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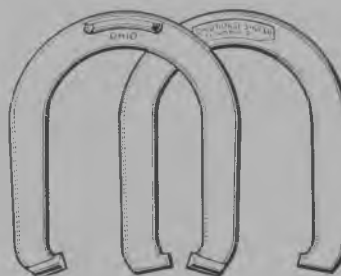
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THIS issue carries another interesting article, illustrated, by Rev. E. V. Stevens, of Malboro, Mass. He is 72 years of age, but can throw the "slippers" rather neatly . . . but just turn to the article and read it . . . the editor had the pleasure of visiting the Willis Avenue club on its fine courts at 145 Willis avenue, in Springfield, O., the other night . . . some club . . . some courts . . . Willis avenue was playing the Rice street club and they are mighty fine boys too . . . had a fine visit with L. D. Johnston, the energetic president of the Willis avenue club . . . and boys, here's an idea—they all wore shirts with their club name on them . . . club uniforms add respect to the game . . . we wish more clubs would adopt them . . . Secretary Cottrell is again in North Co-hocton, N. Y., and as busy with horseshoe affairs as ever, we imagine. . . With June here the slipper slammers will all be out in earnest . . . let's make it a banner summer.

June, 1931

STATE ORGANIZATIONS



OUR idea of a strong national association is to build strong county organizations, which will belong to state organizations and these state associations should, in turn, belong to the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association.

Every city and county club should be affiliated with a state organization and every state organization should support the national body.

The idea isn't new. It's as old as the hills, having been tried in many lines of endeavor, but we especially commend it to the horseshoe pitching fraternity just now.

The Horseshoe World wants to see a strong state organization in every state in the Union. If that is accomplished the rest is easy—the game will prosper and the National Association will become a much greater organization.

OUR READERS COME FIRST

In publishing THE HORSESHOE WORLD, our readers come first. The magazine 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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A Veteran Tells How He Holds His Shoes

BY REV. E. V. STEVENS

A FEW WORDS from an amateur who has been making a study of the great American patriotic sport.

Illustrated herewith is a photograph taken at New Bedford, Mass., on September 25th, 1930, during the tournament held there under the auspices of the New Bedford Times. This picture was taken with a quick action lens and shows the shoe in the air. This particular shoe landed a ringer and gave me a closely contested game.

I began to throw the shoes in the spring of 1930 and with the $\frac{3}{4}$ turn I



made some progress. Some friends advised me to shift to the $1\frac{1}{4}$ turn assuring me it would improve my game. I did so in the summer and continued to throw that turn for the rest of the season and was using the $1\frac{1}{4}$ turn at the time of the tournament. We were all amateurs and without instruction feeling our way. We each had to develop our own system as best we could. When this picture appeared in the Times I began to make a systematic study of the game, watching the shoes of all the players and especially my own.

In this particular picture the shoe has covered no more than six to eight feet of its course to the stake and has made, as may readily be seen, nearly a full half turn and to land a ringer as it did, it had to make but three-fourths of a turn in the remaining thirty-two or more feet before reaching the stake. What it actually did as I found by further observation of shoes thrown in the same way, was to

complete its $1\frac{1}{4}$ turn at about thirty-two to thirty four feet from my hand and turn little or none in the last four to eight feet of the course. My further study of this turn leads me to conclude that such movement is erratic and decidedly uncertain and cannot be relied upon for most consistent pitching.

The $\frac{3}{4}$ turn is even more erratic in its movements than the $1\frac{1}{4}$. This is an easy shoe to watch and even a casual observation shows plainly that the shoe turns very little during the first half of its course and then when ten or so feet of the stake it makes a peculiar break and coming open dips in a weird sort of way and approaches the stake without turning very much if any in the last few feet of the cast and lands, if lucky, a ringer. I am sure it will be but a comparatively small percentage of the players who can master this freaky shoe and make it behave to any notable degree.

