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Is this a record? Claves, president of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association, reports that Champion of Missouri Robert Bales has sold 42 memberships in the National Association . . . of course secretaries may sell that many, but are there any individual pitchers who can equal or break this record? . . . let the Horseshoe World hear from you . . . we might induce genial Jack to offer a prize for the individual (not a club or association official) selling the most memberships . . . this month's issue tells of a National Tournament by mail . . . it is worth trying and it certainly deserves your consideration . . we hope that all the pitchers will get into it . . . the tossers of all classes are given a chance . . . this issue has another story by Champion Ted Allen . . . his series of articles have been most enlightening . . . wouldn't you folks like to see Ted put them in booklet form? . . . send in those scores!

JULY, 1941

A MAIL TOURNAMENT

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National Secretary J. Robert Tompkin has an interesting letter in the Horseshoe World discussing matters of vital importance to the National Association and horseshoe pitchers themselves.

Also we are printing a story he sent us regarding a National Tournament by mail. It answers the cry that the poorer pitchers should have an opportunity, as it is for B, C, and D classes.

It will be interesting to watch the reaction to this. We hope it is a decided success.

In these days of national emergency a tournament by mail is probably a wise move. It should have a lot of publicity all over the country which will help the game.

OUR READERS COME FIRST

In publishing THE HORSESHOE WORLD, our readers come first. The manazine is printed monthly for them and every article is run with the idea of interesting them. Suggestions to the editor for the betterment of the magazine are always welcomed.

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NATIONAL TOURNAMENT BY MAIL, IS ANNOUNCED

The National Horseshoe Pitchers Association of America announces a National Tournament for all Class B. C, and D pitchers.

To eliminate excessive travel and expense, this tournament is to be conducted by mail.

The winner of each class will be recognized as the National champion for his class, and will receive, in addition to an appropriate trophy, an official certificate of championship from the National Association.

Prizes will be given to the top 32 men in each class. The names, addresses, scores and ringer percentage of the 50 men placing highest in each class will be published in the Horseshoe World at the conclusion of the tournament.

This tournament can in no way impair a pitcher's amateur standing.

The rules for the tournament are as follows:

- 1. Time-The tournament will begin August 20, and will end at midnight, August 30, 1941.
- 2. Place-A pitcher may use any horseshoc court he prefers, providing it conforms to the official requirements as specified by the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association.
- 3. Eligibility Any member of the National Association will be allowed to compete providing he has never been a finalist in a World or National tournament. Any person not a member of the National Association may enter by paying 25 cents to the secretary of the State Association, or by sending that amount directly to the National Secretary. This 25 cents will entitle the pitcher to a year's membership in the National and State Associations.
- 4. Method of determining class limits-Each National officer will submit his or her class ringer percentage boundaries. These will be averaged to determine the class limits. These figures will be kept under seal at National headquarters until the conclusion of the tournament, at which time they will be published in the Horseshoe World.
- 5. Method of Tournament Procedure-Each contestant shall individually pitch 500 shoes within the specified 10-day period (August 20 to August 30) either consecutively or in sessions of not less than 100 shoes. He shall be scored by a member of the National Association. A ringer shall count three points, a leaner or shoe within six inches of the stake shall score one point toward the player's total.
 - 6. Rules for Reporting Score-

- Score for each contestant shall be kept by a member of the National Association, on a standard score sheet or a reasonable reproduction. At the conclusion of the 500 shoes the score sheets shall be signed by the scorer and the contestant. Both shall also give their address and the number on their National Association membership cards. The score sheets shall then be sent to the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association, 1351 28th Street, Des Moines, Iowa.
- 7. Ties-In case of ties the contestants involved will be notified and a 200-shoe pitch-off conducted. The pitch-off will be held within a five-day period. Further ties will be settled in a manner decided upon by the Executive Council.
- 8. Entry Fee-An entry fee of ten cents will be charged to help defray expenses. This entry fee must accompany the score sheets. Should score sheets arrive without the entry fee, that contestant will not be considered as having entered the tournament.
- 9. Certification of Legality-Each score sheet must contain the name, address, National membership card number, and State Association to which affiliated, of both the scorer and the contestant. There shall also be written on the back of the score sheet the brand of the horseshoes used by the contestant, and whether there was a five-cent Association stamp on the box when the shoes were purchased.
- 10. Prizes-The winner of each class will be recognized as National champion of his class and will receive an official certificate of championship from the National Association. The champion and runner-up in each class shall receive appropriate trophies. Medals will be

