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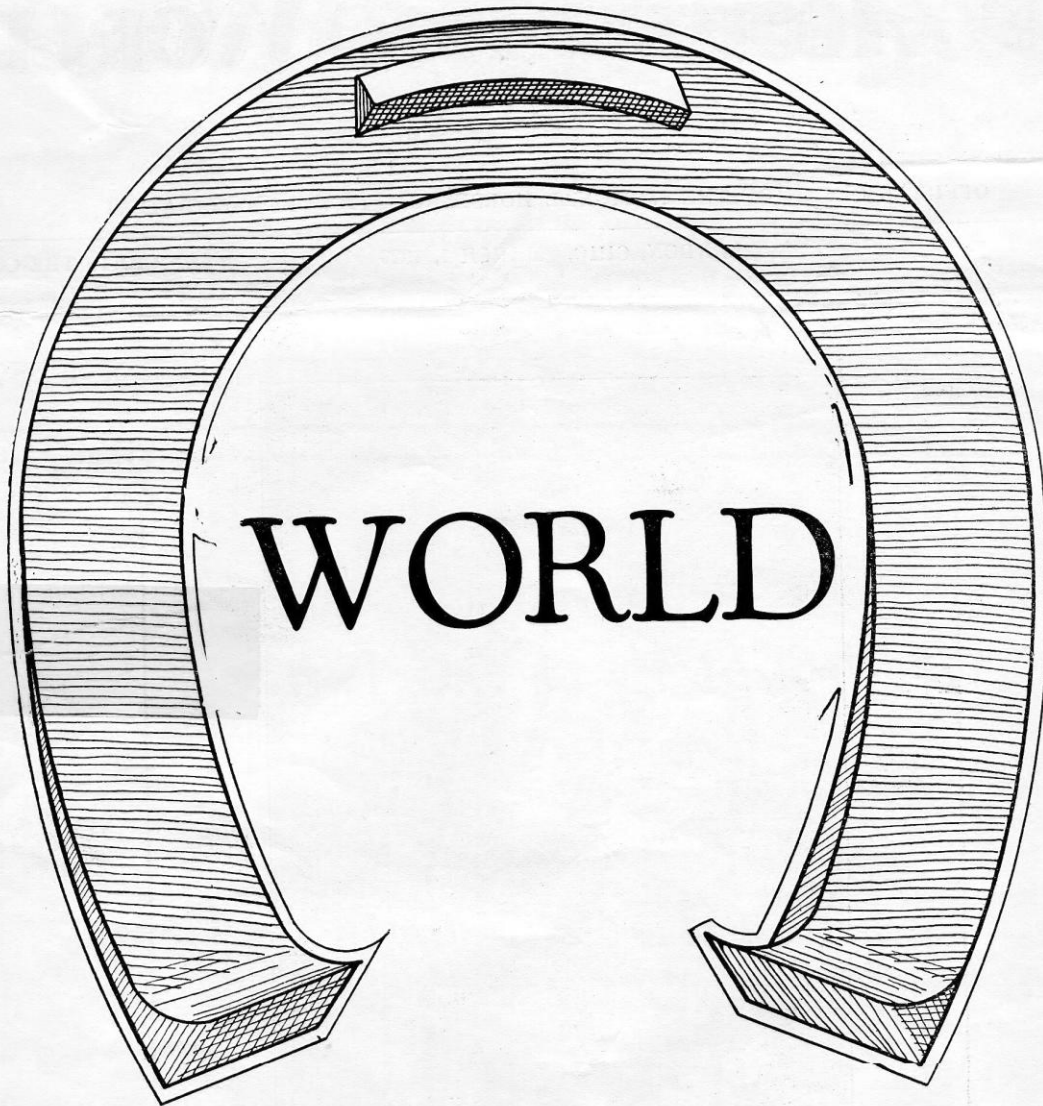
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All Shoulders to the Wheel

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The Horseshoe World congratulates the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association on the management of its tournament at St. Petersburg last month and on the successful convention. A new president and a new secretary were elected.

Let's all join forces in helping the officers of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association make the organization a stronger force in the world of sports. It is up to you and me to lay down whatever petty jealousies we may have, to forget our differences and work with these men in furthering the game to its uttermost possibilities.

All shoulders to the wheel!

Frank Jackson Again Cops Title

Complete Story of Tournament and Convention Told

A NEW CHAMPION was crowned—or rather a former champion received a new crown—when Frank Jackson, Kellerton, Ia., won the championship laurels at Waterfront Park, St. Petersburg in the 1926 Mid-Winter Tournament of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association, defeating "Putt" Mossman, Eldora, Ia., youth. Jackson was horseshoe champion for 10 years, then lost the title in 1919, again regaining it in 1920; losing it again in the winter of 1921 and winning it back in the fall of the same year. In 1922 he lost it again and was unable to regain it until this year.

The interesting story of the tournament, written for The Horseshoe World by D. D. Cottrell, Vice President of the National Association, is as follows:

Monday, February 8, the winter tournament of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association began on the courts of the Sunshine Pleasure Club in Waterfront Park, St. Petersburg, Florida. The city put in 13 new courts, cementing the six-foot square around the pegs except for space left for the clay area, and paving the 34 feet between the six-foot squares. A carload of Georgia clay was shipped in by the city and the clay area around each stake amply filled with as fine clay as was ever pitched into. All courts are electrically lighted with a light over each peg and other lights in center between each two courts.

Before the tournament opened the shoes of all the contestants were weighed and measured and each contestant drew a number. There were 33 contestants in the men's tournament and 6 in the women's, representing eleven states.

Mayor C. M. Blanc, Ed. T. Lewis, president of the Chamber of Commerce, James E. Coad, executive vice-president of the Chamber of Commerce, and other leaders were present at the opening of the big event. Moving pictures of these with the players and national officers were taken, which will be distributed throughout the country in the news reels. The Mayor opened the tournament by pitching a few shoes with champion Putt Mossman. The games were all played according to the schedules of D. J. Cowden, Adair, Iowa.

Pitch Preliminaries

The preliminaries were pitched off the first week on the round robin plan, with no contestants in the men's tournament coming through with a clean slate. Mrs. Brouillette in the women's tournament did not lose a game. Mrs. Francisco only losing one game and that to Mrs. Brouillette.

TROPHIES DONATED

Trophies donated by merchants and manufacturers were awarded as follows:

Central Nat'l Bank, St. Petersburg, Fla., Putt Mossman.

Ohio Horseshoe Co., Columbus Ohio, Bert Duryee.

