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ON TO MOLINE!

“On to Moline” should be the slogan of every horseshoe pitcher in the United States and Canada during the next few months, and it is our hope that the tournament in Moline the latter part of August, will see a large representation from every state in the Union, and, possibly, some from Mexico and Canada, thus making it a real world’s champion tournament.

It is also our earnest hope that there will be a fine session of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association at the 1935 convention and that many problems, important to the sport, will be satisfactorily ironed out. We also hope that it will be possible to hold a meeting of the manufacturers and other leaders in the sport and that a more “sure-footed” method of financing the National Association for the perpetration of the horseshoe equipment business and for the advancement of the game will be effected.



THIS issue is being prepared in part by the editor before he leaves for the South, and will be completed by the Horseshoe World staff before he returns . . . we hope it will be in the mail in time to reach you earlier in May than we were able to give you the April issue . . . much interest has been stirred up by the announcement of a world’s championship tournament at Moline . . . we anticipate a large vanguard of A-1 horseshoe pitchers at the Moline classic . . . while in the South the editor hopes to contact some horseshoe pitchers down there and see if we can’t stir up some interest in that section . . . the South should furnish some good horseshoe pitchers other than those who go to Florida during the winter months . . . prepare now to attend the tournament and convention in Moline in August.

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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MOLINE PLANNING FOR NATIONAL TOURNAMENT

PRELIMINARY ARRANGEMENTS COMPLETED BY ILLINOIS GROUP FOR BIG EVENT TO BE HELD AUG. 29 TO SEPT. 2.

Elaborate plans are being made by officers of the Moline Horseshoe Pitchers' association, Moline, Illinois, for the national horseshoe pitching tournament which is to be held in Moline from August 29 to September 2.

The Moline association officers report that the qualifying round of play will be held on August 29 when the best 24 pitchers will be chosen to compete in the tournament proper.

A total of 200 shoes will be pitched by each contestant, the best 100-shoe score of the two sets to stand, with 50 practice shoes allowed before qualifying and both sets of 100 shoes to be completed, once the pitcher starts to qualify.

Six games each day will be played; all horseshoes used are to be checked before each session of play; games to start at 1:30 p. m., each day, and an entry fee of \$3.00 to be

charged each contestant.

The regulations adopted by the Moline association for the tournament provide that each player wear a uniform consisting of white duck trousers and white shirt.

In the case of tie games, the best two out of three games will decide positions for the first five places. Below the first five, a one-game play off.

The tournament will get under way in a social manner with a banquet and convention meeting at the LeClaire hotel in Moline on the evening of August 29.

The Moline group announces that the services of L. E. Tanner, of Anchor, Illinois, vice president of the National Horseshoe Pitchers' association, have been secured as tournament manager. Mr. Tanner is regarded as one of the most competent men in the country in this type of effort and had charge of the world tournament held in 1933, at the Chicago Century of Progress. He has co-operated with the national headquarters and with the Moline club in the negotiations leading up to the

bid by the Moline club for the national affair.

Women's Tourney

A national tournament for women horseshoe pitchers will be held in connection with the men's tourney, the play to be staged the final two days of the tournament week.

Eight women will play in the finals and four games a day are to be arranged for the event.

A generous prize list has been arranged for the Moline tournament, through the efforts of the Moline Horseshoe Pitchers association, the Moline Chamber of Commerce, industrial leaders, citizens and horseshoe manufacturing equipment concerns.

The tourney is expected to draw the leading shoe tossers, both men and women, as well as many others who seek to annex their first title or other laurels in the sport that is fast taking a leading place in the outdoor program of Americans.

Officers of the Moline association are, Andrew F. Peterson, president; William Scott, vice president, and Dave Swanson, secretary and treasurer.

HORSESHOE AS A HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC SPORT

H. L. Buckardt and G. H. Dungan

The game of horseshoe is now recognized as one of the finest athletic sports. It has most of the values which are included in other sports, and there are also many advantages particularly adapted to this game which other athletic sports do not have.

Some of the arguments in favor of the introduction of horseshoes into the athletic curriculum of the high school might be listed as follows:

First, it furnishes wholesome exercise.

Second, it is not too strenuous for any student to participate in; in other words, it is not limited to the few who are especially physically fit.

Third, it is an economical sport for the high school in that the equipment required is relatively inexpensive.

Fourth, it is a game that does not require a lot of time in preparation for play; it is not necessary to dress in special uniforms.

Fifth, It is an outdoor game, which carries with it the benefit of being in the open air. However, it can be played indoors, providing sufficient space and the right kind of equipment is available.

Sixth, It develops the importance of honesty in the keeping of scores.

