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Just Among Ourselves



THIS month's magazine has some most interesting news . . . a new "stunt" in round robin tournaments is being tried in Washington this summer . . . it's a good idea and may be copied in other states . . . much interest is being manifest in many states, judging from reports coming in congratulations go to Clark County, Ohio, shoe tossers who have been given a big appropriation for new courts at Springfield, Ohio . . . and it's hinted a state tourney may be held there . . . Lakeside, a resort in the northern part of the state, has always been host to the Buckeye meets and will probably hold a state meet of some kind even if the Buckeye State Association takes its meet to Springfield . . . and our hat's off to George Greener, who made such a splendid record in horseshoe pitching in Utah in 1933—may 1934 be just as successful to him . . . don't fail to send in your \$1 for membership in the National Association

June, 1934

THIS WILL PAY DIVIDENDS

OUR eye has just caught a news story in a newspaper of the generosity and thoughtfulness of horseshoe clubs in a certain region of the country.

Stories like this are duplicated every now and then in other parts of the land—and we hope the idea spreads.

In Dayton, Ohio, recently, at Barney Community Center the crippled children in the clinics were entertained by the horseshoe clubs of the Miami Valley, with Welfare Director E. V. Stocklein as master of ceremonies, and officers of the Miami Valley Clubs and of the Buckeye State Horseshoe Pitchers Association taking part. Music, speaking and a horseshoe exhibition was the treat for the youngsters.

Horseshoe clubs can render a real service. Their efforts to do something more than just "pitch a few rounds" is bringing them into public admiration and in this step forward lies the hope of the future growth of this great game!

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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NOVEL TOURNEY IDEA IS ADOPTED

Washington State Horseshoe Pitchers Association is conducting a novel monthly tournament which started the second Sunday in April and will continue through six months of play, according to Mrs. Floyd W. Sayre, 9644 East C, Tacoma, secretary-treasurer.

There are 12 men from different cities in the state entered and they each play two men each month, two out of three games.

The state association will hold its picnic in Woodlawn Park, Seattle, the first Sunday in June.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Jackson attended the round robin meet in Seattle the first Sunday in May, Mr. Jackson substituting for R. Getchell, of Port Angeles. He pitched .711 per cent for three games. Sayre was high with .724.

No scores were kept in April, only games won and lost. Figures for April and May are as follows:

	W	L
Floyd Sayre, Tacoma.....	4	0
Roy Getchell, Pt. Angeles.....	4	1
R. Miller, Seattle.....	4	0
Harry Oaks, Seattle.....	4	1
Hugh Wright, Seattle.....	2	2
Art Liedes, Aberdeen.....	2	2
Oscar Lee, Mt. Vernon.....	2	2
Harry Wanschers, Olympia.....	2	2
Hi Crevling, Seattle.....	1	4
Fay Collver, Aberdeen.....	1	4
Verne Reynolds, Seattle.....	0	4
John Premel, Seattle.....	0	4

W	L	P	R	DR	SP	Pct.
Floyd Sayre, Tacoma.....	4	0	212	155	54	.724
C. Jackson, Iowa.....	4	0	209	118	42	.711
H. Wright, Seattle.....	4	1	246	196	63	.628
R. Miller, Seattle.....	3	2	218	188	51	.543
Fay Collver, Aberdeen.....	3	3	279	204	56	.545
Hi Crevling, Seattle.....	3	3	236	205	51	.510
P. Miler, sub for Reynolds, Seattle....	2	2	111	106	26	.482
Harry Oaks, Seattle.....	2	3	219	229	77	.651
J. Premel, Seattle.....	2	3	208	171	41	.518
J. Elliott, sub. for O. Lee, Yakima.....	2	4	257	257	63	.595
H. Wanschers, Olympia.....	0	4	43	76	11	.423
Art Liedes, Aberdeen.....	0	4	105	100	24	.446

April-May Total

	W	L
Floyd Sayre, Tacoma.....	8	0
R. Getchell, Port Angeles.....	8	1
R. Miller, Seattle.....	7	2
Hergh Wright, Seattle.....	6	3
Harry Oaks, Seattle.....	6	4
Oscar Lee, Mt. Vernon.....	4	6
Fay Collver, Aberdeen.....	4	7
Hi Crevling, Seattle.....	4	7
V. Reynolds, Seattle.....	2	6
Art Liedes, Aberdeen.....	2	6
Harry Wanscher, Olympia.....	2	6
John Premel, Seattle.....	2	7

NEW SHOE INTRODUCED

An all aluminum pitching shoe, made of ALCOA heat-treated aluminum under a patented process, is Giant Grip's latest contribution to the sport of horseshoe pitching.

