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A number of new crowns are tilted on the heads of champions named during the summer . . . it's fine to see some new names in the list . . . it means that interest will continue as long as there is opportunity for new pitchers to win . . . it seems that none of these state champions can quite get to the place where they can worry our national champ, Ted Allen, but it will happen some day . . . no harm to you, Ted, of course, as we hope you keep it a million years but somebody's sure to knock that crown off sooner or later . . . Ted is still giving exhibitions and doing the game a lot of good . . . all exhibition artists are creating good will for the sport . . . one of the nice letters we had recently is one from Mr. Steadman, of Canada . . . he is a real gentleman and horseshoe pitching has brought a lot of Canadians and Americans just a little closer . . . after all, it is a friendly game and the comradship is worth more than medals and cups.

October, 1939

AN EARLY START HELPS

No sooner has the summer and fall pitching subsided when it becomes necessary to make our plans for 1940.

Now is the time for all clubs and associations to hold meetings, to draft plans for the winter indoor pitching and to make ready for the Spring season. It isn't a bit too early and it is safe to say that your 1940 season will be far more successful if you begin planning it now.

See your park commissioners about new courts. See your fair board about a tournament—in fact, make all such contacts this winter so that enough time will be given to give full consideration to your suggestions. Today's ideas will become tomorrow's realities.



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LONG ISLAND STATE PARKS CHAMPIONSHIP MEET

The closing of the summer horseshoe pitching season for Long Island came to a close at 5:20 P. M. E. D. T. Sunday Sept. 24th, practically at the instant of the official ending of summer, when 14-year-old Jimmy Ruggles, of Whitstone, N. Y., was declared the winner of the Long Island State Park championship, which was held at Hempstead Lake State Park, under the direction of Mr. E. Yulister, Recreation Commissioner and his staff from the Long Island State Parks.

This year's entry was the largest in the history of the Long Island State Parks Tournament, which is open to all residents of Kings, Queens, Nassau and Suffolk counties

The big surprise in this contest with its 52 entries was the low qualifying score made by some of the leading horseshoe pitchers, which caused the downfall of V. Filleccia, H. Christy, A. Wracks, E. Beaton, M. Belsky, H. Schlee and E. Skellington, as contenders for the honored title of Long Island.

Ruth Allen led the field in the qualifying round with 122 points out of 50 shoes, making 38 ringers, 8 shoes within 6 inches, and 4 wild shoes.

The following are the results of the qualifying round of 50 shoes:

the	qualifying	round	of	50	shoes:	
					Poi	nts
	h Allen					22
E.	Hendricks					07
	Ruggles					
	Kestel					
	Hessler					
P.	McGill					99
R.	Ziegler					96
E.	Coleman					95
Α.	Wracks					
M.	Belsky					93
P.	Kestel					
F.	Gustafson					
J.	Vassallo					91
H.	Schlee				.,,,,,,,	88
G.	Kohlhase					
J.	Beaton					
V.	Felliccia					
F.	Kapplemar	ı, Jr				82
E.	Skellington					79
M.	Poppie					78
E.	Schneer					78
R.	Keane	~~~				78
F.	Patrick					78
J.	Webster					77
J.	Maloney					74
H.	Christy					73
M.	Osterer					71
H.	Doyle					69
E.	June					66
P.	Collela					66
J.	Malina					65
W.	Rhodes					64
L.	Querett					64

Wagner	63	The eight high entries in the qual-
		ifying round were entered in an
		eight-man round robin for the Long
		Island State Parks championship, the
Schmid	55	remainder were permitted to pitch
Roll	51	100 additional shoes for the consola-
		tion prize.
McGill	49	The results of the consolation con-
Baroni	43	test are as follows:
		A. Wracks218
		V. Felliccia216
Batchelor	39	H. Christy199
Ehlers		J. Beaton198
Jefferies	37	J. Maloney195
		L. Querett
		M. Belsky184
		F. Kappleman, Jr. 173
Gowan	28	A handsome trophy was awarded
Sargent	26	to Wracks.
		n Round Robin
	Albright Talley Baldwin Schmid Roll Jenkins McGill Baroni Carina Malina Batchelor Ehlers Jefferies Freeman Soderberg Jarkowsky Gowan Sargent	Batchelor 39 Ehlers 37 Jefferies 37 Freeman 36 Soderberg 34