Seventh, It involves the use of good sportsmanship in close decisions following points won or lost.

Eighth, it develops skill which can be used to good advantage in all other kinds of recreational play.

Ninth, it is a game which can be played throughout one's life, and enjoyed after the retiring age.

Tenth, only two players are needed to play the game, but many more can participate.

Eleventh, The game can be practiced at home.

Many of the above characteristics of the game of horseshoes are pertinent to no other high school sports. For that reason this sport should be given a prominent place in high school athletic curricula and contests.

R. C. Patterson is one of the live-wire pitchers at Pulaski, Va.

DAHLENE WINS SERIES

An Easter Sunday series between Lawrence Dahlene, Missouri flash, and Oscar Bosich, Kansas City champion resulted as follows:

	P	R	SP	Pct.
Dahlene	50	51	66	77.3
Bosich	40	46	66	69.9
Dahlene	50	43	62	69.3
Bosich	35	37	62	59.8
Dahlene	50	49	74	66.0
Bosich	29	34	74	46.0
Dahlene	25	28	58	48.0
Bosich	50	37	58	63.7
Dahlene	50	46	72	63.0
Bosich	45	43	72	59.7
Totals—				
Bosich	197	332		59.3
Dahlene	217	332		65.3

Ripley says, "Believe it or not, The All Sports Record Book will settle 3,000,000 arguments concerning sports and athletics." Order the book from The Horseshoe World, \$1.00 (plus 3 cents sales tax if you live in Ohio).

FILECCIA WINS HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT

Vito Fileccia of the Fort George Horseshoe Club, gave a good account of himself when he came through to win the Members Handicap Tournament on the club's courts on Sunday afternoon.

Overcoming all obstacles he won his five games against handicaps ranging from 50 to 500 points and amassed a total point score of 1095. He was presented with a walnut case for carrying horseshoes, made by Jack Myles, a member of the club.

T. P. O'Gara, secretary of the club directed the tournament and assigned the handicaps to each member. Each entrant received credit for his actual ringer percentage, plus his handicap, plus 100 points for each game won for a total point score.

H. Apostle who finished second was very unfortunate to lose one game by a score of 49 to 50 and in so doing he lost the coveted prize. In this game with Charlie Pattison, he had a lead of 20 points only to have Pattison come on with a rush to win by a 50 to 49 win. Had Apostle won this game he would have added 100 points to his score for a total of 1122, and thereby would have defeated Fileccia who had a score of 1095.

	Pet.	Hdc.	P	P. S.
Vito Fileccia	595	000	500	1095
H. Apostle	322	300	400	1022
Bert Patterson	294	300	400	994
H. Christy	421	50	400	871
J. Solomos	259	300	300	859
C. Pattison	209	350	300	859
W. Blyman	355	200	300	855
H. O'Neill	333	100	200	633
F. Haight	224	300	100	624
J. Larsen	333	100	100	533
B. Healy	181	300	000	481
A. McQuistan	236	200	000	436

Scorers, J. McCaffery, A. Michaels, A. Stella, J. Myles, M. Schevel, A. Apple, J. Preater, J. Wilkinson.
Assistant Director, Billy Healy.

BOOSTS SHOE SPORT

Dick Attridge, radio announcer from WTIC, Hartford, recently delivered a talk on horseshoes in which he officially opened the Connecticut 1935 season.

His talk in part is: "I should like to announce the advent of another harbinger of spring. This sport is an ancient and honorable one. It blossoms almost always in the spring and blooms in isolated rural areas as

well as in the teeming metropolis. The sport I am talking about is a game that has been played in England since the battle of Hastings, and in Connecticut since the first horse trod over Indian trails. You have probably guessed that it is horseshoe pitching."

Mr. Attridge continued by giving the horseshoe players his best wishes and telling them that he should be glad to co-operate in every way to make this a banner year.

The State College at Storrs, Conn., is organizing teams and hopes to arrange games with several Boston, Massachusetts teams including Medford as well as nearby organizations.

HAVE INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE

C. E. Watson, treasurer of the Rochester, N. Y., horseshoe club states in a recent communication that there were eight industrial teams (40 pitchers) playing on indoor courts from November 1 to February 28.