After arriving at these conclusions and after reading Mr. Cottrell's word in the Horseshoe World I changed my system to the $1\frac{3}{4}$ turn. I began this play in October and am so sure it is the best system so far advanced for throwing good horseshoes I propose to stay by it. A snap shot taken of me at practice this spring shows the shoe



four to six feet from my hand with little or no turn, only a suggestion of the way it will move, and this movement is constant through its whole flight turning gradually all the way and coming open at the moment it arrives at the stake. With this cast the shoe lays level and flat all the way, holds its course better and en-

ables the great majority of players to control the three great essentials of the game: Distance, Direction and Open Shoe. Being a minister I venture to prophecy: If ever any man pitches a perfect game he will do it with the $1\frac{1}{4}$ turn.

Old Discobolus, the father of the game, who lived five hundred years B. C., has given us the stance that cannot be improved upon. The full body swing and the twist of the wrist will do the trick.

No other known sport requires such absolute control as does this game that is fast coming to be one of the most popular of the purely American games. A baseball pitcher may throw a "No Hit Game" that is the final word in that sport; and have thirty to forty percent of the balls go wild or at least go sadly wild from the "groove." Even the balls that are called strikes by the umpire may vary from three to fifteen inches, either up or down or laterally. With the horseshoe player, he has but two shoes each inning he steps into the box; and if either of them vary one to three inches in distance or direction or the fraction of an inch in the turning he fails of a perfect score. Say boy, it's a great game.

NEWS FROM THE

BATTLEFIELD TOWN

The Gettysburg Horse Shoe Pitching Club has been organized for two years, and some fine ringer pitchers are being developed. The team played their first important match with the fast Westminster team and lost 25-29 in 54, 25 point games played. The team will meet them again on July 2 at Westminster when they open their new park.

The club also accepted the challenge of players from the Washington, D. C., Club for June 6.

The Gettysburg boys are anxious to meet teams within fifty miles of Gettysburg. The team consists of 12 players. Anyone interested please communicate with P. C. Stock, president, Gettysburg, Pa.

C. M. Neff, president of the Mt. Sterling, Ohio, Horseshoe Pitchers and Croquet association, operates the Neff-Anderson Spring Park and has horseshoe courts at the park for the use of picnic parties.

Clark County, O.

League Notes

DEFEAT RICE STREET

Willis Avenue Horseshoe Club and the Rice Street Club, of Springfield, Ohio, both members of the Clark County League, met on the splendid Willis Avenue lanes Monday evening, May 25, the Willis Avenue tossers defeating the Rice Street Club 26 to 10.

R. B. Howard, publisher of the Horseshoe World, attended the match, bringing greetings from the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association. He was presented with an honorary membership in the Willis Avenue Club by L. D. Johnston, president.

DONNELSVILLE WINS

Donnelsville (Ohio) shoe tossers took the Willis Avenue Horseshoe Club into camp, Friday evening, May 29, to the tune of 20 to 16, in a well-played match.

ACCEPT CHALLENGE

The Midwestern Horseshoe Team of Washington, D. C., has challenged the Willis Avenue Club for a match, which has been accepted and will be staged on the Willis Avenue courts at 8 p. m., Monday, June 8.

The tossers from the national capital are headed by Roy Wilson and are visiting Ohio, Illinois and Indiana and will pitch in a number of cities in these states.

LEAGUE STANDING

Following is the standing, as of May 30, of the Clark County Horseshoe League:

	GP	W	L	Pct.
Donnelsville	108	76	32	.703
Rockaway	108	74	34	.685
Willis Ave.	108	72	36	.666
Pitchin	108	69	39	.638
Lowry Ave.	108	45	63	.416
Rict St.	108	44	64	.407
Villa	108	34	71	.342
Husted	108	15	93	.138

IOWA MEET IN AUGUST

The 1931 Iowa State champion horseshoe tournament will undoubtedly be held at the Iowa State Fair Grounds late in August as usual.

If a National meet is to be held in the middlewest this summer a tournament for all of Iowa's shoe tossers will probably also be held in July in order to help stir up interest in the big contest.

