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Secretary Cottrell is in the Southland raising tomatoes . . . but he hasn't much on us folks in Ohio right now, as the weather continues to be warm and every now and then the familiar sound of horseshoes is heard . . . if this weather keeps up, horseshoe games will be played in the North on Christmas day . . . our good friend Putt Mossman is quite ill in California . . . we are pulling for him . . . Putt is a good sport and has done much for the game and we are sure all our readers will hope for his speedy recovery . . . we wish we could print all the scores sent to us during the past 30 days . . . we hope to get them in the January issue; we will get to them just as soon as possible, boys, so don't think we don't want to print your news . . . keep sending it in.

## SEASON'S GREETINGS

**T**HE HORSESHOE WORLD takes this opportunity of wishing all its readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The editor would like to see all of you personally and tell you how he has appreciated your co-operation the past year and solicit your support in making the magazine bigger and better next year, but that is impossible, so we take this means of telling you that it is a lot of help to have you folks saying a good word for us now and then.

Again we say — Merry Christmas and a Happy New Yer!

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## Von der Lancken Wins Chautauqua Tournament

First honors in the annual tournament of the Chautauqua Horseshoe club, which was concluded recently went to Carl von der Lancken, of Tulsa, Okla. With the exception of a tight nerve-racking 50-46 victory over Walter McKain, Youngstown ace, the sensational Southwesterner swept aside all opposition with ease.

Last year von der Lancken was in Washington, D. C., where, with two mates he was instrumental in clinching the team championship of the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia. He was high man in the Metropolitan League, and received a number of gold medals and cash prizes. His feat of downing the champions of Virginia, District of Columbia, and Southern Maryland, stamped him as the best in that part of the country. The team with which the recently crowned local title-holder was affiliated then toured the eastern part of the United States, giving exhibitions. Von der Lancken has been a student at Tulsa University, and George Washington University.

### Horseshoe Banquet

On Monday night at the yearly banquet, prizes were presented to the winners in each class. The Washington student received a traveling bag for copping the Class A laurels. Knickers and hose were awarded to Robert Gordon, of Washington, Pa., who took the honors in the second division. The Class C prize went to Tom McCleary.

President R. A. Hitchens presided at the Golf Club where more than 90 ardent devotees of the barnyard pastime had congregated for the annual feast. In appreciation of his fine work as head of the Horseshoe Club for years, Mr. Hitchens was presented with a pocketbook containing one of Andy Mellon's latest works of art. Mr. C. A. Twitchell, veteran mare's mocassin fancier, gave a talk on the relation of the price of corn to astronomy. The Rev. Mr. Dickey, of Tarentum, and the Rev. Mr. Nichols also spoke. The latter discussed reasons for Mr. Hitchens' failure to show his usual form with the shoes during the qualifying rounds.

Texas Guinan is commencing to think that some people want to "give the little girl the boot" when all she asks for is a "hand."

### SPRINGFIELD, MASS., CLUB NOTES

The Springfield Horseshoe Club has a membership of 36. The club was made up of six teams and much interest has been shown all through the season. Our teams were numbered from one to six, and team number 6 won first place with the help of the good pitching of their captain, Frank Winn.

Then came the qualifying round, each man pitching 100 shoes. The 12 making the most numbers of points competed in a round robin for the championship of the club. The members who qualified were as follows:

	P	R	DR
John Fraser .....	218	63	17
Louis Pauly .....	172	44	10
Malcolm Wingard .....	166	42	12
Frank Winn .....	164	43	9
George Wingard .....	163	41	10
Frank Riter .....	162	40	8
Louis Lavoie .....	155	38	9
Harry Golden .....	152	38	11
Zenon Frechette .....	134	31	6
Al. LaChance .....	133	33	4
Fred Rodier .....	132	29	4
George Wiles .....	129	30	4

The finals were pitched Sunday, September 27th, Mr. John Fraser winning all 11 games with an average of 44.6.

	W	L	P	R	SP	Avg
John Fraser	11	0	560	255	572	44.6
F. Winn	10	1	557	262	720	36.5
M. Wingard	9	2	510	259	642	40.3
G. Wingard	8	3	522	263	728	36.1
H. Golden	7	4	488	240	740	32.4
G. Wiles	6	5	448	227	684	33.2
F. Riter	5	6	476	229	744	30.5
L. Lavoie	5	6	439	197	654	30.1
Z. Frechette	2	9	362	169	670	25.3
A. LaChance	2	9	267	123	622	19.8
F. Rodier	1	10	330	173	678	27.1
L. Pauly	1	10	277	121	658	18.5

First prize, a three-year cup, donated by O. C. Alderman, won by Mr. John Fraser for the first year. His score was as follows: 11 games won, none lost, with a total of 572 pitched shoes, 560 points, 255 ringers, with an average of 44.6 per 100 shoes.