EXPOSITION PARK VS. SOUTH PARK

Game at South Park, Los Angeles, Saturday, April 13th:

	P	R	Dr.
Dean	49	93	29
Craig	62	69	14
Jackson, V.	97	108	37
Harper	116	93	28
Helgeson	81	49	10
Sam	49	55	12
Claypool, C.	102	70	18
Dolan	92	55	14
Bauer	55	66	13
McCloud	82	49	8
Crick	110	59	13
Doyle	82	75	22
Deny	117	70	14
Kerr	101	76	19
Bauder	70	59	12
Nelson	89	77	31
Seventy-four ringers pitched in game 2.			
Foster	106	67	17
Hatfield	55	44	9
Claypool, Sr.	60	52	10
Kean	117	64	13
Davis	68	46	5
Garland	91	53	10
Hornbeck	89	56	12
Wilson	105	60	13
Husted	71	46	8
Jameson	52	47	5
Thomas	100	63	13
Cliff	91	55	12
Exposition	1039	830	163
South Park	1320	946	230

HONOR ROLL

Following is an Honor Roll containing the names of state organizations that have obtained charters, clubs that have recently obtained charters and individuals that have joined the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association:

State Charters

Buckeye State Horseshoe Pitchers Association.

Wolverine State Horseshoe Pitchers Association (Mich.).

Tourney Sanctions

None so far in 1935. (By sanctions we mean tournament sanctions where a fee is received by the National Association. Of course, a 1935 National meet has been granted to Moline, but actual exchange of fees for sanction has not taken place yet).

Club Charters

Crawford County, Pa., Horseshoe Club.

Karns Garage Horseshoe Club (Ohio).

Individual Memberships

Jack Claves, 3606 Gravois, St. Louis Mo.; Noah Malott, 135 Noonmoor Ave., Mishawaka, Ind.; Harry Manuel, 8331 Eton Place, St. Louis, Mo.; Henry Schleif, 332 W. Page St., St. Paul Minn.; Aden Swinehamer, 437 North Avenue, Aurora, Ill.; J. B. Smith, 2010 First St., LaGrande, Oregon; Rev. E. V. Stevens, 51 Park St., Malboro, Mass.; Fred H. Palmer, 7 N. Broadway, Shelby, O.; Hy T. A. Kuhlman, 4342 Natural Bridge, St. Louis, Mo.; Edward J. Schimek, 3038 W. 22nd St., Milwaukee, Wis.; Fred J. Robinson, 3826 Mahoning Road, Canton, O.; Stewart Straw, Berwindale, Pa.; Leonard Fogassey, 1121 Etzel Terrace, St. Louis, Mo.; John Poetz, 2340 S. Ninth St., St. Louis, Mo.; Art Hofman, 4464 Bessie, St. Louis, Mo.; Harry Roester, 5320 Easton, St. Louis, Mo.; Alvin Dahlene, 947 Illinois St., Lawrence, Kansas.

This list was compiled May 1. Those coming in after that date will be published in the next list.

State charters cost \$25.00; club charters \$10 for clubs with 50 or more members, and \$5.00 for clubs with less than 50 members, and individual memberships are \$1.00 Tourney sanctions may be arranged through correspondence.

Who will join the ranks of boosters in the next list? Send in your fees to The National Association, 45 West Second street, London, O.

BUCKEYE STATE NEWS

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

BULLETIN NO 9

Officers of the Southwestern District

Pres., Guy Morgan, 325 Curtis St., Middletown, O.; vice president, Jesse Spittler, R. F. D. 1, Union O.; secretary, Willis Hildebrand, R. F. D., Troy, O.

Officers of the Miami Valley Horseshoe Pitchers' Association

President, Earl Kuns, 2636 Wheeler Ave., Dayton, O.; vice president, Wm. Isaacs, 995 Corliss Ave., Hamilton, O.; secretary, W. E. Dafler, 1433 E. Third St., Dayton, O.; treasurer, W. Evilsizer, R. F. D. No. 2, Piqua, O. Three clubs include The Ft. McKinley club, the Edgemont club and the East Dayton club.

Charters have been issued for these three; at least two other clubs and possibly more will be in line a little later when the playing schedule will be furnished The Horseshoe World. Other leagues of associations are in the making in the Southwestern District.

Officers of the Stark County Horseshoe Pitchers' Association

President, Fred J. Robinson, 3326 Mahoning road, Canton, O.; vice president, Howard Jackson, 774 S. Lincoln Ave., Alliance, O.; secretary-treasurer, Andrew Stolarik, 730 Mahoning road, Canton, O.; assist. secretary treasurer, M. Reed, 710 Sixth St., S. W. Canton, O.; assist. secretary treasurer, M. Reed, 710 Sixth St., S. W. Canton, O.; assist. secretary treasurer, M. Reed, 710 Sixth St., S. W. Canton, O.; assist. secretary treasurer, M. Reed, 710 Sixth St., S. W. Canton, O. The eight clubs comprising this association: The Rockstroh Club, Canton, O.; The Transue and Williams Club, of Alliance, O.; The Canfield Oils Club, of Alliance, O.; The Brookside Dairies Club, of Louisville, O.; The Smile Inn Club, of Canton, O.; The Petersburg Club, of Canton, O.; The Canton Club, of Canton, O., and The Canton No. 2 Club, of Canton, O.

