7	550
8 - G. Boris	974	590	272	49.4	67	120	218	2	9	550
9 - R. Bauer	968	586	249	45.2	52	80	145	5	6	550
10 - A. Calcagni	952	634	269	53.8	70	86	172	5	6	550
11 - C. Sibert	948	574	235	42.7	48	72	130	3	8	550
12 - J. Harris	940	569	257	46.7	48	124	225	1	10	550

Doc Chess 6208 Quimby Ave. Cleveland 3. Ohio sent in the report to the left using his Count All System. Doc has been slowly recovering from a severe case of pneumonia. He has decided to make another try at Train Dispatching his life time job. If he makes the grade O. K. maybe he will be at Milwaukee. There's lots of horseshoe pitchers and fans all over the country who have known of Doc but have never met him in person. Here's hoping he makes his first appearence at a world championship tournament in Milwaukee August 16, to 21, 1948.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS ISSUE PERIODICALLY from their New York office their AP. NEWSFEATURES, A ONE PAGE PAPER WITH NEWS OF VARIOUS SPORTS. The latest edition was miled to all newspapers subscribing Nov. 5, At the bottom of the page is the story of an interview with the president of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Assn. Many horseshoe pitchers who may read it will take exception to the head lines. Let us value it in the light of publicity for most sportswriters are prone to add a touch of rural atmosphere to horseshoe pitching stories. More as a matter of comparison than otherwise.

Bill Bentley 1671 So. 45th. St. Tacoma Washington. Bill your home town is near Pittsburg. Put one end of a straight edge on Tacoma, the other on Meadville Milwaukee is on a direct line between those two points. Your car should well broken by August. B sure and bring the two Gotchols, Kauffman, Zuber, Laraway and all the others you must not miss the 1948 tournament.

Johnny Sebek. How is KEBES coming on. Will you be O.K. by August? Andy Stolarik, we'll be looking for you three at Milwaukee. Now our thoughts turn to La Crosse Wisconsin, and our first contact there. It was through a letter from Will Ott, President of a Lumber Co. in that section of the State. Later through him we received a report of the La Crosse Recreation, Industrial League. We promised to publish it later. Members of that league will have to go back a little to date it.

	W	L	R.	DR.	SP.	R. pct.
La Crosse Laundry	33	0	1514	301	3800	.40
La Crosse Brewery	44	12	1807	301	5600	.32
Dugan's Dugout	28	20	1484	242	4800	.30
A. F. of L.	19	21	1032	133	4000	.26
Shimshak's	17	23	800	83	4000	.20
Benson Optical Co.	16	32	996	113	4800	.21
Heileman's	14	38	1080	137	5200	.21
La Crosse Tribune	10	40	752	74	5000	.15

Although this report is old news to the La Crosse boys. It will serve to introduce another active pitching center to our readers. We have letters with Hunter, Schmeckpeper and Will Ott 83 years young. Be seeing you at Milwaukee.

N. H. P. A.

SECRETARY'S PAGE

SANTA CRUZ, CALIF. Dear fellow members The dates for the 1948 tournament in Milwaukee (August 16, to 21, 1948) should get those who land in the finals in prime codition for their State tournaments. As most States hold their main event during the Labor day holidays, there is plenty of time for the most distant traveler to return home before the States championships get under way.

We, for that reason are counting on a record attendance in Milwaukee. We can set another record. The number that enter the Qualification round. The modern record in the trials was set at Moline in 1935 at 78. Two of those did not pitch.

December 31, 1947 the National membership year ends. Help make 1948 the best in our 26 years history. Get your 1948 National card during January. Send one dollar to your State Secretary or, where there is no State Assn. send it to me.

NOTICE TO STATE SECRETARIES— I will appreciate it if those who have not sent in their complete membership list will do so before the New Year. This is important. Until the complete returns are in I cannot determine the amount each member is to receive from the Stamp Fund. And this cannot be paid until the amount due from said members is in the Nationl treasury. I will also need these lists to learn how many copies of the 1947 tournamrnt results should go to each State.