Second Prize, two pairs of Putt Mossman horseshoes, donated by Charles Fedder, member of the club, won by Frank Winn.

Third prize, one pair of Putt Mossman horseshoes, given by the club, and won by Mr. Malcolm Wingard.

Fourth prize, a Waterman fountain pen, donated by Mr. William Young, of the Springfield Horseshoe club, won by Mr. G. Wingard, with eight games won, three lost; pitched 728 shoes for a total of 522 points and 263 ringers.

Fifth prize, Gold medal, donated by Mr. John Fraser, won by Mr. H. Golden, with seven games won, and four lost, pitched 740 shoes for a total of 488 points with 240 ringers.

A consolation prize was given to Mr. Fred Rodier, for winning one and losing 10 games, a can of pineapple, donated by the "King of the Pineapple League."

### BURGOON WINS

On Monday evening, Aug. 31, the strong Tiffin, Ohio, team met the fast stepping young Burgoon tossers in a 16-game match on the Burgoon courts. This game was a North Ohio Horseshoe League game. Tiffin scored 659 points, 346 ringers and 52 double ringers. Burgoon scored 662 points, 359 ringers and 69 double ringers. Burgoon won by the narrow margin of three points, 13 ringers and 17 double ringers. This game was one of the hardest and closest fought contests ever witnessed on a North Ohio League court, and was not decided until the very last shoe was thrown. At the end of the third quarter, Burgoon was trailing Tiffin by 38 points, but tightened their defense considerably in last quarter to gain 41 points, nosing out Tiffin by three points to win the match. Burgoon now holds second place in the league standing, shoving Tiffin into third place for the present.

On Sept. 14 the first place team, Green Springs, will meet Burgoon at Burgoon and probably the greatest game of the season in this league will be the result. So far Green Springs has not lost a game and Burgoon is hoping to spoil their record.

### 1000 See Shoe Match

Kansas City—A recent horseshoe pitching series between local tossers and a team from Lawrence, Kan., attracted a crowd of 1000 persons. In a four-game series played at night the teams broke even.

# RINGERS AND DOUBLE RINGERS

By B. D. COTTRELL, Secretary, National Horseshoe Pitchers Association

That the noble, exhilarating and health-building sport of horseshoe pitching has taken a firm hold among the games played on the farm, was conclusively proven by the superior talent that the counties sent to contend for the state amateur championship and by the large throngs of interested spectators that watched so intently the games from the time the American Agriculturist — Farm Bureau—State Fair Tournament began at Syracuse about 10:30 A. M. Tuesday, September 8th, until the last shoe was played about 4:30 P. M. Wednesday.

Although 38 counties had signified their intentions to send contestants and all had held some contest in the county to determine who should represent them at the state fair, the men from 11 counties did not come to compete for the honors.

As it was impossible in the two days planned in which to finish the meet to play a round robin of all the men it was necessary to hold some kind of elimination to pick 16 contestants. Every man was required to pitch 50 shoes and the 16 men making the highest number of points then played a round robin of 25-point games for the preliminaries and then the six men standing highest in games won played for the championship.

In pitching 50 shoes, Chester Albertson made the highest record, 101 points, 27 ringers, 9 double ringers, .54 per cent. The lowest man to qualify, Chester Judd, made 63 points, 15 ringers, 4 double ringers.

In Table A the results of the 16-man round robin are given. The ties in games won and lost were not played off but were placed in the table, giving the one having the most points preference in place. It took from Tuesday noon until Wednesday noon to finish the preliminaries. There was a tie between Johnson, Ackerman and Ingraham for the fifth place. These men each played each other one 25-point game, resulting in Ackerman winning from both Johnson and Ingraham, and Johnson winning from Ingraham. This placed Ingraham in seventh place.

Promptly after lunch Wednesday the six men began the 50-point round robin. It had been agreed that any

ties for the championship should be played off, but in all other ties in this round robin the largest number of points should control in awarding the prize money. The agreement also provided that if there should be a tie in points then the percentage of ringers should control. After re-checking the games it was found that Beardsley and Peters were tied in games and in points for the second place, but that Beardsley had .473 percentage of ringers, while Peters had only .446, this put Beardsley in second place and Peters in third. There was also a tie for fifth place but as Johnson had 199 points and Ackerman only 191, Johnson was given the fifth place and Ackerman the sixth.

The best game of the tournament, considering the percentage of ringers, was pitched by Peters against Fleetham in the preliminaries when Peters won the game with only 12 shoes to make 25 points with a percentage of .750. The writer believes that this game sets a record for all the state fair tournaments played for the past eight years, all of which he has helped to manage.