Games will be played on Friday evenings, 5-man teams and 50 points to constitute a single game. Playing schedule starts May 24th, running through August 23rd. Complete schedule will be found in this or an early issue of The Horseshoe World. Charters have been issued; also state cards. The Rockstroh club desires to book games with teams in the state having membership in the Buckeye

State Association Sunday afternoons. Teams desiring dates should communicate with the secretary, Andrew Stolarik, 730 Mahoning Rd., Canton, Ohio.

The officers list for 1935 of The Central Ohio Horseshoe League has not yet been furnished but will be included in an early bulletin. The league consists of four clubs, Glen Echo Club, The West Jefferson Club, the Pure Oil Pep Club and The Ohio Horseshoe Co. Club. Possibly more clubs will respond when application for charters are made.

Officers of the North Central Ohio Horseshoe League

President, Garth D. Roop, 656 W. Church St., Galion, O.; vice president James Campbell, 1118 Monnett St., Bucyrus, O.; secretary-treasurer, F. Van Wagner, 26 E. Smiley St., Shelby, O. The four clubs include The Galion Club, The Shelby Club, The Bucyrus Club and the Marion Club.

While this league has not yet applied for their charters, ways and means are being taken to that end. They are all good sports and real pitchers, considering their position and conditions, they deserve a great deal of credit for their efforts toward joining the state association in boosting the sport. However, they have the will and there is every reason to believe a way will be found.

The Greater Akron Horseshoe Pitchers Association

At a meeting and election of officers held in the Mayflower hotel, Akron, O., Friday evening, April 26, 1935, the following were elected: President, Art L. Headlough, No. 1 Fire Station, Akron, O.; vice president, J. W. Wise; treasurer, Louis Fogle; secretary, Joseph Ebenhoch, all of Akron, O.

This election was the first step toward rehabilitating horseshoe pitching as a popular pastime in the Akron district. Under present plans an industrial pitching league will be formed and teams from Cuyahoga Falls, Barberton and other nearby cities are expected to enter the competition along with Akron teams.

Boosters of the association include

many of Akron's prominent citizens and means for creating widespread interest particularly among the youngsters will be discussed further at a meeting about the middle of May. The fact that Mr. Headlough who was so prominently identified with the sport and its organization many years ago has returned to his first love, assures its success in the Akron District in particular and the sport in general. An interesting story on the sport by Mr. Headlough will appear in an early issue of Colliers Weekly. Watch for it.

The Greater Cleveland Horseshoe League Officers

President, Henry J. Gungelman, 2037 W. 99th St., Cleveland, O.; vice president, Arthur J. Schultz, 3917 Bucyrus Ave., Cleveland, O.; secretary, D. O. Chess, 6206 Quimby Ave., Cleveland, O.; treasurer, W. J. Ress, 26780 Lorain St., Lorain, O. Included in the league are the following clubs: The North Olmsted Club, The Gordon Park Club, The Woodhill Park Club, The Lakewood Park Club, The Rocky River Club, The Elyria Club, The Lorain Club, The Brookside Park Club, The American Stove Club, The Wade Park Club. Charter and state cards have been issued. Playing schedule runs May 12th through Sept. 22nd, out of town clubs playing on Sundays, North Olmsted, Lorain, Elyria; balance during the week in the evenings.

Playing schedule will appear in this or an early issue of The Horseshoe World. Method of play Six-man teams, 50 shoes, no cancellation, visiting team player's name to appear first on score sheets or ahead of home player; visiting player to pitch first and alternate with home player in pitching first; also visiting player to call score first each inning.

A Passing Thought

In our philosophy of life respecting clean sportsmanship as in the diversified problems of life, it should be profitable for us to reflect that from the fact that we come in and go out without anything the best things in life are free. Petty chiseling or acts

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QUOIT PITCHING DEPARTMENT

Edited by GERALD SMITH, Wilmington, O.

This department is always glad to hear from any quoit club, whether it be in the publicity line or information pertaining to the game. The National Quoit Pitchers Association has not been able to reach all the quoit clubs or those interested, and we want each and everyone to feel free to write at any time.

BONNIE LESLIE

The Bonnie Leslie Quoit League of Northern Kentucky is having the best year since its organization in 1930. For many years this league has been one of the foremost quoit centers in the United States. Word has it that the game is spreading over into Cincinnati and down the river to Louisville. It takes these Bonnie Leslie men to show how it's done, in both sportsmanship and ability.