Franklin J. Mason, Inc., St. Petersburg, Fla., Blair Nunamaker.

Franklin J. Mason, Inc., St. Petersburg, Fla., Ralph Spencer.

Rio Vista, St. Petersburg, Fla. Arthur Cumming.

Arthur L. Johnson, St. Petersburg, Fla., C. R. Thompson.

Shepard & Company, St. Petersburg, Fla., Fred Brundige.

Chicago Steel & Foundry Co., Chicago, Ill., T. C. Reed.

Chicago Steel & Foundry Co., Chicago, Ill., Fred Nussbaum.

Chicago Steel & Foundry Co., Chicago, Ill., Eddie Gilliland.

Chicago Steel & Foundry Co., Chicago, Ill., A. J. Buckman.

Chicago Steel & Foundry Co., Chicago, Ill., Herbert Coy.

Ladies

Harrison-Powell, St. Petersburg, Fla., Mrs. J. F. Francisco.

Rio Vista, St. Petersburg, Fla. Mrs. E. Besancon.

Chicago Steel & Foundry Co., Chicago, Ill., Mrs. E. L. Cole.

With the men, Mossman lost only one game and that to Nunamaker on Friday, with the following score:

	P	R	DR	SP	Pct.
Mossman	42	58	17	88	.659
Nunamaker	50	57	16	88	.648

Duryee lost only two games, one to Nunamaker and one to Mossman on Tuesday. Nunamaker lost one game

to Nussbaum on Wednesday and one to Thompson on Thursday. Jackson, who went through the preliminaries in February, 1925 without losing a game, lost three games in the preliminaries here, one to Duryee on Tuesday, and one each to Nunamaker and Mossman on Thursday. All ties for places below the twelfth were played off resulting in the places and prizes as shown elsewhere in the tabular results.

Beginning Monday, February 15, in the finals it was planned that the twelve highest men were each to play each other one game each day for three days and the four highest women each play each other one game each of these three days. Buckman pitched all of his games on Monday, losing them all as his arm had given out. By agreement with the players he was allowed to withdraw from the finals and be awarded twelfth place, which he was at least entitled to in his preliminary playing. By action of the convention of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association on Monday night all games played by Buckman on Monday were taken out of the record, leaving the records the same as though these games had not been played.

The finals were finished with eleven men playing a round robin each day; the four women also playing a round robin each day. The results of the finals are given in tabular statements elsewhere. Tuesday night Duryee stood first with only 4 games lost and 17 won, while Mossman, Jackson and Cumming were tied for second place with 5 games lost and 16 won.

Early Wednesday morning Nunamaker defeated Duryee and in the afternoon both Mossman and Jackson won from him. Wednesday afternoon Spencer won from Cumming.

Mossman won from Jackson, and Cumming won from Mossman and Jackson won from Cumming. This left Mossman and Jackson tied for the championship with 24 games won and 6 lost, also Nunamaker and Cumming tied for the fourth place with 21 games won and 9 lost. It was so late in the afternoon and as each player had already played 10 games that day it was decided to pitch the ties off Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, somewhat to the dissatisfaction of the number of thousand horseshoe fans who had hoped to see the championship decided Wednesday.

Thursday afternoon, in the presence of the largest and most enthusiastic crowd of horseshoe fans ever assembled, Nunamaker and Cumming pitched three games for fourth place as follows:

	P	R	DR	SP	Pct.
Nunamaker ...	49	44	12	74	.595
Cumming	50	45	16	74	.608
	P	R	DR	SP	Pct.
Nunamaker ...	50	31	9	62	.500
Cumming	36	28	4	62	.452
	P	R	DR	SP	Pct.
Nunamaker ...	50	41	14	80	.513
Cumming	49	37	8	80	.463

This gave Nunamaker fourth place by one point in the last game.

Big Event Begins

Then the great event of the day began. Never before had there been such a hotly contested tournament for championship. Never before had the championship been so in doubt until the last day. Never had two been tied for championship with such high percentages of ringers and still been defeated so many times by such strong contenders for the highest honor. With intense excitement Mossman and Jackson started the series of three games which would crown one of them with the highest honor in the horseshoe world. A coin was flipped for first pitch and the first game was on, resulting as follows:

	P	R	DR	SP	Pct.
Jackson	50	33	11	58	.569
Mossman	41	32	9	58	.552

The second game was played on a different court, resulting:

	P	R	DR	SP	Pct.
Mossman	50	37	9	58	.638
Jackson	25	28	7	58	.483

After each had won a game and the championship rested on the result of only one game more, the excitement almost knew no bounds. The crowd certainly got all the thrills that any sport could give. The game was played on a third court and Jackson started with a double ringer and 6

points. In the next inning each had a ringer and Jackson one point. They put 4 ringers on the peg in both third and fourth innings. Then Mossman forged ahead until the score stood Mossman 13, Jackson 7, in the ninth inning. Jackson then made 3 in the tenth inning. In the eleventh inning

KIND OF SHOES PITCHED BY DIFFERENT PLAYERS

During the National Horseshoe Pitchers tournament held at St. Petersburg, Fla., Feb. 8 to 18, 1926, Buckman, Brundige, Arthur Cumming, Jackson, Mossman, Nussbaum, Reed, Coy, Spencer, Buckminster, Estep, Alex Cumming, Deeg, Gouchenour, Hill, Lawcock, McDonald, McLean, McQueen, Les Robison, Witmer, Mrs. Besancon, Mrs. Brioullette, Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Francisco, Mrs. Cumming, and Mrs. Young each pitched the Ohio horseshoe manufactured by the Ohio Horseshoe Company, Columbus, Ohio.

Duryee, Gilliland, Thompson, Beesecker, Burdick, Conklin, H. Robinson, Harding and Wagner each pitched the Martin horseshoes manufactured by W. J. Martin, Cleveland, Ohio.

Nunamaker, Leonard and Vite each pitched the National Standard horseshoe manufactured by the National Standard Horseshoe Company, Akron, O.