This pitching shoe, which is offered exclusively by the Giant Grip Manufacturing Company, of Oshkosh, Wis., is already a sensation in trade circles. Orders are being placed by some of the big steamship companies for the new shoe, as they find that it answers in every particular their requirements for a light weight, substantially built shoe for their deck pitching courts.

The shoe, though of exceptionally light weight, is perfectly balanced, sturdily constructed, can be pitched against iron stakes, and is in every other respect, other than weight, built according to standard specifications.

Women and children are showing especial interest in these light weight shoes as they can pitch them in standard 40-foot courts without difficulty.

This new Giant Grip Aluminum Shoe has opened up a host of new markets for pitching shoes, including recreational centers, steamships and gymnasiums. It rounds out and completes the horseshoe pitching line of the Giant Grip Manufacturing Company, who are one of the biggest and oldest manufacturers of drop forged horseshoes in the United States.

MOVES OFFICES

Dr. Alan R. Pottle, president of the Buckeye State Horseshoe Pitchers Association, has moved his chiropractic offices in Dayton, Ohio, to the Louis block, southwest corner Fifth and Jefferson.

*
* THE INDIAN'S VERSION OF *
* A HORSESHOE GAME *
* White Man Ver' Funny *

White man he ver' funny; he make fun with little things; he get iron stick and put it in ground and dig by it; make ground soft like dirt in white man's garden. White man no drive stick in ground straight, it lean little like smoke when wind blow slow; he put two sticks, maybe six sticks, maybe ten sticks in ground—heap foolish. Then he get horseshoe and throw at iron stick; sometimes horseshoe hit stick maybe stay on stick, maybe go like wild cat when Indian shoot 'im with arrow and white man say like he mad.

When white man throw horseshoe, he say like crazy man; he say one dead; sometimes two dead, but Indian no see dead man and white man no die. Indian no see tomahawk, no see gun, but white man say, dead; white man heap much crazy.

White man throw horseshoe—look foolish; Indian sit down—smoke pipe get fat; he no crazy like white man.

Pale face man no use good horseshoe; he make ver' funny shoe ver' large and for no put on horse; no holes for nails and shoes white man play with have iron on like hooks.

When Indian play he play little—white man heap dumb—play all day; sometimes he make moonlight on wire and play long time while Indian sleep in his tepee.

Indian hear many funny things at white man's game; he no savvy what paleface say. Indian feel much headache when fire water man say "suckers lead." Indian no see sucker and he no see sucker lead, but when he fish sucker bite. White man talk ver' crazy.

White man say more funny things, when he throw two horseshoe on stick he say double and he mean sometime three, sometime six, so Indian make plenty fool of himself when he try to savvy white man's game—he no see what double mean.

White man more crazy yet; him say in hole, but he play long time and he no get in hole. Too much for Indian; he go and smoke and watch squaw work.

E. J. THOMPSON,
322 W. 22nd St., Cheyenne, Wyo.

REACHES TOP IN SINGLE YEAR

(Some time ago the Horseshoe World carried the photograph of George R. Greener, Utah champion tosser and at that time the magazine had intended using a very complimentary story written by Jimmy Hodgson in the Desert News, of Salt Lake, regarding Mr. Greener, but somehow it was misplaced. A little late, but we know our readers will enjoy reading it.—Editor)

George R. Greener is king of the "barnyard golf" sport in Utah, making one of the greatest records that has even been written into the beehive sports history book in the shoe pitching game.

Greener reached the heights of the iron shoe sport in just one year. He had hardly touched a shoe until last summer he attended an exhibition put on by C. C. Davis, national champion, and he immediately purchased a set of irons and set to work to practice.

The champion worked diligently perfecting his throwing and entered the state meet last year. But he fell down a little in the final test and only placed third. The title was won by Oscar Hunsaker with a 49 per cent of his tosses going for ringers.

Brilliant Performance

The tournament merely served to whet Greener's appetite for the game, however, and he went after his practice with increased vigor until this year he was able to church two out of three shots on the iron peg consistently.