QUOITS IN PHILADELPHIA

Probably Philadelphia has more quoit clubs than any single city in the United States. Already the writer has received word from 17. Matches and tournaments are being arranged for the summer.

OPEN TOURNAMENT BEING PLANNED

Plans are being made to hold a Quoit Pitching tournament July 21st, at Wilmington, Ohio, to be open to the world. Much interest has been shown thus far, and will prove to be a huge success. Definite plans will be announced through this department within the very near future.

PITCHERS FAVOR 40-FT. DISTANCE

Letters received by this department since the first publication of Quoits greatly favor the 40-foot distance with the 2½-lb. quoit as the standard distance and weight of quoits. National championships will be staged in the following distances: 40 feet, 20 feet and 40 feet.

QUOIT COURTS IN BATTLE CREEK, MICHIGAN

The public recreations commission of Battle Creek, Michigan, is installing a battery of quoit courts

along with their horseshoe courts. Quoits is flourishing throughout this section of the country.

QUOITS IN TEXAS

The first word from Texas was received in regard to the layout of a Quoit court. Those interested in Austin have organized, and find the game most fascinating. One fan writes that it is something to make a ringer, but with constant practice hopes to hook the iron doughnut around the peg with consistency.

EXCELLENT QUOIT COURTS AT WILMINGTON, OHIO

A battery of quoit courts are being constructed at the present time that will equal anything in the way of first class quoit courts at Wilmington, Ohio. Some 50 men and boys have enrolled in the enterprise.

LANCASTER, OHIO, BOASTS STAR QUOIT PITCHER

Robert Hummel, of Lancaster, O., is very near unbeatable over the 40-ft. distance in Lancaster and vicinity. Hummel will no doubt be a competitor in the national (40 ft.) championship.

NEW ENGLAND

Several letters have been received from the New England states that quoits are being played consistently. Record books have it that the game more or less originated in the United States from this district but had lost some of its popularity, but to be revived this year. The once famous courts are being reconstructed, and will see many a good game of quoits played.

CHALLENGE FROM GARY, IND.

Alan Sheets, of Gary, Ind., says he has been pitching quoits a long time, and wants to pitch any other quoit pitcher the best two out of three games at 50 pts, in or about Gary. He intends on being a participant in the national championship at Wilmington, Ohio, July 21st.

BUY QUOITS OF QUOIT MANUFACTURING CONCERNS

Those manufacturing concerns who advertise quoits in this department have been O. K'd by the National Quoit Pitchers Association. The weights, size, etc., are standard.

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QUOIT QUIPS

Harold Leist, of Fairmont, O., reports that a quoit club has been organized in that city, and is scheduling matches with clubs in Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky.

George Smith, of Jacksonville, Fla., is a quoit pitcher.

A state organization is under way in New Jersey, under the guidance of Albert Custis, Orange, N. J.

Dennis Dalton, of Dayton, O., reports that several clubs are being organized in that city. He has asked what possibility there is in having the Ohio tournament in that city.

Boston, Mass., has been heard from in the person of Floyd Pierson, who states that quoits has always been a pastime in that city.

FAIR BOARDS ASK FOR QUOIT TOURNAMENTS

The Carthage and Montgomery Fair Boards of Carthage and Dayton, Ohio, respectively, have sent in permissions to sanction quoit tournaments to be held the first of September. Others are expected to be heard from within the very near future.

STAR QUOIT PITCHERS IN CINCINNATI

Years ago Cincinnati had quoit pitchers above the average, and many of these performers toured the country, giving exhibitions, but not until this year has the game seen its revival in this city. Thomas Skimming, a son of one of these former champs, has organized a team that rates with the best of them. Matches have been arranged with cities and towns nearby for the summer.

QUOIT PITCHERS, SEND IN YOUR SCORES!

Quoit pitchers send in your scores; let us see what you are doing. Several match score sheets have been sent to this department, but ask that they be not published, in that, they think they are not good enough, but in the writer's opinion are as good as he would wish to have. One score sheet registered 10 consecutive ringers.

LADIES CAN PITCH QUOITS, TOO

A letter from a feminine quoit enthusiast states that she is interested in quoit pitching, and wishes to participate in contests. We are certainly glad to hear from anyone who is interested in the game, and can be played by women as well as men. A national championship will be held for ladies, to be announced in this department within the very near future.

MICHIGAN TO HAVE STATE ASSOCIATION

Word has been received from Michigan that arrangements are being made to organize a Quoit pitching association in Michigan. Let us hear from other states. If all the states would organize, the N. Q. P. A. would without doubt be strongly fixed to progress in a large way.