As Mr. E. R. Eastman, editor of the American Agriculturist, could not be present at the end of the tournament to award the prizes, because of another important engagement, he spoke to the players and the crowd just as the games were completed before lunch. He said among other things, that he was happy to have a part in popularizing such a sport as horseshoe pitching which had been played for so many years on the farms and at the country crossroads. He said that the American Agriculturist was greatly pleased with the success of the different tournaments that had been held by the State Fair and thanked the Farm Bureaus and the fair authorities for their hearty co-operation. He promised that these tournaments would be held again next year. Mr. Ackerman, manager of the state fair, was a very much interested onlooker, watching the fine pitching talent and the large crowds of spectators that the meet was bringing together.

At the close of the finals Mr. G. E. Snyder, who for the past eight years has helped with the writer in

the management of these tournaments, introduced Mr. L. R. Simons, state leader of the County Farm Bureaus who was present from the College of Agriculture at Ithaca. Mr. Simons, in a few well-chosen remarks to the crowd and the men, presented the prizes to the winners as mentioned in Table B. In addition, he presented to Mr. Chester Albertson a beautiful gold medal emblematical of the horseshoe game. Mr. Albertson will also receive from the State Horseshoe Pitchers' Association a Certificate of Championship under seal of the National Horseshoe Pitchers' Association, under whose sanction this tournament was held, which will be a recognition of the honors won by him. This is the second tournament in which Mr. Albertson has been representative of his county at the state fair. In 1929 he stood second in qualifying by pitching 50 shoes, making 79 points, 20 ringers, 6 double ringers. In the preliminaries he tied with DeForest Brain of Cattaraugus county for fourth place and in the finals tied in games with Brain and Emerson Turk of Chautauqua county for second place but had to accept fourth money because he had the lowest number of points.

Mr. Geo. A. Adams, Norwich, who won the championship at Syracuse in 1929, acted as referee very efficiently and satisfactorily. Mr. Chas. H. Cavanaugh, Syracuse, who assisted Mr. Snyder in getting the eight clay courts in fine shape for the tournament also acted as ground keeper during the meet.

The writer wishes to emphasize what Mr. Eastman so fittingly mentioned in his talk to the players and the crowd how, ever since these tournaments have been held, there has been the best kind of sportsmanship displayed by all the players and onlookers; the kind that Mr. Geo. B. Tweedie, Walton, N. Y., who played in a number of meets at Syracuse, displayed when he had been beaten in a hard fought game and said, "they can beat me but I want you to understand that they can't have any more fun than I can."

This tournament was, by far, the best that has yet been held. The

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## California State Horseshoe Tournament

At Long Beach, Calif., December 1-5 inclusive, was held the Eleventh Annual State Horseshoe Tournament, under the auspices of the California State Horseshoe Pitchers' Association. This was the latest in the year at which a state tournament has been held, but unfortunately the weather was ideal during the entire week, and as a consequence the brand of pitching was excellent.

Thanks to the untiring efforts of Mr. E. L. Satterlee, manager of the Long Beach team, and his associates, very suitable grounds and location were provided, as well as bleachers. Soft steel pegs were furnished by the manufacturer of the popular pitching shoe, Mr. J. A. Gordon. The secretary was there with his portable folding blackboard, upon which were tabulated up to date results of the events as they progressed.

Due to the short time between arranging for and holding the meet, a smaller entry list was had than at other tournaments. In all there were 57 entries, with seven duplications.

There was a good attendance at all events, but especially during the play-off of the Interstate Event the last two days, when the bleachers were entirely inadequate to accommodate the crowd which surged around the side lines. This was a new event with our association, and proved a big drawing card, also arousing considerable enthusiasm for a National Tournament in Southern California next year. The accompanying list of tabulated results will in part explain the popularity of the event.

It would be impossible to explain all interesting features of the events, but some of the high lights might be mentioned. It will be noted that the winner in the first three events came through without the loss of a game, while in the Old Men's class the winner lost out one game. In this last event all ties were played off, while percentage decided rankings in other events. Fernando Isais, winner of the state championship, was also winner of the Interstate Event, a great feat, considering the class of competition. Merle Stoner, last year's champion was not present to defend his title. Jimmy Risk, from Indiana, ofttime contender in

National tournaments, was entered, as were Guy Zimmerman and Carroll Jackson from Iowa. James Lecky, of Glendale, Arizona, who was doped to win the event, suffered an injury to his lame foot at the start, which may have affected his pitching, but any pitcher throwing 758 per cent ringers needs no alibi, we say.