I am devoting all of my time to my office in N.H.P.A. I am sure we can build a strong National Association but, only with the help of every member. In the New Year resolve to get at least one new member. Iwill do my part. Yours for a National Association in fact, as well as in name. Harvey W. Clear Secretary Tresurer of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association. 912 Melrose Ave. Santa Cruz. California.

HEATERS HELPED HISTORY

SOME OF US OLD TIMERS CAN REMEMBER HOMES THAT WERE HEATED BY FIRE PLACES. Next, latrobes were invented to fit in the fire-places that furnished heat for three rooms. One on the first floor and the two directly above. Congress almost enacted a law preventing their use because of the danger from coal gas. These were replaced later by hot-air furnaces in the cellar with pipes conveying heat to each room. Then finally steam and hot-water furnaces with radiators in the rooms was the more popular heat for many years.

The most important heater of all, the one that played a great part in shaping our modern history is not mentioned above. Under the influence of it's glowing warmth men have solved serious problems both local and national. In the late 90s and the turn of the century it was set up in a sand box in the center of countless Country Stores, Club Rooms of years ago and other places where men gathered. THE POT BELLIED STOVE. Not only could you feel the heat from it. You could see it.

Around it was formed (unconsciously) the forerunner of the Peoples Forum of today. Freedom of speech and that all men are equal was paramount there. So pull up a chair fellows, relax and let us hear what is on your mind. Help us solve our problems. All of you cannot come to Milwaukee. You can express your opinions, where they will stay put. In the HORSESHOE NEWS. More evidence that the HOT STOVE LEAGUE is a popular idea. Vito Filoccia of 120 Wilson Ave. Brooklyn New York writes about scoring devices used in New York. (continued on page nine)

WE ARE REALLY TICKLED PINK, WITH THE QUICK RESPONSE FROM TWO MEMBERS OF THE HOT STOVE LEAGUE(The First) John Landers we had just a small space, and our artist could not do your emblem. We did it. Not as good as yours. IT MAY START OTHERS.

Vito Fileccia and John Landers 11 Moore Terrace, West Orange New Jersey.. are the first to join THE HOT STOVE LEAGUE. Both come up with excellent ideas. Fileccia writes, describing a scoring device used in the New York State tournaments of 1936 - 1937 and 1939. Two wires, one about 7 feet the other 1 foot lower were stapled to posts attatched to the fence surrounding the courts. On the north side by the even numbered courts and on the south by odd numbered courts blocks of wood 1 in. wide and 3 in. long were strung on the wires both top and bottom, 45 of them. 5 bloks 4in. in length were placed at the tenth, 20th, 30th, 40th and 50th 50 blocks in all. Similar to the counters used in billiards. Names of players on both sides of pieces of cardboard were attatched to the wires in front of each set of counters. The scorer would move the blocks of each player as he scored points after he had placed them on the score sheet. Thus the spectators would know the scores of players on each court at all times. (note) A revised drawing of this will be shown in December NEWS.

Landers submitted three excellent ideas for a National emblem. One of them will be shown at the bottom of this page. Remember a constructive idea or suggestion will make you a member of the "HOT STOVE LEAGUE"

LOOKS LIKE THE NATION'S CAPITAL WILL HAVE A STRONG METROPOLITAN ASSN. FOR 1948. Cecil E. McDougal recently appointed Publicity chief for this section is already in motion. He is posting bullotins in Bowling Alleys in this area, soliciting members for both local and N.H.P.A. and subscribers for THE NEWS. Mac. is strong for the idea that bowlers can keep their swing in th groove by horse shoe pitching in the Summer. It was reported at Murray that Fernando Isais had not pitched a shoe for two years but had bowled a lot. Many experts claim it works in reverse. Just as strong a drum be'ater for horseshoes is Woody Wilson. In 1931 he teamed up with Carl von der Lancken and a guy named Westover, toured the Mid-west meeting all comers. He knows all the answers in the promotion field. His practise matches with Boo Henson caused that Nationally ranked tosser to stack up many unofficial world's records. When you learn the number of years Fred Niner has been pitching and then get a look at him you decide he started pitching when he was two. At his best when the chips are down