He continued his brilliant throwing in the state meet to average 66 per cent, an almost unheard of average, and easily romped off with the singles honors. He also paired with Arthur Thomas to take the doubles.

Greener won the singles championship in the State Fish and Game Association tournament at Lagoon and teamed with Oscar Hunsaker to capture the doubles. Greener also won the big majority of the mid-weekly tourneys which were staged at the Liberty Park courts during the summer season.

Scientific Game

Horseshoes, according to George, requires just as much science and training to gain perfection as any other sport. He says that no pitcher can hope to win any major titles now days without averaging around 50 per cent or more ringers.

In Greener's opinion, "if golfers would just give horseshoes a try, there would be a good deal less golf

played in Salt Lake." Of course the golfers don't agree with him, but it shows the enthusiasm that can be worked up by a real follower of the game.

AMATEUR IDEA PROVES SUCCESS

Theory Professionals Alone Can Draw
Interested Crowds Disproved
in Buffalo.

Amateur pitching has been successful in Buffalo, N. Y. Dating back six years the game was introduced in that city in an organized way and has been conducted as a strictly amateur sport since, according to advice from that city.

The success of the plan used in Buffalo disproves the theory advanced by some that the public is only interested in professional matches and that interest cannot be kept alive in amateur pitching.

Following article is by a pitcher who uses for his pen name, "James Franklin." James Franklin has written the story of horseshoe pitching in Buffalo so well that we repeat it here just as written:

About six years ago, Mr. Fred Becker induced Mr. Robert Stedler, sporting editor of the Buffalo Evening News to become interested in horseshoe pitching. The Buffalo Evening News has run annual tournaments since then. These tournaments have all been strictly amateur, the Buffalo Evening News donating cups and medals as prizes.

Mr. John Turk, of Fredonia, N. Y., a man of over 70 years at that time, won the first tournament in September, 1929.

This first tournament was held on an old tennis court and we just dug up the hard red clay and pitched our games.

Mr. D. D. Cottrell supervised this first tournament and thereafter interest in horseshoe pitching grew very fast here in Buffalo. About 20 pitchers participated in this first tournament.

In 1930 the second tournament was held at the McKinley Parkway courts. These courts were constructed and donated to the horseshoe pitchers of Buffalo by Mr. Fred Becker. Ernest Bowen of Oakfield, N. Y., won this tournament. About 200 participated, and a B Class was

formed and pitched in this tournament.

In 1931 the third tournament was held at the McKinley Parkway courts and was won again by Ernest Bowen.

In 1932 the fourth tournament was won by Pete Sherwood of Buffalo.

Bowen did not compete this year.

This tournament also was held at the McKinley Parkway courts.

Don Bickerton, of Buffalo, won in 1933. Bowen and Sherwood both participated in this tournament, Bowen losing only to Bickerton.

Last November the Buffalo Horseshoe Pitching Club was organized and we have about 90 members at this time.

Ernest Roadhouse is president; Fred Becker is vice president; Joe Tobin, secretary, and Fred Hanes, is treasurer.

We have ten indoor courts on Massachusetts avenue and Lawrence place here in Buffalo for winter pitching. There are 44 courts in the city parks for summer pitching, besides the private courts about the city.

For the past two years we have had an eight-team league pitching in the summer. This league is also sponsored by The Buffalo Evening News.

Ernest Bowen's Oakfield Indians won the championship in 1932.

The Riverside team of Buffalo won in 1933.

Buffalo is a hot spot now for this game and with such leaders as Becker and Roadhouse it is sure to go over big from now on.

May I add that Mr. Frank Nevin of Rochester, N. Y., gave us an exhibition of pitching at our first tournament in 1929. This was the first time Buffalo folks had an opportunity to see a real good pitcher in action.

This exhibition had a good deal to do in creating interest in the game here. The tournament was pitched on an old tennis court in Delaware park.

The 1933 tournament was pitched in Riverside park.

SECTIONAL TOURNEY

A sectional high school horseshoe tournament was held recently with D. P. Norton, principal of the Interlaken high school, Interlaken, N. Y., as chairman.

