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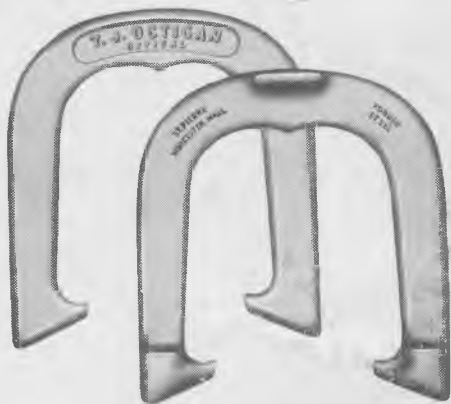
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Let's Make 1941 A Big Year

MAYBE it is the Spring weather that makes us optimistic or maybe it is just the fact that the boys are brushing off the shoes and getting the courts in order that makes us feel that things are going to hum!

Or maybe it is just the fact that we have a lot of confidence in Jack Claves, who is heading up the association, which makes us feel that the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association is going places. Jack has stepped in since the President was unable to serve due to other duties and since he is the link between the old regime and the new regime we believe that he will keep things in ship shape, along with the help of Secretary Tompkins and the other officers.

It is true that Jack didn't always agree with the old officers. The writer was Secretary at one time and Jack Claves was a real friend, but he often disagreed. That's what makes us feel he will take what good there was in the policies of the old regime and take advantage of the "new blood" in the Association to make it a real success.

It was time for action. The Association had reached the place where it was running into deep water. Mr. Tompkins has shown an inclination to be economical and Jack Claves has the push necessary to enthuse State Associations.

Let us all get behind the boys at the helm and give them a good trial this year. For obvious reasons several letters of criticism received by the Horseshoe World have been answered by stating just that—"let's give 'em a chance." All horseshoe pitchers are good sports. Here's an opportunity for them to prove it and the Horseshoe World believes that 1941 will see the National Association well on the road to becoming an energetic force in the field of sports!

In publishing THE HORSESHOE WORLD, our readers come first. The magazine is printed monthly for them. Suggestions to the editor for the betterment of the magazine are always welcomed.

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Boy, but we have made history with those articles by World's Champion Ted Allen . . . the Horseshoe World has received many compliments on the series and some have gone so far as to ask us to get them out in pamphlet form when completed . . . Ted has a happy faculty of making you want to read the next one . . . we have been a little impatient ourselves as we read his articles which "tease" us up to the point where we feel that he is going to tell us that we are ready for the "big league" and then he indicates there is more to learn next month . . . anyway this is a fine service Ted is rendering to the game he loves . . . which reminds us that we can think of a lot of "big names" that ought to be in the list which we have been publishing indicating those sending in a dollar for a Tournament Fund . . . as our good friend, Frank Gamble, of New York, says, "if they don't care about a tournament what are we who aren't in the 'big time' expected to do? . . . but then, we all want a tournament and are willing to do our bit . . . this month's issue gives an idea that Spring and warm weather has brought more activity . . . let's keep the news regarding clubs coming in . . . we want to know who your new officers are and how many lanes will be open for pitching this summer.

R. B. HOWARD,
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Official Organ of the National Horseshoe
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Want To Improve Your Pitching?

----- TED ALLEN TELLS YOU HOW

This is the second installment in a series of articles written by the World's Champion Horseshoe Pitcher since 1933, Ted Allen.

I have visited many summer mountain and lake resorts. Many's the time I have rowed a boat around a lake and from a great many of the camps would come the sound of horseshoes clanking on the peg. It was hard to fight down the temptation to pull in and either join in or to see the class of pitching they had. My time was limited so I could not take them all in but I did manage to stop now and then. Most of the courts and pitching needed dressing up a bit.

Before I go on I must tell you about the time our family moved to Colorado from Kansas when I was about fourteen. Traveling in a model T Ford pick-up and loaded down to the hilt with baggage. Every time we were going through a little western town where the familiar clank could be heard somewhere off on another street, Dad Allen would have to stop and take a look. Just follow the sound and he would soon be there in a game.