Jackson threw one ringer but his second shoe was a little short but open in front of the peg. Mossman threw a double ringer but pulled Jackson's second shoe on the peg, making four ringers. Later Mossman needed these 3 points, he lost by this one pitch. Mossman continued to lead until at the thirty-third inning the game stood Mossman 35, Jackson 34. Then "Old Warhorse" Jackson took the bit between his teeth and ran his score up to 46 in the thirty-eighth inning, while Mossman still stood at 35. In the next two innings Mossman made 6 points. Then Jackson made one point in the forty-first and two points in the forty-second inning making the score Jackson 49, Mossman 41. In the forty-third inning Mossman 48 and Jackson 49 with Mossman's first pitch. Mossman missed the stake with both shoes and Jackson missed the stake with both of his but placed the nearest shoe for a point and won the world's championship. The game was—

	P	R	DR	SP	Pct.
Jackson	50	50	14	90	.555
Mossman	48	53	14	90	.587

He certainly justified his title of "One-Point" Jackson, by which he has been called.

Was First Champion

Jackson was the first National Champion Horseshoe Pitcher of the World, having won the championship belt in a tournament open to the world at Bronson, Kansas in 1909. He held this title and defended it at all northern tournaments until August, 1922, when he lost the title to Frank Lundin at Des Moines. In the meantime a series of national tournaments had been held under the auspices of another association in Florida during the winter months. Jackson did not compete in these tournaments in the south. At Des Moines in August, 1922, the two national associations were combined in one under the name of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association. Jackson has competed in all tournaments held both in the north and the south ever since. His remarkable come-back as national champion has been his great ambition and he has always said he would be champion again. With the true sportsmanship that 19-year-old Mossman is made of, he was the first to congratulate his opponent, 55-year-old Jackson, who has also been one of his best friends for years.

Thursday evening the players, score-keepers, officials and others who had worked so hard to make this tournament the wonderful success it was were given a banquet at the Princess Martha hotel. The prizes and trophies were awarded to each winner in a very appropriate personal talk by James E. Coad, executive vice-president of the Chamber of Commerce. Mayor Blanc, Mr. A. F. Bartlett, who has done so much for the horseshoe game in St. Petersburg, and Ed. T. Lewis, president of the Chamber of Commerce, and other city and Chamber of Commerce officials spoke of the high appreciation of the city in being selected as the place for this tournament and hoped that the city would be selected again. Singing and speech-making by a great many of the players and guests were enjoyed by all present until a late hour, ending one of the most successful, enjoyable banquets and exciting tournaments ever held.

CONVENTION IS HELD

In connection with the tournament there was a convention of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association.

Soon after the convention in February, 1925, at Lake Worth, E. M. Twynham, who was elected secretary at that convention, resigned, so there has been no secretary during the past year. Al Michler, who was president, wired his resignation because of ill health. He was not able to attend the convention or tournament held here. His resignation was regretfully accepted.

On the assembling of the convention, it was found that a great many more delegates were present than was necessary to constitute a quorum. Considerable routine business was transacted and reports of committees acted upon. H. L. Ermatinger, 849 4th Street North, St. Petersburg, Florida, was elected president of the association to fill the unexpired term. J. C. Behling, whose winter address is Lake Worth, Florida, and summer address is Athol Springs, New York, was elected to fill the unexpired term as secretary. The other officers of the association are Ralph Spencer, Pieher, Oklahoma, treasurer; D. D. Cottrell, whose winter address is 1021 Glen Avenue, St. Petersburg, Florida, and summer address North Cohocton, New York, first vice-president; Alex Cumming, 893 22nd Avenue S. E., Minneapolis, Minnesota, is second vice-president.

Defeated Champ Popular With the Horseshoe Fans

"Putt" Mossman, the 19-year-old horseshoe wizard, who successfully pitched through two national championship meets but who went down in defeat at the hands of a fellow Iowan—"War Horse" Jackson—was perhaps one of the most popular champions the game has ever known or ever will know.

Mossman has made friends throughout the United States, pitching exhibition games here and there. His keen eyesight and never-failing ringer ability is attributed to clean habits and a gentlemanly character—a thing that cannot always be said of champions in other lines of sport.

Mossman is defeated but he will not soon be forgotten as perhaps the most popular champion of the horseshoe realm.

Beq pardon. An item in the last issue regarding the Louisville Horseshoe Club, should have stated that the club has 40 members. The club will hold a tournament at Shawnee Park in June, T. P. Storey, Secretary, writes.

California Has State Election

The meeting of the California State Horseshoe Pitchers Association was held at South Park, Los Angeles, on January 9. The following officers were re-elected for 1926: Geo. Paine, Glendale, president; Geo. E. Krimbill, Long Beach, secretary; Walt H. Nicols, Glendale, treasurer; program and general arrangements committee, Geo. E. Krimbill, Long Beach, chairman; W. H. Smith, Santa Monica, and G. W. Webb, Los Angeles. The 1926 state tournament will be held in Los Angeles some time in August, date to be fixed later. There are now about 25 clubs in the state association with prospects for more before the next tournament takes place.

Long Beach Horseshoe Courts are being improved at present and while the horseshoe club is limited for room somewhat to its disadvantage, it will have one of the best courts on the Pacific coast otherwise. Several other cities are appropriating money in this section of the state for improved courts and the interest in the game is increasing as time goes on.

G. E. K.

AN EXPLANATION

If the news you were expecting in this issue is not found it will be because of the National Tournament news, which will occupy the greater portion of space this month. We have tried to get this tournament information together as quickly as possible and get the March number in the mails. Other news, as a consequence, was slighted in the belief that the readers would rather have full details of the mid-winter meet at St. Petersburg.—Editor.

SCORING SYSTEM

STARTED IN 1923

D. D. Cottrell, vice president of the National Horseshoe association, and who has been here all through the winter making arrangements for the annual tourney, developed the scientific score card, now universally in use, during the season of 1923.

Through the use of this card, an accurate record is kept of each player's throw by innings. It shows the points scored, the ringers and doubles, number of shoes thrown and the percentage of ringers made.

—St. Petersburg Times

HOLD TOURNEY AT EVANSVILLE

Evansville, Wis., horseshoe tournament, February 14, 1926. The score of 19 men pitching 100 shoes for points and the six high men pitched round-robin for six prizes.

	P	R	DR	SP
M. Ruter, Janesville ..	191	53	16	100
W. Licht, Evansville ..	177	46	13	100
F. Kleinsmith, Era ...	173	43	10	100
F. Qualley, Deerfield ..	170	40	9	100
S. Kerlin, Oregon ...	167	38	7	100
A. Benash, Era	166	37	7	100
H. Wright, Era	164	41	9	100
F. Hickey, Janesville ..	162	38	6	100
O. E. Peterson, Era ..	157	33	6	100
C. Nelson, Edgerton ..	155	36	3	100
Whittet, Milton	149	32	7	100
S. Johnson, Madison ..	141	36	5	100
J. White, Janesville ..	139	27	4	100
J. Ruter, Janesville ..	138	29	4	100
P. Mamna, Janesville ..	132	28	4	100
A. Nightingale, Era ..	130	27	2	100
P. Root, Albanay	130	27	2	100
J. Kerliass, Oregon ...	126	27	5	100
K. Grimmyer,	110	18	3	100

The standing of the Round Robin 6 men 15 games, one tie game played off, one tie game not played off.