Trestites of O Mit		Our	eer voo	NA GAR				
	W	L	P	R	DR	SP	OP	
J. Ruggles, Whitstone	6	1	335	253	74	426	199	
Ruth Allen Hempstead	6	1	328	243	67	442	249	
F. Hessler, Ozone Park	5	2	287	216	58	424	268	
V. Kestel, Brooklyn	4	3	273	200	48	452	307	
E. Hendricks, College Point	3	4	310	211	51	434	273	
P. McGill, Hempstead	2	5	239	175	41	406	315	
R. Ziegler, Brooklyn	2	5	260	171	33	436	317	
W. Coleman, Valley Stream	0	7	200	147	25	412	350	
Totals							2378	
Play-off of one game to decide		F.	J. Es	rger	was	tourr	nev re	e

Play-off of one game to decide first place between 14-year-old Jimmy Ruggles and Miss Ruth Allen, gave the 14-year-old lad the title which was not relinquished without a struggle from his very able opponent, as shown from the following results:

F. J. Egger was tourney referee. Trophies were awarded for first, second and third place by the Long Island State Parks Recreation Commission.

The contest was interesting for the spectators throughout the entire contest. Ted Allen was on the sidelines and later played a few practice games with V. Felliccia, attracting a large gallery.

WASHINGTON RESULTS

In the Washington State Horseshoe Tournament, Oscar Lee of Mt. Vernon, and Prescott Kaufman, of

The old officers were re-elected for 1940, Pres., Jay Elliott, of Conche; Oscar Lee, Mt. Vernon, and Secretary and Treasurer, C. O. Kittelser,

Seattle, the present state champion, tied for first. In the playoff Lee won.

W	L	P	R	DR	SP	Pct.
13	2	738	537	142	918	59
13	2	746	557	162	1028	60
11	4	729	531	134	968	56
11	4	743	534	98	886	55
10	5	648	446	120	970	52
10	5	627	444	100	904	51
10	5	689	501	104	980	50
9	6	661	399	86	936	49
8	7	671	500	101	924	50
7	8	607	462	82	904	50
5	10	558	419	88	866	49
4	11	507	388	86	966	48
4	11	581	390	66	902	45
2	13	533	395	86	926	43
2	13	527	395	83	890	42
0	15	371	251	50	752	35
Ya	kima.	The	state	picnic	is to	be

Yakima. The state picnic is to be held the first Sunday in June, 1940, at Recreation Park on the Bluitt Pass Highway. C. O. KITTELSER

STEINFELDT IS NEW YORK CHAMP

The New York State Horseshoe Pitching Tournament which was held at Playland Rye Beach Sept. 2, 3, 4, was won by Carl Steinfeldt, Rochester, N. Y., defeating the defending state champion, young Bill Hamann in the finals, although Hamann won more games and had a higher ringer percentage than our new champion, Carl Steinfeldt.

The Class B was won by Al Halzhauer, of Schenectady.

The outstanding games of the tournament were three games by Bill Hamann and one by Al Cape. Hamann's ringer percentage in the three games were 84.6, 86.9 and 89.9. Cape's was 86.8.

There is also to be remembered, the 15-year-old boy, T. Brownell, of Gloversville, N. Y. who made a great showing at the tournament and looks like a coming champion.

A lot of credit must be given to the sponsor, Gus Rasacco, Playland, and the Tournament Committee, Frank T. Hanlon, chairman, B. C. Hamann, statistician, Miss Doris Russell, John Thompson, and Worth Johnson, assistant statistician, Page Schavel, field supervisor, Andy Seaman, referee, Oliver Louis, host Fred Egger and Paul Morris, publicity, who all worked hard to make the tourney a success.

On Sunday evening, September 3, a meeting was held of all the horse-shoe pitchers that had come to the tournament from all parts of the state, at the Recreation Hall, at White Plains. It was decided that no convention be held until the 1940 state tournament.

The summaries:

WOODLAWN WINS HONORS

Charlie Kuykendahl and Eddie Brehms, both members of the Woodlawn Horseshoe Club won a gold and silver medal respectively as the result of the tourney held in connection with the dedication exercises of the Play Area at Van Cortland Park.

The event was a six man round robin tournament consisting of five games played by each contestant.

The contestants were all members of Bronx Horseshoe clubs namely, Kuykendahl and Brehms, of Woodlawn, T. McGuire and P. O'Reilly, of St. Marys, and W. Dooge and J. Tooman, of Crotona Horseshoe Club.

HOW ABOUT IT, CASEY?

Someone has written us to inquire how many times Casey Jones has won the Wisconsin championship. We don't know. How about it Casey?