S. S. Randall, Edward Coyne and Philip Gilpatrick are Quincy, Mass., tossers.

BUCKEYE STATE NEWS

A Page Devoted to the News and Views of the Buckeye State Horseshoe Pitchers Association

Claims Recod

Broken in Ohio

Referring to the article in a recent issue regarding the Marion, Ohio, team's record game of February 10, A. Stolarik, secretary of the Rockstroh Horseshoe club, of Canton, reports a set of figures of the North-Eastern Ohio League that sets a definite record for a six-man team, 50 points per game, stating that he believes this breaks the Marion record.

The best ringer percentage in the league in 1933 was made by Burk Bros. team of Akron, 1179 points, 1163 ringers, 367 doubles, 1912 shoes pitched, and 60.6 per cent ringer average.

The scores of the league:

Burk Bros. vs. Canton Club, June 25, 1933, in Canton, Ohio

Burk Bros.	P	R	DR	SP	Pct
W. Wilkinson	262	204	51	398	51.2
L. May	300	238	79	354	67.2
O. Povenmire	267	203	49	362	56.0
A. May	300	206	53	352	58.5
J. Wilkinson	295	193	51	400	48.2
W. Witt	249	210	53	384	54.6
Totals	1673	1254	336	2250	55.7

Total won, 27; lost 9.

Rockstroh Club of Canton vs. Burk Bros., Akron, Sept. 7, on Rockstroh Courts

Rockstroh	P	R	DR	SP	Pct
F. Robinson	253	196	44	364	53.8
Stinchcomb	281	235	74	370	63.5
P. Wise	126	118	31	254	46.4
L. Miller	282	221	69	374	59.1
A. Stolarik	239	205	50	392	52.2
B. Haines	243	202	49	400	50.2
P. Evey	84	67	16	138	48.5
Totals	1508	1244	333	2292	54.2

Total won 17; lost 19.

Rockstroh Club vs. Burk Bros, July 6, 1933, on Burk Bros. Courts

Burk Bros.	P	R	DR	SP	Pct
L. May	300	224	80	324	69.1
W. Witt	288	225	57	430	52.3
A. May	290	201	57	380	52.8
O. Povenmire	300	220	65	388	56.7
xH. Falor	300	231	70	392	58.9
J. Wilkinson	146	131	22	328	39.8
Totals	1624	1232	351	2242	54.9

Total won 27; lost 9.

x—National champion, 1923.

A. STOLARIK, Sec.

DOUBLE RINGERS

The Miami Valley League, at Dayton score:

Hamilton, 16 games; Edgemont 20. At Wilmington—Ft. McKinley, 14 games; Wilmington, 22 games.

Losers buy new shoes for Barney Community Center; matches at Edgemont, Dayton.

Norris Thompson, E. Dayton, 0 games; Lyle Brown, Edgemont, 3 games; Dr. W. E. Dafler, E. Dayton, 1 game; Dr. Alan Pottle, Edgemont, 4 games.

Lyle Brown pitched .711 per cent; Norris Thompson pitched .555 per cent.

The two doctors pitched for the "Rookie" prize.

Springfield — The Civic Athletic Center is installing a battery of 12 courts in their park, at a cost exceeding \$1000, which will insure a mighty fine addition to their athletic facilities. Loy Johnston is a member of the Board of Directors of the Springfield Athletic Center and it is through our secretary that we learn that this body will put in a bid for the Buckeye State Championship Tournament to be held September 1, 2 and 3. More power to you, Springfield Athletic Association.

The Miami Valley League opened their 1934 season with six clubs represented, viz: Hamilton, Piqua, Wilmington, Mt. McKinley, East Dayton and Edgemont. Each club will have a first and second team, both teams to play at the same time and place in a split season schedule; each half season covering five weeks. At the close of the second half of the schedule the winners of each half season will compete for the league championship.

The Clark County League will start the season schedule with 12 clubs each of which will have two teams, the National League and The American League, with the teams so arranged that each club and team

will be so arranged that each will be fairly well balanced in ability.

Dayton—A factory league of 12 teams is in process of formation with the National Cash Register, Leland Electric, Frigidare, Wright Field, Dayton Rubber, McCalls, Delco, Inland and four other factories. The Montgomery County League will start with six teams, all of which seem to be evenly matched in pitching ability. Claude Nelis is secretary with Chester Sherer newly elected president, makes a pair of rare ability.

The Greater Cleveland League entertained between 900 and 1000 people at the dance and euchre in the News Auditorium, April 21st. Betchurline, those Cleveland boys really put things over when they start something. They merit their achievement; they're fine sports, all of them.