awarded to the winners of third. fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth places.

Those players ranking from nint: to sixteenth will receive lesser prizes. All 32 finalists in each class will receive a one-year subscription to the Horseshoe World. Those finalists who may be subscribing to the Horseshoe World may have the prize subscription become effective upon the date of expiration of the present subscription.

IN THE GROOVE!

Roland Kraft, one-arm pitching ace from Stull, Kansas, a whistling post just west of Lawrence, came out of his shell Sunday, July 7, to pitch a very masterful series of games. Not since last Labor Day has this young man taken part in any horseshoe activity so it was with a great deal of surprise we watched him click off at a little better than \$1 per cent ringers for four games.

His opponent, and close friend, Aivin Dahlene, pitched a little better than 80 per cent, but the going wajust a little too hot for him.

In the second game, Kraft had 83 shoes that found a resting place around the iron pin for a very fine average of 86 per cent plus. In the only game that Dahlene won, he amassed a total of 72 ringers out of 82 shoes for 87 per cent plus.

W L P R Pet. SP Dahlene 1 5 267 267 80 334 Kraft 3 1 279 271 81 334

LATTRAY WINS Casey Jones, Wisconsin whirlwind, recently pitched Paul Lattray, our artist friend of St. Louis, who fre-

quently draws the covers for the Horseshoe World, Lattray took Jones for two 30-point games, 30 to 4 and 30 to 5, making Lattray's averages .895 and .859.

Nowadays when a man says the world owes him a living it includes an automobile and a couple of radios.

Want To Improve Your Pitching? ----- TED ALLEN TELLS YOU HOW

Differences In Turas

Now it isn't necessary to throw the 1½ or 1¾ turn to be an expert. By holding it on the same side as for your 1½ it is possible to also throw a 2½ or even 3½ turn. With the 1¾ hold you can throw ¾ and 2¾ turns. You can become quite deft at any of these and possibly go as far as winning a state championship, but never to win a world's title.

A person pitching an off turn can be a worry to a title holder for many years, but in the end the 14 turn and 1% turn will pull out in the lead and leave others behind. There just doesn't seem to be the chance for as much improvement on off turns.

Any shoe that turns slower than 114 times doesn't land on the peg right, seems to go too straight and is harder to control in the air. For instance the %. You lose more ringers with this than any other. One reason is that in order to keep the shoe from turning more than % times you grip it very loosely in tips of fingers and the average person pushes the shoe instead of swinging it, and for fear it will turn too much he will pitch a low hard shoe. It requires more or less of a jerk to the arm, and a stiff wrist, causing a strain

Anything faster than a 1% turn has too much speed to time it well. Now you may throw several doubles in a row with a 2% turn, but that doesn't mean you can do it in a pinch when you want to. It takes too much wrist action to turn it. So it is the 1% and 1% turns which are the most successful for topnotch pitching.

At one time years ago it was the opinion of champions that the 1% turn was better than the 1%. It has since been proven one is just as good as the other. Decide on which you want, stick to it and develop your muscles and technique to suit it. Each one requires different muscular action in the shoulder, arm and wrist

I find that with myself the 1¼ turn requires less twist of the wrist and arm to open. When I demonstrate the 1¼ I notice the difference. This is the reason why so many fellows, after pitching one for years, then turn over to the other, they pitch good for a little while then suddenly start falling off in percentage. They don't stop to think that for years their muscles had been trained for the first turn, and after

newness of the second turn had worn off the muscles started losing control because of lack of years of training for it.