Wm. Heber, of Santa Ana, proved a stiff contender at all times and ran up 49 points against Fernando, while Risk got to 48 against him. Risk and Zimmerman were evenly matched in a game in which each had a run of six straight doubles, with all four shoes on 11 times. The game was finally won by Risk, 50-43. The outstanding game of the series was the one between Lecky and Fernando, in which 114 shoes were pitched, with a percentage of 83 and 84 respectively. Lecky had runs of 9, 12, 3 and 4 straight dou-

bles, while Fernando had 9, 5, 4, 7 and 5 straight in this game.

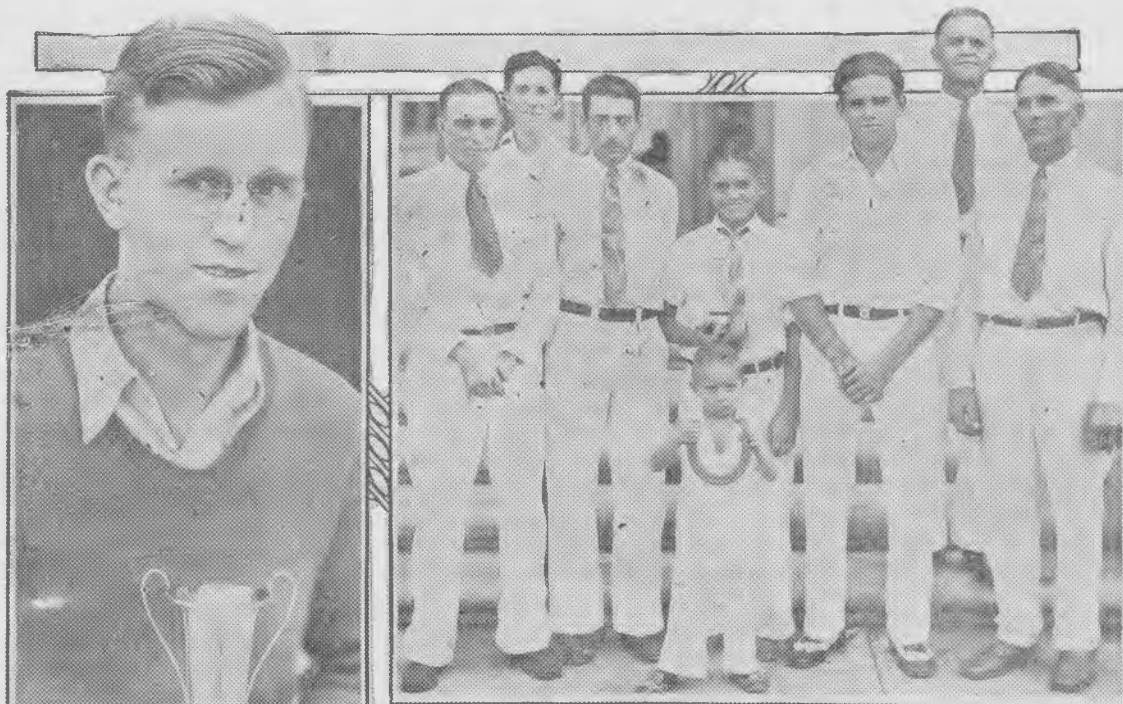
Fernando had 96 ringers and 40 doubles to Lecky's 95 ringers and 41 doubles. All four shoes were on 26 times, twice four times in a row and once three times. Lecky led in the count except in the 5th, 9th, and 57th innings, and at the 29th had a lead of 34 to 19. As the game progressed interest seemed to center more in the number of ringers than in the points. The final score was 49-50 in favor of Fernando. Nearly all players had runs of five straight doubles on many occasions. Several games were pitched in which a player failed having a ringer on in only one inning. A spirit of good sportsmanship prevailed throughout the tournament, and a good time was had by all. We challenge state and national tournaments to match percentage results.

Glenn B. Porter, Sec.-Treas.

The following are the results:

State Championship Event								
Rank	Name	W	L	P	R	DR	SP	Pct.
1.	Fernando, South Park.....	11	0	550	435	149	664	.655
2.	Robt. Pease, South Park.....	9	2	520	419	132	660	.635
3.	Frank Beal, Alhambra.....	8	3	512	415	118	708	.586
4.	Wm. Heber, Santa Ana.....	7	4	444	416	117	710	.586
5.	Geo. Sechrist, San Diego.....	7	4	475	433	132	762	.568
6.	O. L. Smith, Alhambra.....	7	4	481	427	119	768	.556
7.	J. E. Burrell, Covina.....	5	6	450	381	100	698	.546
8.	Gerald Hiatt, Glendale.....	4	7	463	392	93	756	.518
9.	Archie Beatty, South Park.....	3	8	427	415	101	764	.530
10.	J. H. Donathan, Long Beach.....	2	9	395	351	88	696	.504
11.	Gilman Hoyt, Long Beach.....	2	9	356	322	73	634	.471
12.	J. H. Rohwer, Long Beach.....	1	10	327	278	67	654	.425
Interstate Event								
1.	Fernando, South Park.....	9	0	450	493	173	682	.721
2.	James Lecky, Arizona.....	8	1	449	461	177	608	.758
3.	Guy Zimmerman, Iowa.....	5	4	399	407	138	608	.689
4.	Wm. Heber, Santa Ana.....	5	4	385	388	128	592	.655
5.	Jimmy Risk, Indiana.....	5	4	390	415	139	636	.652
6.	Geo. Sechrist, San Diego.....	5	4	358	368	112	586	.628
7.	Frank Beal, Alhambra.....	3	6	335	379	109	616	.615
8.	Carroll Jackson, Iowa.....	3	6	320	352	107	576	.611
9.	Robert Pease, South Park.....	2	7	320	371	113	598	.620
10.	O. L. Smith, Alhambra.....	0	9	243	302	75	574	.528
Consolation Event								
1.	H. K. Harper, South Park.....	11	0	550	320	89	600	.553
2.	J. L. Redding.....	8	3	499	307	68	672	.457
3.	E. L. Satterlee, Long Beach.....	7	4	516	275	55	654	.420
4.	Ralph Otero, Santa Ana.....	6	5	480	324	67	704	.460
5.	J. M. Kerns, Long Beach.....	5	5	471	303	57	742	.408
6.	S. A. Schilling, Long Beach.....	6	5	438	259	49	656	.394
7.	Glenn B. Porter, Glendale.....	6	5	470	264	51	688	.383
8.	O. B. Sufficool, Long Beach.....	4	7	453	277	56	716	.386
9.	W. E. Hornbeck, South Park.....	4	7	408	236	38	666	.354
10.	J. L. Wilson, South Park.....	4	7	418	231	41	676	.341
11.	F. M. Becker, Long Beach.....	4	7	415	238	37	742	.321
12.	W. J. Jamieson, Long Beach.....	0	11	254	155	18	606	.255

## Clark County, O., Horseshoe Champs



Members of the Donnelsville Horseshoe team, which captured the Clark County Horseshoe League championship on Friday evening, Sept. 4th, by defeating the Willis Avenue team, are shown.

Those in the group photo are, left to right: V. H. McCarty, Robt. Layton, Donald Knotts, Kenneth Peters, Ronald Peters, Ray Peters and Clyde Porter. Standing in front of Kenneth Peters is the club mascot, Richard McCarty. The single photo is of Marion Berry, manager of the team holding the silver loving cup which was presented by the E. C. Denton Co., of Springfield.

Donnelsville were the winners of the first half of a split season, while Willis Avenue copped the last half.

Results of the play-off are as follows:

First game, Donnelsville 24, Willis Avenue 12, at Willis Ave. courts.

Second game, Willis Avenue 19, Donnelsville 17, at the Donnelsville courts.

Third game, Willis Avenue 18, Donnelsville 18, at Rice St. courts.

Fourth game, Donnelsville 23, Willis Avenue 13, at Rice St. courts.

The following is the season average of the individuals as shown in the photo. This average does not include the play-off games.

	SP	Pts	R	DR	CP	W	L	Pct.
Peters, Ronald .....	2138	1904	979	227	78	67	11	.458
Peters, Kenneth .....	2372	1989	1024	222	84	70	14	.433
Marion Berry .....	2364	1936	983	321	84	64	20	.415
V. H. McCarty .....	2318	1908	919	194	84	66	18	.392
Donald Knotts .....	2140	1624	797	154	72	51	21	.373
Clyde Porter .....	2454	1778	892	170	84	50	34	.364
Peters, Ray .....	214	117	45	5	7	1	6	.210
Layton, Robt. ....	136	63	29	4	5	1	4	.208
	14136	11319	5668	1297	498	370	128	.401

The first six men will average as a team .405 for season.

GUY D. JOHNSON, Secy.

### OLD-TIMERS CLUB

The annual meeting of the Old Timers' Horseshoe Club was held at the home of Sam Matungly, champion Louisville, Ky., horseshoe player. This club is composed of veterans of the game and at the annual meeting they meet in tournament play. After the tournament, officers are elected and a Dutch lunch is served.

E. B. Patterson was named president for the next year; Joseph Gore was elected first vice president; Sam Mattingly second vice president, and William Filmer secretary.

Gore, caretaker of the Central Park courts, won the tournament by taking six of his seven games with a ringer average of .395, the highest of any player. Mattingly was barred from competing in the tournament because he lost the state title this

year, and he must regain the Kentucky crown before being allowed to play with the Old Timers again.