There are approximately 1600 horseshoe pitchers affiliated with the Buckeye State Association at this writing and the list is growing steadily. The officers of the association expect the list to surpass 2000 by the middle of the season. This speaks well for the earnest efforts of the officials of that organization during the past winter to get the boys to see the advantage of association. Ohio is now better organized than any other state, and their methods are being studied by other state organizations.

GAME PROGRESSING

E. B. and Dwight M. Havey, well known Maine horseshoe tossers, will give exhibitions this year, it has been announced.

The Haveys report that the game has progressed rapidly in that state and at present there are at least 50 clubs in the state.

The Haveys live at Sullivan, Maine.

ORGANIZE LEAGUE

A league has been organized at Fairmont, W. Va., with Kenneth Stiles, 416 Wiley street, as president.

TULSA TRIBUNE TELLS OF GAME

Horseshoes came in for considerable space in Gal Wood's "Down the Middle Aisle of Sports" in the Tulsa (Okla.) Tribune recently.

Wood, who is sport editor of the Tribune, had the following to say:

"Just like old Dobbin has left the labor class to become a beat of pleasure for turf fans at million dollar racing plants throughout the world, horseshoe pitching has vaulted from the 'farm hand game' classification to become one of the nation's most fun-giving inexpensive sports, followed with intense interest by more than a million exponents of the 'ringer' brigade in these United States.

It isn't hard to recall that only a few short years ago, Axel and Cy, the two hired men on the farm, rushed through their noon-day meal to get outdoors for a game of horseshoes before returning to the fields. Anybody who indulged in the pastime in those days were grinned at by the 'city slickers' and called 'hay-seed.'

It was a game confined to 'hick towns' and to stable men down behind the old livery barns.

But this is horseshoe pitching's new deal. Axel and Cy are still pitching 'hoss shoes' down on the farm. And 'hay-seeds' in 'hick towns' still get a whale of a kick out of topping an opponent's ringer. Stable men at the livery 'barns' long since have been replaced by mechanics for 'hos-less' carriages, but in their place in the horseshoe pitching field are hundreds of thousands of 'city slickers' who have awakened to the wholesome recreation the sport provides.

Where the game was confined to the noisy little county fairs in the days of yore, horseshoe pitching today has its city, state, sectional and national tournaments, with champions crowned in as serious and impressive ceremonies as any of those which attend other individualistic sports such as golf, tennis, archery, rifle shooting, bowling, and so on.

A national association has been organized and it has its own monthly publication, the 'Horse Shoe World,' published at London, Ohio. The game claims enthusiastic followers in every walk of life. There is no age limit, and the female of the species can become as adept at the sport as the male.

It is with all of this in his mind that Tulsa's most enthusiastic promoter of horseshoe pitching comes to us in the hope of gaining new recognition for the sport in Tulsa and Oklahoma generally. He is Carl Vonder Lancken, a blond-headed 23-year-old lad, who resides with his parents at 2819 E. Fourth street. Vonder Lancken, a graduate of Tulsa university who holds A.B. and L.L.B. degrees, would like to see more city horseshoe courts constructed here. 'Why, on the three courts down at Central park now there is an average daily play of more than 30 persons,' he explains, adding, 'and that would be much greater if there were more good courts.'

Vonder Lancken was one of the organizers of the Tulsa Horseshoe club, which concentrates at Central park. T. E. Anderson is secretary, and Al Valentine is one of the crack city players of the city.

Vonder Lancken, who once held the District of Columbia league championship, points out that horseshoe pitching is the most inexpensive of interesting sports. 'A couple of dollars and you're equipped for the game for years. Skill is what's required mostly,' he says. He hopes to bring Jimmy Risk, national amateur horseshoe pitching champion in 1930-31-32, to Tulsa for an exhibition. Risk has a record of 93 ringers out of 100 tosses. And he puts on an interesting show of tricks like striking matches while making ringers, pitching ringers over a blanket at a blind peg, ringing cigarets at a distance without injuring the 'fag,' blindfolded pitching and so on."

KANSAS HORSESHOE

NEWS

By Alvin Dahlene, Lawrence

On Sunday afternoon, May 27, an inter-state horseshoe match between California and Kansas was staged on the courts of the fair ground. A crowd estimated at 350 attended the exhibition which was replete with thrills of fine pitching. Kansas players won the match 5 to 4. The brilliant pitching of Ted Allen was well enjoyed by the crowd.

