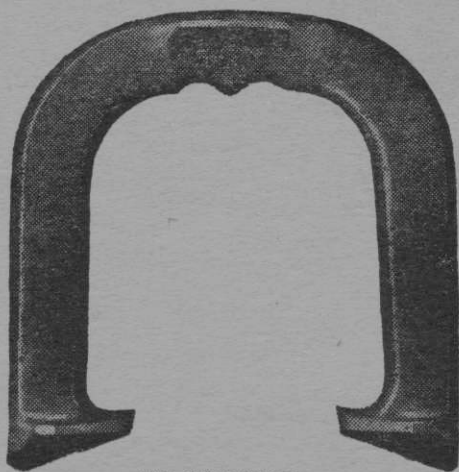


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### EDITORIAL

We intended to go to Murray, Utah for the World's Tournament but from there we continued on to the West Coast. So, instead of being away for two weeks, we stretched it to four. Naturally, while away, my mail continued to pile up and when we finally reached home there were over 100 letters calling for my attention. Besides that, I had to get this months edition together for the printing. Am only mentioning this so you folks who have not heard from me promptly will know why. By the time you read this I hope all your answers from me will have been received. So bear with me, please.

This year's tournament went along very smoothly and what with the "B" tournament, ladies tournament and the teen age tournament, every one got their money's worth. As usual, those Utahans did everything they could to make our stay a very pleasant one and they deserve the thanks of every horseshoe player in the country. They have invited us to return there again next year for the 1952 tournament and of course we accepted the invitation. You will note from game summeries that there were quite a few upsets, notably Tamboer finishing third and Casey Jones and DeLeary finishing further down than usual. Look over the wins and losses and form your own opinions.

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### WORLD'S TOURNAMENT

Fernando Isais again defended his title successfully at Murray, Utah by winning all thirty-five games. He met his toughest competitor in the fourth round when he defeated Ted Allen by the close score of 50 to 49. There were 122 shoes pitched in this game. Right from the beginning of the tournament it looked like the final results would show a change in the final results, as compared with previous years because in the first round Monasmith took over DeLeary, Packham beat Casey Jones and Cobb took over Gatewood. These three games in themselves, were upsets.

Another upset came in the eighth round when in a 106 shoe game Allen lost his second game to Eddie Packham by 50 to 42. The following summaries of all the games will give up a better picture of the happenings than words so look it over.

### Results of World Championship Horseshoe Tournament

Name	Qual.	W.	L.	Ring.	SP	%
1. Fernando Isais, Los Angeles, Calif.	.000	35	0	2233	2604	85.7
2. Ted Allen, Boulder Colorado	.519	33	2	2102	2644	83.2
3. Marines Tamboer, Wichita, Kan.	.509	29	6	2123	2790	76.0
4. Eddie Packham, Los Angeles, Calif.	.515	25	10	2035	2710	75.0
5. John Lindmeier, Broadview, Ill.	.493	25	10	2067	2760	74.8
6. Casey Jones, Waukesha, Wis.	.524	23	12	2063	2656	77.6
7. Ray Gatewood, Lennox, Calif.	.486	23	12	2132	2766	77.0
8. Dean Brown, South Gate, Calif.	.508	23	12	2160	2826	76.1
9. Louis Dean, Pomona, Calif.	.499	23	12	1928	2662	72.4
10. Dale Dixon, Des Moines, Iowa	.490	22	13	1909	2602	73.3
11. Ellis Cobb, Aurora, Illinois	.486	22	13	1971	2706	72.8
12. Stan DeLeary, Phoenix, Arizona	.497	22	13	2051	2828	72.5
13. John Monasmith, Yakima, Wash.	.497	21	14	1980	2722	72.7
14. Merle Palmer, Cheyenne, Wyo.	.389	21	14	2038	2826	72.1
15. Roland Kraft, Lawrence, Kan.	.481	20	15	2087	2742	76.1
16. Dean McLaughlin, Ontario, Canada	.458	20	15	2106	2866	73.4