Thomas Johnson is a New York City quoit pitcher.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION YEARLY DUES

State Associations	\$25.00
Clubs	5.00
Individual members25
The National Quoit Pitchers Association sanctions tournaments without charge to clubs that are affiliated with the organization. In this case, the tournament is official, and recognized. In all cases where organizations are not affiliated with a sanction, the charge is \$5.00.	

SNYDER PARK BUSY

The beautiful new horseshoe courts at Snyder Park, Springfield, Ohio, were "open for business" for the 1935 season on May 5. It is expected that there will be a club of approximately 200 by June 1 that will take advantage of these fine courts.

Carol and Grace Jackson were scheduled by the Springfield organization to give an exhibition at the courts on Sunday, May 12.

The rates at the park this year will be, to non-members, ten cents per person per hour, day or night, while members will pay half that rate.

Approximately \$600 for labor and lights and other equipment will be spent this season, adding to the perfection of the courts.

It is the intention of the club to have approximately 30 four-men teams playing in three leagues, a teams as nearly even as possible to arrange them. The first league will be composed of the veterans and the topnotchers; the second league will be composed of those not quite so good, while the third league will be made up of beginners. It is understood that a ladies' league may be formed also.



J. Miff Nave, Elizabethtown, Tenn., is a splendid pitcher.

The Horseshoe World has a new subscription which was sent in by Sr. Luis Jaramillo Sierra, Urbanisadora Equidad Cra. 8A 14-61, Bogota Republic de Colombia.

Remember the Shu-Quoi game that was advertised in the Horseshoe World several months ago? In a recent circular sent out by one of the big ship companies is a picture of the passengers enjoying Shu-Quoi, aboard an ocean liner.

Thanks to L. E. Tanner, vice president of the National Association, many schools in Illinois, including his home city of Anchor, are putting in horseshoe courts. Colleges are also adding the sport.

The Johnstown, Pa., Horseshoe club will renew its National charter when it expires in June, writes W. H. Van, secretary, 149 Cooper avenue, Johnstown.

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unbecoming a gentleman retards the progress of any undertaking, besides, it will finally disqualify our association with good fellows just as sure as water eventually finds its level. Remembering that the All-seeing Eye is ever upon each of us and will make no mistake in His score at the end of our game of life.

D. O. CHESS, Sec.

A WORD FROM MR. PORTER

Glenn B. Porter, 202 W. Broadway, Glendale, Calif., vice president of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association, wrote the Horseshoe World such an interesting letter recently (prior to the acceptance of Moline's bid for the 1935 tourney) that we would like to reproduce it here and offer the hope that an open tournament of western tournament may be held at the exposition at San Diego.

Glendale, Calif., April 8, 1935
R. B. Howard,
London, Ohio.

Your letter of the 3rd inst. received, and would say that I have been in correspondence with the officials of the California-Pacific International Exposition at San Diego in regard to staging a National Horseshoe Tournament there this summer, and under the auspices of our association.

Mr. V. Earl Roberts, secretary of the Sports Commission, wrote me they were negotiating with the local (San Diego) club relative to staging a championship tournament in connection with the fair this summer. I immediately sat down and wrote the Balboa Horseshoe Club for any and all information they could give me as to what had been done, and what was contemplated. I also told them of the expected offer of Moline for a tournament, and tried to hurry them up on some sort of a proposition.

As I was born and raised near Moline, Ill., I should be interested in seeing a tournament pulled off there. I know there are many good pitchers in those parts, and it is within easy reach of most of the crack pitchers, except those of the Pacific Coast. I might make it a point to attend, and visit old friends at the same time. It would be my idea to accept any valid and sufficient bid, wherever it should come from. There needs to be some rivalry injected into the affair. Neither Florida nor California nor Iowa should feel that if they don't bid for the tournament none will be held.

And then there is another thing that is on my mind, and about which I have intended writing you for some time, and that is in regard to promoting the game and raising it in the esteem of the sporting world. We, as a state association, have been having as difficult a time in financing tournaments and keeping dues

paid up as has the national, and I have come to the conclusion there is only one solution of the problem, and that is to make the game more exclusive, and raising dues all along the line, from local clubs up. Heretofore, it has been the custom of our local club, when we were to have a match game with a neighbor club, to invite, coax and even cajol good pitchers who were too independent to join our club and pay dues, to join with us in the match game. All other clubs pursued the same course, for the most part.

Now, the effect of this was to cause no desire on the part of these pitchers to join us, for they enjoyed all the privileges we dues-paying members did, and were out no money. Likewise, indifferent members wondered what was the use of paying dues, when they received no special privileges. It is my contention that every club member should be required to pay up his dues before being allowed to pitch in any match game, and that the local club dues should include \$1.00 per member, to be paid into the state association for the purpose of financing tournaments and paying national dues.