Wm. Lecht won 5, lost 0; P, 250; R, 157; DR, 38; SP, 326; Pct. 482. S. Kirlin, won 3, lost 2; tie with M. Ruter not played; P, 196; R, 123; DR, 22; SP, 290; Pct. 424.

M. Ruter, won 3, lost 2, tie not play off; P, 188; R, 105; DR, 19; SP, 306 Pct. 342.

Kleensmith, won 2, lost 3; P, 214; R, 130; DR, 26; SP, 332; Pct. 392.

A. Benash, won 1 lost 4, tie with Qualley P, 186; R, 11; DR, 24; SP, 294; Pct. 377.

Qualley, Deerfield; P, 185; R, 103; DR, 16; SP, 330; Pct. 318.

Play off game, Qualley and Benash.

	P	R	DR	SP
Qualley	50	26	6	52
A. Benash	37	22	9	52

F. Qualley defeated A. Benash and put Qualley in 5th place, A. Benash in 6th place.

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* news, your ideas and yes, your *
* criticisms, too.—The Editor. *

New Records Established at St. Petersburg

A few new records were established at the tournament in St. Petersburg in February, 1926. One was in the game of Mossman and Reed, in which Mossman won the game with 24 shoes by pitching 10 double ringers and 2 single ringers, a total of 22 ringers or .917 percent ringers. Mossman beat his own record made at Lake Worth last year when he won from Roy Thompson in the shortest game on record by pitching 8 double ringers and 2 single ringers out of 20 shoes or 90 per cent ringers.

In the preliminary round robin at St. Petersburg, Mossman pitched in 32 games, 965 ringers, 341 double ringers out of 1432 shoes or .674 percent against his record of 989 ringers, 315 double ringers in 1592 shoes or .621 percent ringers in the 32 games in the preliminaries at Lake Worth last year. In the finals at St. Petersburg Mossman pitched 1201 ringers, 400 double ringers, out of 1774 shoes in 30 games or .677 percent ringers against his record of 2358 ringers, 783 double ringers, out of 3490 shoes or .676 percent in 55 games at Lake Worth last year. In all his 62 games in both preliminaries and finals at St. Petersburg, Mossman pitched 2166 ringers, 741 double ringers out of 3206 shoes or .676 percent while last year at Lake Worth in his 86 games he pitched 3347 ringers, 1098 double ringers out of 5,082 shoes pitched, or .659 per cent for the whole tournament. Mossman's average in St. Petersburg of .674 percent in the preliminaries, .677 percent in the finals, or an average of .676 for all games in the tournament is the largest made in any tournament as far back as the records go.

Pitches 10 Straight

In the Lake Worth tournament last year Mossman pitched 10 straight double ringers in his game with Randall. He equaled this record at St. Petersburg by starting his game in the preliminaries with Harry Robinson by pitching 10 straight doubles. He pitched 21 ringers out of the first 22 shoes.

These Records Stand

The other records made at Lake Worth in February 1925 still stand as follows for 50-point games:

Shortest number of shoes pitched in any one game, Mossman and Roy Thompson, 20 shoes; greatest number of shoes pitched in one game, Mossman and Duryee, 108 shoes; all four shoes on stake at one time, Mossman

and Duryee, 18 times; largest number of ringers by one player, 80 ringers; largest number of ringers by both players, Mossman and Duryee, 155 ringers; largest number of double ringers by one player, Mossman, 30 double ringers; largest number of double ringers by both players, Mossman and Duryee, 56 double ringers; Mossman and Duryee has 4 ringers on the peg 8 consecutive times in one game; largest number of ringers without either contestant scoring a point, 32 ringers by Mossman and Duryee.

It is somewhat interesting to compare the records of the tournament held in St. Petersburg, February 19 to 24, 1923 with the above records. This was the first tournament at which complete records of shoes pitched were ever kept.

Harold Falor pitched a game in this tournament with Leonard in which he made 21 ringers, 8 double ringers, in 28 shoes or .750 percent. Ralph Spencer pitched 46 ringers, 13 double ringers in his game with Jackson. This was the record for double ringers. There were only 2 games during this tournament with more than 40 ringers pitched by either player.

Jackson had 44 ringers with Plogmn and 43 ringers with Spencer. Plogman had 40 ringers with Jackson and Spencer had 46 ringers with Jackson. The highest number of ringers and double ringers by both players was by Spencer, 46 ringers, 13 double ringers, Jackson 43 ringers, 12 double ringers, or a total of 89 ringers and 25 double ringers by both players. Harold Falor won this tournament, winning all of his 29 games with an average of .5534 percent against .5533 percent for Davis. The figures had to be carried out to four decimal places to know which had the highest percentage. The only other player with over .500 percent was Lundin with .515. This shows how the skill of players has increased in three

years. Has the limit of human skill in pitching horseshoes been reached by Mossman when he pitches an average of more than two out of three shoes ringers as he did in the St. Petersburg tournament in February, 1926?

D. D. COTTRELL

Letters to the Editor

Adair, Ia., Feb. 22, '26

Editor, Horseshoe World:

Another National tournament has come and gone, and another object lesson given in "tie games" and the working of the "all ties shall be pitched off" rule.

In the eliminations, 26 men out of 33 were "tied" .76 per cent ties, and had they all "pitched off" according to rule, 78 games would have been added to the tired men's list.

In the elimination, Mossman had more games, points, ringers, doubles and 173 fewer opponents points than any other man in the meet, and pitched 67.4 per cent ringers. Jackson was fourth with 62.4 per cent ringers. In the finals Mossman and Jackson tied in games; Mossman had more points, ringers, doubles, and 104 fewer opponent's points than the field, and raised his ringer percentage to 67.7 per cent. He won last year with 67.6 per cent; while Jackson dropped one per cent from his elimination record, scoring only 61.4 per cent in finals. But in the "pitch-off tie" Jackson won the meet with fewer points, ringers, doubles, and 104 more opponent's points taxed against him and 6.3 per cent less ringers than Mossman. It don't look very well on paper.