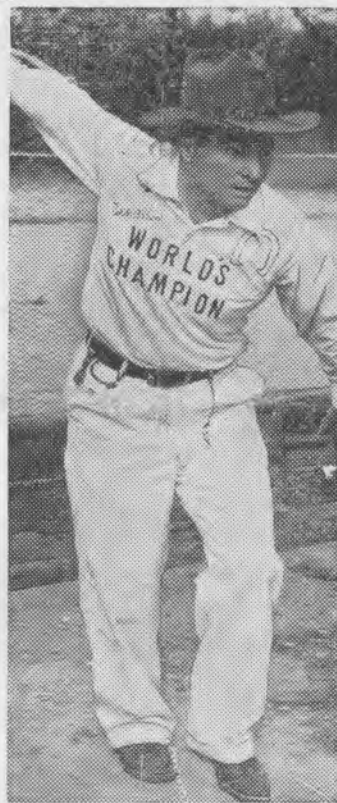
Well, that was as far as we would get for the rest of the day because, while the rest of us fumed and fretted, Dad, who since boyhood had an awful craze for pitching horseshoes, would be taking the boys to the cleaners. It actually took us three weeks to travel that 500 to 700 miles. So don't blame us; you can understand where the Allen family got the pitching bug.

Continuing with the story—I was amazed to find in a great many places the people knew almost nothing about the rules of the game. The pegs were anywhere from 30 to 50 feet apart and they still thought a ringer counted five points, and top ringer counted all, using any kind of shoes they could find, some being mismates. Some of them used the old style regulation ones without hooks.

If a fellow joined in the game he had to do a little exploring around to get the lay of the land before he could come anywhere near the peg. For instance, first you had to be careful when pitching or you would slip down hill or stumble over rocks and stumps. Then after getting the shoe off in flight you realize you should never have let go of it unless there was a wire and pulley to guide it to the peg. Thru

and around trees, barely missing branches, not to mention crossing a low valley, over a hump and to a crater in the center of which was the peg. The fellows found they had better luck by making the shoe land on the edge of the crater and it would either slide or roll down hill next to the peg or around it. Such a court did not encourage anyone to practice accurate alignment to the peg.

If only these people could be taught the correct rules and how to



Ted Allen

build a good court with a minimum of work and little expense they would enjoy themselves much better and improve the looks of the place. It is up to an expert, or one with a little knowledge of rules and regulations of horseshoe pitching, to teach them. Some of the amateurs in those places sometimes resent an expert coming in to disturb their accustomed way of pitching, and will refuse to come out of their shell. So the right approach may get them to see your way. It is like selling someone a new product. The usual run of people like to learn something new and are interested in the right way of doing things and given a little time they will learn the rules of

they realize they are behind times.

Wherever a more informed enthusiast in the vicinity finds these conditions I suggest they ask the amateur, or take it onto themselves, to write a horseshoe manufacturer for a pamphlet of rules.

I have painted the worst side of the story. I have found many people there who evidently have had some experience with a league and there are nice courts, too. There are many instances where a lively fellow went to camp and got everyone horseshoe-minded while vacationing for two or three weeks. In a recent issue of this magazine there was a description of a model horseshoe club which is less than a year old.

Mr. James McCue, of Boston, Washington and Baltimore, was spending each summer at his vacation home at Ellsworth Falls, Me. Being a good neighbor and very much interested in horseshoes he got most of them around the camp, including the residents some distance away, interested so that a successful club was formed and they furnish weekly news to many of the leading newspapers. There is much good fellowship among them.

Friend horseshoe pitcher, if you have a friend or see a stranger about to go on a vacation to a summer resort, hand him a pamphlet of rules. And a tip to the professional horseshoe pitchers—when coming in contact with amateur pitchers and fans, please tell them about our organization, the Horseshoe World Magazine and the league pitching. If we should try to give these local amateurs the impression that "I am the great pitcher, there is no horse shoe world outside of me," it will narrow their impression of our organization. And in turn there is no support towards the organization, the tournaments and consequently towards ourselves. So, in the long run we would be hurting ourselves. Most of us are doing our best towards advertising the game. And there is no better publicity than to have a champion on the air or to get weekly reports into the paper about the league doings.

In the following issues I hope everyone will follow closely these articles, because I will dwell, in detail, on the fundamentals of the correct way of pitching, how to build a good court at little or no cost, and a suggestion on how to build a more elaborate one.