It is a well known fact that very few of our best pitchers are good enough sports to maintain themselves in good standing with their own clubs. It is well enough if playground associations and service clubs wish to promote the game within their ranks gratis, but it takes money to run any professional sport. Horseshoe pitchers have won the opprobrium of "cheap skates" generally. We are inclined to regard very lightly what costs us nothing. A good many would be

alienated at first when dues were raised, but when they found privileges were accorded those only who "belonged" there would soon be a different attitude. My criterion is to be found in the golf world. As I told our association at the annual meeting, one cannot be a successful gum chewer on a dollar a year, and yet we kick over the traces if yearly horseshoe club dues are more than that.

Let's get our heads up and put a reasonable valuation on our favorite pastime!

Very truly yours,
GLENN B. PORTER

* LETTERS TO THE EDITOR *

Erie, Pa.

Mr. R. B. Howard, Editor,
The Horseshoe World,
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ever written to appear in the Horseshoe World so far?

I do. If this United States had a few more boosters like Jack Claves, St. Louis, Mo., D. O. Chess, Cleveland, Ohio, Charles S. Gerrish, Kittery Point, Me., and others; also fewer good cheap pitchers, our sport would already be on a par with all other outstanding sports.

The trouble with a good many good pitchers is that they are shy to play in competition, and too tight to throw in a dollar or so once in a while because they think they have not a chance to win, and I would lose my dollar, not considering that they had ten dollars' worth of fun.

I must say the same thing as did Ted Allen and Fernando Isais, that I didn't know there was such a thing as an individual membership until Jack Claves told me so.

Jack is on the right track, more power to him. Let's all write him a personal letter and tell him we just heard the "alarm clock go off," and then let us all follow up his suggestion, drop a buck in the hat, then watch the horseshoes fly.

Personally I don't think we need so much instructions as to how to throw the open shoe. That's old; our rule book explains all this. Any national pitcher can correct himself if going bad.

If we all do as Jack says, then we will all learn how to pitch horseshoes and have real competition and not only a certain few running off with the title five and six years in a row.

This man, D. O. Chess, not only pitches and organizes horseshoes in his own state of Ohio, but jumps over in Pennsylvania occasionally and explains how the horseshoe game should be organized.

This also goes for Charles Gerrish of Kittery Point, Maine, bobbing up all over, letting the world know about it, for the good of the game only.

Come on, you horseshoe lovers; let us give the best old game a lift and show Jack Claves we are back of him.

Mr. Howard, enclosed please find money order for two dollars for individual membership for my son, Francis, and myself.

Hurrah, for Jack"; wake up you

horseshoe tossers, wake up.

Yours sincerely,

SAMUEL A. WHITE,
1156 West 21st St., Erie, Pa.

LAKESIDE TOURNAMENT

The Horseshoe World has received word from K. E. Miller, assistant manager of the Lakeside Association, Lakeside, Ohio, that that organization has received a sanction from the Buckeye State Horseshoe Pitchers Association to hold an open tournament at Lakeside, August 12 to 17. The tournament, it is stated, will be conducted along the lines similar to last year with \$200.00 in cash prizes, the top prize being \$45 and a medal.

Pitchers from other states are to be invited to the tournament this year, especially those from Michigan, Indiana and Pennsylvania. In other words, it is to be a real open tournament, barring no one, according to advice from Mr. Miller.

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ELECT HEADLOUGH AS LEAGUE CHIEF

Akron, Ohio, which, for a great many years, was considered the center of horseshoe pitching activity in the world, is staging a come-back and hopes to regain that position. Art L. Headlough who organized the first Ohio State horseshoe pitchers organization and was among those who organized the National Horse shoe Pitchers Association, has just been elected president of the Greater Akron Horseshoe Pitchers Association which was recently organized.

Akron is the home of former champion George May and former champion Harold Falor.

The following is a clipping from an Akron newspaper and which will be of widespread interest:

Art Headlough, Akron fireman and veteran horseshoe pitcher, was elected as first president of the Greater Akron Horseshoe Pitchers' Association at its organization meeting Friday night at the Mayflower hotel.

The election of Headlough was the organization's first step toward rehabilitating horseshoe pitching as a popular pastime in the Akron district—the idea behind the formation of the association.

The horseshoe pitchers turned out in a large number for the meeting and tentatively outlined a busy summer's program.

Under the present plans of the organization, an industrial pitching league will be formed, and teams from Cuyahoga Falls, Barberton and other nearby cities are expected to enter the competition along with the Akron teams.