Alvin Gandy, Topeka star, pitched one of the most brilliant games ever seen on the courts at Topeka. He beat Isais 50 to 45, averaging 80.1

per cent ringers. Phillips, Isais, Ira Allen and Dahlene pitched fine horseshoes throughout the three games.

Following the match games "Ted" Allen and Ira Allen put on some fancy trick pitching. Isais also assisted them.

The results of the tournament follows:

First Round, Kansas 1, California 2

	P	R	SP	Pct
Isais	50	56	80	70
Dahlene	38	52	80	65

Phillips	25	36	62	57.5
Ted Allen	50	45	62	72.5

Gandy	50	46	70	65.5
Ira Allen	28	38	70	54.4

2nd Round, Kansas 2, California 1

Phillips	50	52	74	70
Ira Allen	41	50	74	68

Dahlene	29	47	72	65
Ted Allen	50	57	72	79

Gandy	50	76	94	80
Isais	45	74	94	78

3rd Round, Kansas 2, California 1

Dahlene	50	46	72	64
Ira Allen	44	44	72	62

Phillips	50	44	62	70
Isais	44	41	62	66

Gandy	46	72	100	72
Allen, Ted	50	76	100	76

Percentages for the six players follow:

Ted Allen	75.2
Gandy	72.2
Isais	70.5
Phillips	65.2
Dahlene	64.2
Ira Allen	61.3

Standing of players in games won and lost.

Allen	3	0
Gandy	2	1
Phillips	2	1
Isais	1	2
Dahlene	1	2
Ira Allen	0	3

The Stamford, Conn., Horseshoe club re-organized April 14. Last year the club won four and dropped four team matches. Stamford's first game of the season this year was with the Brookside Club at Peekskill, N. Y. L. D. Lane is secretary of the club.

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A horseshoe club has been organized at New Richmond, Wis. Henry C. Johnson is the president.

Give \$2,258 for

New Shoe Courts

An appropriation of \$2,258 has been approved by the Board of Park Trustees at Springfield, Ohio, for the erection of 12 new horseshoe courts at Snyder Park. The cost of the materials is estimated at \$900, the labor at \$900 and the electric lighting equipment at \$458.

Horseshoe pitchers everywhere will congratulate Clark county shoe tossers on this achievement in securing such favorable recognition for the game.

The following is from Bob Baer's column in the Springfield Daily News:

"Horseshoe pitchers of the city are beaming these days, now that their hopes for a block of first-class courts are soon to be realized, thanks to the decision of the park board to appropriate funds for the construction of 12 courts at Snyder Park. As a result the Clark County Horseshoe Pitchers Association can proceed with its plans to bring the state tournament here, having assurance that there will be adequate courts on which to stage the meet. As matters

stand now the tourney is almost certain to be held in Springfield.

"Horseshoe pitching, once the leading sport throughout rural Ohio, has, recently gone through an organization process typical of that taking place in other sports which formerly were played on a hit-and-miss basis. In Ohio a state association with district and county subdivisions has been placed in operation. In soft ball a similar movement has taken place, both in Ohio and throughout the nation. It was due mainly to the efforts of the local body that need of adequate courts was brought to the attention of the park board, so once again organization has paved the way to improvement in the sports facilities of the city.

IOWA ACE TOSSER DIES

The Horseshoe World has lost a most able correspondent and Ottumwa, Iowa, has lost its ace horseshoe pitcher in the death of Ernest W. Peckham.

Mr. Peckham passed away on May 13, following an illness of eight months.

He held both the county and the Southeastern Iowa titles, and was

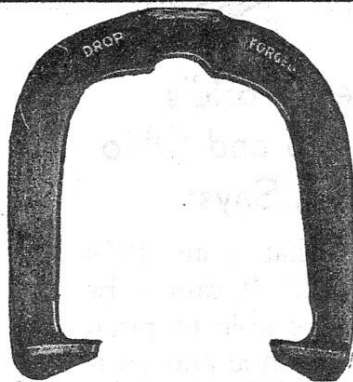
considered one of Iowa's best tossers. Through his efforts the Wapello County Horseshoe Club was organized, of which he served as secretary. Leroy Thomas, captain of the Wapello county team pays a glowing tribute to Mr. Peckham in a letter to the Horseshoe World.