HERE AND THERE—THIS AND THAT

By LELAND MORTENSON

We are making a desperate effort here in Des Moines to get a bid from the Iowa State Fair for a 1941 major tournament. At present, prospects are dark. The final decision will probably be known in time to inform the readers of the Horseshoe World in a separate article if this issue does not go to press too soon.

Special thanks should go to several horseshoe companies for making special offers to pitchers of their various makes of shoes in a National tournament if it landed in Des Moines. These offers have been put up as special inducements for the Iowa State Fair Board to take into consideration.

Here they are:

The Gordon Co. offers \$200 for pitchers using the Gordon Shoe in the finals, these finalists to decide among themselves how to divide the money.

The Ohio Co. offers \$100 to any man winning the National title with Ohio Shoes; and \$100 to any man averaging 90 per cent ringers in the finals with Ohio Shoes; and \$10 extra for each per cent above 90.

The St. Pierre Chain Corporation offers \$250 to any man who averages 90 per cent ringers in the finals with its new Octagon Shoe, and \$25 extra for each per cent above 90. This company has also appropriated \$25 for signs, etc., which can be used to advantage at the tournament site.

Several individuals have been of assistance in writing fine letters either to the Fair Board or to me in which case I forwarded them to the Board. Some of them are, Harry Woodfield, D. O. Chess, and John Gordon.

Do you know that perhaps the second best horseshoe tournament held in America in 1940 was at New Castle, Indiana, September 15. The championship at stake, I believe, was Mid-West, and it was won by "Casey" Jones on a ringer percentage of .81.

About a month before that time, Jones took the Wisconsin title on an average of .852.

I have written a request to the Encyclopedia Britannica, urging them to include horseshoe pitching in future editions. The reply was favorable.

The 1941 Compendium is ready to go to press, but the officers have been forced to cancel it. Although

the book will not be published, it is, I am sure, the proper thing to present a short survey of what several contributors mailed in for use.

Fred Brust furnished booklets of early history of the game and informed me that his company has sold pitching equipment to clubs and individuals in Mexico, Bermuda, Puerto Rico and Jamaica.

Montgomery Ward and Co. wrote that they had shipped horseshoe pitching sets to colleges in the Near East and that sets have been dispatched to India, China, the Belgian Congo, Guinea, to several South American countries, and the West Indies.

Mr. Howard wrote a very interesting account of the birth and early history of the Horseshoe World.

Jack Claves presented the history of the game in Missouri; L. E. Tanner, for Illinois; Casey Jones for Wisconsin; Professor Carl Von der Lancken for Oklahoma; A. F. Heuer for Northern California; Cornelius Sorkness for Minnesota; Levin G. Hayman for Maryland; J. Miff Nave for Tennessee; Claude E. Harte for New Jersey; S. N. Pullins for Arizona; A. L. McNeil for Wyoming; Charles O. Jones for Virginia; Raymond Adams for Maine; Harry Woodfield for District of Columbia; Ted Allen for Colorado; Ted Steadman for Canada.

Mr. Steadman's article was especially interesting in that he started his story by revealing that he was initiated into the game in England before he moved to Canada.

Professor Von der Lancken's account was rather unusual, as he told of pitching in many sections of the land against oppositions ranging from Harvard professors to Ted Allen.

Among the interesting revelations was the fact that Wendell Willkie is a member of our association.

Have you been under the impression that there is any rivalry between Toronto, Canada, and Des Moines, Iowa? If so, you are mistaken. Ted Steadman, Toronto promoter, and myself, in Des Moines, have agreed that if each has a major tournament, we will try to hold them on separate dates so that the pitchers can attend both. Each of us will boost the other tournament, and the one who holds his meet first will encourage the boys to go on to the other one.

If you want to read a letter that has personality and snap, just write

one to our new president, Jack Claves of 5816 Neosho, St. Louis, Mo., and get the most interesting letter of your life.

Jack is going to be a swell president. You know, he has that quality which few men possess, of being able to get the most stubborn individual to enjoy doing something he doesn't want to do.

And I want to congratulate Jack upon his appointment of Professor Von der Lancken of Tulsa, as third vice president.