PORTLAND ON ITS TOES! READY FOR SUMMER

The Portland Horseshoe Pitching club is preparing for a big season. Officers of the club are Dr. Frank L. Finnell, president; Cliff Esberg, 2094 East Glisan St., secretary, and O. A. Johnson, treasurer.

An attractive folder on horseshoe pitching giving locations of the city's courts has been issued. Courts are as follows: Lotus Isle, 14 courts; Laurelhurts, 6 courts; East 12th and Davis streets, 6 courts; Clear Creek Auto Park, 6 courts; 78th and East Stark streets, 4 courts; Woodstock, 5 courts; 42nd and East Madison Streets, 2 courts; Sellwood Park, 2 courts; Peninsula Park, 2 courts.

The folder reads as follows:

WHAT A GAME!

Think of what Horseshoe Pitching really is: a form of mild, yet invigorating, outdoor or indoor exercise, perfectly safe for all to play—within the reach of all and beyond the ability of none. It is as old as the hills and just as honorable. It offers much and demands little. It is the field or rich and poor, high and low, large and small, old and young, played most anywhere, any time.

Compared with golf, Horseshoe

Pitching requires just as much skill. Throwing a two and one-half pound shoe forty feet requires a perfect swing and follow through. An accurate judge of distance, elevation and speed.

The stance of a Horseshoe Player is a moving one, as nearly all players take a step in throwing which makes a hazard equal, if not greater, to any in golf.

As for exercise, you can walk as far as you like every forty feet stooping, bending and swinging. Throwing two and one-half pounds of iron another forty feet and repeat ad infinitum.

The cost is far less than golf, both in cash and time. A five dollar bill will outfit you for playing Horseshoes, plus one dollar a year to belong to the Portland Horseshoe Pitchers' club. Then again you can have a court on the vacant lot next door. You don't need to drive miles away and spend half a day or more for a little fun and exercise. Pitch Horseshoes and life is worth living!

The open playing season is here—with Tournament Play, Match Play and our Annual Picnic.

PLAY-OFF IN JUNE

Portland Horseshoe Pitching club will decide the city championship with a play-off in June, it is announced.

A tournament committee composed of Members Johnson, Cowling and Pangborn make the following announcement:

Each entry to pitch 200 shoes on any court in the city, not less than 50 shoes to be pitched at any time; official reliable scorer keeps score for player.

Each entry must pay 25c for entrance fee to qualify for the finals.

The twelve highest scores to play round robin for city championship. \$1.00 will be charged each player entering the round robin play-off. Silver cup to be given to the winner, with suitable prizes for the next seven players.

The thirteenth to twenty-fourth high scores, inclusive, will play a round robin at a later date for suitable prizes.

TOURNEY DATES SET

L. E. Tanner, Anchor, Ill., president of the State Horseshoe Pitchers Association of Illinois, Inc., writes

that the state association has all plans made for its annual state tournament, which will be held at the Illinois State Fair at Springfield, August 26 and 27.

"We are planning a great tournament this year," President Tanner writes. "All Illinois pitchers take notice: We are giving over \$400 in prizes and some of it is yours. No ones fault but yours if you don't get it!"

THE COVER PAGE

The illustration on the cover page is a likeness of Mrs. Herman Goetsch, of Las Vegas, N. M., who is the manager of a miniature golf course, with a horseshoe court in connection.

Mrs. Goetsch is shown holding a poster made of clippings from the Horseshoe World, which has been placed on display at the horseshoe courts to better acquaint the public with what has been done in the great old game.

THE LETTER BOX

Where Ideas are Exchanged and Gossip of the Shoe Lanes are Written

(EDITOR'S NOTE—We print all letters sent to us for publication. We do not always agree with the writers, but believe our readers have a right to their opinions. Unsigned letters are ignored.)

WANT GAMES

Editor Horseshoe World:

We held the formal opening of our club Sunday, May 10th. Mr. Mattingly the Kentucky state champion, was invited to pitch the first shoes and he responded with a double.