Other scores in the tournament follow:

	W	L	Pct
Fred Luken .....	5	2	.370
William Bode .....	4	3	.340
Ed Patterson .....	4	3	.330
Robert Soete .....	4	3	.325
L. P. Soete .....	3	4	.285
William Filmer .....	2	5	.230
William Wolke .....	0	7	.195
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### MORE NEXT MONTH

All the scores and stories are not published in this issue. We had such an avalanche of material this fall that we were unable to keep up. The January issue should find us "caught up." Please be patient.

## NEWS, OFFICIAL REPORTS, ETC.

## From the Secretary's Desk

D. D. COTTRELL  
Secretary  
746-C Fifth Ave., N.  
ST. PETERSBURG, FLA.

Your secretary is writing this from 746-C Fifth Ave., North, St. Petersburg, Fla., at which place he arrived by auto on Nov. 13th, driving all the way from North Cohocton, N. Y., via Atlantic City, N. J., on as fine concrete and asphalt roads as are to be found in the United States. Ever since he arrived the weather has been ideal, like a balmy June day in the North, the thermometer ranging from about 80 degrees in the shade as it is as he writes these lines during the middle of the day, to about 65 degrees at night, making a blanket feel comfortable to sleep under. There has been no rain during the month of November, and only slight rains in October. As has been his custom for the past 11 years your secretary has a garden started here and has tomatoes set out and tomatoes almost ripe on some vines set out by his daughter before he arrived. He also has beans, peas, radishes, both summer and winter squash up and cabbage plants set out and potatoes planted. It is rather dry for the garden, but the heavy dews every night supplemented by the city water make things grow.

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In the October Horseshoe World your secretary mentioned rather briefly, the plan of Mr. G. E. Middling, 125 W. Burnam, Battle Creek, Mich., for the organization of a horseshoe league and advised all of those interested to write him. Mr. Middling is now in St. Petersburg and your secretary has had a number of talks with him about his plans. The officers of the national residing here have agreed to endorse his plan and wish him the best of success in trying to perfect his organization. He has written up tentative rules and by-laws for the governing of the league as follows:

Franchise in the league, \$20; players per game, 6; players allowed to be carried on each team, 10; all players must have been a member of his club in the year 1930 or 1931 to be eligible for 1932.

A list of the players on each team with their addresses, must be sent to the league director, G. E. Middling, before the season starts. In case of

change of personnel of any team during the season, the captain or manager of said team must send the director the name and address of the new player with the name of the player released, before the new player takes part in the game. Teams must be composed of men only.

Any player starting to throw his hundred shoes in the game must finish or the score will be void. Six players on each team must each throw his hundred shoes. The team making the most points in the 600 shoes will be considered the winner of that game. In case of tie score, the team making the most ringers will win. If still a tie, the team having the most double ringers will be considered the winner.

Whenever possible for the two teams to actually play their games with one another, the six players on one team will each play one 50-point game with each of the six players on the other team. The team having the most individual wins will be considered the winner of the game. In case of a tie, the game will be decided same as above with the total score considered first.

Scores will be kept in triplicate, one mailed to captain or manager of the opponent team the date of the game, at the same time one copy will be mailed to the league director. All score sheets must be signed by the score keeper and captain or manager of each team. The national scoring rules will be followed.

The director will arrange the schedule, and mail standings as soon as possible each week to the captain or manager of each team. He will keep all records including the individual standings of all players. The standings will be mailed to the Horseshoe World monthly for publication.

One league will be formed to include up to 16 clubs. If 16 clubs are entered, two leagues will be formed. If 24 teams enter, three leagues will be formed. The National championship will be decided by a post-season series between the winners of each league.

Each player in the league will re-

ceive the Horseshoe World for one year. This isn't to exceed ten subscriptions to any club.

All persons interested in these plans for organizing such leagues should write to Mr. Middling at his Michigan address which letters will be promptly forwarded to him at his Florida address. These plans seem to be exceedingly well thought out and should prove of great interest to a large number of clubs in planning their 1932 schedule of play.

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Your secretary realizes how hard it must be for the editor of the Horseshoe world to satisfy all the clubs and players of the country by putting the records of all tournaments received by him in the magazine as soon as he would like to include them. Reports of tournaments and scores have been received by your secretary and have been written up by him but he don't expect that all of them can be in the World for some time to come. This is a big country and the World is necessarily limited in size because of the comparatively small amount of advertising in it and the comparatively small number of subscribers, considering the probably more than two million horseshoe pitchers in this country, who subscribe for it regularly each year. Every reader of the World should renew promptly and get every other horseshoe player to subscribe that he possibly can. This is the only magazine published about the game and Mr. Howard will increase the size of it just as soon as he can without actually losing money, providing the patronage of advertisers and subscribers is sufficient. Every one be a booster for the Horseshoe World. Send in your dollars and subscriptions.