Von der Lancken is probably the best educated man in horseshoes, holding a long string of advanced university degrees, one of them in law. I hope President Claves also appoints him to head a special Constitutional Committee.

Of course, we must also remember that Von der Lancken is a good horseshoe pitcher who has been long associated with our organization.

John Gordon writes that the Californians are holding basket socials and are staging exhibitions to collect money to transport the pitchers to the 1941 National meet at Des Moines. Boy, I hope we can get that bid from the Iowa State Fair.

But have no doubt about a 1941 National Tournament. For National Secretary Bob Tompkin says we will have one even if we have to promote it ourselves and charge admission. That's the spirit.

Here is a correction on a statement appearing in the last issue of the Horseshoe World: The world record for consecutive times four dead ringers is ten and was made at the Mid-West National in 1939 by Dean Brown and Lyle Brown. Nine by Ted Allen and Guy Zimmerman is a National Tournament record.

A RINGER FOR ENGLAND

London, Eng. (U.P.) — Horseshoe pitching, a sandlot favorite in many parts of Canada and the United States, may become established over here through its popularity with Canadian troops and Americans in the Canadian army. Dozens of horseshoe sets have been sent over by the Canadian Y.M.C.A. to be distributed among soldiers.

NOTE: The Canadian Horseshoe Association, headed by Ted Steadman, of Toronto, has donated numerous horseshoe sets and rules to Canadian army camps.

Copywriters may also do other things, but whoever writes the copy for bank advertisements isn't the guy who makes the loans.

THE BUCKEYE STATE HORSESHOE PITCHER'S ASSN.

6208 Quimby Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio

President: C. A. Benedict, Johnstown, Ohio.

Vice Pres: Mr. Fred M. Brust, Columbus, Ohio.

Treasurer: Mr. Henry J. Gunselman, Fairview Village, Cleveland, Ohio

Secretary: Mr. D. O. Chess, Cleveland, Ohio.

All District Commissioners and All Interested, Ladies and Gentlemen:

In connection with our 1941 set-up it should be readily understood that the chief motive is to encourage greater interest in the sport, especially beginners and those who develop slowly and have heretofore become discouraged and dropped out on account of destruction of point scoring values by the old method.

This year, the club memberships are going to be reduced by many of our boys either volunteering or being drafted into the service, and to offset this, and make an honest effort to increase the memberships, we should like to furnish our set-up to clubs in handbill form, in quantity, to be distributed in the immediate vicinity of the various clubs in order to acquaint the public with the fact that both values of the pitch (ringers and close-shoe points) will be credited in the point scoring column this year in all club activities. The more thousands of these hand bills needed the cheaper they will be, therefore, we request District Commissioners to contact all clubs under their jurisdiction and have each club secretary give us an estimate of the number required in order that we may get bids and have them delivered about the time the outdoor season opens.

For your information, the National scoring rule as used for National and Sectional Tournament play (Rule No. 15) is quoted in sections, and immediately below it is a comparison between it and our 1941 (total count) method in order that you may see the advantage and encouragement to those who are not so proficient in the pitch but who are overwhelmingly in the majority in club memberships:

Sec. B, Closest shoe to stake
scores1 point
Sec. C, Two shoes closer than
opponent's, score2 points
Sec. D, One Ringer scores.....3 points
Sec. E, Two Ringers scores.....6 points
Sec. F, One Ringer and closest
shoe, same player,4 points
Sec. G, Party having two Ring-
ers against one for opponent
score3 points
Sec. I, In case each contestant
has a ringer, the next clos-

est shoe, if within six inches of stake, shall score 1 point
Sec. J, Two Ringers by each
player, score.....0 points

Comparison

National (cancel) method—

| | Points | | | | Points | | |
|---|--------|----|------|---|--------|-----|--|
| | R | CS | John | R | CS | Jim | |
| B | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | |
| C | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | |
| D | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | |
| E | 2 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 0 | |
| F | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 0 | |
| G | 2 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | |
| I | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | |
| J | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | |

Total 20 0

Our Total-count method. Shoes in same position—

| | Points | |
|---|--------|-----|
| | John | Jim |
| B | 1 | 1 |
| C | 2 | 2 |
| D | 3 | 2 |
| E | 6 | 2 |
| F | 4 | 2 |
| G | 6 | 4 |
| I | 4 | 4 |
| J | 6 | 6 |
| | 32 | 23 |

R, Ringers; CS, Close Shoes.

