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OH, BOY! Did we start something with the "wobble" shoe discussion last month . . . letters poured in . . . and that's good evidence that horseshoe pitchers of all classes and varying degrees of accuracy are looking for something to improve their game . . . they want some "Bobby Jones advice" like the golfers scoop up and digest at every opportunity . . . Secretary Cottrell reports progress at World Progress exposition so far as the horseshoe tournament is concerned . . . New Yorkers are going for the game . . . Putt Mossman and Jimmy Risk are bidding for exhibition dates . . . and folks, there's lots doing in the horseshoe realm these days.



PLAN A HORSESHOE PARTY

EVERY horseshoe club in the United States and Canada should plan a horseshoe party for some time this summer.

By that we mean that every club should either arrange for an exhibition match, a special game or some kind of event to which the general public may be invited. Let them see your courts, let them witness some good pitching. Nothing could be done that would sell the public in a finer and more understanding way upon the value of horseshoe pitching than a horseshoe party.

Give the event plenty of advertising and you will have a good crowd and you will be surprised at the new interest, even among your own members.

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.

The time that your magazine expires is printed on the address slip, directly after your name, showing the month and the year.

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OHIO TOURNAMENT TO BE HELD LAKESIDE, AUG. 15-20

A total of \$230 in cash will be awarded in prizes at the Ohio State Championship Pitching Tournament to be held at Lakeside, O. (on Lake Erie) August 15 to 20.

Lakeside is one of the most beautiful resorts in Ohio and it is expected that it will be the mecca for Ohio shoe tossers during the tournament dates. K. E. Miller will act as tournament manager.

The announcement circular for the Ohio championship meet reads as follows:

Rules

The tournament is for men only and open to any resident of Ohio, except those who have been world's champions. The rules of the National Horseshoe Pitchers' Association shall govern all games played. All entrants in the tournament will play each other one 50-point game on the Round Robin Plan with no finals. Some form of elimination may be used if there are too many entries for one round robin. The decision of the Tournament committee shall be final in this matter and on all questions regarding the tournament.

All contestants must be on hand not later than 10 a. m. on Monday, August 15.

The Ohio State Championship, gold medal and first prize money will be awarded to the player winning the most games.

Entry fee of \$3 and deposit of \$3 must be paid before play begins. The \$3 deposit is required of each entrant as a guarantee that he will finish the games for which entered. Deposit will be returned upon completing the schedule of games.

Any question concerning entries and the tournament should be addressed to K. E. Miller, Box 101, Lakeside, Ottawa County, O.

In order that all names of entrants may be published, notification of intention to enter should be in the hands of K. E. Miller, Lakeside, by August 5, 1932.

This tournament is sanctioned by the National Horseshoe Pitchers' Association of America.

\$230 in cash prizes

Committee: V. E. Spaulding, W. N. Crow, W. E. Stimson, Tournament manager, K. E. Miller.

Prize List

First, Gold Medal and.....	\$50.00
Second	40.00
Third	30.00
Fourth	25.00
Fifth	20.00
Sixth	15.00
Seventh	15.00
Eighth	10.00
Ninth	10.00
Tenth	5.00
Eleventh	5.00
Twelfth	5.00

Your entry need not be sent in advance, but a letter from you indicating your intention of entering will be appreciated.

OPEN NEW COURTS AT LONDON, OHIO

By A. K. Chenoweth,

Editor, Madison Press, London, Ohio

The new horseshoe courts of the London Horseshoe club were officially opened and dedicated on Sunday afternoon, May 22, in the presence of approximately 1,000 persons, with a special program of events, and with an exhibition of fancy and trick pitching by Jimmy Risk, of Montpelier, Indiana, American national shoe tossing champion.

The official welcome to the visiting pitchers and the guests of the club was given by William R. Evans, president of the London club, who extended the keys of the city and the courts to the visitors and offered an open door to visitors at all times.

R. B. Howard, of London, vice president of the National Horseshoe Pitchers association, and publisher of the Horseshoe World, spoke briefly of the history of horseshoe pitching, which dates to the time of the early Grecian athletic contests and was a favorite pastime during the Revolutionary war days of the United States and then dedicated the fine four-lane court to the community and its general upbuilding.

Jimmy Risk and the visiting champions and guests were introduced to the crowd by George O. Decker, secretary of the club.