This article is in no way intended as a reflection on Jackson, but on the rule. Jackson is a clean horseshoe sport and the world's greatest stayer. He is my personal friend and makes my home his headquarters while in Adair and is always welcome, but I am not on speaking terms with "all ties shall be pitched off," and promptly eject him from all tournaments that I control. I notice that Cottrell fanned his coattails with No. 9s on pages 11 and 12 in November Horseshoe World. Deport or hang this worker of mischief at all tournaments.

Yours for honest and sane rules,

Empty Majority

Never worry about a "foolish majority." If it is foolish it won't remain a majority very long.—Duluth Herald.

THANK YOU.

Los Angeles, Calif.

Feb. 7th, '26.

The Horseshoe World,
Gentlemen:
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OFFICIAL RECORD PRELIMINARIES

National Horseshoe Pitchers
Tournament

St. Petersburg, Florida, February 8 to 18, 1926

Place	Name and Address	W	L	Pts.	R	DR	SP	OP	Pct.
1	Putt Mossman, Eldora Iowa.....	31	1	1,592	965	341	1,432	427	.674
2	Bert Duryee, Wichita, Kansas.....	30	2	1,554	912	272	1,550	394	.588
3	Blairst Nunemaker, Cleveland, Ohio.....	30	2	1,556	905	246	1,640	702	.552
4	Frank Jackson, Kellerton, Iowa.....	29	3	1,567	935	279	1,498	536	.624
5	Ralph Spencer, Picher, Oklahoma.....	27	5	1,536	924	242	1,728	768	.535
6	Art Cumming, Minneapolis, Minn.....	27	5	1,516	894	225	1,668	804	.529
7	C. R. Thompson, Tampa, Florida.....	25	7	1,449	844	213	1,746	936	.483
8	Fred Brundige, Lake Worth, Fla.....	22	10	1,365	742	162	1,756	1,052	.423
9	F. W. Nussbaum, Daytona Beach, Florida.....	21	11	1,360	802	160	1,954	1,168	.410
10	T. C. Reed, McKeesport, Pa.....	21	11	1,366	777	164	1,912	1,132	.406
11	\$100 A. J. Buckman, Lake Worth, Fla.....	21	11	1,301	728	146	1,856	1,128	.392
12	Ed Gilliland, Wichita, Kansas.....	20	12	1,341	771	170	1,902	1,101	.405
13	\$ 80 W. C. Buckminster, Miami, Florida.....	19	13	1,311	721	144	1,780	1,159	.406
14	\$70 D. T. Leonard, Adams Basin, N. Y.....	19	13	1,342	732	149	1,838	1,194	.398
15	\$60 James McDonald, Lake Worth, Fla.....	17	15	1,294	719	150	1,860	1,212	.387
16	\$50 Geo. Conklin, St. Petersburg, Fla.....	17	15	1,259	705	132	1,870	1,221	.379
17	\$40 John Estep, Tiffin, Ohio.....	16	16	1,271	787	146	1,940	1,253	.405
18	\$35 Les Robison, Peoria, Illinois.....	14	18	1,152	632	117	1,836	1,336	.344
19	\$30 Arthur McLean, Watertown, Conn.....	14	18	1,178	716	124	1,970	1,377	.374
20	\$25 Harry Robinson, St. Petersburg, Fla.....	14	18	1,155	620	104	1,824	1,310	.340
21	\$20 Ed Gouchenour, Niles, Michigan.....	12	20	1,087	571	80	1,906	1,381	.300
22	\$15 Alex Cumming, Minneapolis, Minn.....	12	20	1,129	585	85	1,846	1,385	.317
23	\$10 H. F. Wagner, Greentown, Indiana.....	11	21	1,054	562	90	1,914	1,442	.294
24	\$10 L. C. Hill, Columbus, Ohio.....	11	21	1,230	727	136	2,006	1,391	.362
25	Frank Witmer, Wakarusa, Indiana.....	9	23	1,034	592	87	1,862	1,415	.318
26	H. C. McQueen, Sadorus, Illinois.....	8	24	884	480	57	1,844	1,491	.260
27	W. A. Harding, Bowling Green, Ohio.....	8	24	936	478	64	1,808	1,455	.264
28	R. C. Burdick, St. Petersburg, Florida.....	8	24	1,063	546	77	1,920	1,476	.274
29	J. F. Deeg, Lansing, Michigan.....	6	26	921	435	48	1,924	1,508	.226
30	John Beesecker, Cresco, Pa.....	6	26	931	481	60	1,800	1,507	.245
31	Frank Lawcock, Durand, Michigan.....	1	31	604	293	19	1,698	1,597	.173
32	Glen Vite, Buchanan, Michigan.....	1	31	686	349	28	1,816	1,576	.192
33	Herbert Coy, Smyrna, N. Y.....	1	31	611	312	29	1,748	1,595	.178
St. Petersburg, Fla. 1926, Totals.....		528	528	39,635	22,243	4,636	59,672	39,635	.373
St. Petersburg, Florida, Feb., 1926, Totals.....		696	693	52,148	32,531	7,451	78,980	52,148	.412
Lake Worth, Florida, Feb., 1925, Totals.....		826	826	64,665	47,384	11,837	98,740	64,665	.490
Minneapolis, Minn., Sept., 1924, Totals.....		276	276	20,092	12,008	2,703	28,650	20,092	.417
Lake Worth, Florida, Feb., 1924, Totals.....		253	253	19,323	10,402	1,996	28,784	19,323	.362
Cleveland, Ohio, Sept. 1923, Totals.....		449	449	34,950	21,855	4,704	52,976	34,950	.413
St. Petersburg, Florida, Feb., 1923, Totals.....		335	335	33,334	15,990	2,565	49,960	33,334	.320
St. Petersburg, Florida, Feb., 1922, Totals.....		231	231	18,429	7,725	875		18,429	
St. Petersburg, Florida, Feb., 1921, Totals.....		231	231	18,446	6,922	793		18,446	