With the total count, John gains 12 points or 60 per cent over the cancel, while Jim gains 23 points or 2300 per cent as he did not get any points in the cancel. It can be readily understood wherein lay the encouragement for those whom we must encourage.

We told you in the set-up that we have \$150, and while we do hope to have 100 per cent support as we have faith in horseshoe pitchers, we are assured of a donation of \$50 if the method is supported by 60 per cent of the players this year, making a total of \$200 to start with in 1941, depending on the sportsmanship of the players.

Let's all get busy now. We will be waiting to hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

D. O. CHESS, Sec.

Approved by C. A. Benedict, Pres.;
Fred M. Brust, Vice Pres.; and
Henry J. Gunselman, Treas.

No question is ever settled until it is settled right.

CHANGES ADDRESS

The address of the Secretary of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association, J. Robert Tompkin, has been changed from Ames, Iowa, to 1351 28th St., Des Moines, Iowa.

Anyone wishing to correspond with him please note this change.

CHUMARD NAMED

George D. Chumard, Cincinnati, has been named chairman of the Horseshoe Committee of the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States. The editor of the Horseshoe World also was named a member of the committee.

The official records of the A.A.U. convention in Denver show that one proposed rule change in horseshoe pitching was rejected and one was adopted. These will not affect the rules of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association — only games played under AAU rules. The proposals were:

45. Amend Horseshoe Pitching Rules, as follows:

Amend Rule 5 to read as follows: "Rule 5. Stakes—The stakes shall be of iron or steel, one inch in diameter, and shall extend fourteen inches above the clay surface with a three inch incline toward the opposite stake."

Rejected.

Insert a new rule after Rule 17 to be known as Rule 18 (renumbering following rules accordingly), to read as follows:

"When forfeit victories are allowed in tourney games, the score of the forfeiting contestants shall be zero, and the score of the non-forfeiting contestant shall be 50."

Adopted.

JACKSONS IN DAYTON

Carroll Jackson and wife thrilled the crowds at the Dayton Sportsmen's Show in April with exhibitions. The Jacksons have had a number of Ohio engagements of this kind during the past year, as have Jimmy Risk and Champion "Ted" Allen.

Someone sent us word Jimmy Risk is in the army now. Anybody know where he is? Bet that's a camp with horseshoe courts or Jimmy might "desert" his Uncle Sam!

The world is as large as the range of one's interests. A narrow-minded man has a narrow outlook. The walls of his world shut out the broader horizon of affairs. Prejudice can maintain walls that no invention can remove.—Joseph Jastrow.

NATIONAL AAU HORSESHOE PITCHING TOURNAMENT AT STATE FAIR IN AUGUST

The National AAU Horseshoe Pitching Tournament will be held in Columbus during the Ohio State Fair for the first time in history.

Little Rock, Ark., Des Moines, Ia., and Springfield, Ill., were outbidden by Columbus to bring this tournament here. Columbus in the past has had many enthusiastic horseshoe twirlers and with the revival of the Franklin County AAU tournaments, it should be another sport to add to the pleasure of Central Ohio fans.

Win Kinnan, manager of the Ohio State Fair, has been contacted concerning the tournaments. Governor

John W. Bricker may pitch a horseshoe match against Governor James of Pennsylvania. If the Ohio State Fair authorities give permission, there is a strong possibility such a match could be arranged.

Trophies, medals and plaques will be awarded the winners in all events. Entries are expected from 18 states. Any other persons in Columbus who are interested in this event should contact Jim Rhodes at City Hall. Mr. Rhodes was appointed last week to membership of the National AAU horseshoe committee by Daniel Ferris, executive secretary of the A.A.U.

LET'S PROVE WE ARE NATIONAL

(By Harry Woodfield)

The greatest opportunity ever to present itself to the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association is at hand. We face a National emergency—National Defense.

Every citizen should have a part in the plans to preserve the American way of life. Our association has a chance to prove that it can play an important part in these plans. A vast Selective Service Army of our boys are being trained in war tactics. The United States Army's part in this training is well organized. Recreation and sports are just as important.