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	First	Round		of			13/	200		-
			W	L	P	OP	R	DR	SP	Pct
W. Hamann			18	1	955	424	851	318	1138	74
B. Brown			17	2	915	616	903	315	1290	70
A. Cope				4	866	675	911	282	1352	67
					921	705	903	295	1350	66
C. Steinfeldt				- 3						
V. Feliccia			7/2	3	903	537	850	290	1220	69
H. Seaman			13	6	891	671	808	253	1278	63
J. Grant			11	8	766	803	687	194	1250	54
D. Watson			11	8	828	769	841	273	1318	63
T. Brownell				9	837	823	852	276	1350	63
1. Drownen				-		Dao	004	210	1000	00
		Tie for							1100	-
G. LaRose			11	10	889	871	858	237	1456	58
H. Harrison			9	12	865	932	893	279	1480	60
S. White			. 8	11	813	857	747	214	1272	58
P. Pickard				11	736	805	756	228	1296	58
										54
W. Brown				12	687	862	665	173	1224	15.70
M. Belsky			6	13	700	883	657	180	1218	52
F. Hessler			5	14	693	876	692	174	1266	54
J. Federico			4	15	665	932	602	155	1202	50
C. Graves				16	634	914	635	170	1188	53
							561	134	1214	51
J. Parischi				16	583	936				
W. Mattice			2	17	647	910	643	179	1204	53
		Final	s Clas	s A	1					
C. Steinfeldt			8	1	448	353	434	141	676	64
W. Hamann				2	428	309	435	157	620	70
***					438		456	161	642	
A. Cope						284				71
V. Felliccia				4	391	381	455	146	688	64
R. Brown			5	4	409	353	447	177	666	67
D. Watson			4	5	366	423	434	140	686	63
H. Seaman			4	5	361	416	396	118	648	61
T. Brownell				6	347	444	356	109	616	57
			100	6	344	448	348	96	610	57
G. LaRose										
J. Grant				9	318	439	362	96	644	56
	Pla	yoff fo	r Fou	rth	Place					
V. Felliccia				0	54	40	56	20	80	70
R. Brown				17	40	54	50	16	80	62
It. Drown					7.0	94	00	10	00	02
		ayoff f		th	Place					
D. Watson			1	0	51	9	48	19	62	77
H. Seaman			0	1	9	51	33	10	62	55
		Round F		Clas	s B					
						non	440	444	man	-4
P. Beaton				0	669	327	418	114	765	54
M. Smith			10	3	602	427	398	79	870	45
A. Holzhauer			9	4	595	433	379	79	812	46
D. Sharky			. 9	4	587	435	349	82	770	45
C. Seacord				5	601	476	398	84	842	47
				5	612	468	407	104	792	52
				-	0.00	E632	SID		AGE	7.0
J. McGuire				6	498	551	336	77	800	42
T. Hale			9	6	580	500	389	80	868	44
A. Carlson			6	7	516	553	311	61	681	45
A. Stone			5	8	518	564	368	70	858	42
S. Young				4.2	429	596	252	49	770	32
D. Gardner					388	575	264	41	756	34
H. McGuire				11	294	655	186	26	672	27
J. Ouret			1	12	318	647	223	28	778	28
		Final	of Cla	ess	В					
A. Holzhauer				1	421	311	278	67	578	48
P. Beaton				2	435	255	282	77	510	55
C. Grieco			1	2	420	290	262	69	504	52
A. Carlson				3	393	336	263	57	556	47
D. Sharky			6	3	415	299	258	56	528	49
C. Seacord			5	4	369	390	265	58	568	46
M. Smith			(4)	7	349	407	284	54	592	48
T. Hale				7	254	406	187	36	482	37
H. McGuire				8	268	448	191	40	524	38
A. Stone				8	250	432	206	38	548	37
	Pla	y-off fo	or Sec	ond	Place					
P. Beaton			1	0	51	47	44	12	74	59
C. Grieco			-	1	47	51	41	12	74	55
J. 011000		y-off fo				2.	**			00
A Comlan						90	90	17	Arr	5.4
A. Carlson				0	50	26	26	7	47	54
D. Sharky			0	1	26	50	20	4	48	41

BORRESON WINS CLASS A TITLE

Otto Borreson, former Neenah city champion, captured the Appleton and central Fox River Valley Class A championship, on the Pierce Park courts, Appleton, Wis.

Borreson was entered as a Class B contestant and won first honors with seven straight wins in the round robin competition. He then resigned his title in the afternoon when a Class A entrant failed to appear, and pitched another seven straight wins against no defeats to cop the title. He won the George Walters Adler Brau trophy for one year.

With Borreson resigning his Class B honors, Ambrose Plucker, Neenah who finished second, was given the title. He won six and lost one.

The Class C event was a dingdong affair. It was by far the closest, if not the best tournament of the day. Gehring took the lead, Peterson moved up and a three-way tie for first place appeared imminent. The fine putching of Peterson under pressure decided the issue in the last round.