Which turn do I think is best? Well. mister (or lady, if one is reading) I believe that if the 114 turn is thrown right there isn't a better one in the world. But I also believe that above the 1%. I think I could have stuck with it and mastered it just as well. The first two years I ever learned the open shoe was with the 134. I won, too. But I saw the 114 turn later, liked the looks of it so much I changed over. Perhaps it was the way Mr. Houston, of Greeley, Colorado, threw it that interested me. It sure seemed to float well. But I didn't change all at once. Before the state tourney came around I practiced once a week with the 14 until after the tourney ... I still used the 1% in the tourney Immediately the day after, I quit it entirely and practised only the 114 and stuck with it.

In later years, C. C. Davis, the exworld's champ, came to Denver on exhibition pitching and preaching the 1% had more advantages. Everyone in Colorado changed to it and most of my friends urged me to do like-They were interested in me becoming world's champion. But I had confidence in this 114, figuring the trimming Davis gave me was not the result of the turn, but a case of buck fever. And as you can see I am not sorry I stuck with it. I like it because it seems to turn just enough slower that it is easier to jude and a little easier on the arm.

To master one proficiently you must study how to improve and keep trying. There is always room for improvement no matter how good you get; room until you can throw 100 per cent all the time. And that you will never attain in this generation.

But I think we will see the time of an average of 90 per cent in a world's tournament. It may not be noticeable but the champs are improving a little each year. It may be their percentage one year, the psychological part another year, or their nervous system. The proof for this statement is furnished in the average percentages of all the pitchers together in the tourney for the past two years. Two years ago it was 75 per cent, and last year a little better.

As I sit here and think about this game I can think of so many things

to write about it that I am apt to get off the line of the story a little. Too, it is hard for me, as I am out on exhibition tour, to get time to sit down long enough to finish more than two paragraphs at a time and remember what I intended to write. I intend not missing an yissue for awhile, but if it should happen, I hope you will bear with me because there is much to do on exhibition. I: is lots of fun, but it isn't all play. ' The actual pitching of the exhibition isn't the work; 99 per cent of it is preparing and the other one per cent is the pitching. But I enjoy it very

To Change or Not

If you have an ambition to become a champion and win as high as possible, or get a record as world's champion, and you are pitching any other turn that the 14 or 14, it would be advisable to make a change.

Many fellows in their middle age have asked me if it would be best to change. Some have a fear of disastrous results if they change. If you are middle age, have no other desire than to pitch good and have fun. and are as good as any in the country, and do fear the results if y: change, then I advise not to do sc. It is up to the individual, if he is satisfied. It stands to reason that even some elderly men have improved by changing but have less crance than a young fellow. I advise any young person to change regardless. If he cannot improve, then I'm afraid he hasn't the timing ard co-ordination that many have.

The ex-Washington champ, Mr. Sayre, and New Jersey Champ, Larry Mahoney, both used the ½ turn in winning, but both realized it would be necessary to change to keep un with the pace and make a high average, so they changed with success.

ROBERT BALES IS A REAL CHAMPION

Jack Claves, who conducts the M ssouri State championships at Sedalia, Mo., claims when Bob won the M ssouri title last August with a 76 per cent average, he took off his hat to him.

Now Claves claims he not only doffs his hat to him but bows very graciously because Bob is not only the best horseshoe pitcher in the state but has sold 42 National Association 1941 membership cards and thereby proves his title.

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.

THE WADE PARK HORSESHOE CLUB CLEVELAND, OHIO

Below is the summary of our 1941 which is 50 shoes pitched per game

and counting all points earned and club activities played July 11th, includes six teams of three men each.