17.	Glenn Anderson, Moline, Ill.....	496	20	15	2038	2828	72.0
18.	Tommy Bartlen, Milwaukee, Wis....	524	20	15	1945	2740	70.9
19.	Alvin Gandy, Topeka, Kan.....	495	18	17	2024	2800	72.2
20.	Cletus Chapelle, Portland, Ore.....	488	18	17	1938	2770	69.9
21.	Harold Shaw, What Cheer, Iowa....	497	17	18	1797	2548	70.5
22.	Ervin Hosier, South Gate, Calif....	486	17	18	1881	2682	70.1
23.	Lowell Gray, San Gabriel, Calif....	472	16	19	2065	2864	72.1
24.	Frank Stinson, Minneapolis, Minn..	487	14	21	1998	2848	72.1
25.	Richard Allen, Boulder, Colo.....	464	13	22	1688	2470	68.3
26.	Henry Knauft, Spokane, Wash.....	476	13	22	1817	2664	68.2
27.	Ron Cherrier, Northfield, Minn.....	463	12	23	1742	2556	68.1
28.	John Paxton, Ottumwa, Iowa.....	458	11	24	1778	2636	67.4
29.	Ray Ohms, Salt Lake City, Utah....	472	10	25	1843	2674	68.9
30.	Gerald L'Abbey, Englewood, Colo....	485	10	25	1753	2600	67.4
31.	Lewis Getchell, Tacoma, Wash.....	473	10	25	1750	2594	67.4
32.	Paul Mori, San Francisco, Calif....	468	10	25	1666	2516	66.2
33.	Cherry Bennett, Kaysville, Utah....	462	9	26	1583	2446	64.6
34.	Eugene Patrick, Poppenish, Wash....	467	2	33	1347	2236	60.2
35.	Lindza Greenlee, Springfield, Mo....	473	2	33	1312	2204	59.5
36.	William Hill, San Francisco, Calif..	479	1	34	1003	1902	52.7

### B Class Horseshoe Tournament

	<i>Name</i>	<i>Qual. W.</i>	<i>L.</i>	<i>Ring.</i>	<i>SP</i>	<i>%</i>	
1.	Roy Getchell, Tigard Oregon.....	455	21	2	983	1448	67.8
2.	John Elkins, Stella, Mo.....	458	19	4	964	1460	66.0
3.	Alvin Dahlene, Lawrence, Kan.....	446	18	5	993	1434	69.2
4.	Harold Darnold, Burlington, Ia....	436	18	5	1032	1518	67.9
5.	Arner Lindquist, Morganton, W. Va..	425	17	6	934	1522	61.4
6.	George Callas, San Francisco, Calif..	446	16	7	949	1534	61.2
7.	Alden Van Iten, Green Bay, Wis....	401	15	8	970	1578	61.5
8.	George Hook, Ontario, Calif.....	439	14	9	900	1538	58.5
9.	Hugh Rogers, Cedar Falls, Iowa....	416	14	9	822	1458	56.4
10.	Ralph Dykes, Chicago, Illinois.....	431	13	10	929	1502	61.8
11.	Harry Page, Waterloo, Iowa.....	397	13	10	899	1526	58.9
12.	Earl Winston, La Monte, Mo.....	442	12	11	861	1492	57.7
13.	Marion Lange, Bondurant, Iowa....	427	12	11	824	1476	55.8
14.	Marvel Bean, Patterson, Iowa.....	420	11	12	717	1396	58.5
15.	Nelson Vogel, Manito, Illinois.....	445	10	13	884	1398	63.2
16.	Louis Larson, N. Mankato, Minn....	439	10	13	772	1444	53.4
17.	Leonard Millsbaugh, Portland, Ore..	418	10	13	790	1550	50.9
18.	C. V. Palm, Cheyenne, Why.....	396	6	17	672	1360	49.0
19.	Ralph Phillips, Portland, Ore.....	406	6	17	680	1412	48.2
20.	A. M. Eames, Pomona Park, Fla....	398	6	17	681	1432	47.1
21.	Hubert Galpin, Salt Lake City, Utah.	404	5	18	658	1354	48.6
22.	Archie Gregson, Crestline, Calif....	422	3	20	689	1424	48.4
23.	W. D. Hubbard, Baker, Mont.....	359	3	20	571	1336	42.6
24.	Jesse D. Edwards, Portland, Ore....	354	3	20	535	1292	41.4

### Results World Championship Women's Horseshoe Tournament

	<i>Name</i>	<i>W. L.</i>	<i>Ring.</i>	<i>S.P.</i>	<i>%</i>	
1.	Mrs. Sarah Byers, Portland, Oregon.....	7	0	166	374	44.3
2.	Mrs. Pat DeLeary, Phoenix, Arizona.....	5	2	157	380	41.3
3.	Mrs. Anna Lindquist, Morgantown, W. Va..	5	2	193	404	47.7
4.	Mrs. Katie Gregson, Crestline, Calif.....	4	3	165	400	41.2
5.	Mrs. Rosa Froyen, San Francisco, Calif....	4	3	165	480	34.3
6.	Mrs. Viola Hilton, Murray, Utah.....	2	5	89	436	20.4
7.	Mrs. Daisy Chapelle, Portland, Ore.....	1	6	74	412	17.9
8.	Mrs. Mary Lou Lindmeier, Broadview, Ill..	0	7	63	342	18.4