Our club is now ready to play match games with any club desiring to play and the writer is very anxious to meet all of our old time friends as well as meeting new ones.

We trust that we will have the pleasure of meeting you real soon.

We are, yours very truly,

RUD H. R. ROCKENBACH,

Secretary Central Horseshoe Club,
New Albany, Ind.

MORE ABOUT SCORING

Davenport, Iowa, May, 1931

Editor of the Horseshoe World,
London, Ohio.

Gentlemen:—After reading the article by Mr. Schlieff on the proposed changes in scoring and rules I believe I cannot agree with him so far as the counting of points is concerned. To allow all points to count would not be bettering the game as the man who was playing a near equal and should make the least slip and allow a six count might as well give up at once if the game was in the forties. While with the present scoring system he can hold his man by good playing and crawl on him. How many fine contests have we not witnessed where the shoes are all on the peg for several consecutive pitches with the score a few points below the 50 mark. Such battles test the playing ability of the contestants and bring the thrill of the match to the audience. Adopt the count all point system and you eliminate this most interesting part of the game. I would suggest though that the low man be given the first pitch throughout the game which would make the fight more interesting as the high man having the open court has a decided advantage, his weaker opponent having to pitch on iron. I also believe that state and national champions be

not compelled to enter tournaments but to hold their titles till they are beaten by an individual challenger in the best of an eleven game match. That is the way all championships are generally held and the winner of an elimination contest would be entitled to a chance at the champion. Say twice a year the association calls upon the champion to defend his title if a proper qualified challenger be available. This would promote more interest in the game the year round and eliminate any chance of the wrong man holding the trophy. Also the runner-up and the third-place man in a tournament be pitted against each other and the winner to play the tournament winner a series of eleven games to decide the title or right to challenge a former champion.

It often happens in tournaments that a slight slip causes a better man to lose a tournament championship by a mere few points when if he was pitted against the winner he would undoubtedly beat him by a strong margin. Again in tournament play a few followers could throw the game by playing loosely against a favorite and strong against others and in a case of close counting games the scores being then referred to points won or lose the favorite would have a handicap. Put in the above mentioned arrangement it would require championship ability to hold the trophy and that is what we want. Let's hear from the other boys on this subject and get this game in the front ranks to stay.

Respectfully yours,

JAMES J. LAYLOR.

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A RECORD (?) GAME.

The Horseshoe World:—

For the past several years it has been my job to nurse the horseshoe game in Kentucky through its growing pains, no time for me to play the game could be spared after working hours, schedules were always waiting to be arranged or other matters such as standing of teams, ringer averages,

dope for the press and conducting games.

The game here is now able to stand alone, is even able to take a few steps unaided, and before the season is over it may be big enough to wear long pants.

We have elected a new set of officers this year, all young go-getters, us old birds can re-learn to play horseshoes.

We think all your readers will be interested to know that our first game of the season was without doubt the world's greatest horseshoe game. We pitched two hundred and four shoes each in a fifty point game, this we believe is a record.

We made several ringers, one shoe after hitting the peg rang a hoe handle over twenty feet from the peg, that should be a record, when each of us hung a shoe on top of the two foot back-stop in the same frame, we got a good hand from the gallery.

At least four times during the game we had leaners, but they got knocked out of scoring distance by the next shoe.

We pitched thirty-six shoes each before a point was scored. This, we believe is a world's record, and seeing we were getting nowhere, we decided to do away with the six-inch from the peg rule and we began getting better right away.

It is too bad that the complete score of this game cannot be furnished the reader, the score was kept on a fifty shoe score board and had to be cleaned off four times.

The score stood forty-nine all for some time, but I lost the game because the umpire stepped off the last pitch instead of measuring it, and I still believe my shoe was the closest and the game should be have been mine.