The association also discussed ways and means of creating a widespread interest in the sport here, particularly among the youngsters of the city. It was suggested that an effort be made to have the city recreation department install courts in the various city parks.

Among the boosters of the association who expressed their opinions on the possibilities of horseshoe pitching in this section were William Hergert, Orland Povenmire, Chester May, George May, E. A. Gordon, Bob Gimberling, Dan McCormick, J. J. Wein, B. E. Carpenter, Frank Stimpfle, and several others.

Other officers of the association are J. S. Wise, vice president; Louis Fogle, treasurer, and Joseph Ebenboch, secretary.

The next meeting of the association will be held in two weeks.

The Akron Times Press recently carried an article written by Henry Andrews which reads as follows:

"Man, whip that arm into shape! Horseshoe pitching is coming back to Akron in a big way.

Here, in the city where the popularity of the gentle sport of barnyard golf received great impetus some 18 years ago, a movement was under way today to revive the game of whirling ringers.

A meeting to organize Akron district pitchers into a group to be known as the Akron Horseshoe Pitchers Association, will be held Friday, April 26, at 8 p. m. in the Mayflower Hotel. An industrial league will also be organized at the meeting, teams in the circuit playing throughout the summer.

Responsible for the renaissance of the game in Akron are George May, former national champion; Loren May, ex-state champion; Bob Gim-

berling of Firestone, Willie Witt, Joe Wilkinson, and other pitching greats.

Art L. Headlough, who in 1920 brought Akron the first and only national tournament ever held here and who organized the Buckeye Horseshoe Pitchers Association and the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association, is likewise a booster of the new organization.

All horseshoe pitchers and members of the club are invited to the meeting.

It was Headlough and George May who played prominent roles in developing the sport into the great game that it is today.

Headlough was responsible for organization of both a state and national association for horseshoe pitchers. He likewise compiled the first Horseshoe Pitchers Guide, published in 1920.

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ite name of the game, barnyard golf, came into being as the brainchild of an Akron newspaperman.

The present horseshoe pitching rules are the result of an Akronite's work—William Weiss, who compiled the present rules.

Akron, too, can claim its share of champions, George W. May won the national championship at St. Petersburg, Fla., in 1920, and repeated at Cleveland in 1923, Hughie Palmer of Goodrich copped the first industrial championship when it was held in 1919 at Gary, Ind. Harold Falor,

former South High student, captured the national title in 1925, thanks to the coaching of May."

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We are on our way out of the doldrums. The way is plain to us all. As we are coming out of our Rip Van Winkle sleep, we see the dawning of a better day for the good old game of horseshoe pitching. All we need now is a Moses to lead us to the promised land.

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til a pitcher has made nine straddlers; the tenth straddler must be uncanceled, rather, the tenth straddler must be made along, without either or the other two players making a straddler.

Should a player with nine straddlers, pitch a tenth one, and another player makes a straddler in the same turn, or should two of the three players pitch their tenth straddler and the third player also pitch a straddler, only the one without nine straddlers to his credit will count. The pitching to continue until one gets a "clean" or uncanceled straddler to

make the tenth for him.

The two remaining in the game until one has taken second place by pitching an uncanceled straddler.

The writer recalls a game at Miami where he participated in a three cornered "Straddler" game. At one stage Tom had 9; Jim had 6, and Harry had 5 straddlers. Tom continued to pitch straddlers, but either Jim or Harry would cancel his tenth one until finally Harry won out before Tom could get his final uncanceled straddler.

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Lawson Seybold, "The Tumble Shoe Man," returned from his Miami flourish and is re-established in the

National Military Home at Dayton. Lawson was a factor in the Miami team and indications are that he will instill the same spirit of activity in the Horseshoe club at the Home. More power to Lawson, he's a big booster for the sport.

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Norris Thompson, Dayton's No. 1 pitcher, has a fine plan for promoting the support of the Horseshoe World and the National Association. Norris is a conscientious supporter of the game, an excellent pitcher, and a credit to the game.

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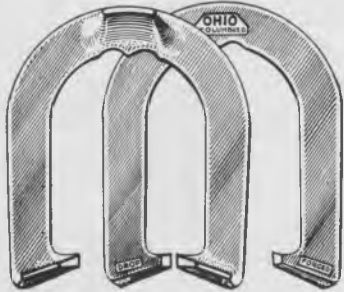
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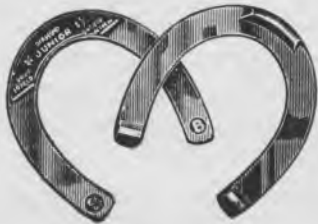
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