In the feature matches, Lawrence Riede, Oshkosh, defeated Otto Borreson, 51-19, Don Benjamin, Neenah, defeated Carl Riede, Oshkosh, by the score of 52 to 40. In the deciding doubles match the Oshkosh combination defeated the tourney leaders by the close score of 52-43.

Starting promptly at 8 o'clock, with the Class B and alternate Class B contenders taking the courts and all through the day to the final events at 5:30, the large tournament offered something new to the sport enthusiasts of Appleton and this locality.

Louis Lang was director of the

Class A group, Billy Kiley was director of Class B, and Paul Grignon was in charge of Class C contenders. W. D. McDaniels, of Oshkosh, was the master of ceremonies.

Class A Finals

W L R DR SP Pc
Borreson, Neenah 7 0 181 40 416 43
Benjamin, Neenah 6 1 154 37 314 49
Rammer, Appleton 5 2 139 25 408 34
Reischel, Menasha 4 3 113 13 430 26
Leininger, Appl'tn 2 5 132 16 472 28
Hanstedt, Applet'n 2 5 94 9 414 22
Mathison, Neenah 2 5 141 20 436 32
Blick, Appleton 0 7 88 8 406 20

Class B Finals

	W	L
Borreson, Neenah	7	0
Plucker, Neenah		
Plier, Neenah	5	2
Coenen, Neenah		
Hein, Appleton	3	4
Kober Appleton		
Martin, Menasha		
Cole, Appleton	1	6
Class C Finals		
Peterson, Appleton	6	1
	-	-

Peterson, Appleton6	
Puffer, Appleton5	
Gehring, Appleton5	
Gullickson, Appleton	
Fadner, Appleton	
Schmidt, Appleton	
Wm. Coenen, Neenah	
Bushman, Appleton	

Class A Versus Oshkosh W L R DR Pct Tl.

L. Riede, Osh'h 1 0 26 6 54 51 Benjamin, Ne'h 1 0 25 4 35 52 Borreson, Nee'h 0 1 14 1 28 19 C. Riede, Osh'h 0 1 22 3 31 40

Riede & Riede 1 0 26 3 35 52 Bor'son, Benja'n 0 1 23 4 30 43 Final scoring, Oshkosh 2 Neenah 1.

NEW JERSEY NOTES

Election of Officers

Officers named by the Hudson County Horseshoe Club, Inc., October 6th, 1939, were: Theron Templeton, president, 310 Neptune Avenue, Jersey City; Clare Hume, 1st vice president, 32 Van Reipen Ave., Jersey City; Benjamin Marsino 2nd vice president, 589 Bergenline Ave., Union City; Charles Hines, secretary, 131 Sherman Avenue, Jersey City; Claude E. Hart, treasurer, 17 Van Reypen Street, Jersey City; Thomas Enright, 97 Fulton Avenue, Jersey City, was elected to the board of trustees to replace Paul Wichert.

State Officials
New Jersey Horseshoe Pitchers

Association held its election at Emil's Log Cabin, Middletown, New Jersey, on Sunday, September 17th, 1939. Those names were, President, D. Eric Brown, 2900 Carmen St. Camden, N. J.; 1st Vice President, Paul Puglise, 88 Lyon St., Paterson, N. J.; 2nd Vice President, Renold Santoro, 211 Broad St., Perth Amboy, N. J.; Secretary Treasurer, Claude E. Hart, 17 Van Reypen St., Jersey City, N. J.; Executive Committee, Lee R. Davis, 2 Brookway Ave., Englewood, N. J.; Michael Mahoney, Lincroft, N. J.; John Landers 11 Moore Terrace, West Orange, N. J.; Walter Angilly, 114 Romaine Place, Newark, N. J.; Frank Maisch, 601 Madison St., West New York, N. J.; Harry Oberhauser, 70 Laurel Ave., Arlington, N. J.

The secretary reported that the membership had grown to a total of 192 and that the previous year it

was 123. It is to be noted that a large portion of this increase is traceable to the formation of the Hudson County Horseshoe League. This league having been formed with the co-operation of the Recreation Division of the W.P.A.

Commissioner McGovern Horseshoe Tourney Won By Hume

Clare Hume won the Jersey City Horseshoe Pitching title in the tournament sponsored by Commissioner William J. McGovern, Director of Parks and Public Property for Jersey City, and held at Audubon Park.

In the Class A finals, Hume made a sweep of his seven games, pitching 153 ringers out of a total of 264 shoes for an average of 58 per cent. John Peters was second, winning five and losing two games. Charles Hines and Chris Bentsen tied for third place, and Hines won the playoff. Frank Brady, Claude Hart, Albert Vietmeyer and Frank Scanlon finished in the order mentioned.