E. B. PATTERSON.

SEEKS EXHIBITIONS

Jimmy Risk, Montpelier, Ind., who won the national amateur tournament in Chicago last September, is endeavoring to make up a schedule of exhibition dates for this summer.

Jimmy is a great pitcher and no doubt will be engaged for many fairs and expositions.

Several members of the Millersburg, O., club has sent in their subscription to the Horseshoe World. Judge William N. Crow, president of the Ohio State Horseshoe Pitchers association, is one of Millersburg's most ardent fans and pitchers.



Harvey Elmeron now resides at 834 So. 18th street, in Milwaukee.

Leon L. Cole, of Bonaventure's College, St. Bonaventure, N. Y., has gone to Shingle House, Pa., for his vacation.

And here's a flock of renewals from the Central Park Horseshoe Club boys in Louisville, Ky. Thanks, boys!

F. A. Good, Lincoln, Neb., writes that the Nebraska tournament is to be held in connection with the State Fair again this year.

Many tournament managers are including subscriptions to the Horseshoe World in their prize lists. Special rates are given for tournaments.

Tom Miller is a Lewistown, Pa., horseshoe tosser.

J. W. Vance is a Portland, Me., shoe enthusiast.

Charles H. James, Hastings, Mich., is a horseshoe tosser and is quite interested in the development of the game.

Dubuque, Ia., has many horseshoe pitchers. Sylvester McCauley is the Recreation Director there and is pushing horseshoes as one of the city's major sports.

Look at the slip on the address wrapper of this issue of the Horseshoe World. Don't let your subscription lapse.

appointing captains and having them select their teams from the membership at large.

Captains are W. J. Long, Henry DeSmet, Louis Johansen and Thomas Schroeder, all of Rock Island, Dave Swanson and Carrie Davis, both of Moline, and J. G. Durnin, of Davenport. If enough interest is shown, another league will be formed. Groups anxious to join are asked to communicate with Mel Hodge at the city hall.

WE WANT TO HELP

The Horseshoe World wants to be of as much service as it can to state horseshoe club officials. Any state organization wishing to get word to its membership thru the Horseshoe World is mighty welcome to do so. Our columns are always open and the editor personally desires to aid in any way possible in strengthening state organizations.

We know the secretary's job is a tough one, having served as National Secretary at one time, but let's keep these state organizations alive this year, boys, and they will come along o.k.—EDITOR.

MAKING LIGHTER SHOES

F. M. Brust, proprietor of the Ohio Horse Shoe Co., reports that their new model pitching shoes are going over good. They are getting lots of calls for lighter shoes so now make their new model in weights from 2 lb. 6 oz. to 2 lb. 8 oz.

HORSESHOE PITCHERS CALLED

A meeting of all horseshoe pitching teams was held recently at No. 15 Engine House, in Columbus, O. The following industrial teams were invited: Columbus Auto Parts, Medick Barrows, Federal Glass, Jeffrey Mfg. Co., Buckeye Steel, N. & W., Columbus Oil Cloth, C. & O., and Belmont Casket.

ELECT OFFICERS

The Mt. Sterling (Ohio) Horseshoe Pitchers and Croquet association has elected the following officers for the current year:

President, former Mayor C. M. Neff; vice president, Palmer Phillips; secretary, William Blake; treasurer, Bert Montieth.

Executive committee, R. H. Phillips, George Rogers, L. R. Kious; contest committee, Secretary Blake, Treasurer Montieth; grounds committee, Treasurer Montieth, Pearl Jones, Larey Douglas.

This organization has been in existence for many years and the Mt. Sterling players are noted for their expert knowledge of both games. Their courts are located near the B. & O. railroad depot and are the last word in modern horseshoe and croquet courts.

WE WOULD DO IT FOR YOU

Will the readers of the Horseshoe World please mention the magazine when communicating with equipment manufacturers? It is such a little thing to do but it helps us very much, letting our advertisers know that you do read the magazine. Helping us get more advertising helps you as readers to receive a bigger and better magazine. Thanks.