## Results World Championship Junior Horseshoe Tournament

Name	W.	L.	Ring.	S.P.	%
1. Dave Loucks, San Francisco, Calif.....	15	0	162	338	47.9
2. Sharon Hilton, Murray, Utah.....	14	1	157	396	39.6
3. Gordon Larson, Murray, Utah.....	11	4	118	502	23.5
4. Jim Healey, Murray, Utah.....	11	4	120	460	26.0
5. John Benvegnu, Murray, Utah.....	11	4	109	534	20.2
6. Jerry McCleary, Midvale, Utah.....	10	5	136	524	25.9
7. Larry Edmondson, Union, Utah.....	9	6	97	498	19.4
8. Howard Larson, Murray, Utah.....	9	6	80	490	16.3
9. Harold Paxton, Ottumwa, Iowa.....	8	7	103	510	20.1
10. Gene Merrill, Murray, Utah.....	6	9	81	520	15.4
11. Larry Birch, Murray, Utah.....	5	10	59	446	13.2
12. Carl Benvegnu, Murray Utah.....	5	10	60	554	10.8
13. Jack Merrill, Murray, Utah.....	3	12	25	428	5.8
14. Gary Brown, South Gate, Calif.				Forfeited	
15. Garr Lundquist, Murray, Utah				Forfeited	
16. D. Gile, Murray, Utah				Forfeited	

The longest string of doubles for the tournament went to Tamboer of Kansas. He had 18.

The longest game of the tournament was between Ted Allen, Boulder, Colo. and Frank Stinson, Minneapolis, Minn—138 shoes.

Dean McLaughlin of Canada pitched the most shoes in the tournament, 2866.

The entire 36 men averaged 71% for the tournament.

In convention: Ladies pitching distance was made optional 30 feet or 40 feet.

Manufacturers must have their new or changed shoe in the officers' hands by the first of March.

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## CONNECTICUT

### Connecticut State Championship

By M. VECCHITTO

Wwight Smith of Southington, retained his title successfully by winning all his games in the annual State Horseshoe Tournament held August 12 at Beardsley Park, Bridgeport. Mr. Smith has now won the State Championship two years in a row and has yet to taste a defeat. John Bessey and John Dudek both of Hartford were tied for 2nd place and due to the late hour they decided that ringer percentage would decide for 2nd place honors. John Bessey took 2nd by a close margin.

	W.	L.	%		W.	L.	%
1 D. Smith	11	0	63.0	7 F. Smith	5	6	41.8
2 J. Bessey	9	2	51.3	8 H. Ropa	4	7	45.6
3 J. Dudek	9	2	51.0	9 J. Carpo	4	7	44.8
4 G. Giorgetti	7	4	53.3	10 J. Blomquist	4	7	43.8
5 W. Kamszik	6	5	49.8	11 J. Believe	1	10	42.5
6 C. Reeder	5	6	45.0	12 F. Wagner	1	10	40.3

Sam Bartram of Stratford won top honors in Class B only after beating John Kamszik of Bridgeport who were tied for 1st in the play offs. Mike Vecchitto of Middletown, came 3rd. Peter Serkolit of Willimantic, won in the Class C division, Mike Grutto of Derby, placed 2nd and Beaton Case of Buckland, 3rd.

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## Northern Connecticut Tournament, Pope Park, Hartford, Conn.

	W.	L.	%		W.	L.	%
1 D. Smith	6	0	64.6	4 M. Vecchitto	3	3	38.0
2 Fred Smith	4	2	45.6	5 C. Kaselauskus	3	3	32.8
3 J. Dudek	3	3	50.0	6 D. Harrison	1	5	32.5
				7 P. Serkolit	1	5	32.0

Frank Smith of Granby (no relation to D. Smith) won in the class B; R. Robinson, 2nd; and B. Case, 3rd.

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## Fairfield County Tournament

By FRANK WAGNER

The Fairfield County Tournament was held on July 29 at Beardsley Park in Bridgeport.

Joe Capro of Bridgeport won the championship after a play-off with Bill Kamszik, also of Bridgeport. The playoff was tough for Bill to lose as he lost both play-off games by close margins 50—49 and 50—48. Bill's only loss in the tournament was to J. Capro while F. Wagner gave J. Capro his only defeat. Highest ringer percentage decided 3rd place winner, as two pitchers had won 6 games and lost 3. F. Wagner of Stamford won over Joe Blomquist of Old Greenwich.