Risk, in his exhibition, really showed the crowd the how of horseshoe pitching as champions pitch 'em. He tossed ringers in all ways and all directions, hitting the peg from almost impossible angles and at any time he chose.

This slim, quiet champ from the Hoosier state, uncovered his bag of tricks and left nothing to be asked. He put the shoes where the crowd asked, and when, tossing the "iron men" over obstructions and at will, even lighting a match at the stake to prove that his exhibition was really real.

Risk, who drove here from his home for the dedication, will leave soon for a tour of exhibition pitching in northern Indiana, Michigan, New York and the New England states.

In the exhibition games between Risk and Lester Allen, of Springfield, Clark county champion, Risk won both games, the first by a score of 50 to 43, and the second, 50 to 38. Over 70 per cent of the shoes tossed by the two men was ringers.

Allen defeated Myron Ferguson, of Columbus, Franklin county champion, winning the right to meet Risk in the exhibition contests.

Visiting pitchers were present for the dedication from many cities and towns in Ohio, among those registered being men and women from Columbus, Cleveland, Springfield, Dayton, Urbana, Xenia, Washington C. H., Circleville, Chillicothe, Lancaster, Logan, Delaware, Marysville, Bellefontaine, Zanesville and other places.

The courts were "dressed up" for the event and presented a most attractive appearance with the giant horseshoe sign, designed and built by Ted Wilson, vice president of the London club, and erected by the Horseshoe World at the main entrance. Bleachers were provided for the fans.

HAS DOUBLES SYSTEM

Eugene Wright, 100 Carpenter Ave., Iron Mountain, Mich., has perfected two systems of handling eight teams of doubles on four pegs and 10 teams of doubles on five pegs without any team playing a game on the same court twice.

Mr. Wright won the Upper Peninsula of Michigan championship two years ago at the Upper Peninsula Fair at Escanaba, Mich.

Clubs interested in his schedule of play should communicate with Mr. Wright.

MORE ABOUT WOBBLE

The Horseshoe World started something when it ran the correspondence, last month, regarding the "wobble shoes." We have received much mail regarding it. Here's a letter from Jack Claves, of Gravois Road, St. Louis, written to Lester L. Callan, New York, attorney:

May 4, 1932

Mr. L. L. Callan,

Staten Island, N. Y.

Dear "Cal":

... "The wobble shoe is best because it not only grips the peg better, but it is at least 15 per cent better in the wind. These fellows who throw the "beautiful shoe" that is the one which looks like it goes up there with the mouth wide open all the time, lose three times as many ringers as the wobbling one because it hits too flat and too straight. This is especially true when shooting second and the opponent has a double on. To the ones who haven't a lot of experience this one and one-quarter no wobble shoe is beautiful, but to me it hits up their blah if he is shooting first and the ground is soft it is not so bad, but when shooting with a player who puts them on, he loses entirely too many. It is hard enough to put them on, and it is just as hard to lose them, bouncing off.

The one and three-quarter wobble is less effective by the wind and if you watch it close, it seems to just grab the peg and dives into the ground. It sort of grips the peg and the extra half turn also seems to encircle the peg, so when it hits it and bounces back it has turned sufficiently so that the peg hits the side or back of the shoe.

When the one and one-quarter "sailer" hits the peg its mouth is wide open and it bounces right back and is still open and it doesn't touch the peg the second time and is lost.

Boy, I hope you get what I mean. I am finding it hard to write it as I see it. If you were here I could demonstrate it in a second.

My left-hander Steinman shot .606 Sunday for four games in a young storm; 109 ringers, 180 shoes.

Good luck and I hope you understand me.

JACK H. CLAVES.

Athol, Mass., May 28, 1932 AT PALO ALTO, CALIF.

Editor of The Horseshoe World.

My Dear Sir:

There can't be a horseshoe discussion but what I want to put in my "oar." Not for argument sake, or to criticize anyone else. I say everyone for his own style and delivery, but I do believe for me at least, the three-quarters turn is the best and easiest to follow, and if one misses the pin with the first shoe it is easy to correct the next. Of course the three-quarters is not as spectacular as the one and three-quarters, nor is the three-quarter as hard to put on, for the faster a shoe is turning, the less time there is when the opening is at the stake, therefore one has to be more exact with the faster turning shoe.