OFFICIAL RECORD FINALS NATIONAL HORSESHOE PITCHING TO URNAMENT

ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA, FEBRUARY 8 TO 18, 1926

Place	Name and Address	W	L	Pts.	R	DR	SP	OP	Pct.
1	\$400 Frank Jackson, Kellerton, Iowa	24	6	1,391	1,093	349	1,780	898	.614
2	\$350 Putt Mossman, Eldora, Iowa	24	6	1,407	1,201	400	1,774	794	.677
3	\$325 Bert Duryee, Wichita, Kansas	23	7	1,331	1,035	318	1,654	847	.626
4	\$300 Blair Nunamaker, Cleveland, Ohio	21	9	1,365	1,064	309	1,836	1,047	.574
5	\$275 Art Cumming, Minneapolis, Minn.....	21	9	1,351	1,130	340	1,868	963	.605
6	\$240 Ralph Spencer, Picher, Oklahoma.....	17	13	1,274	1,054	306	1,852	1,109	.569
7	\$200 C. R. Thompson, Tampa, Florida.....	12	18	1,075	998	264	1,858	1,237	.537
8	\$160 Fred Brundige, Lake Worth, Florida.....	8	22	943	714	143	1,668	1,347	.428
9	\$135 T. C. Reed, McKeesport, Pa.....	7	23	823	717	139	1,764	1,376	.406
10	\$120 F. W. Nussbaum, Daytona Beach, Florida.....	6	24	806	673	135	1,632	1,417	.413
11	\$110 Ed Gilliland, Wichita, Kansas.....	2	28	747	609	112	1,622	1,478	.375
Totals.....		165	165	12,513	10,288	2,815	19,308	12,513	.533

WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT—PRELIMINARIES

Place	Name and Address	W	L	Pts.	R	DR	SP	OP	Pct.
1	Mrs. Geo. Brouillette, Minneapolis, Minn....	5	0	250	126	26	286	130	.441
2	Mrs. Mayme Francisco, St. Petersburg, Fla...	4	1	227	106	17	266	157	.398
3	Mrs. E. Besancon, Detroit, Mich.....	3	2	224	108	20	332	192	.325
4	Mrs. E. L. Cole, Grand Rapids, Mich.....	2	3	178	81	6	346	230	.237
5	\$30 Mrs. C. D. Young, Minneapolis, Minn.....	1	4	177	84	13	328	220	.256
6	\$20 Mrs. Alex Cumming, Minneapolis, Minn.....	0	5	123	45	4	294	250	.153
Totals.....		15	15	1,179	550	86	1,852	1,179	.297

WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT—FINALS

Place	Name and Address	W	L	Pts.	R	DR	SP	OP	Pct.
1	\$150 Mrs. Geo. Brouillette, Minneapolis, Minn....	9	0	450	223	38	516	260	.432
2	\$100 Mrs. Mayme Francisco, St. Petersburg, Fla...	6	3	421	222	47	516	274	.430
3	\$60 Mrs. B. Besancon, Detroit, Mich.....	0	9	219	170	28	536	422	.317
4	\$45 Mrs. E. L. Cole, Grand Rapids, Mich.....	3	6	316	115	14	496	450	.232
Totals.....		18	18	1,406	730	127	2,064	1,406	.354

St. Petersburg, Fla., Feb., 1926, Totals.....	33	33	2,585	1,280	213	3,916	2,585	.327
Lake Worth, Fla., Feb. 1925, Totals.....	54	54	3,673	1,771	363	5,680	3,673	.316
Minneapolis, Minn., Sept. 1924, Totals.....	66	66	4,423	1,474	213	6,964	4,423	.212
Lake Worth, Fla., Feb., 1924, Totals.....	21	21	1,491	654	82	2,232	1,491	.293
Cleveland, Ohio, Sept., 1923, Totals.....	28	28	1,994	707	108	3,312	1,994	.214
St. Petersburg, Fla., Feb., 1923, Totals.....	15	15	1,179	493	59	1,872	1,179	.260

These records compiled by D. D. Cottrell, North Cohocton, N. Y., First Vice President and Statistician of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association.



PLAYGROUND ACTIVITIES AT BLOOMINGTON, ILL.

Letters to the Editor

WANTS STAKES CHALKED

Editor of Horseshoe World,
London, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

In the January issue of your magazine a report from Oakland, Calif. mentions chalking the face of the stakes to increase their visibility. I think this is a very good suggestion.

At the Rhode Island state tournament last fall one end of the courts was beneath the overhang of a thick growth of evergreen trees. Standing at the other stake, facing the sun, and pitching into this shaded region, it was difficult to see the stakes. I am citing this as an example and not as a complaint, as I would not have won in this tournament if the stakes had been coated with radium.

Sometimes spectators grouped about a stake cast unsteady shadows which tend to prevent the stake being clearly seen. If the faces of the stakes were covered with white chalk to contrast with the clay background, these effects of bad light and shadow would be largely offset.

I would like to see this matter brought to the attention of the readers of the Horseshoe World and, if their general opinion is favorable, a section inserted in the rules concerning the stake to provide that the referee, at the request of either contestant, shall rub the face of the stake with white chalk before the beginning of each game.

Thanking you for any attention you may be able to give this suggestion, I am,

Sincerely yours,
HENRY P. SHAY,
Riverside, R. I.

Woodland, Wash., Feb. 3, 1926
Editor, Horseshoe World,
London, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

If the editor will grant me a little space, and the boys in general will always bear in mind, that any argument I put up is done with a friendly spirit, and for the good of the dear old game.

First I want to say that I do not agree with the world's champion, regarding the kind of soil best suited for the pits. And in order to satisfy myself that my argument would stand the test, I pitched 400 shoes on my own ground which is of the very best yellow clay, then went to the city court and pitched 400 shoes on the sand court, and here is the result: on my court I pitched 234 ringers, saved 113, lost 121, bounced off; on the city court I pitched 211 ringers, and did

not lose a single ringer, had all four shoes on the peg, on city court 18 times, and not a single time on my court, although I put all four shoes on several times they would not stick, and usually when the fourth shoe came off it pulled another shoe with it. I am strong for sand.

The arguments from time to time, regarding the changes to be made in the rules, I think the rules are as near perfect now as is possible to get them. I pitch just so many ringers, and very seldom vary, of course once in a while I will take a spurt and pitch a high percentage for a few games; best I ever did was eighty-eight and two-tenths, in three games, but usually I pitch around 50 to 55. I am convinced there is no change in the rules that would make me pitch a higher percentage. I advocate, "Let good enough alone."

I want at this time to congratulate the editor on the fine publication he is putting out. I would not be without it for the world, believe me there is never a single word escapes my eye.

We are trying to organize a state organization in Washington, and I note several other states are talking along the same lines. I would be pleased to exchange suggestions with any one, and any information from those who are already organized will be appreciated.

Yours truly,
H. A. LONG.

PLAN STATE MEET

A meeting of the Wisconsin State Horseshoe Pitchers Association was held at the Harvester Works club house Saturday, Feb. 20, for the purpose of selecting a place for the state horseshoe tournament for the summer of 1926.