In the nation's capital, a committee of citizens prominent in business, the professions and sports are being organized to control these activities in the camps nearby. It is possible that this plan will be followed in all sections of the country. Let's introduce horseshoe pitching in all of these camps according to the standards established and developed by The National Horseshoe Pitchers Association—good courts and best pitching shoes.

Surely every member will go all the way in co-operation with this idea, and in states not affiliated with our association there must be clubs who will be glad to take part. Do not wait for them to come to you. Offer your services. It may be that in some states these committees are known. If not inquire at your newspapers. If these fail write me and I will let you know whom you are to contact. I am expecting that information shortly.

All horseshoe pitchers who are inducted in these camps send me your name, location and name of camp, and if possible the one in charge of sports. Also let your command-

ing officer know that you are a horseshoe pitcher and qualified to be of assistance in putting on the sport.

In June, or near that time, thousands of these boys will spend week ends in cities near the camps. See that they have an opportunity to pitch. Arrange special events for them. As soon as complete plans of sports control is known this information will be forwarded to all state secretaries.

You who read this please mail me a card and let me know your opinion.

HARRY WOODFIELD,
CHN., N.H.P.A. Publicity



San Francisco, Calif., 3-4-'41

Mr. R. B. Howard,
London, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Howard:

This is an humble protest from the Northern California Horseshoe Pitchers Association about a matter which, although it might seem a bit trivial in comparison with the other problems the National now has, is of great importance to us.

Our squawk has to do with the certificates of championship which are presented to state champions by the National. Northern California held its championship matches in October, 1940, and the certificates were immediately applied for. The answer came back that they would soon be on their way. We waited some time and again applied for the certificates; this time the answer was that the secretary, Mr. Tompkins, could not contact Mr. Page to have the seal put on them, but we could expect them soon. We waited still longer, and we're still waiting

—in fact we've been waiting almost six months for these certificates.

We were given to understand at the last National Convention that the two National Officers chosen were members of the same State Association and could therefore, because of their nearness to each other, more easily and more efficiently carry on their duties. Mr. Tompkins' excuse seems to be rather "lame" when this fact is taken into consideration.

We in Northern California have no grievances against the past or present officers, as we know that they have a great deal to contend with. We hope that the National officers will see this reprimand in the proper light and give their attention to some of the minor problems, such as our championship certificates, and we believe that their major problems will be found much easier to solve if they can keep the state associations contented in these trivial matters.

Respectfully submitted,
VERGINIA COKER,
N.C.H.P.A. Sec.

322 W. 22nd St., Cheyenne, Wyo.
April 7, 1941,

The Horseshoe World,
London, Ohio.

My Dear Sirs:

Herewith is enclosed one dollar for subscription to the Horseshoe World for one year beginning with April, 1941.

This is for the Cheyenne Horseshoe Club and we bind each number of the magazine and keep it on file in our club house. We also read the magazine at our meetings, and discuss the best articles.

Our officers for the coming year are, President, H. R. Wood; Vice President, H. W. Patterson; Secretary, E. J. Thompson; Treasurer, Leo Steege; Score Keeper, Andy Oskvarek.

If the National Constitution is adopted at the meet in Des Moines, Ia., last year is available, I will be pleased to receive a copy of it. If there is any charge we will gladly pay for a copy.

Respectfully,
E. J. THOMPSON, Sec.

EXHIBITION AT DES MOINES

Ted Allen has been showing his bag of horseshoe tricks at the Corn Belt Sports Show, Des Moines, Coliseum, March 30 to April 6, inclusive. While in Des Moines, Allen called at the office of State Fair Secretary L. B. Cunningham to talk over the prospects of a 1941 National Tournament at Des Moines.

Pitch Only Official Horseshoes,
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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
of the
National Horseshoe Pitchers' Association of America

Inasmuch as the art of horseshoe pitching affords a healthy, pleasant and competitive sport suitable to all persons, at a cost comparable to that of other sports, and with a desire to unify its adherents, standardize its rules, authorize and conduct tournaments of sectional and national scope, promote the establishment of leagues and associations throughout the nation, and encourage the advancement of the game in foreign countries, we, the horseshoe pitchers of America in convention assembled, do hereby establish this Constitution and By-Laws for the Association which shall henceforth be called the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association of America.