But after all is said and done, the greatest single feature is to be able to "toss straight to the stake." It matters not what the elevation is, or how flat the shoe is pitched, or how much wobble it has, or the turn one gives his shoe, if it is not delivered straight for the pin what doth it profit?

Myself and every other pitcher has tossed countless good shoes with everything but alignment, and how often one hears "that was a good shoe, but not in line with the stake." Our best man here in New England, the one who won the New England championship at Brattleboro, Vt., last fall, won the Tri-State championship, the Franklin Co. championship at Greenfield, Mass., and was the high point and ringer man in the Tri-State League, and beat all comers at Springfield, Mass., when they had their match game with the Midland Beach team of New York City, uses a beautiful three-quarters turn, no wobble and no dip; just an easy turn from the hand to the stake and this fine young fellow's name is Bernard Herfurth, of Park St., Northampton, Mass.

The writer tosses from 35 to 75 per cent ringers with the three-quarters turn, and could get 85 or 90 per cent if I was able to center the stake oftener.

This is from a 62-year-old tosser. Come on, boys; "you're next," says the barber.

Truly yours,

WALTER L. MANN,

R. F. D. 3, Athol, Mass.

On Thursday evening, May 19th, the recently organized Palo Alto (Calif.) Horseshoe Club entertained the Mt. View club on the Palo Alto club's new courts just constructed by the city.

Refreshments were served and exhibition games were played by the Mt. View club.

The Palo Alto Club officers are, Wm. S. Vandervoort, president; Earl Smith, vice president; B. McBride, secretary treasurer; M. E. Shippy, publicity.

THE COVER PAGE

No, the young lady on the motorcycle with Putt Mossman, shown on the cover of this month's magazine, isn't Jean Harlow.

But she is a platinum blond too, and she does work in the movies. She appeared in a movie with Mossman recently. They worked together in a short subject. Her name is Birdine Lindsay.

Mossman is open for horseshoe pitching exhibitions at fairs and expositions this summer.

ORGANIZE CLUB

The Rockstroth Horseshoe Club of Canton, Ohio, has been organized with 40 members enrolled. Officers elected were, President, Fred Robinson; first vice-president, C. E. Gardner; second vice-president, Fred Miller; secretary, H. K. Glenn; treasurer, Wm. Rockstroth.

We have installed a battery of six of the finest courts in Northern Ohio. Our courts are lighted adequately for night play, and the "Fleetwing" team of this club is open for games with any team within 100 miles of Canton. This team represents the Rockstroth club in the Northeastern Ohio League.

For information as to games, address all communications to the secretary, H. K. Glenn, 3709 Mahoning Rd., N.E. Canton, Ohio.

Any fans living near Canton who may see this article and would be interested in the club, be sure to let us know.

NEWS, OFFICIAL REPORTS, ETC.

From the Secretary's Desk

D. D. COTTRELL
Secretary
NORTH COHOCTON,
NEW YORK

There will be an Eastern Horseshoe Pitching Championship Tournament held at the Central Recreation Camp, located at Stoney Creek, Warren County, N. Y., which is not far from Warrensburg, N. Y. It is expected that the champion of New York, Bob Brown, of Rochester, the New England champion, Bernard Herfogth, of Northampton, Mass., and many other city, county and local champions, and those who have not yet attained championship honors will be present for a big meet on July 2, 3 and 4. It is hoped that there may be a goodly number of Canadian pitchers present as this is the first time that our friends of the dominions at the north have had an invitation to come over and compete with their fellow players in this country in such a tournament. A big time is looked for by all the horseshoe fans in this section of the country.

Mr. Victor Larsen, a well-known advertising man of New York City is sponsoring the meet with Mr. Al. Eichler who runs the Central Recreation Camp. Mr. Larsen is a most enthusiastic horseshoe fan who floats his shoe through the air with such accuracy that ringers are quite the regular thing. For a number of years he has been the moving spirit in holding the championship meet for the Metropolitan Area at Midland Beach on Staten Island where it is held the last Saturday in July. Midland Beach is owned by the James S. Graham interests who have also been very active in building up the sport in that section.

This Eastern Horseshoe Pitching Tournament is held under the sanction of the National Horseshoe Pitching Association and the winner will be given a Certification of Championship under the seal of said National Association.