The Class B finals, held at Pershing Field resulted in a three-way tie for first between Karl Reich, Albert Barnes and Walter Buck, each with five wins and two losses. Darkness prevented a play-off and Reich was declared the winner on his ringer average of 28.66 per cent, followed by Barnes with 28.48 per cent, and Buck with 22.1 per cent. William Renahan, Thomas Ellis, Theron Templeton, George Phillips and Andrew Olsen finished in the order mentioned.

Commissioner McGovern will award the prizes at the Hudson County Horseshoe Club, 671 Montgomery Street, Jersey City, in the near future. The tournament was under the supervision of Mr. Frank Deisler, Superintendent of Parks and Playgrounds, assisted by Benjamin Murphy and Claude Hart of the Hudson County Horseshoe Club.

HEFNER WINS

On Labor Day Chester Hefner won first in the Rock Island Western Illinois Eastern Iowa tourney for the second consecutive year. He averaged 73.8. Best game was against E. Danielson, Macomb, 83 per cent against 74 per cent.

Class A

	W	L
Chester Hefner, Peoria	.7	0
E. Danielson, Macomb	.6	1
G. Wells, Rock Island	5	2
B. Boyungh, Sterling	3	4
R. Cowart, Macomb	3	4
E. Miers, Rock Island	.2	5
D. Swanson Moline	2	5
L. Terro, Canton		
D White Premation was w		

D. White, Premption, was winned in Class B, with 7-0.

J. Dubie, Peoria, won first in Class C. 7-0.

LEROY PAGE Des Moines, Ia. President JACK CLAVES St. Louis, Mo. First Vice President

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I first took up the game of horseshoes in the summer of 1920. I played with shoes actually worn by a horse and discarded. I pitched at stakes just driven into the ground temporarily, and at different distances every day; and each game pitched was more of a debate over the score and ways of scoring than a contest. On my street we used an intricate scoring system, giving five for a ringer, three for a leaner, ten for a stander, fifteen for a hammerlock and 20 for a semaphore. On the next street over, the fellows used an entirely different system of scoring while three blocks away, a third system was used. A team match between the fellows from two different streets can be imagined. Instead of attracting spectators to witness skill, it was more apt to draw the police to quiet the racket. Horseshoe pitching was far from being a dignified sport then.

Just the other day I met a boyhood chum whom I hadn't seen for years, and almost the first thing he mentioned was the arguments we used to have over horseshoe games in the old days. "But," he said, "all that argument ended in 1922 when they printed those horseshoe rules in the paper, remember?"

I did remember, and was very grateful to whoever it was that made those rules, because they saved me a lot of arguments, and they made the boys on the next street, and on the third street over all play the same way, and we could have team matches without going through a lot of quarreling.

Then my friend asked me how the horseshoe game was coming, and I replied that it would take a long time to answer that question, because while the game is improving in some parts of the country, it is slumping somewhat in some other parts.

I explained it to Bill in this way: "You remember," I said, "How the game went in our end of town? After those new rules came out, we formed a regular team league in our district, and had almost a hundred players in it in 1922. We had a great boom in the game for a while but it gradually died down until only a few out of that bunch continued to play."

"And now," interrupted Bill

"You're the only one who is still keeping it up."

"Yes," I answered, "out of that hundred, I'm the only one who became a devoted horseshoe man. It's the same all over. Only about one out of every hundred who tries it sicks to it. It's a hard game to learn, and a hard game to organize, and still harder to KEEP organized."

"Why is it hard to keep things organized?" asked Bill.

"Because,' I answered, "those who play the game forget one important point. The game today owes its standing and present popularity to the fact that a few real hard working people started the National Association and gave the horseshoe pitchers a set of uniform rules, and made it possible for the game to become universal. They gave the game the dignity it lacked. Those fellows who do not want to support the organization seem to forget that without that organization there would be no game. While they might retire to their own back yard and pitch, I'll bet ten to one that they would still use the rules as given by the National, thereby putting their unconscious approval on them, and showing their unspoken gratefulness for those rules."

"Yes," broke in Bill, "it's a funny world. "Guys who really like the game shouldn't squawk about a few measly cents a year to keep the game up when they spend more than that for a show or throw more than that away in a few minutes in a pin-ball game."

"No, they shouldn't," I replied, "but they do. And more than that, they seem to think that someone is trying to steal something from them by asking them for a few cents to try to keep up a great sport. I can show you letters from two states that a couple of years ago were the leading two states for members, and these letters both say that those states are dropping out of the National Association because they don't think the National is doing anything for them."

"Is that so?" asked Bill in surprise and then he added, "Don't they realize that if all the states drop out there wouldn't be any National Association, and if there were no National, there would be no game

unless someone started up another National Association?"