J. Capro held this title 3 years ago. The Fairfield County title changes hands almost every year giving different pitchers in the county the honor of the title, therefore, it is one tourney the fellows in the county look forward to every year.

Carl Reed of Bridgeport pitched his way thru Class B for the trophy with no losses. W. Schustek of Bridgeport was second with his only loss being to C. Reed. Vic Spivak of Stamford was the 3rd place winner in Class B.

Two former State Champions were interested spectators at the tournament and just couldn't resist pitching a few after the tourney: Mr. Sam Lane, formerly of Stamford, up north for a visit from Ft. Lauderdale, Florida and Bill Crofut of Shelton, Connecticut.

1 J. Capro	8	1	48.6	6 B. Kenderski	3	6	44.1
2 W. Kamszik	8	1	55.4	7 J. O'Byrne	3	6	40.7
3 F. Wagner	6	3	48.6	8 S. Bartram	3	6	38.1
4 J. Blomquist	6	3	44.5	9 R. Barrows	3	6	36.2
5 M. Falk	5	4	43.7	10 R. MacKiel	0	9	28.5

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## MAINE

### State Tournament, Portland, Aug. 25-26, 1951

By R. E. ADAMS

Our tournament was easily the most successful to date with more entries and better pitching in all classes. Our 1950 Champ Chas. Gerrish of Kittery did not let an extra year bother him and took over all of the boys again to wear the crown for 1951.

Our lady pitchers of whom there were four, tossed the 40 foot distance as there were no entries for the 30 foot court, and as the summary shows have improved over their 1950 showings. Two trophies were awarded to each class and announcement made that a years subscription of The Horseshoe Pitcher would be coming long as additional prizes.

#### CLASS "A"

1 C. Gerrish	11	0	65.7	7 R. Thurlow	5	6	50.3
2 M. Barnes	8	3	55.3	8 T. Barker	4	7	40.0
3 R. Boudreault	8	3	56.0	9 H. Greenwood	4	7	48.3
4 H. Goodier	7	4	58.3	10 S. Davis	3	8	47.1
5 J. Davis	7	4	53.4	11 R. Golightly	3	8	46.9
6 E. Scribner	6	5	54.7	12 R. Crabtree	0	11	36.0

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CLASS "B"

1 R. Thurlow	7	0	53.0	5 J. Bonevie	3	4	38.6
2 T. Lord	6	1	45.9	6 B. French	2	5	43.9
3 H. Gagne	3	4	43.0	7 C. Robinson	2	5	41.0
4 H. Spiller	3	4	41.6	8 E. Donovan	2	5	38.5

CLASS "C"

1 F. Conant	6	1	39.3	5 R. Griffing	3	4	28.7
2 A. Wing	6	1	37.0	6 C. Modery	3	4	27.5
3 J. Fitzpatrick	4	3	32.0	7 E. Beane	2	5	26.0
4 W. Hemingway	3	4	33.3	8 J. White	1	6	23.9

LADIES TOURNAMENT

1 M. Bowman	3	0	29.5	3 E. Libby	1	2	17.7
2 M. Adams	2	1	21.7	G. E. Davis	0	3	10.0

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**Tourney Qualifying**

By CHARLES S. GERRISH

The stand of Lee H. Jacobs of Michigan in advocating a change of Qualification for horseshoe tournaments from the Solo 100 (etc.) shoe pre-pitch is a right one in my opinion and I want to stand with him on it. A cancellation game playing method should be used to eliminate the poorer players and qualify the better ones. As it is we are picking out for the Round Robin Finals those players who pitch best alone, or who happen to do so on the solo qualifying day,—when we use the solo pre-pitch . . . shoes method.

Yes, let's adopt a general qualifying plan that will be done with games played, so to reach any desired number of round robin "finalists." Thereby the unnatural non-game method of Solo Count All pre-pitch can be discarded and cast into outer darkness where it belongs. As far as I see it the cancellation game method should be used for all tournaments, as well as for World Championships. It is the game competition that the pitchers want to play, not a subterfuge or dummylike substitution. The solo pre-pitch qualification is unwholesome and unsatisfactory.

Time and again, in fact I believe always—the A, B, and C groups set by 100, etc, shoe qualifying prove the error of the solo pre-pitch-off way. The after qualification game-playing of the separate groups always shows the top men or two in a lower group is a better ringer per cent man than some of the lower men in the group above. So some of the top men in group B should have played in group A, and some of the lower standing men in group A should have played in group B. In like manner the top rankers in group C should have been placed in group B by a better qualifying plan, and the lower raters (not ratters) of B ought to have played in group C. The idea is of course, that a right plan for qualifying, such as game contests, would have placed each man in his proper group. To point out an example of this faulty placement one may look at the New York results recorded page 10 of the August issue of The Horseshoe Pitcher, hte same number in which Lee's item appears. The 65% average No. 1 man in group B is apparently a better player than some of those who got into the A group. And it is quite evident that some of the lower A finalists should have played in the B group.