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Your secretary was very much concerned in learning that Dr. Herbert J. Kocher, 1141 Tenth St., N., St. Petersburg, was stricken with a heart attack about the middle of April, and has been confined to his bed ever since up to the time of this writing. In a recent letter from him

he says that he expects to be up again about June first, as he is slowly regaining his strength but probably will not be his regular self again for two or three months more as he will have to be careful and take a great deal of needed rest.

Dr. Kocher has been for a number of years a very efficient president of the Sunshine Pleasure club of St. Petersburg which is the horseshoe pitching club of the city, with some six or seven hundred members every winter. The doctor has a plan which he is developing, which he hopes will bring a number of the 65 per cent ringer pitchers to St. Petersburg next winter for the world's championship tournament some time in February, 1933. He plans to hold only two or three games a day probably using only one lane in this way to give every contestant the best chance and every one in the crowd a chance to see some of the best games played by the most noted players. Any one having any suggestions for the holding such a meet should write to Dr. Kocher about the matter.

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A short time ago your secretary received a letter from Mr. Loy D. Johnston, 145 Willis Ave., Springfield Ohio, who is the very efficient secretary of the Clark County Horseshoe Pitchers Association. In his letter he encloses a copy of what he calls the 1932 year book of his organization and says that he believes this book will be a great benefit to the pitchers and also to the sport as well.

This book is about 3 by 6 inches in size and contains 32 pages printed on a very good quality of paper, and a cover of very durable quality of a light tone in color and printed in green and black with a neat design of a horseshoe in the center, with the statement at the bottom in large but neat type, "A Great but Inexpensive Game." The officers of the association are listed on the first page as follows:

D. B. Rutan, 421 Baldwin Ave., Springfield, president; Elmore Grube, R. D. 1, 1st vice president; Harry Elsworth, R. D. 10, 2nd vice presi-

dent; L. D. Johnston, secretary; W. T. Garlough, Yellow Springs, treasurer. The seven clubs belonging to the association are given with the names and addresses of their officers and members. The Constitution and By-Laws, adopted Feb. 18, 1932, are printed in full, as well as the very well thought-out league rules under which the scheduled games are to be played this coming season. The clubs seem to be divided into two leagues, called the National and American, and the complete schedule of dates, places and clubs playing for the first half of the season's play is given. Under the heading "Hi-Lights for Season," the complete results of the county championship tournament and the final league standing is given for 1931. On the last page a complete summary of the individual best scores is given. Evidently the expense of getting out this book was borne by the advertisers as the booklet contains 32 half page ads and one full page ad.

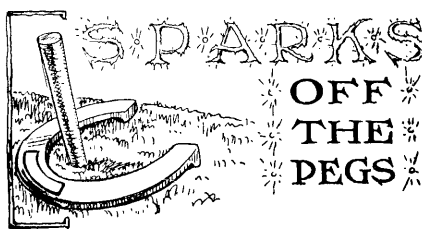
The reason that so much space has been given to a review of this booklet is so that you may see what can be done in getting out such a guide for advertising the game by a live-wire association with a set of officials who are working all the time for the development of the sport and have plans well thought out for fostering the horseshoe game.

The plans for holding the World's championship tournament at the Century of Progress Exposition during the summer of 1933 are being perfected and it looks now as though the greatest tournament ever held would be staged at Chicago at that time. Make your plans to attend and bring your family for a vacation and enjoy the exposition and the horseshoe meet.

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LIKE DOLLAR SPECIAL

A number of horseshoe pitchers and their wives have availed themselves of our stationery special. The Horseshoe World offers My-Name Stationery with your name, street number and postoffice printed on 200 single note sheets or 100 folded notesheets and 100 envelopes for \$1.00. Order yours now.



Herbert J. Kocher, D.D.S., 1147 10th St., N. St. Petersburg, Fla., is president of the Sunshine Pleasure Club and is intensely interested in the success of the horseshoe game.

Edwin Sluyter, Detroit, Mich., is a horseshoe tosser.

Pickford, Mich., Horseshoe club has been organized with the following officers: Lynford C. Norton, president; Simon Parker, vice president; Eino Honkonen, secretary treasurer and Tom Best, executive secretary.