VISIT BRUSTS' OFFICE

The editor of the Horseshoe World had the pleasure of visiting the Ohio Horseshoe Co. offices in Columbus, O., the other day and having a nice chat with the manager, Fred Brust, former national champion.

Frank Eachus, of Gallipolis, Ohio, former state champion and originator of the "open shoe" is pitching better than ever this season. He pitches the new Ohio shoes.—Adv.

Rock Island Club

Elects New Officers

Organization of an executive committee with the purpose of making a more efficient group and relieving the president of many duties, featured a recent session of the Rock Island Horseshoe club at the Long View park courts.

William J. Long was chosen president, succeeding C. K. Campbell, who will serve as scorer. J. G. Durnin, of Davenport, was named vice president, and Mel Hodge was selected as secretary-treasurer. Clem Deveney was chosen as chairman of the grounds committee.

Other committee heads include Dave Swanson, Moline, who will look after the arrangements for the annual league tourney and Frank Bahringer, who will direct the membership drive. It was voted to reduce the membership fee to one dollar.

It is planned to adopt the system followed by the Moline Horseshoe club for league games. A Tuesday Night league will be organized Tuesday at 7:30 p. m. at the club's courts. Nine groups have been nominated for the league with eight being chosen.

The Rock Island Sash & Door works and the Reynolds town team will be kept intact for the league. However, the other six groups will be formed by

NEWS, OFFICIAL REPORTS, ETC.

Mr. E. L. Ermatinger, who has been president of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association for a number of years has changed his address to 917 Fifteenth South. Mr. Ermatinger comes of a family that has been importers, manufacturers and retailers of fine felt and panama hats and caps for 60 years, and is still in the same business in St. Petersburg, having his son associated with him in the firm.

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Mr. Bob Brown, who is in the office of the Putt Mossman Horseshoe Co., Rochester, N. Y., and who was runner up in the New York championship tournament at the Rochester Exposition last September has just won the Rochester city championship. Their club has been playing on indoor courts all winter. His chief opponent has been Roy Curtis. They seesawed back and forth all winter for the lead. In the finals Brown won, in the seven-game match, four straight games. Previous to the finals they had met four times and broke even.

Brown writes that he recently had the pleasure of a call from Jim Deeds, who was formerly manager of the horseshoe club at Stockton, California, and always a great booster for the game.

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Mr. Ben L. Taylor, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, Traverse City, Mich., writes about holding the National Tournament, "We believe such an event would be a great attraction for the large number of summer resorters in the Traverse City region. It appears now that our summer is already booked so full of special events that we would not be able to handle your tournament and do justice to it and ourselves. It is serious regret that we have reached this decision. We are planning however to invite you to come here in 1932 and will begin preparations at once for this event. In as much as we have so many activities for this year which will fill our hotels full during the month of August, we could not possibly accommodate the large number of horseshoe pitchers and their families which the national tournament would attract. We have

From the Secretary's Desk

learned in the past not to attempt anything that we cannot do well. When we have you here we want to have you so satisfied that you will want to come again many times."

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In a letter just received from Mr. J. Christ Hahn, secretary-treasurer, Fort Wayne (Ind.) Horseshoe Club, he writes that he is working on the financial end of holding a national tournament in his city this summer. If he is successful he would like to hold the tournament the last of August. Mr. Hahn has been a tireless worker now for a year or two, trying to land the summer tournament for Fort Wayne, and has considerable backing in this city for such a meet. Here is hoping that he will be successful this year in getting all the backing that is necessary for holding a successful meet. Your secretary may be able to make some definite announcement about a summer tournament in the July issue of the Horseshoe World.