A Games elimination method can be simple enough. It just sounds rather complicated to say it or put it forth in writing. The 100-shoe style qualification may seem easier to say. But there are Games playing methods that are easily or more easily done. Players can be eliminated by games methods as conveniently as by solo non-game methods, and with far more satisfaction and justice to all those entries who do not get into the round robin play-offs.



It is not difficult to prove that the solo pre-pitch elimination of players is unjust. It is manifestly unfair for the player who practices for years to become a champion player, goes to a meet perhaps some distance, pays expenses and fees, has perhaps short time for his qualification tossing with possibly an impatient scorekeeper—then throws a hundred shoes or more or less, only to fall short of the eight or more men to qualify for the finals, so he has to disconsolately retire from activity without having played a single Game. My experience has been fortunate enough so far never to have had this happen to me, but I surely realize the wrong to the usually silent men who suffer it. That very thing keeps many entries out of horseshoe tourneys and thereby injures the sport and its welfare.

A game is a competition. Solo pitching is not competition and is not a game. That is why non-cancel Count All playing is rather weak and vacant—it lacks the spirit and zest of competition so it is not really a game. To do the Count-all non-cancel style, players may as well be on different courts or in different towns. An added faulty feature of Count-All "contests" is that the individual 50-shoes, etc. limit to each player often comes out a tie game. A real game in any sport should be a non-tie game (even including football).

The type player in horseshoes is one who pitches against a rival. We do not want the players who pitch best alone to be the only ones who take part in the round robin finals—we want those who pitch games best under the pressure of rivalry. Some players can pitch better alone, some can play the game better. Shall we favor the solo expert into getting into the finals, No. Neither should solo pitching be favored because it may be a convenience to the scorekeeper.

Economy in many ways, and attraction to more entries is effected by shortening tournaments in all possible ways. Time can be saved by a game elimination method to get a set of finalists, over the sole shoe-pitch plan. A smaller group of round-robin players can be arrived at in a fair way by games, further time saved in a tournament, and it will be satisfactory to have a smaller Round Robin group after a wholesome set of games have been enjoyed. Sixteen to 24 finalists are a good number for a national meet. 32 and 36 are too tedious a number in the opinion of many. As I've said before I believe under 20 finalists are better than over twenty—Lee J. suggests a way of game playing to cut down to this round robin group on page 8 of this August 1951 Horseshoe Pitcher issue. The present writer also suggested a game plan for Qualification on page 7 of the December 1949 issue. I believe Roy Smith has made some thoughtful expression also to point out benefits of eliminations and qualifications by game playing over that of the solo shoes plan that has been so much used since discontinuance of the rather cut-throat style of elimination, similar to that used in tennis where players are cut down to a 2-man finals. By the way, that old system was eminently efficient and had fine thrills for the players and the spectators. It should be tried often nowadays for informal 1-session tournaments, where quite a number of starting entries can be cut down quickly to a one-man Kingpin. This elimination scheme should be revived perhaps and be more popularized.

As Lee says, let's hear from others.

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## MICHIGAN

Results of Blue Water Festival Horseshoe Tournament at Port Huron, Michigan, July 21-22, 1951.

1. Paul Focht, Dayton, Ohio.....	15	0
2. Harry Sibert, Dayton, Ohio .....	14	1
3. Joe Latzko, Flint, Mich. ....	11	4



4. Lee Jacobs, Belleville, Mich. ....	10	5
5. Irwin Carlberg, Grand Rapids, Mich...	10	5
6. Carl Lundgren, Detroit, Mich.....	10	5
7. Clarence Jazwiak, Detroit, Mich.....	9	6
8. Les Peary, Detroit, Mich.....	9	6
9. Ed Woodward, Flint, Mich.....	8	7
10. Joe Kelly, Highland Park, Mich.....	7	8
11. Bill Crabbs, Toledo, Ohio.....	6	9
12. Jonas Otto, Ann Arbor, Mich.....	4	11
13. Frank Lewandowski, Port Huron, Mich.	4	11
14. Floyd Plumb, Toledo, Ohio.....	2	13
15. Ray Donnenworth, Yale, Mich.....	2	13
16. Mark Brown, Yale, Mich.....	0	15

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### NEW JERSEY

Vito Fellicia of Brooklyn, N. Y., won the New Jersey Open Horse-shoe Pitching Championship. Held Sunday, July 29, 1951 at Branch Brook Park, Newark. He had two legs on the Guiliano Trophy. His victory gives him the third leg and permanent possession of the trophy.