The Pickford courts include two lighted lanes for night pitching and two auxiliary lanes.

President Norton writes, "We would like to have all horseshoe fans that are on their way to the Soo to stop over in Pickford, which is only 24 miles from the Soo on U. S. Route 2."

We have an inquiry on horseshoe pitching and a request for a copy of the Horseshoe World from Antonio Bayma, Director of the Departamento de Educacao Fisica, Rua Sete de Abril, 21 Sao Paulo, Brazil (Department of Physical Education, Sao Paulo, Brazil).

Meadville, Pa., has a horseshoe club of 14 members. N. E. Stainbrook, Sr., is president.

M. A. Frushour, 538 Annin Ave., Detroit, Mich., is interested in the building of new courts in Detroit.

Among the Millersburg, O., shoe enthusiasts are Judge Wm. N. Crow, Guy Allison, Guy L. Geiger, Walter Marty and James H. Miller.

Harry Rose is manager of the Bearcat Horseshoe Pitching Club at Poughkeepsie, N. Y. His address is 163 N. Hamilton street.

B. K. Ely is a Chambersburg, Pa., shoe tosser.

P. F. Palmer, 748 S. Lincoln Ave., Alliance, O., is one of the leaders in the game in his city.

George A. Siemons, 2219 Lynn St.,

is secretary and treasurer of the Bellingham, Wash., Horseshoe Pitchers Association.

Albert H. Graham is a Lansing horseshoe tosser.

The Schenectady Horseshoe League will have eight teams of good New York tossers.

William Watrous, 239 Westwood Ave., Dayton, O., is a shoe enthusiast.

S. A. White, Erie, Pa., is a dyed-in-the-wool fan.

F. E. Bonner, postmaster at Lewisberry, Pa., is a horseshoe tosser.

A number of residents of North Main street and adjacent territory, London, O., have a mighty fine horseshoe court, lighted for night pitching. The lanes are located in Cowling park.

The London Horseshoe club also has new courts on West High St., recently dedicated with Jimmy Risk of Montpelier, Ind., as the headliner.

George J. Campbell, Buffalo, Alberta, Canada, is a shoe enthusiast.

Opportunity for All

The Horseshoe World wants to again call attention to C. A. Benedict's plan for National Horseshoe Week and the holding of an elimination contest to be pitched in various communities with \$1500 cash prizes and \$350 in merchandise.

There may have been some who have held back because they felt they were not good enough pitchers. But there is an opportunity for all classes of pitchers under Mr. Benedict's plan.

Unless the horseshoe pitchers of America help put this thing across—and do it within the next few days by sending their entries—a mighty good idea to advance the game may be passed up.

All interested should write to C. A. Benedict, Johnstown, O.

MOSSMAN ON STAGE

Putt Mossman, widely known horseshoe tosser and "stunt" man, who rides a motorcycle, pitches horseshoes blindfolded, etc., appeared on a Fox vaudeville bill in Pomona, Calif., recently.

Mossman will tour the country this summer giving exhibitions.

EASTERN CHAMPSHP TOURNY

The Eastern Horseshoe Pitching Championship Tournament, which is to be held at the Central Recreation camps, Stony Creek, New York, on July 2nd, 3rd, and 4th, has all the prospects of being one of the biggest horseshoe pitching events ever held in this part of the country. Many well known pitchers from the eastern part of the country are scheduled to enter this contest, and possibly some players from Canada will compete.

Valuable and attractive prizes will be given to the winners. The camp has five standard clay courts ready for the event, and other courts will be provided so that those who do not qualify for the finals will be able to play among themselves during their stay at camp.

The contest is sanctioned by the National Horseshoe Pitchers' Association and is sponsored by Albert C. Eichler, director of Central Recreation Camp. Victor Larsen of New York is tournament manager.

Entry blanks can be obtained from Victor Larsen, 1 West 25th street, New York City, or from Mr. Eichler at the camp. Sleeping and eating accommodations for the three days will be furnished by the camp for \$10 for the three days.

For those who will not have a vacation this year, this is an ideal opportunity. Three days of fresh air and sunshine, high up in the mountains, with nothing to do but pitch horseshoes, swim and enjoy the many other activities available at the Central Recreation Camps.