Names G	W	L	R	P	SL	PSL	PR	PP	Rk
Grant Cash3	3	0	107	352	12	080	713	782	1
Bob Cash3	3	0	84	290	28	187	560	644	2
Bill Cash3	3	0	77	277	27	180	513	616	3
Tishock3	2	1	73	270	26	173	487	600	4
Williams3	2	1	63	249	27	180	420	553	5
Corfman2	1	1	42	164	20	200	420	547	6
Ballnow1	0	1	20	82	8	160	400	547	7
H. Jary3	1	2	52	216	38	253	347	480	8
Mulder2	2	0	31	137	25	250	310	457	9
Pascual3	2	1	53	202	54	360	353	449	10
W. Jary3	1	2	47	186	58	387	313	413	11
Papa Cash1	0	1	13	62	14	280	260	413	12
Foley3	2	1	43	182	54	360	287	404	13
Woodward3	0	3	36	174	48	320	240	387	14
J. Jary3	2	1	40	174	56	373	267	387	15
Geo. Henderson3	0	3	30	163	47	313	200	362	16
Thurman3	2	1	23	156	40	267	147	347	17
R. Henderson3	0	3	32	149	65	433	213	331	18
Kreuger3	0	3	25	149	51	340	167	331	19
Holland3	0	3	11	110	62	413	073	244	20

The ranking is in accordance to

highest point percentage, "PP".
G. Games; W., Won; L., Lost; R., Ringers; P, Points; SL, Shoes Lost; PSL, Percentage Shoes Lost; PR, Percentage Ringers; PP, Percentage Points.

The summary shows particularly the Shoes Lost value and the advantage of keeping them down to a minimum by trying to land the shoes in close to the stake, and making them stay put for the point when they do not go around the stake. For the benefit of so many new members this year the Shoes Lost can be computed from the game summary by multiplying total ringers by three for effective ringer points and subtracting from total points made, the result being close shoe points and the latter added to total ringers made give the total effective shoes and the latter subtracted from the total shoes pitched gives total shoes lost.

On the bulletin board in the club house is a book of percentage tables all worked out and indexed for 50 100, 150, 200, 250, 300 shoes, or six games. The tables first "on top" are for point percentages only and are so marked on cover, while the tables on bottom are for both shoes

lost and ringer percentages. Care should be taken to select the proper percentage tables and number of shoes pitched. All values of the pitch may be analyzed by this method of play, and can be done by no other method; and it will be interesting to keep a summary of each of your games and analyze them as you go along for improvement.

In learning to compute shoes lots and checking the games to see if I have made any mistakes, the following two games are worked out for you and are as follows:

No. 1 player:	352	107	150
	321	31	138
Shoes lost	31	138	12
No. 7 Player:	\$2	20	50
	60	22	42
Shoes lost	22	42	S
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SANTA CRUZ WINS

Santa Cruz won - the Northern California Five-Team League play for the first half of the season, taking five straight games.

Fourcade, Pipe, Ollason and Jones are the foursome which make up the Santa Cruz team.

Pitch Only Official Horseshoes, Bearing the National Red Stamp HORSESHOE FUND DONORS

***** A suggestion was recently made by D. O. Chess, Cleveland, secretary of the Buckeye State Horseshoe Pitchers Association, that the Horseshoe World receive contributions of \$1 from pitchers and that their names be printed each month. The number in front of the name will indicate the number of dollars in the fund when that dollar arrived:

- D. O. Chess, 6208 Quimby Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.
- 2. Jack Claves, St. Louis, Mo.
- 3. R. B. Howard, London, Ohio.
- 4. "Lefty" Steinmann, 7149 Lindenwood Place, St. Louis, Mo.
- 5. Willard Ruse, Aledo, Illinois.
- 6. Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Butts, Easton, Washington.
- 7. Gordon Horseshoe Co.
- 8. Ohio Horseshoe Co.
- 9. John Sebek, Canton, Ohio.
- 10. J. P. Moran, Box 6830, Pittsburgh, Pa.
- 11. Ted Allen, 1045 10th Ave., Boulder, Colorado.
- 12. C. E. Evans, 550 S. Ogden St., Denver, Colorado.
- 13. Giant Grip Mfg. Co., Oshkosh, Wisconsin.
- 14. A. W. L. Tilker, Clayton, Mo.
- 15. Harry M. Duncan, 2064 S. Lincoln, Denver, Colorado.
- 16. C. F. Jacobsmeyer, 7913 Forsyth Blvd., Clayton, Mo.
- 17. A. M. Frend, \$2.00; St. Louis, Missouri.
- 18. Alvin Dahlene, Lawrence, Kans.
- 19. Ernest Mattola, 29 Central Ave., Madison, N. J.
- 20. Gregg Rice, E. 16610 Ferry, Veradale, Wash.
- Carl Steinfeldt, 77 Martinot St., Rochester, N. Y.
- 22. Frank H. Steinfeldt, 840 Bay St., Rochester, N. Y.
- 23. Carl von der Lacken, 2819 E. Fourth St., Tulsa, Oklahoma.
- 24. Raymond Adams, Auburn, Me.
- 25. Bert Duryee, 640 Ellis St., Wichita, Kansas.

WHO IS NEXT? Your name will look good here next month!

Just mail \$1.00 to the Horseshoe World and simply say, "Here is my dollar for the 1941 National Tournament Fund."

Pitch Only Official Horseshoes, Bearing the National Red Stamps.

PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA MEET

The Eighth Annual Eastern Pennsylvania Horseshoe Pitching Open Championship will be held at Willow Grove Park, Route 611, Willow Grove Pa., Sunday, July 27, 1941.

Courts open at 9 a. m. Registration open until 11:30 a. m. DST, at the courts. Qualifying will be highest score in either of two rounds of 50 shoes each.

Four classes of 10 players each, round-robin, starting at 1:30 p.m. All other players as a group will compete in an elimination match.

Registration fee 50 cents to members of the National Association; \$1.00 to non-members, which includes membership in the National for 1941.

Prizes in each class and a trophy to winner of Class A. A prize of a pair of horseshoes will go to horseshoe clubs entering five or more players. The value of all prizes will total \$100.

Tournament is sanctioned by the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association. Your family and friends will enjoy the day at Philadelphia's finest amusement park. Plenty of free picnic groves with tables. Free vaudeville in the afternoon and evening, and amusements to please young and old.

Send your entry and any requests for information to D. E. Brown, 290? Carman Street, Camden, N. J. for young Bernie Mullady, of Nutley, N. J., who in his first major tournament start, qualified in Class A, and finished sixth in the field. This boy will surely bear watching in the future.

I am greatly indebted to Mr. Peter McGill of the West Hempstead Club for making available to me the statistics and background of this tournament and I want to wish the West Hempstead Horseshoe Club all the success they so richly deserve in the years to come.

JOHN ROSSELET, Jr., Sec. New Jersey H.P.A.

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MAINE NEWS

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The Main State Horseshoe Pitchers Association officers for 1941 are: Fred Poulin, president; Otto Whitney, vice president, and Raymond Adams, secretary and treasurer, together with Howard Vanderwerker, Porter Clark and Albert Boucher make up the executive board.

A state league is now in progress with eleven teams entered. This league operates in three divisions, the winners coming together next fall to decide the team championship. Many small tournaments are planned, followed by the county tournaments, leading up to our annual state championship tournament which this year will be held at the Eastco Club courts at South Brewer, Maine, on September 6 and 7. To date, Maine has sold about 135 National cards and have hopes of bettering our last year's record of 168.

Many fans and pitchers in Maine inquire for Champ Ted Allen and his whereabouts; would Ted please write to the Maine Association secretary that his Maine friends may have news of him?