Fellicia had the high per cent game of the day 85%. There were three other games over 80% two by Carson 80.4 and 81.2. Bill Kolb had an 80.2% game. Carson also had games of 71.3, 75.0, and 71.7 per cent. Fellicia had games of 75.0, 70.0, 75.8, and 74.4 per cent. Stines had 77.8, 79.4 and 70.0; Durham 73.8; Kolb 76.7 and 77.5; Courtock 71.1.

All told 17 games over 70% of a total of 56 games played.

Vito Fellicia and Carson were tied at six games won and none lost going into the last game. Fellicia defeated Carson 50—44. Stines took third nosing out Bill Kolb 67.4 to 67.0%, both having won 4 games and losing 3.

### New Jersey Open, 1951

#### CLASS "A"

	W.	L.	%		W.	L.	%
1 Fellicia	7	0	73.5	5 Courtock	3	4	59.3
2 Carson	6	1	71.7	6 Durham	2	5	60.0
3 Stines	4	3	67.4	7 Davis	1	6	55.9
4 Kolb	4	3	67.0	8 Faulkner	1	6	49.5

#### CLASS "B"

1 Takash	7	0		5 Puglise	2	5	
2 Kientz	6	1		6 Cevert	2	5	
3 Kaplun	4	3		7 Ravencroft	2	5	
4 Knapp	3	4		8 Drus	2	5	

#### CLASS "C"

1 Ward	5	0		4 Alai	2	3	
2 Schwendel	4	1		5 Kreshok	1	4	
3 Kempe	3	2		6 Haseler	0	5	

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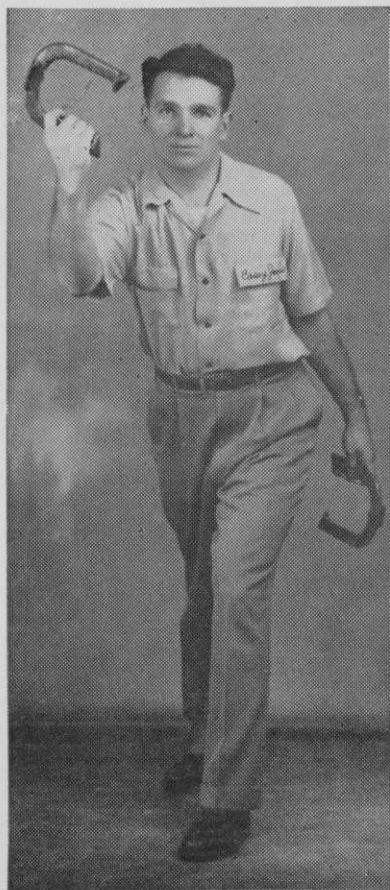
### NEW YORK

#### New York State Championship Tournament

This event was again held in New York City on the courts in Central Park. Carl Steinfeldt, of Rochester, N. Y. retained his title by defeating the other 19 contenders for his crown by winning all his contests. Here's how they finished:

	W.	L.	%		W.	L.	%
1 Steinfeldt	19	0	72.1	11 DiStefano			
2 Zichella	17	2	68.7	12 Farmer			
3 Fileccia	16	3	70.8	13 Lucente			
4 Sauro	16	3	61.7	14 Brumek			

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7 Glynn	13	6	59.0	17 Gancos
8 Brennan				18 O'Connell
9 Stines				19 Compton
10 Harwick				20 O'Ree

Cash prizes were awarded all contestants and in addition, the Champion received a nice trophy.

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### Chautauqua County Horseshoe Championship

The Chautauqua County Horseshoe Championship was played at the Clymer Conservation Club grounds on July 28th. Sixteen men competed with seven qualifying for the finals besides the defending champion, Walter Lindstrom of Jamestown, N. Y. The eight finalists competed in a round-robin tournament. The scores are as follows:

	W.	L.	%		W.	L.	%
1 Lindstrom	6	1	57.5	5 Hale	3	4	35.0
2 Ehmke	5	2	39.8	6 Lindbeck	3	4	32.9
3 Gravink	5	2	39.6	7 Clark	2	5	31.8
4 Brown	3	4	36.7	8 Bemis	1	6	32.7

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### LONG ISLAND STATE PARK OPEN TOURNAMENT

Martin Poppe won the Long Island State Park Open Tournament at Hempstead Lake State Park by winning all 7 games in the 8 man Round Robin. Poppe pitched a nice ringer percentage 65.6. Ruth Hoelzle the World's Women Champion at 40 feet (Unofficial) finished 2nd pitching 61.8. Norman Compton finished 3rd with 50.7.