The Kentucky Division of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association in sending their dues for the coming year to the National association recently announce the following officers this season: J. T. Woodward, 110 East Bloom St., Louisville, Ky., secretary; J. L. Harris, Nolin, first vice president; R. P. Hope, New Hope, second vice president; Henry Schmidt, 1527 Mellwood Ave., Louisville, secretary and treasurer. Their league season opened May 15 and they are looking forward to one of the most successful seasons of sport that they have ever had in the horseshoe game.

Don't forget we sell membership cards. The Horseshoe World, London, Ohio.

New League In Ohio Capital City

The East Church Horseshoe Pitching League has been formed in Columbus, Ohio, with a membership of six teams, and it is fully expected that by the time matches are started that two more teams will register.

This will be the inauguration of this form of sport among the churches of the east side of the Capital City, although in the past several of the churches have held intramural competition.

The rules of the National Association have been adopted, although games will consist of but 25 points.

Four men from each church are to pitch each night, two men comprising a flight, with two flights being run off. The first flight of church A will oppose the first flight of church B, playing three games. The second flight will then play on the same court. Standings will be made by compiling the percentage of games won and lost. Thus each church will participate in six games every night of play.

This is entirely a team proposition and individual scores will not affect the records.

The men to pitch in each flight will be decided by lot. The captain of each team placing a list of four men who will compete, in the hands of the secretary, who will then draw the flight memberships.

Two rounds of play are scheduled, with a singles tournament being arranged at the end of the team play. This tourney will be open to any church in the East Church Athletic Association, while it is possible that another tourney, city-wide, may be played.

The First Presbyterian Church, where all matches will be played, has four fine courts, constructed about five years ago. Lights have been installed which will allow playing after dark. As many of the players work until five or five-thirty, the league play will get under way at 6 p. m. every Friday night at the courts which are located at Bryden road and Ohio avenue.

Glaze Thompson, 134 S. Harris avenue, is secretary, and Paul L. Walker, a member of the Columbus Dispatch sports staff, is president of the league.

The present membership of the league finds First Presbyterian, First English Lutheran, Broad Street

Presbyterian, Broad Street Church of Christ, Wilson Reformed and First Methodist Episcopal, ready for play. Ohio Avenue Evangelical and First United Presbyterian are the other two possible entries.

Each church must provide its own equipment, while an entry fee of one dollar will be assessed each team.

CAN AVERAGE 50 PCT.

Although he is 76 years of age, O. J. Hawkins, Newark, O., can still average 50 per cent ringers. Mr. Hawkins is a contractor and has been a real shoe enthusiast for many years.

HAVE FOUR-LANE COURT

McPherson, Kansas, club, has a four-lane court with lights and is planning for a big season. McPherson will probably join with Hutchinson, Newton, Wichita and other towns in a wheat belt league.

Lefty Steinmann

Louis "Lefty" Steinmann, of the Sunset Burial Park team, leaders in the St. Louis Municipal Horseshoe Pitchers League, is not only leading in tossing ringers, but leads the league in games won and lost by having 16 on the right side of the ledger, while the other side is blank. He has thrown 560 ringers including 163 double ringers out of 956 shoes for an average of .585.

In his last exhibition and with his left hand wreathed in bandages due to carbuncles, he threw 107 ringers out of 166 shoes for a .644. In one of his games he equalled the league's one game ringer average of .750, when he got 24 out of 32.

If any of the Horseshoe World's readers while passing through St. Louis, have the time and inclination to pitch horseshoes, a match may be arranged by getting in touch with Jack H. Claves, manager of the Sunset Burial Park team, who is the city's entertainer for all visiting shoe tossers.

EASTERN CHAMPIONSHIP

July 2nd, 3rd and 4th ARE YOU COMING?

Pitch with the "cream of the crop" of horseshoe pitchers in the East. Send in your entry for the Eastern Championship Horseshoe Pitching Tournament, to be held at the Central Recreation Camps, Stony Creek, near Warrensburg, New York. Valuable and attractive prizes to winners. Sleeping and eating accommodations furnished by the camp at a very reasonable rate (\$10 for the three days). Enjoy three days of horseshoes and various other facilities available at the camp. Remember the dates, July 2nd, 3rd and 4th. A good time is guaranteed for all.