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In a recent letter from Alex Cumming, first vice-president of the National Ass'n, he suggests, if it is found impossible to hold a National Tournament in the South this year, that Blair Nunamaker, the present world's champion, be required to meet all comers in any matches arranged for about two weeks this winter at St. Petersburg or some other place



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decided upon. The committee in charge to decide if the record of the contender is such as to qualify him to compete for the championship. The series of matches to be the best six out of 11 games. If Nunamaker is defeated then give him a final chance to recover in another series. It is thought that the expense of holding such a meet would not be much more than \$500. The winner to get \$300 and the championship title. It is thought that this kind of a contest would be of more interest to an audience as its interest would be centered on one good match continually and the 11-game series would better determine the nation's best player, he says. What do the fans think of this plan?

**Plan College Meet.**

Putt Mossman, former world's champion horseshoe pitcher, and Leland Mortenson, president of the Iowa Horseshoe Pitchers association, have formed a partnership and opened an office in Des Moines, Iowa, from which they expect to ship horseshoes to all parts of the country.

Mossman and Mortenson are interested in holding a tournament in Des Moines during the last week of August, in 1932, for the National College championship. They would like to hear from college pitchers who would be interested in going to Des Moines at that time to compete in such a meet. Their office is located at 816 Douglas Ave., Des Moines, Iowa. They are also asking that

horseshoe enthusiasts throughout the country have a copy of this article put in their local paper, and they assure such persons that such action would be greatly appreciated, and would be of great aid in putting over such a meet.

In 1931 at the Iowa State Fair a state college meet was held and it went over big. It was won by Jimmy Rainbow of Iowa State Teachers College, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

**MOSSMAN IS ILL**

Word comes to us as we are going to press that Putt Mossman is quite ill in the Los Angeles General hospital. An encouraging letter might help. Write him at Box 1412, Hollywood, Calif.

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counties of the state have sent representatives to compete. Chautauqua, Chenango, Delaware, Genesee, Livingston, Madison, Onondaga, Orleans, Steuben, Tompkins and Wayne have not missed a year in sending a man to the tournament. Only 11 counties has a perfect attendance. Next year let every county send some one and help break the record.

TABLE A—RESULTS OF PRELIMINARIES

	W	L	P	R	DR	SPt	OP	Pc.
M. Beardsley, Trumansburg, .....	13	2	359	210	48	446	203	.446
C. Albertson, Marlboro .....	12	3	340	166	33	402	210	.413
John Peters, Elmira .....	12	3	323	174	39	402	218	.433
Foster Bult, Palmyra .....	10	5	334	181	39	452	262	.400
K. Johnson, Jamestown .....	9	6	339	188	29	486	305	.387
F. Ackerman, Constableville .....	9	6	335	188	36	474	281	.397
R. Ingraham, Norwich .....	9	6	315	165	32	454	278	.363
J. Kauzlarich, Rome .....	8	7	310	178	40	460	297	.387
Ernest Bowen, Oakfield .....	8	7	300	166	27	466	293	.357
Chester Judd, Kenwood .....	6	9	297	160	21	446	281	.359
E. Z. Wells, Albion .....	6	9	241	137	19	470	343	.299
Duncan Brew, Caledonia .....	5	10	257	125	16	450	307	.278
Clark Drake, Warsaw .....	4	11	247	161	29	480	347	.335
Luther Falkey, Phelps .....	3	12	259	135	21	498	344	.271
C. R. Fleetham, DePyster Cors.....	3	12	246	155	23	455	339	.341
Bert Cornell, Auburn .....	3	12	179	98	12	438	362	.224
Totals.....	120	120	4680	2587	464	7279	4680	.355
Preliminary Totals, State Fair, 1930	120	120	4730	2359	361	7526	4730	.312
Preliminary Totals, State Fair, 1929	120	120	4638	2246	362	7232	4638	.311
Preliminary Totals, State Fair, 1928	120	120	4687	2298	343	7552	4687	.304
Preliminary Totals, State Fair, 1927	120	120	4714	2033	257	7764	4714	.287
Preliminary Totals, State Fair, 1926	120	120	4695	1703	185	8192	4695	.208

TABLE B—RESULTS OF FINALS

	W	L	P	R	DR	SPt	OP	Pc.
\$50 Chester Albertson .....	5	0	250	152	30	330	173	.461
40 Murray Beardsley .....	3	2	227	153	37	320	212	.478
30 John Peters .....	3	2	227	158	37	354	208	.446
20 Foster Bult .....	2	3	204	161	29	348	223	.463
10 Kenneth Johnson .....	1	4	199	116	23	294	240	.408
5 Fay Ackerman .....	1	4	191	125	29	314	242	.395
Totals.....	15	15	1298	865	185	1960	1298	.446
Finals Totals, 1930 .....	15	15	1301	730	128	2048	1301	.356
Finals Totals, 1929 .....	15	15	1290	808	155	1944	1290	.416
Finals Totals, 1928 .....	15	15	1320	730	110	2024	1320	.361
Finals Totals, 1927 .....	15	15	588	293	41	960	588	.328
Finals Totals, 1926.....	15	15	1222	469	46	2076	1222	.226

The seventh prize of five dollars was awarded to R. Ingraham, Norwich, Chenango County, as he stood in that place in the preliminaries.