He was 23 years of age, leaving to mourn their loss, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peckham and a host of friends and relatives. For a time he worked in the office of the Ottumwa Courier and later worked with his father at the carpenter trade. He was a member of the Brethren church.

Among the Oregon horseshoe pitchers are: Ray Snider, 702 L Avenue, LaGrande; Jesse Breshears, 1103 Sixth St., LaGrande; L. E. Thompson, 702 Crook St., LaGrande; W. H. Hertzog, 908 Spring St., LaGrande; Alex McKinzie, Summerville; John S. Baker, Pendleton; Robert Marty, 1010 W. Alta, Pendleton; J. B. Smith, 1809 X Ave., LaGrande.

Eugene Mullaney, Lockport, N. Y., has become a horseshoe pitching enthusiast.

THERE IS ONE
BEST
IN EVERYTHING



THE SHOE THAT'S
DESIGNED FOR
RINGERS

The above cut was made from a photograph of the "Jackson Special" and we are using it to represent the "Ted Allen Special" also. The only difference is found in width of body. The "Ted Allen Special" is our widest body type. To those who like the wider, flatter type of shoe, we recommend the "Ted Allen Special" and those who like the narrower type of shoe, the "Jackson Special" will be just what they are looking for. Both styles have the long, curved inset heel calks and a perfected spin break, which makes them superior to any pitching shoe ever offered the pitchers of the nation.

We are using the finest steel that is obtainable for this purpose and are tempering them in hard, medium, soft and dead soft.

Give these shoes a trial and be convinced that they are superior.

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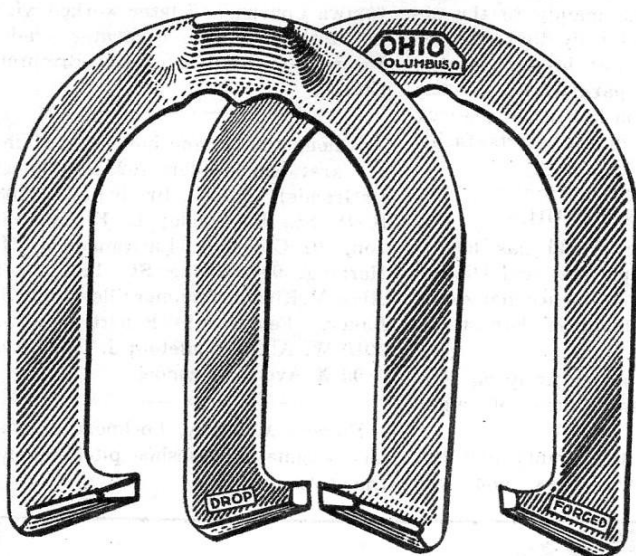
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Better Calks
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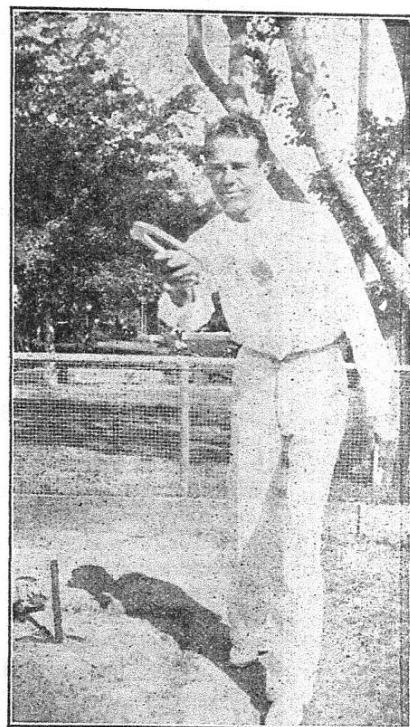
Blair Nunamaker, World's
Champion 1929 - 1933 and Ohio
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A Horseshoe Pitcher

By CLARA KEITH

Do you know him as the man or as the sportsman? Or as both? To me Ferd Drey is one of the finest men I know. He has taken the rules from the sport world and applied them to his own life. Not only in the horseshoe field has he excelled, but in baseball, trap shooting and hunting as well.

I am not going to tell the readers much of his success in these sports, but am going to try to put into writing a sketch of him.

He and his bride came to South Dakota when he was a young man. He bought a farm 11 miles north of Beresford. He stocked this farm with purebred cattle and hogs. He worked hard. A big frame house and barns were built as the years passed by. He entered this stock in the state fair. Then for many years they won prize ribbons for him. He progressed and was happy. But always he had some hobby, usually in the line of some sport.