In the same category are. Russell Woodley, Matt Stopioski, Louis Mattingly, Pop Rich with a perfect two and three quaters, " Silent " Walter Bahnsen,,, E. F. Hughes and Willard Nellis are late comers. Nellis compiled quite a record in upstate New York but since moving to Washington his working hours permit time for practise only. Space does not permit the names of many others in the District. Wm. K. Cooper, Sec. Pr. George Co. Md. Y.M.C.A. is brining the game back to it's former glory of past years when Joe Merryman, Temple Jarrell and Lee Fleshman ruled the roost in that sector. Walter and Louis Haley, Everett and Harold Clift and a come lately Francis McDaniel will be active in the 1948 program. Just over the Potomac in Virginia, Ed. Baranowski Northern Va. State Champ, Pete Heflin winner of the N.H.P.A. tournament, Elmer Swartz and Chas. Lynch will do their bit to boost the new Assn.

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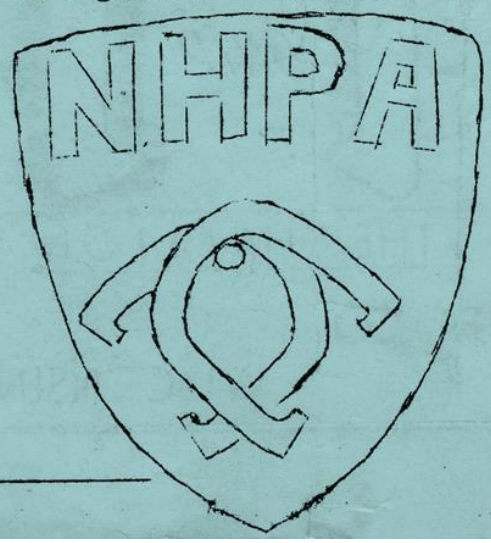

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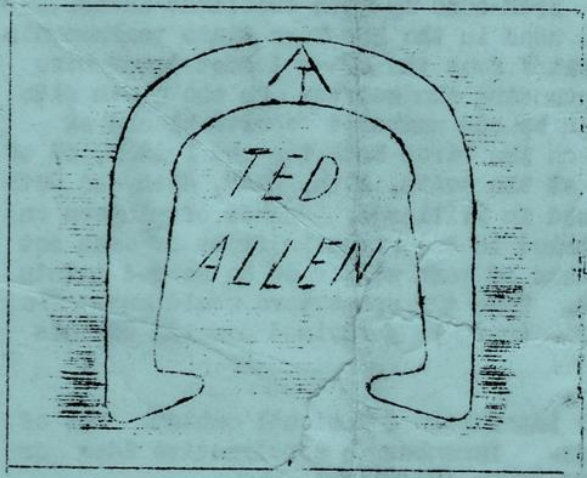

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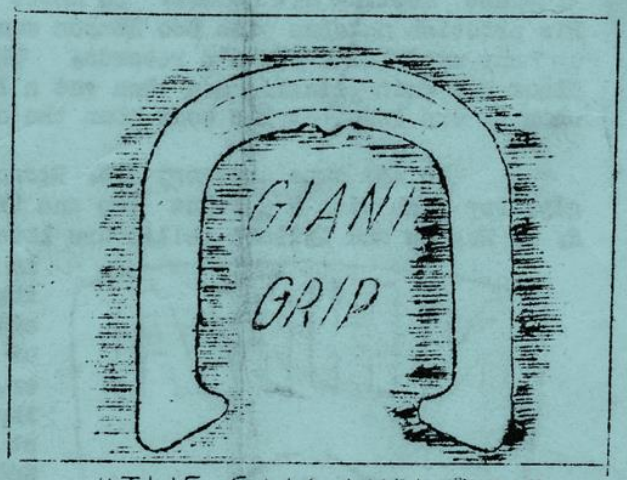

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