In 1924 and 1925 State Fair tournaments the results were decided on only one round robin with no finals.

## GRAND TOTALS

	W	L	P	R	DR	SP	OP	Pct.
State Fair Tournament, 1931.....	135	135	5978	3452	649	9239	5978	.374
State Fair Tournament, 1930.....	135	135	6031	3089	489	9574	6031	.323
State Fair Tournament, 1929.....	135	135	5928	3054	517	9176	5928	.333
State Fair Tournament, 1928.....	135	135	6007	3028	453	9576	6007	.316
State Fair Tournament, 1927.....	135	135	5302	2326	298	8724	5302	.267
State Fair Tournament, 1926.....	135	135	5917	2172	233	10268	5917	.212
State Fair Tournament, 1925.....	190	190	6210	2028	178	11302	6210	.179
State Fair Tournament, 1924.....	99	99	3328	552	23	7096	3328	.077

## MATTINGLY RETAINS

## CITY, COUNTY CROWN

Sam B. Mattingly 1930 titleholder, repeated his performance in the class A Louisville and Jefferson horseshoe tournament which was held at Central Park, Louisville, Ky. This was the fifth time in seven years that Mattingly won the championship. Players' standing and their ringer averages follow:

	W	L	Pct.
Mattingly .....	14	1	.491
Gregory .....	13	2	.467
Nuttall .....	12	3	.494
Troutman .....	10	5	.352
Daily .....	10	5	.475
Guinn .....	9	6	.448
Wortham .....	9	6	.355
Hobich .....	9	6	.429
Roehnig .....	8	7	.346
Fox .....	7	8	.385
Fife .....	5	10	.432
Markert .....	4	11	.404
Beckman .....	3	12	.318
Farriell .....	2	13	.182
Wibbels .....	1	14	.347
Jones .....	0	15	.213

## Hawley-Poster Match

A group of St. Clairsville, Ohio, citizens visited the Good Will Shoe club on October 2. G. C. Hawley, Ohio Valley champion, and Howard Porter, Bridgeport champion, were asked to play a few games. The scores were as follows:

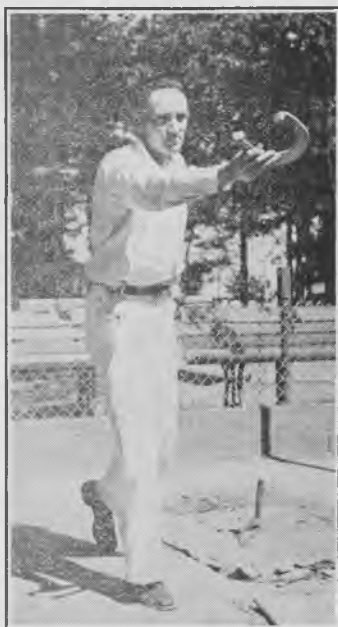
	P	R	DR	SP
Hawley .....	50	29	10	44
Porter .....	13	19	2	44
Hawley .....	50	28	11	36
Porter .....	2	12	1	36
Hawley .....	50	38	16	48
Porter .....	12	23	4	48
Hawley .....	50	34	12	46
Porter .....	18	24	6	46
Hawley .....	50	30	10	46
Porter .....	7	16	5	46

## Totals—

	R	SP	R Pc
Porter .....	118	264	48
Hawley .....	189	264	72

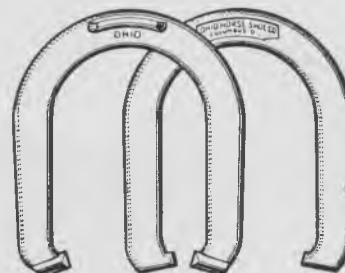
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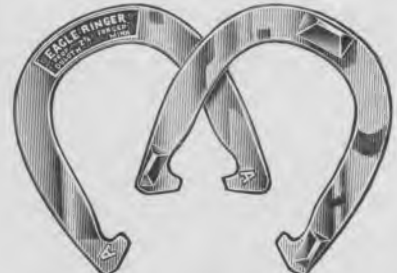
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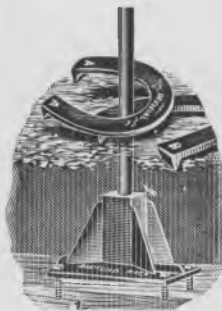
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