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Have recently received a number of letters asking what is the latest and best make of shoes, what is the latest and favorite turn of shoe, and what is the grip used by good players and which is the best grip. Of course there is no way of answering these questions satisfactorily to the inquirers as all good players have their own favorite make of shoe, and differ very much as to the kind they use. They all have a kind of grip which is the most natural for them to use and with which each player thinks he can best control the shoe as he pitches it. Of course the grip on the shoe controls the turn, but the best players differ greatly on the turns that should be made by the shoe as it is pitched. One player favors the three-quarter turn or a one and one-quarter turn, while just as good players favor one and three-quarter or even the two and one-quarter turn. These holds and turns are all discussed by a number of the world's champions and a large number of other subjects interesting to horseshoe fans in Horseshoe Pitching—How To Play the Game, which book will be mailed postpaid for 40 cents, or three for \$1.00, by D. D.

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Washington, D. C., Team Visits Ohio

Springfield, Ohio—One of the largest crowds ever to witness a game of horseshoe pitching in this county was present Monday evening, June 8th at the Willis Avenue courts, located at 145 Willis Ave. Some three hundred were counted.

This match was between a trio of players, consisting of Carl Vonder Lancken, a native of Oklahoma, Roy Wilson, captain of the team, and runner-up for the city championship of Washington, D. C., last winter, who hails from Illinois, and Leonard A. Wesby, originally a North Dakotan, who are all members of the "Mid-Western" Trio champion three-man horseshoe pitching team of the District of Columbia, and a team of three men from the Willis Avenue Club, and at the present time are leading in the Clark County Horseshoe Pitchers Association League.

The Willis Avenue team comprised of Lester Allen, captain, who formerly played with the Washington C. H. team, and was considered as one of the best in Fayette county; Wm. Gravenkemper and Chas. Patton, two of Springfield's outstanding pitchers.

The following is a summary and results of this match:

Willis Ave. (Springfield, O.)

	SP	P	R	DR	WL	Pct
Allen	172	150	90	23	3 0	.522
Grav'kemper	194	140	90	19	2 1	.463
Patton	194	150	80	15	3 0	.412

Total 560 440 260 57 8 1 .469

Mid-Western (Washington, D. C.)

	SP	P	R	DR	WL	Pct
Wilson	196	110	84	14	0 3	.428
V. Lancken	124	126	91	14	1 2	.406
Westby	140	58	43	4	0 3	.307

Total 560 294 218 32 1 8 .389

The visiting team are employees in the United States Government departments at Washington, D. C., and are on a vacation tour of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, meeting teams in those states. Prior

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to this match, they have played in Gettysburg, Pa., and Columbus, Ohio. Their next scheduled stop is Indianapolis, Ind., and Springfield, Ill.

Among those introduced from out of the city, were Straud Russell, of West Jefferson, Ohio, champion of Madison county; Marion Shadley and Gerald Smith, of Sabina and Wilmington, Ohio, respectfully. Mr. Shadley is the present champion of Clinton county, and Mr. Smith former champion of said county. Along with Kenneth Peters, 12 years old, present champion of Clark county, and his brother Ronald Peters, former champion of this county.

The Willis Avenue club has a busy week before them, meeting the Rockaway club, in a scheduled Clark County League game Friday evening

June 12th at the Willis Ave. courts. On Sunday afternoon, June 14th, they will travel to West Jefferson to meet the strong team of that city. On Tuesday, June 16th they jump to Sabina, Ohio, and meet the champions of Southwestern Ohio.

LANSING WINS

Following are the results of games played between Lansing and Detroit, Sunday, May 7th, at Potter's Park, Lansing. The Lansing team proved to be the best mudders, taking 21 of the 36 games played on wet grounds.

Fisher for the Lansing team won all of his contests, nosing out Lee Rose in the final contest 50 to 48, which was the only game Rose lost in his six starts. Price, Armstrong

and Moylan pitched consistently; Armstrong winning three very close contests.

Lansing	W	L	P	OI
Fisher	6	0	300	147
Price	4	2	270	194
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Totals.....	21	15	1513	1313

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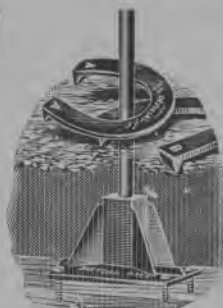
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