Trophies were given to 1st, 2nd and 3rd, also a Consolation Trophy to Mr. Brooks, who won that event.

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## PENNSYLVANIA

### Eastern National Horseshoe Pitching Championship Held at Clearfield, Pa.

By H. S. GAMBLE

The Eastern National Championship was held at Clearfield, Pa., August 2-4, it was the best meet ever held in the East and was a huge success, we are going to make this an annual affair. We had ten entries from Canada who said they would be back next year to give it a whirl.

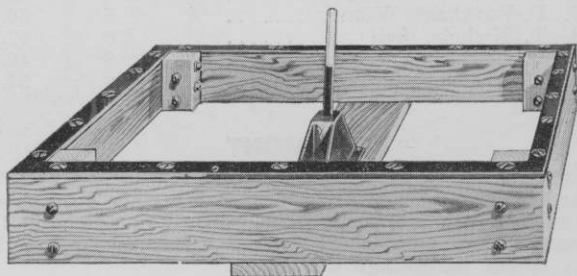
There were eight state champions participating. At the beginning of the tournament, one minute of silence was observed in honor of "Pop" Woodfield, who had done so much for the horseshoe game.

#### CLASS "A"

1. Carson, Md. ....	131	9	2	74.4
2. Lackey, Ohio ....	135	9	2	69.0
3. Steinfeldt, N. Y...	133	8	3	75.0
4. Johnson, Ken. ....	127	8	3	71.2
5. Fulton, Pa. ....	125	8	3	70.0
6. Fileccia, N. Y.....	135	5	6	66.6
7. Frye, Va. ....	128	5	6	64.7
8. Clingan, Pa. ....	130	4	7	65.0
9. Focht, Ohio ....	136	3	8	64.6
10. Carlberg, Mich. ..	126	3	8	64.5
11. Fenicchia, N. Y...	126	2	9	64.7
12. DiRocco, Pa. ....	128	2	9	62.0



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### CLASS "B"

1. Fritz, Canada . . . . .	123	5	0	56.0
2. Standard, Ind. . . . .	120	4	1	57.0
3. McPherson, Ken. . . . .	118	3	2	56.0
4. Smith, Pa. . . . .	117	3	2	55.0
5. Lindquist, W. Va. . . . .	118	1	5	52.0
6. Cushnahan, Pa. . . . .	117	0	5	50.0

In the Play-Off for 1st place Carson beat Lackey 50—27.

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### CALIFORNIA

#### So. Calif. Amateur Championship Tournament

Held at South Gate Park, August 26, 1951

1. R. Martin, Baldwin Park . . . . .	8	1	57.0
2. G. Sechrist, Huntington Park . . . . .	7	2	57.7
3. J. Weeks, South Gate . . . . .	6	3	60.2
4. E. Green, South Gate . . . . .	6	3	59.7
5. H. Wendt, Rosemead . . . . .	5	4	56.3
6. G. Beach, Ontario . . . . .	5	4	52.7
7. F. Burkhart, Wilmar . . . . .	4	5	50.5
8. T. Nichols, Bell . . . . .	3	6	57.7
9. G. Easternly, Hawthorne . . . . .	1	8	42.0
10. O. Anglin, Santa Monica . . . . .	0	9	34.0

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### VERMONT

#### Vermont State Tournament

Maynard Brown successfully defended his state horseshoe pitching title and took his fifth crown when he won all 11 games in the round-robin tournament Sunday at Memorial Park. Brown also had the highest single game ringer percentage with 83.3.

At the end of regular tournament play there was a three-way tie for second place among Fred Butler and Ted Sausville of Bennington and Buster Parkhurst of Windsor, necessitating a playoff which Butler won. Sausville and Parkhurst followed in that order.

In the game between A. Falco of Bennington and Brown they put four ringers on the stake four times in a row for 16 ringers without a miss. Parkhurst, Sausville, Brown and Leon Kerry of Randolph, the northern Vermont champion, all tied for the longest string of ringers in a row with 10.