There was no answer from me to this question, for there cannot be an answer to such a question.

You states, and you pitchers who are contemplating withdrawing your support ought to give a moment's thought to what kind of game you would have without any central authority. You ought to remember, as I do, who it was that gave you this game of horseshoe pitching—who it is that keeps it going, and what will happen if you fail to do your part to support it.

All I ask is that you give me a year to get things going. Let's make 1940 the greatest year in horseshoe pitching history. We ABSOLUTELY WILL HAVE A WORLD TOURNAMENT IN 1940. We will have a new idea put into effect by forming a National Team League. We will have a greater organization than ever before, IF all pitchers do their part.

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Your secretary, LEE ROSE.

RETAINS CITY TITLE

By winning nine consecutive games, Alvin Gandy retained his Topeka City championship and further strengthened his claim on the Senator Arthur Capper trophy cup. Gandy has to win it only once more to become permanent possessor of the cup.

Gandy had easy sailing in all the games and easily overcame his arch rival, Frank Phillips, 50 to 32. Mr. Phillips, the elongated "slipper slammer" took an early lead of 16 to 1 at the end of eight innings. Gandy then settled down to his natural groove and smacked on 44 out of the last 52 shoes pitched thereby clinching the title. Phillips who claims a record of 100 ringers in 100 shoes, was only able to hit 687 in this game.

The crowd had anticipated a hectic struggle, but it failed to materialize. So once again the curtain falls on Topeka horseshoe activity and the popular Mr. Gandy is still king.

Mr. Phillips won second, Fred Petrik, third. Gandy averaged better than 77 per cent for nine games.

LONG ISLAND NEWS By J. J. Enright

In the Long Island Daily Press

It is the rule, rather than the exception, that "anything can happen in a horseshoe game," and the average pitcher is nothing if not an optimist. That the game's "form" can be charted with enough accuracy and decimals to satisfy an Einstein (or "Clocks" Carson himself) proves nothing at all. Horseshoes, like a sweepstake ticket, gives everyone a chance to win.

Nevertheless, it has been many a season since anyone witnessed so cockeyed a tournament as last Sunday's battle for the Long Island championship at Hempstead Lake State Park. The following summary speaks for itself.

Final Round

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1	58.8
2	54.6
2	51.0
3	44.2
4	48.6
5	40.0
7	35.7
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Consolation Round

A. Wracks, 218 points; V. Fileccia, 216; H. Christy, 199; P. Beaton, 198; J. Maloney, 195; L. Queret, 185; M. Belsky, 184; F. Kappleman, 173.

To say that the tournament was a fragrant bouquet of upsets and surprises does not detract from the performance of young Jimmy Ruggles. His victory was no fluke. Since winning his first gold medal two years ago, Jimmy's shoe progress has been consistent and convincing. That he survived the Alphonse and Gaston qualifying round and went on to take the 1939 title and trophy, certifies him as a strictly Grade A product.

Equally bonafide was the showing of Ruth Allen, who finished third last year behind Fileccia and Belsky. One of these days Ruth will shake off the jinx that has balked her winning a tournament in her native Nassau.

Class B Final Standings

College Point	10	4	37.9
Elmhurst			35.5
Ft. Greene	9	5	37.2
DeKalb	6	5	36.6
Whitestone	6	5	36.6
Sunnyside	5	6	37.7
West Hempstead	2	9	29.3
St. Albans			

Fred Egger promises that "Rip" Gallagher, Bruna Hamann, Frank Gamble, Lou Ziegler, Tom O'Gara, Lou Lenhardt and other double-ringer dignitaries of the metropolitan game will decorate the dais at to-

night's dinner of the West Hempstead Club at the Gables Tavern, Franklin Square.

Ted Allen gave an exhibition at Hempstead Lake last Sunday. There is a fancy pay-as-you-pitch horseshoe layout on World Fair boulevard. Commissioner Valentine has okayed the construction of six new horseshoe courts at the police department's vacation colony in Tanners-ville.

Bob Ziegler, the Sandwich Kid, wants to amalgamate the Fort Greene and Sunset Park clubs, but Dan Salvesen says he's opposed to monopolies. Dan has just recruited Ray Harmon, former Illinois state

champion.

Whitestone and St. Albans, with new indoor setups in the making, are still dickering with the landlords. Both clubs are ready to start digging before the ink dries on the first month's rent receipt. College Point is also contemplating winter quarters.

A REAL GIFT

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LONG ISLAND CHAMPION



JAMES RUGGLES

Youth was served when James Ruggles, Bayside High School student, won the Long Island State Park horseshoe pitching championship in a contest at Hempstead Lake State Park. Jimmy, who is 15, lives at 20-40 169th Street, Flushing.