ENTRY FEE IS \$1.00

Address Tournament Manager,

Victor Larsen

1 West 25th Street, New York City

After June 25th, write or wire entry and reservation to the Camp direct.

A WORD FROM ATHOL

Editor Horseshoe World.

My Dear Sir: The Athol Horseshoe club, numbering over 30 members, is coming along strong. We have seven fine courts at the Athol fair grounds, and practice about three times each week. Two of our members the other night put on 49 ringers in a 50-point game, and the writer, a young fellow of nearly 63 summers, put on 15 ringers out of 18 consecutive shoes, and made 50 points out of 20 shoes.

We haven't really got swelled heads, but for the good of the fine old game, we, all members of the aforesaid team, issue here a challenge to any organized horseshoe club in Massachusetts, to a series of games, best three out of five 50-point games, National association rules. We will play from four to 12 men teams. Come on, boys, there's a chip on our shoulders; let's see you knock it off.

Also Gardner, Mass., 15 miles east of Athol, is a livewire horseshoe city. At a game two years ago it was estimated there were 1500 on-lookers to watch the games at their several municipal courts, and last fall, at the New England championship games at Brattleboro, Vt.,

Eno Michelson and Fred Johnson were close runners up, and these boys can sure toss ringers, as one had to get 165 points to get in the finals, out of 100 shoes.

Very truly yours,

WALTER L. MANN,
R. F. D. 3, Athol, Mass.

Now is the time to lay in a supply of Cottrell official scoresheets. Printed with your club name for only a little extra cost. Why not get some advertiser to pay for them for use of an ad on each scoresheet?

St. Paul, Minn., April 24
Horseshoe World,
London, Ohio.

Greetings: What's wrong with the game? Too much internal strife, I'd say. At present we have too many different kinds of shaped, designed and official shoes, which, although official are not as official as they should be.

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WADE PARK, JOHN HAY CLUB NOTES

Wade Park Horseshoe Club at Cleveland, O., is getting under way for the summer. Henry J. Gunselman, 2037 W. 99th St., is president, and David O. Chess, 6208 Quimby Ave., is secretary. Other officials are F. K. Rand, 2332 Bellefield Ave., treasurer; Fred H. Kromer, 10306 Marlowe Ave., captain, and Frank A. Moorehead, 9310 Hough Ave., ground manager.

Mr. Chess is also secretary of the John Hay (inside) Horseshoe club, with courts at the John Hay high school, E. 107th and Carnegie Ave.

The John Hay club was organized January 15, 1932, and finished a fine indoor pitching season and hopes to have a good membership list next winter.

John H. Kromer is president, and Chas. N. Boehler is treasurer of the John Hay aggregation.

Listed among the dignitaries of the club are Henry J. Gunselman, county champion; Mason Matthews, Ohio junior champion; Bert Duryee, Ohio state champion, and Blair Nunamaker, holder of the world's title.

Members of the club for 1931-32 season were:

F. K. Rand, 2332 Bellefield Ave.; Henry J. Gunselman, 2037 W. 99th St.; Geo. R. Liggett, 6012 Dibble Ave.; Fred H. Kromer, 10306 Marlowe Ave.; John Kos, 2866 E. 111th St.; J. Luthringer, 1363 E. 95th St.; G. R. Henderson, 10100 Hilgert Dr.; Emil F. Kral, 12504 Marston Ave.; Harry Brown, 9221 Wade Park Ave.; Howard D. Jones, 1119 E. 114th St.; Larry Patton, 4066 E. 91st St.; Howard Crofman, 2090 E. 96th St.; Alex Cook, 6804 Worley Ave.; Chas. N. Boehler, 1127 Sylvania Rd.; David O. Chess, 6208 Quimby Ave.; Chas. G. Reynolds, 10522 Massie Ave.; Chas. Kaufman, 6208 Quimby Ave.; Edw. B. Bunell, 1342 West Blvd.; Geo. Sweet, 3286 E. 117th St.; Fred Garish, 3374 E. 139th St.

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Hamilton Horseshoe Courts

Hamilton, O.—With more than 400 people in attendance, the new horseshoe courts of the Hamilton Horse Shoe club, located on Corliss avenue, in East Hamilton, were formally dedicated. The courts were beautifully decorated with flage and bunting and made a beautiful appearance.