BILL KOLB WINS NASSAU COUNTY OPEN

Bill Kolb, Newark, N. J., horseshoe pitching ace, and present Eastern States Open champion, won the Fifth Annual Nassau County Open title. The tournament was held May 30, 31 and June 1st, on the courts of the West Hempstead Horseshoe Club, of West Hempstead, Long Island.

Kolb triumphed over a field of 32 contestants from Long Island, New York State, and New Jersey. He finished the tournament with a record of nine wins and no losses, and posted a ringer percentage of 71.4 per cent. This percentage fell 2.4 per cent below the tournament record held by Vito Fillicia, which was set in 1940.

The Class B title was won by young Charles Summers, of Brooklyn, N. Y., with Marty Flynn, of Rockville Center, L. I., second, and Bill Dargan, of Oceanside, L. I., in third place.

Bill Oldham, of Lynbrook, L. I., took first place in the Class C competition, with second and third places going to Bill Richards and Harry Thompson, both of Sunset Park, L. I.

The tournament this year was the most successful ever held in Nassau County, even though the weather on Sunday, June 1st, was very bad, with rain threatening every minute. The matches were run off in fine style, and much credit should be given to Pete McGill, the chairman of the tournament committee, Mr. A. J. Henrich, who designed the beautiful plaques which were awarded to the winners of each class, and to "Pop" Schavel, who acted as referee for the matches.

The West Hempstead Horseshoe Club, who sponsored the tournament, should be congratulated on their fine job of preparing a souvenir score sheet. They distributed an eightpage booklet commemorating the event. These booklets are well worth keeping, and will always remind those of us who have them of a week-end well spent.

Kolb pitched a beautiful set of games, and richly deserved the title he won. He dethroned Vito Fillicia, of Brooklyn, N. Y., who had won this tournament in 1939 and 1940. match between Kolb and Fillicia drew the most attention, and the spectators were rewarded with a spine-tingling, heart-breaking game. First one man would run ahead, and then the other would come fighting back, tie the score and run ahead for a little while. The excitement finally reached its peak, with the score 49 to 48 in Fillicia's favor. Both men cut loose with a barrage of ringers that would have surely broken the confidence of men of lesser ability. This run of ringers was broken by Fillicia, giving Kolb three points and the game, 50 to 49.

Both men are to be congratulated on their show of ability and sportsmanship, all of which made this match the highlight of a really fine tournament.

In second place was Vito Fillicia, who won the High Qualifying Medal, with a score of 130, setting a new tournament record. He had a record of eight wins against one loss, and a ringer average of 69.3 per cent.

Third place went to young Bill Rhodes, Jr., of West Hempstead, L. I., with a percentage of 61.6 per cent, and fourth place was taken by John Rosselet, Jr., of Summit, N. J., with a ringer percentage of 60.6 per cent.

Congratulations are also in order

CHAMP AT ST. LOUIS

Ted Allen, world's champion, made quite a hit in St. Louis pitching exhibitions from June 9 to June 18. Allen's bride of one year ably assists him. Their tricks and the manner in which they execute them brought large crowds to every exhibition.

On June 11 at Broughton's courts on New Halls Ferry Road, Allen had the large crowd glued to their seats when he ended one game against Paul Lattray, local champion, with 23 consecutive doubles. The next night he threw 17 straight.

In a letter of appreciation to Jack Claves, who arranged the exhibitions, Allen said the trip was a financial success.

SIXTH ANNUAL 4th OF JULY MEET

Finals

The Sixth Annual Fourth of July Tournament at Santa Cruz was a decided success. It was held three days—July 4, 5 and 6.

A few days before the meet the

W. Weathers, Modesto ..

M. Fourcade, Salinas.....

P. Mori, San Francisco...

eight-lane courts were rebuilt and now Santa Cruz has courts second to none.