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***** THANKS, PITCHERS!

I want to take this opportunity of thanking all the horseshoe pitchers everywhere for their splendid cooperation while I was president of the National Horse, shoe Pitchers Association.. It was my pleasure to meet many of you personally and I have enjoyed the friendship of countless others whom I have had correspondence with.

I hope that my interest in horseshoe pitching will cause our paths to cross again many times.

Thanks to all for your help in a difficult task which I thoroughly enjoyed.

L. E. TANNER, Anchor, Ill. * *****

ADDS ANOTHER!

Larry Mahoney, of Lincroft, N. J., state horseshoe pitching champion, added the New Jersey open title to his long list when he won the title at Middletown on September 17th. Larry had little trouble with his opponents, none of whom scored more than 26 points except Vito Feleccia, of Brooklyn N. Y., who held the lead to 43 points at which point Larry dropped on five doubles to win 50 to 43. Mahoney's ringer percentage for the seven games was 70.4 per cent.

Class A pitching was featured by two youngsters, 14 years of age, Art Scolari, of Paterson, N. J., and Jimmy Ruggles of Whitestone, Long Island, who finished in third and fourth places with ringer averages of 59.2 and 62.7 respectively. Scolari had three games over 60 per cent, with a high of 71.3 per cent; and Ruggles had four over 60 per cent, with highs of 71.8 and 76.4 per cent.

Class B ended in a threeway tie, with first place going to William Kelb of Newark, N. J., on points. with Walter Duvalois of West New York, in second place, and Joe Puglise, of Paterson, N. J., in third place.

Class C was won by Peter Beaton, of Elmhurst, Long Island, who made a clean sweep of his games, with George Zeman, of North Bergen, N. J., finishing second, losing only one game, to Beaton.

Class D also ended in a tie between Vincent Fittin, of West Orange, N. J., and Leon Quert, of Maspeth, N. J. with Fittin finally being declared the winner. The games

in this class were very closely contested, the losers scoring over 40 points in more than one-half the games.

This tournament concluded the season for the state association and brought to a close a very successful season for horseshoe pitching in the state. Membership in the association increased nearly 60 per cent over 1938, with a number of new clubs becoming very active. Three leagues completed schedules, and the title of state team champion goes to the Paterson, N. J., team for the

Final Standings Class A

			Pct
L. Mahoney, Lincroft		0	70.4
V. Feleccia, Brooklyn	,	2	63.9
A. Scolari, Paterson	,	2	59.2
J. Ruggles, Whitestone 4		3	62.7
R. Ziegler, Brooklyn	,	2	59.2
R. Ziegler, Brooklyn	3	4	47.0
J. McCrink, W. Orange1		6	48.8
H. Christy, Corona)	7	48.9
Class B			
Wm. Kolb, Newark	6	1	345
W. Duvalois, W. N. Y.	6	1	342
J. Puglise, Paterson		1	323
F. Hessler, Brooklyn	3	4	293
L. Davis, Englewood	3	4	269
J. Gustavsen Jersey City		5	206
M. Belsky, New York C.	1	6	252
R. Antko, Newark	1	6	201
Class C			
Peter Beaton, Elmhurst	7	0	350
Geo. Zerman, N. Bergen	6	1	327
C. Dorshimer, Collingsw'od	4	3	313
Wm. McIlwaine, Forest H.	4	3	308
P. Puglise, Paterson	3	4	248
J. Landers, West Orange	2	5	269
J. Landers, West Orange M. Quigley, Staten Isl	2	5	252
C. Hines, Jersey City	1	6	213
Class D			
Vincent Fittin, W. Orange	6	1	344
L. Quert, Maspeth		1	344
G. Antko, Newark	5	2	342
J. Waltz, Newark	5	2	333
J. Soden, Lincroft	3	4	264
Al Anderson, Englewood	2	5	253
C. Ayvaliotis, Corona	0	7	
W. Renahan, Newark		7	

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Artie Scolari had the highest ringer average for the season with 51.5 per cent and the highest single game with 82 per cent.

NEW MEXICO RESULTS

A successful state horseshoe tournament was held in New Mexico this year on September 24 and 25, with Charles "Chuck" Curran, Clovis, winning the Class A championship. C. A. Schwab, Ft. Sumner, won the Class B meet and Paul E. Mackey, Albuquerque, was declared the Class C winner.

Officers elected were Charles Curren, Clovis, president; A. Scott, Sr., Albuquerqua, vice president, and Paul E. Machey, Albuquerque, secretary.