Dedication was opened with an indoor decorated with flags and bunting and after which P. P. Boli, president and master of ceremonies, introduced Russell P. Price, city manager, who gave the dedicatory address. Mr. Price congratulated the club for constructing such beautiful courts and praised the officers in their efforts to promote greater interest in horseshoe playing and in bringing about a finer community spirit.

The dedication exercises were followed by a match game with the best players from the Middletown Horseshoe club which match resulted in a victory for the Hamilton team. Hamilton won 22 games with a total of 795 ringers and 1657 points, while Middletown won 14 games with 677 ringers and 1372 points.

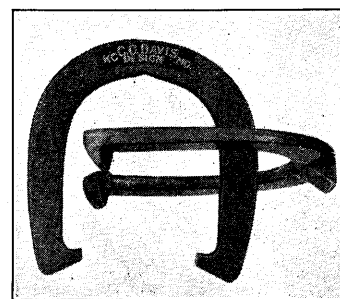
The individual scores were as follows: Hamilton—Rose 285, Bernie 278, Hill 287, Isaacs 242, Mulberry 274, Marcum 291; total 1657.

Middletown—Morgan 191, Nichols 155, Lackey 275, Fryman 269, Cook 256, Slaughter 206; total 1372.

Secretary's Page

The Ohio State Championship Horseshoe Pitching Tournament will be held at Lakeside-on-Lake Eries, August 15 to 20, and is open to any player resident of the State of Ohio except former World's champions. The entry fee is \$3, and a guarantee fee of \$3 is also required of each entrant that he will finish all of his

scheduled games. This guarantee fee will be refunded to each entrant finishing at the end of the meet. Questions concerning entries and the tournament should be sent to K. E. Miller, Box 101, Lakeside, O. The committee in charge of the tournament is V. A. Spaulding, W. N. Crow, W. E. Stimson and the tournament manager is K. E. Miller. The first prize is \$50.00 and gold medal, second, \$40; third, \$30; fourth, \$25; fifth, \$20; sixth, \$15; seventh, \$15; eighth, \$10; ninth, \$10, and tenth, eleventh and twelfth, \$5 each. All players in Ohio should plan to attend this meet which is sanctioned by the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association.



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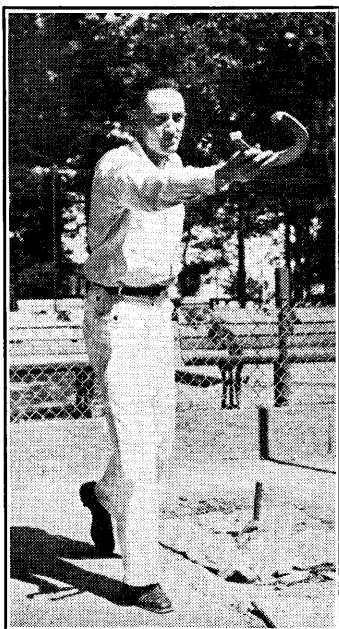
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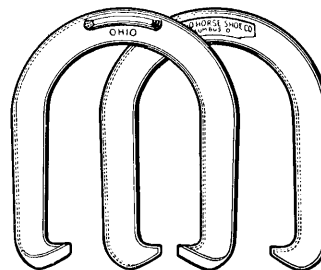
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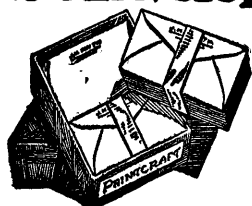
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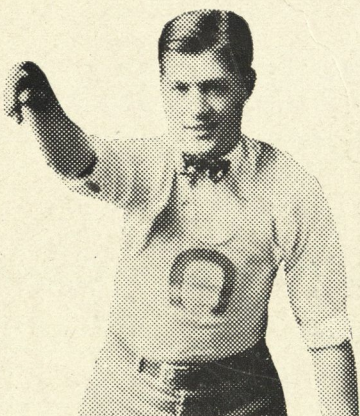


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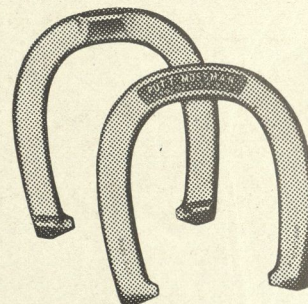
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