Preamble

Article I.

Section 1. The name of this Association shall be the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association of America.

Article II.

Section 1. All legislative power herein granted shall be vested in an assembly of delegates chosen by the various organizations and-or associations officially affiliated, and in good standing with the National Association.

Sec. 2. Any State Association in good standing with the National Association shall be entitled to not more than five (5) delegates. In event of no existing, legally recognized, affiliated state association, that state's delegates may be comprised of delegates properly chosen by affiliated state clubs. These clubs consisting of fifty (50) or more paid memberships shall be considered as Class A organizations, and shall be entitled to not more than two (2) delegates in National Convention. Clubs whose memberships number between ten (10) and fifty (50) shall be designated as Class B organizations, and shall be allowed not more than one (1) delegate as representation in National Convention. Any body with a membership lower than ten (10) shall not be classified as a club in the eyes of the National Association.

Should the aforementioned methods fail to produce a state's quota of delegates, the deficiency may be made up by individual members in good standing, chosen in such manner as the state members present should elect. In case of failure of a state to agree upon, or produce, its allotted delegation, the President of the National Association shall select from the state's members present,

those delegates necessary to fill the offices in dispute.

Voting shall be by ballot, rising vote, or ayes and nays, resting upon the discretion of the chairman. Voting by proxy shall not be allowed, nor shall substitution be made for any delegate representing a state as an individual. State Associations or clubs may substitute a member in good standing if a vacancy in the delegation arises. A delegate must be in person to have voting power.

Sec. 3. The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Third Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. These officers shall constitute the National Executive Council and shall have voting power as National officials and not as state delegates.

Sec. 4. The officials, consisting of the president, vice presidents, secretary and treasurer, shall be the Executive Council of the organization and shall be in charge of its affairs. They shall be empowered to transact such business in the interest of the game and the association as they deem advisable, providing such action shall not be contrary to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Association.

Sec. 5. The officials shall be elected at the first convention after the first day of January of the current year, and shall hold office until the next general convention to be held after the current year. The newly-elected officers shall take office immediately when elected. The officers may call a meeting in convention at any time they deem advisable.

Sec. 6. Twenty delegates shall constitute a quorum and have authority to transact the business of the association when seated in convention.

Sec. 7. Any properly affiliated member of the association shall be eligible to hold office. Delegates of National Conventions, representing state association or state clubs, must present certificates of election or appointment signed by the president of the affiliated organization he or she is delegated to represent.

Sec. 8. In the event of the death, resignation or removal of an officer or committeeman between conventions, the president is empowered to make appointments to fill the unexpired term, said appointment to be approved by a unanimous vote of the Executive Council within thirty (30) days. Should the presidency

become vacant due to death, resignation or removal, the first vice president shall become president, the second vice president and third vice president shall become first and second vice presidents respectively, and a third vice president shall be appointed by the new president to serve the balance of the term.

Sec. 9. Any officers of the Executive Council may be removed from his position upon failure to perform the duties accruing to his office, or for reason of any action by him which would tend to discredit or reduce the efficiency of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association of America. Said removal shall be effected only by a two-thirds majority of delegates assembled in convention. Should it be desired to remove any officer, convention can be called only by unanimous vote of the other five members of the Executive Council. Any committeeman may be removed from office by the president at his discretion.

Sec. 10. Any committeeman appointed by the president shall serve during the president's tenure of office unless removed by the president before the term normally expires.

Sec. 11. The Constitution, By-laws, Rules and Regulations may be amended or repealed at any convention of delegates by a two-thirds vote of those present.

Sec. 12. The following committees shall be appointed by the president from the members of the association: Constitution and By-Laws, Membership, Auditing and Finance, Grievance, Credentials, Publicity, Resolutions, or any committee he deems advisable for the good of the association. These committees shall be under the direction of the president and their duties shall be defined by him. It is necessary that a majority of members of special committees be actually in convention only if a problem or problems arise which necessitate action from that particular committee. No committee may decide an issue without at least a majority of the committeemen present. Should an occasion arise in which immediate action by a committee is necessary the president of the association shall have the power to dissolve the existing committee and appoint a new committee.