GIVE EXHIBITION

Mr. and Mrs. Carrol E. Jackson, noted exhibition tossers, played at the Peoria, Ill., courts recently. Peoria is a "red hot" horseshoe town, one of our correspondents writes.

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HENSON CHAMP IN CAPITAL TOURNEY

Clayton C. (Boo) Henson of Arlington, wears the horseshoe pitching crown of Metropolitan Washington, but not jauntily. At least a flipper has come forward to challenge the supremacy of the sturdy young Virginian who for years has been without a serious rival in the ringer competition of this section.

Come another season and Henson's chief worry probably will not be Harold Ronning, of Washington whom he defeated in the final of The Star's 11th annual tournament in the National Capital Parks courts, but Irwin Carlberg, the frail-looking Washington champ.

In the metropolitan semi-finals, Henson dropped two to Carlberg in possibly the most brilliantly pitched contest in the history of the tournament. In winning three games to two, Henson banged on 65 per cent ringers and Carlberg 63 per cent, Henson taking the first game, Carlberg the next two and the Virginian the final pair.

With the battle at its hottest, they matched 11 consecutive ringers and in many innings all four shoes circled the stake. In the end, it seemed, Henson's stamina settled the issue. The scores were:

Henson50 44 33 50 50 Carlberg29 50 50 38 39

Tossing 65 per cent ringers against 60, Henson won four straight games to down Ronning in the final, but the whipping was no great disappointment to the big, imperturbable Washington flipper. That he reached the final was the big surprise of the tournament, and to have given Hanson a real scrap was, for him, a noteworthy achievement.

The scores: Henson50 50 50 50 Ronning27 38 30 43

Of keen satisfaction to Ronning was a quarter-final victory over Harry Saunders of Washington the defending champion. The evening before rain halted their contest with each having a game and Ronning in front by 11-9 in the deciding skirmish. This Ronning won by 50-38, putting on 56 per cent against Saunders' 53. Veteran horseshoe observers noted a marked change in the losing champion's style. Where formerly he pitched with rhythm and confidence, last night he was almost painfully slow in the windup and swing.

Ronning Trims Howery

To reach Hensen, Ronning defeated Charley Howery of Virginia in a tough battle, the scores being 36-50, 50-38, 50-44, 50-25. Ronning threw 63 per cent and Howery about 54 per cent.

A sizeable gallery stuck with the show until close to midnight. The Star trophies were presented by Edward Kelly, administrative assistant to Frank T. Gartside, acting superintendent of the National Capital Parks Service, which co-operated with a will in the staging of the tourna-

Those receiving trophies were: Henson, Northern Virginia and metropolitan district champion; Carlberg, Washington champion; Lee Fleshman Southern Maryland champion; Howery, Virginia runner-up; Roy Wilson, Washington runner-up; Temple Jarrell, Maryland runner-up; Ronning, metropolitan runner-up and Walter Haley of Washington, for winning the bowling championship of the ringer flippers.

TAKEN BY WESTON

Quincy, Mass.—In a final play-off that was held one day ahead of schedule, Paul Weston, 1938 champion, retained his horseshoe throwing championship at the St. Moritz courts last night as he out-tossed three competitors in a round robin tournament to decide the titleholder.

Weston, winning each of his three

battles, was in rare form as he paced the field in every department. His percentage in the ringer department showed a final result of 68.8 per cent, which included a percentage of over 82 per cent for one game.

Russell Sweeney, second place winner was also runner-up to Weston from all angles, gaining second place over Russell O'Brien, while Gerald Ryan trailed the field.

Weston tossed 121 ringers in the three-game tourney, including double ringers while Sweeney had 97 ringers with 31 double ringers.

The results: P R DR SP Pct W L 154 121 41 176 68.8 3 0 Weston 123 97 31 156 62.2 2 1 Sweeney O'Brien 113 91 24 172 52.8 1 2 69 86 21 168 51.2 0 3 Ryan

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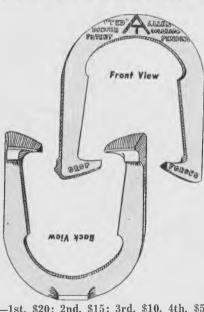
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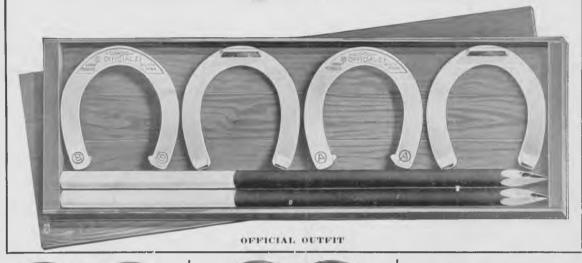
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