The following are the results of the tournament which proved very successful:

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 13	2	734	610	195	922	66.1	
 12	3	713	617	187	960	65.5	
 11	4	759	612	189	934	65.5	
 10	5	641	589	185	930	63,3	
 10	5	687	635	194	980	64.7	
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F. Burns, San Jose	10	5	687	635	194	980	64.7
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J. Craig, Richmond						1078	
Geo. Callas, San Francisco			589	586	156	996	59.7
Wm. Ollason, San Jose	7	8	631	578	156	1032	56,1
J. Jones, Morgan Hill	7	8	544	474	103	870	54.4
B. Lyon, San Francisco	6	9	550	538	116	978	52.1
L. Selk, San Francisco	6	9	556	470	101	926	50.7
J. Grinter, San Jose	5	10	632	552	149	1046	52.8
V. Dearing, San Francisco	5	10	489	505	121	994	50.7
A. Thomas, Fort Ord, Calif	3	12	517	580	151	1022	56.5
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SECRETARY'S COLUMN

L. Swallow, Modesto

Mr. R. B. Howard, Editor Horseshoe World.

Dear Mr. Howard:

The Executive Council of the National Association have for some time realized the need of action to benefit the lower percentage pitchers. We have finally decided upon a National Tournament for Class B, C and D pitchers; a tourney in which contestants will compete against players approximately their own calibre; a tourney in which a man will not spend on travel, more than he wins in prizes; a tourney in which amateur and professional alike may compete without fear of losing an amateur standing.

This meet will be held for the purpose of producing a champion in Class B, Class C and Class D. If successful it will become an annual event. If unsuccessful, we shall at least have tried. The efforts of association members in entering the meet and in urging non-association members to take out cards and participate, will determine the success or failure of the venture. The answer rests, therefore, with the 25 to 65 per cent pitchers.

I should like to urge all state secretaries who have not contacted me for back championship certificates to

do so at once. Please send me the time, place, title involved, by whom sponsored, and the champion's name and address, of each tournament. With this information there will be no delay in mailing.

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Many State Divisions have written for, and received, their 1941-1942 cards. The other states will receive theirs shortly as I shall mail them without a written request.

All State Division Charters will automatically remain effective until June 1, 1942.

I wish to urge all state secretaries to mail the names, street and city address, and membership card numbers, along with remittances, to me on or before August first, inasmuch as the association treasury could stand considerable boosting.

Thus far, the Anchor, Allen, Diamond Calk, Gordon, Ohio and Lattore and Levagood Horseshoe Companies have purchased association stamps. Let's all stick by our organization and buy shoes which have stamps on the box.

After receiving a financial report from the secretary, President Claves wisely authorized abandonment of the 60-page booklet on horseshoe to be sent free to each member. If we could bring in about 3000 more members it would be possible to publish a yearly booklet and distribute them to all members, free of cost.

We still have some of the 96-page Horseshoe Compendiums. The price has been reduced to a quarter for the sake of getting them circulated. I am enclosing a set of rules for the National Mail Tourney. I would be very grateful to you, Mr. Howard, if you could see fit to publish both this letter and the rules.

With all good wishes to you and to all the horseshoe pitchers, I am

Yours in horseshoe, J. ROBERT TOMPKIN, National Secretary

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The 85 Horseshoe Club of Yonkers, N. Y., is looking for matches in and around Winchester County.

Joseph Reilly, 15 Glover Ave., Yonkers, states that the 85 Club courts are equipped with lights for night pitching and plenty of seats and score tables.

These lanes are located on the Bronx River Road near McLean. The club house is at 85 Bronx River Road

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L. E. Tanner tells us that the state tourney will be held this year on August 12, 13 and 14. The prize list will be the same as past years.

BOYS, GIRLS PITCH

Boys and girls are both very much interested in horseshoe pitching at the recreation playgrounds at Crawfordsville, Ind.

VISIT FROM ALLEN

C. L. Headley, of Sterling, Colo., writes that Ted Allen, world's champion, visited his city recently. There are a number of horseshoe pitchers in Sterling.

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