Article III.

Section 1. The president shall be chief executive of this association, and preside at all its meetings when able. He shall sign warrants for payments of all accounts, and sign all state or club charters as prepared and signed by the secretary.

Sec. 2. The first vice president shall perform the duties of the president.

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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS (Continued)

ident in the event of absence or disability of the latter.

Sec. 3. The second and third vice presidents shall at all times perform whatever duties their offices imply, and shall be ready and willing to co-operate with the other members of the Executive Council on any matter which may arise. They shall continuously strive to encourage, promote and advance the game of horseshoes, the National Association, and the harmony of the members.

Sec. 4. The secretary shall be the custodian of the records, property, correspondence, books, accounts, printing materials and other documents belonging to this association, and shall turn over, on demand, to the executive council, or authorized representative of the bonding company holding bond on said secretary, any of the books and-or records, data, correspondence, or association property, in his possession. He shall prepare and transmit the president's warrants for payment to the treasurer. He shall turn over to the treasurer any association funds which may come into his possession. He shall at all times endeavor to promote harmony and good will within the association.

Sec. 5. The treasurer shall be the custodian of the funds of the association and shall disperse the same on signed warrants prepared by the secretary and signed by the president. He shall furnish a complete statement of moneys received and paid out, at each convention, or at any time on demand of the executive council.

Sec. 6. Any bill of account or expense against this association amounting to over twenty dollars shall be submitted to the executive council and paid when approved by four of the other five officers. If not approved in this manner amounts contested shall be brought before the delegates in convention assembled and shall be approved by a majority vote of those present.

Sec. 7. The Secretary shall be bonded. A four-fifths majority of the other officers of the executive council shall determine the amount of the bond which shall at no time be less than one thousand (\$1,000) dollars.

Sec. 8. The treasurer shall be bonded. A four-fifths majority of the other officers of the executive council shall determine the amount of the bond, which shall at no time be less than one thousand (\$1,000) dollars.

Sec. 9. The secretary shall receive a salary of six hundred (\$600) dollars per annum, subject to change

by a majority vote of the delegates assembled in convention.

Sec. 10. The treasurer shall receive a salary of fifty (\$50) dollars per annum, subject to change by a majority vote of the delegates assembled in convention.

Sec. 11. All officers shall have their books, records, and any other property belonging to the association, in convention, or, if unable to be present, must forward same to the president by registered mail before the first day of the convention. They shall turn over to successors in office all records and property of the association that may, or should be, in their possession.

Article IV.

Section 1. Any reputable person may become a member of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association upon payment of a twenty-five cent fee to the National Secretary or his officially approved agent or agents. This fee entitles the payer to membership in the National Association from June first of the fiscal year until June of the following year, at which time membership must be renewed. A member must be accorded all courtesies and privileges extended by affiliated clubs and associations.

Sec. 2. Of the twenty-five cents National membership fee, fifteen cents shall be paid to the National Association and ten cents shall be retained by the State Association of the state in which the new member resides. In the event of no existing State Association within the state, the entire fee shall be retained by the National Association.

Sec. 3. All interstate sanctions shall be issued through the National Secretary, who shall notify the State Associations or state representatives in each state included in such territory assigned to an interstate tournament. NOTE—Due to lack of space the remainder of this article will be continued in next month's issue. Watch for it.

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In a recent letter from the National Secretary, J. Robert Tompkin, we were informed that the following listed horseshoe companies had purchased official stamps during the current year:

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The Connecticut State Horseshoe League met at the local Y. M. C. A. yesterday and the following entries were accepted: Class B, Ansonia, West Haven and Short Beach; Class A, Shelton, Litchfield, Stamford and Hartford.

There is some doubt whether Meriden and New Britain will be able to enter this year due to lack of interest. There is a possibility that the two will get together and enter as one team in the Class B division.

The annual state tournament will take place in the latter part of August and will be run for only one day instead of the usual two.

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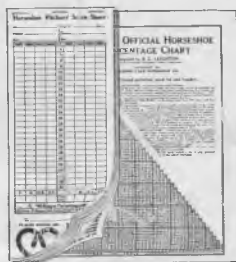


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