Ferd Drey was a fair, honest man in his contact with his neighbors. He was just. He gave every man the benefit of the doubt. He respect-

ed the other man's ideas and wishes, though he sometimes did not always agree with him. Big hearted and friendly he is always helping his children and others when they need it—without thinking of an earthly reward, but rather one from the Supreme Being. He does not judge harshly, but lends a helping hand to try to bring out the better self of an individual. Instead of criticizing, he offers helpful suggestions that are many times helpful.

He was losing money and was not in good health. He moved back to his farm, after 14 years of living in town and tried to farm. I found him one evening sitting on the back porch gazing at his field of parched corn which only a week before had promised to be a good yield. His figure was more bent and in his eyes there was a trace of tears. His voice broke as he turned and tried to converse in natural tones with me, but he managed to control his emotions. For two years he worked hard in the fields and on the long, cold winter days. Did he become bitter? No! In 1934 he lost his farm where he had helped his wife rear their children, where he had enjoyed the prime of his life, watched another

man move in and take possession. He has managed to pay some of his debts, but not all of them.

The last time I saw him—only two or three weeks ago—his eyes still shone with faith in God and mankind. And as I looked out of the window to call him to supper, I saw him, at the horseshoe grounds, with a horseshoe in his hand and in that old familiar pose ready to throw. I wonder if I had not called then, if it would have been a ringer!

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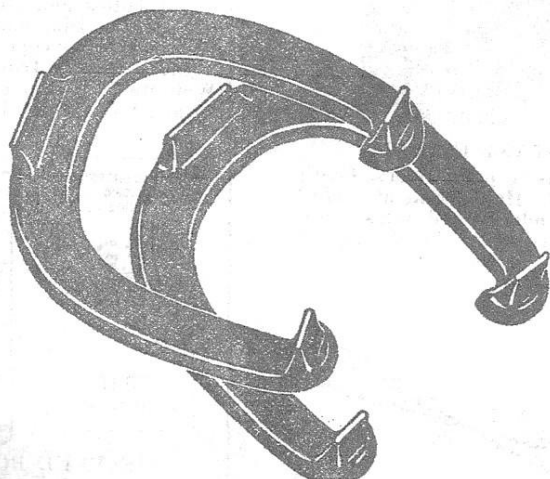
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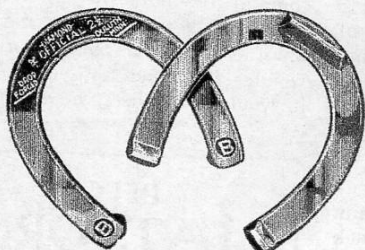
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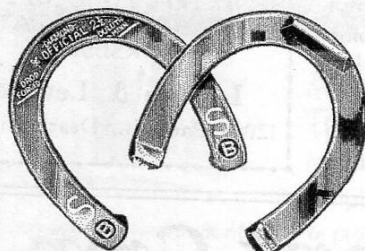
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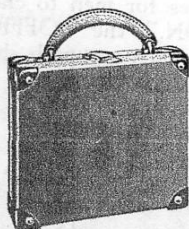
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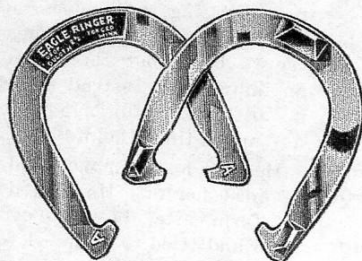
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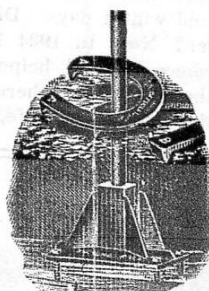
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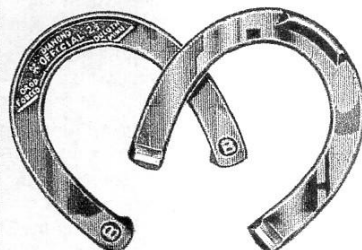
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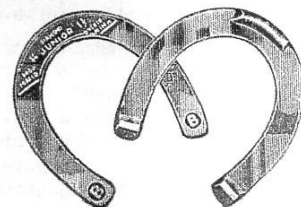
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