The meeting was called to order at 3 p. m. by President Wm. Cass, from Kenosha. Two bids were submitted for the state tournament; one by A. B. Alexander, secretary of the state fair board, and one by C. C. Dussault of the Harvester Works club. Both bids are being taken into consideration by the association and another meeting is to be held Saturday March 6, at 1:30 p. m. at which time it will be definitely decided where the state meet is to be held. It was rumored that Oshkosh wants the meet, however, Secretary A. J. Klement has not been able to secure any definite statement from them thus far.

It is a decided development for horseshoe pitchers in Wisconsin when the state fair board submits a bid for the tournament, remarked Secretary Klement after the meeting. It has

been the opinion of Wisconsin horseshoe pitchers for some time that at the state fair is the logical place for the state tournament. However, great credit is due the Harvester Works club not only for their bid but for the way they have always boosted horseshoes. It is my opinion that the Harvester Works club is the logical place for the summer National tournament.

The New Port Co. of Carroll, Wis., were also represented at the meeting and report much interest in horseshoe pitching at their plant where they have installed indoor courts.

The association is making an effort to enlist the aid of H. L. (Zip) Morgan, director of city athletics of the school board extension department. If they secure the services of this hustling booster of all branches of athletics the meet is assured great success.

With such boosters as Seymour Johnson, vice president, Wm. Case, president, and A. J. Klement, secretary, at the head of the state association, the horseshoe pitchers of Wisconsin are assured a meet for this summer.

So in general the horseshoe outlook for Wisconsin is very promising, not only for 1926, but for all time to come. So, On, Wisconsin! Thou grand and glorious ancient sport for young and old, for a finer, more scientific game than open shoe pitching is hard to imagine.

Long Beach, Calif., 2-4-'26
Editor Horseshoe World,
London, Ohio.

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Horseshoe Champions and Ex-Champions

MEN'S TOURNAMENTS

Date	Place	Champion	Second	Third	Fourth
Oct., 1909—	Bronson, Kan.	*Frank Jackson, Kellerton, Ia.			
Feb., 1919—	St. Petersburg Florida	Fred M. Brust, Columbus, O.	Dr. F. M. Robinson Pawling, N. Y.	Hughie Palmer, Akron, O.	
Feb., 1920—	St. Petersburg Florida	George May, Akron, O.	Joe Wilkinson Akron, O.	Fred M. Brust, Columbus, O.	James Rowan, Akron, O.
Aug., 1920—	Akron, O.	Frank Jackson, Kellerton, Ia.	Charles Bobbitt Lancaster, O.		
Feb., 1921—	St. Petersburg Florida	Charles Bobbitt, Lancaster, O.	S. W. Bonifant, Kenmore, O.		
Sept., 1921—	Minneapolis, Minn.	Frank Jackson, Kellerton, Ia.	Fred Hay, Minneapolis, Minn.		
Feb., 1922—	St. Petersburg Florida	C. C. Davis, Columbus, O.	Ralph Spencer, Pitcher, Okla.		
Aug., 1922—	Des Moines, Iowa	Frank London, New London, Ia.	Frank Jackson, Kellerton, Ia.	Lyle Brown, Des Moines, Ia.	R. P. Spencer, Pitcher, Okla.
Feb., 1923—	St. Petersburg Florida	Harold Falor, Akron, O.	Frank Lundin, New London, Ia.	C. C. Davis, Columbus, O.	Frank Jackson, Kellerton, Ia.
Sept., 1923—	Cleveland, Ohio	George May, Akron, O.	C. C. Davis, Columbus, O.	Loren May, Akron, O.	Frank Jackson, Kellerton, Ia.
Feb., 1924—	Lake Worth, Florida	C. C. Davis, Columbus, O.	Frank Jackson, Kellerton, Ia.	Putt Mossman, Eldora, Ia.	Loren May Akron, O.
Sept., 1924—	Minneapolis, Minn.	Putt Mossman, Eldora, Ia.	Frank Jackson, Kellerton, Ia.	H. Jackson, Kellerton, Ia.	Floyd Billings,
Feb., 1925—	Lake Worth, Florida	Putt Mossman, Eldora, Ia.	C. C. Davis, Columbus, O.	Frank Jackson, Kellerton, Ia.	Loren May, Akron, O.

*Frank Jackson successfully defended his title at all tournaments open to the world, held mostly at Kansas City, Mo., until the meet in St. Petersburg, Fla., in February, 1919, when he didn't defend it.

WOMEN'S TOURNAMENTS

Date	Place	Champion	Second	Third	Fourth
Aug., 1920—	Akron, O.	Miss Vorhees, Asbury Park, N. J.			
Sept., 1921—	Minneapolis, Minn.	Miss Mathews, Grand Rapids, Mich.	Miss Vorhees, Asbury Park, N. J.		
Feb., 1922—	St. Petersburg Florida	Mrs. M. Francisco, Columbus, O.	Mrs. Ruth Bryan, St. Petersburg, Fla.	Mrs. Henry Hill, Cuyahoga Falls, O.	Mrs. Doris Cole, Minneapolis, Minn.
Aug., 1922—	Des Moines, Iowa	Mrs. C. A. Lanham, Bloomington, Ill.	Mrs. M. Francisco, Columbus, O.	Mrs. C. D. Young, Minneapolis, Minn.	Mrs. C. Heinbaugh, Akron, O.
Feb., 1923—	St. Petersburg Florida	Mrs. M. Francisco, Columbus, O.	Mrs. Rose Bishop, Bloomington, Ill.	Mrs. E. A. Tuttle, Walled Lake, Mich.	Mrs. D. M. Cole, Grand Rapids, Mich.
Sept., 1923—	Cleveland, O.	Mrs. M. Francisco, Columbus, O.	Mrs. C. A. Lanham, Bloomington, Ill.	Mrs. C. Heinbaugh, Akron, O.	Mrs. Geo. Brouillette, Minneapolis, Minn.
Feb., 1924—	Lake Worth, Florida	Mrs. C. A. Lanham, Bloomington, Ill.	Mrs. M. Francisco, Columbus, O.	Mrs. B. Besancon, Detroit, Mich.	Mrs. Geo. Brouillette, Minneapolis, Minn.
Sept., 1924—	Minneapolis, Minn.	Mrs. C. A. Lanham, Bloomington, Ill.	Mrs. Geo. Brouillette Minneapolis, Minn.	Mrs. A. F. Hay, Minneapolis, Minn.	Mrs. C. D. Young, Minneapolis, Minn.
Feb., 1925—	Lake Worth, Florida	Mrs. C. A. Lanham, Bloomington, Ill.	Mrs. M. Francisco, St. Petersburg, Fla.	Mrs. Geo. Brouillette, Minneapolis, Minn.	Mrs. B. Besancon, Detroit, Mich.

NOT DECIDED

According to reports received from St. Petersburg the place for the next tournament was not decided upon at the recent convention. A St. Petersburg newspaper says: "Mr. Ermatinger and other national officers living here will go over the entire matter later on and will announce the city se-

lected for the next winter tournament."

It is not known whether this means that no summer tournament will be held this year again or not. None was held last year, but a great deal of dissatisfaction was expressed by northern pitchers who are not able to attend the Florida tournaments each winter, but could attend a northern tournament. Therefore, it was expected that action would be taken,

looking toward the holding of a summer meet.

C. O. Kittilsen, Yakima, Wash., is an ardent horseshoe fan.

Herman Beyer, of Hammond, is one of Minnesota's best shoe twirlers.

Woodsfield, Ohio, plans to organize a club. The boys there have learned to throw the open shoe, according to S. F. Rosa.

Mossman Wins Four Straight Over Jackson

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THE NEW CHAMPION

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Present championship won at St. Petersburg, Fla., Feb. 1926. Will go down in horseshoe history as the world's greatest horseshoe pitcher.

afternoon saw the defeated world champion, Putt Mossman, win four straight games over the present champ, Frank Jackson, in an exhibition contest.

Jackson and Mossman have been on an up-state tour of cities where they have exhibited their best offerings. Returning by agreement to St. Petersburg Saturday they were greeted by a large group of fans whose predictions as to the outcome of another match between the two champs was justified.

Mossman's tournament average, although higher than Jackson's in spite of Mossman's defeat, was improved in the exhibition, as was Jackson's. The pitchers were to have a best four-out-of-seven match. The youthful Mossman won the first four. Both will leave for the east coast for more Florida exhibitions Sunday.

The score in yesterday's encounter was as follows:

	First Game					
	Pts.	R	DR	SP	Pct.	
Mossman	50	46	14	82	.561	
Jackson	45	41	12	82	.500	

Second Game

Mossman	50	55	19	76	.724
Jackson	32	46	12	76	.605

Third Game

Mossman	50	38	14	52	.731
Jackson	18	26	7	52	.500

Fourth Game

Mossman	50	37	14	48	.771
Jackson	12	25	6	48	.521

—St. Petersburg Times, February 28, 1926.

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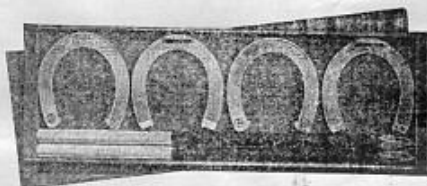
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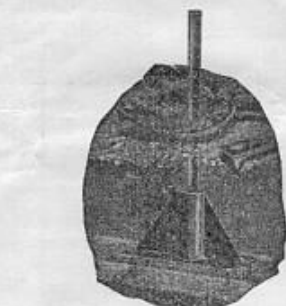


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Did Not Pitch

Mrs. C. A. Lanham, Bloomington, Ill. did not defend her title as champion of the women's division, the title which this year passed to Mrs. George Brouillette, Minneapolis, Minn.

Mrs. Lanham will pitch 40 feet this summer and therefore did not wish to enter the national competition, pitched at 30 feet.



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CALIFORNIA NOTES

Through the courtesy of Alameda's two leading players not entering, J. M. McNaines and Bert Babcock, a match among club members was recently held and the first five men were so closely matched that it was difficult to pick a winner until the final shoes were pitched. Total points run from 329 to 342 and up in the 130's for ringer scores in seven games. Weather conditions permitting another group of eight members (minus the champions above referred to) will compete and the contest promises to result in as close a finish as the last one held.

San Jose, Los Gatos and Santa Cruz are holding a series of inter club contests, the first named club thus far having a slight edge on the series. Interest in those games is widespread for there are a number of 25-ringer men among the three clubs and that's what keeps them up to a high pitch. (Pardon the pun.)

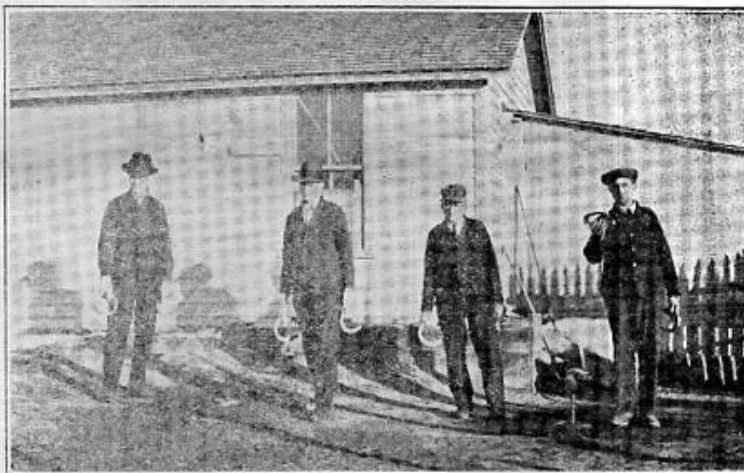
Recently elected officers of the Alameda Horseshoe club are Chas. Dorian, president; Ed. Huestis, secretary and W. P. Wilson, treasurer. A splendid start with forty-two members signing the roll with dues paid was made on January 17.

The members of the Vallejo, Calif., club have put in an additional lane using dirt instead of clay in the box. This ought to prove of value to that sterling crowd of players as their practice heretofore was confined to clay courts.

William O. Beard, Erie, Kans., is a good pitcher.

Joseph Stangler, Bremerton, Wash., won the state championship meet at the Yakima fair last September. He did not lose a game.

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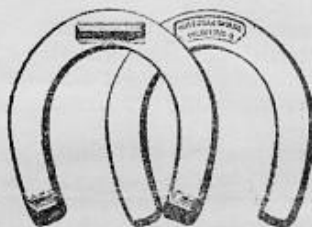
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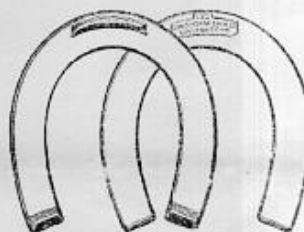
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