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	W.	L.	%		W.	L.	%
1 Brown	11	0	64.4	7 Herbert	6	5	49.5
2 Butler	8	3	54.4	8 Fisher	5	6	44.6
3 Sausville	8	3	51.5	9 Coleman	2	9	39.2
4 Parkhurst	8	3	56.2	10 Bell	2	9	37.7
5 Falco	7	4	47.1	11 Simonds	2	9	33.4
6 Kerry	7	4	48.4	12 Sadd	0	11	27.6

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### Southern Vermont Horseshoe Tournament

The Southern Vermont Horseshoe Pitching Tournament was held Sunday, August 12 at Springfield, Vermont. The tournament was sponsored by the Springfield Horseshoe Club under the N.H.P.A. rules and regulations. Over twenty-one entries tried to qualify for the tournament. The 12 man round robin tournament started at 1 o'clock with the below listed result:

	W.	L.	%		W.	L.	%
1 Brown	11	0	63.0	7 Grover	6	5	36.7
2 Herbert	9	2	49.3	8 Emmons	5	6	40.9
3 Butler	8	3	53.2	9 Fisher	3	8	39.6
4 Sausville	7	4	51.6	10 Simonds	3	8	33.0
5 Kamel	6	5	45.7	11 Georgina	2	9	34.6
6 Falco	6	5	43.5	12 Covey	0	11	32.9

Fred Butler from Bennington, Vt., was the defending champion and finished third. Maynard Brown the winner is from Brattleboro, Vt. and he also pitched the highest single game percentage of the day 83.3%.

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### GORDON SPIN-ON HORSESHOES

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I am leaving for a trip to Florida on October 28, so please have your articles in my hands by October 27 for the November issue.

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Anyone know of a 2 room apartment in any borough of New York for a guy who REALLY needs it?

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Maynard Brown, of Brattleboro, Vermont, says it has been suggested to him that the New England Tournament should consist of the six State Champions to battle it out instead of having a twelve man round robin open to anyone who can qualify.

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Tommy Bartlen, of Milwaukee, Wis., says "I didn't thank everyone personally for the helping hand they gave me after losing my wallet at the tournament. There couldn't be a better group of fellows than these horseshoe pitchers. Not because of the wonderful thing they did for me, but because I've known most of them for a long time and I know what a swell bunch of fellows they are. I could name a dozen or more that offered me money. You can't beat friends like that anywhere. I was hoping Jake that you could thank them all for me in the September issue of the magazine."

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The Indianapolis entry in the Central Indiana National Horseshoe League won the first league championship (1951) sweeping two matches each from Frankfort, Crawfordsville, Noblesville and Lafayette. Forty-nine games were played per team match; singles under national rules. A great deal of credit is due to President Nelson Pickering and Secy-Treas. Curtis Day of the Indiana Division N.H.P.A. for organizing this league—it will grow in 1952.

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To those who showed the Missus and myself their wonderful hospitality while we were on the West Coast, please accept our thanks but intend to write you all personally. (Jake and the Missus).

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About those emblems. If you would like one with a pin instead of a button just let me know. They will be the same price, one buck.

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At the Open Tournament of the Fort George H. C., held on their courts on August 19, the top three men in Class "A" were Kolb, the New Jersey champ, Fileccia and Zichella. In the "B" class the three top men were Lugo, Compton and O'Connell.

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Did you move? If you did, send me your new address, because the P. O. D. does not forward this class of mail.

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Just received word that Guy Zimmerman's eighteen year old son, Eugene, was killed in action in Korea on July 20. Guy's address is Danville, Calif.

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- CANADA**—Dieppe Park, East York.
- COLORADO**—City Park and Washington Park, Denver.
- CONNECTICUE**—Beardsley Park, Bridgeport; Pope Park, Hartford.
- DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**—Commerce Courts, Washington.
- FLORIDA**—South Waterfront Park, St. Petersburg.
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- INDIANA**—Brookside Park, Indianapolis.
- IOWA**—Birdland Park, Des Moines; Riverside Park, Ottumwa; Crapo Park, Burlington; Island Park, Cedar Falls; Ellis Park, Cedar Rapids.
- KANSAS**—Forest Park, Ottawa; Gage Park, Topeka.
- KENTUCKY**—Shady Shores, Covington.
- MAINE**—Auburn, Riverside Courts, Bangor; Bangor Club, Farmington; City Park, Hebron; Community Courts, Portland; Deering Oaks, Rumford; High School, So. Portland; Wilkinson Park.
- MARYLAND**—Carroll Park, Baltimore; Magruder Park, Hyattsville.
- MASSACHUSETTS**—Municipal Playgrounds, Westfield.
- MICHIGAN**—Grand Rapids, Franklin Park.
- MINNESOTA**—Como & Elfelt, St. Paul; Soldier Memorial Field, Rochester.
- MISSOURI**—Municipal Park, Carthage; Neosho, Fair Grounds, Springfield; Grant Beach Park.
- NEW HAMPSHIRE**—South Playground, Portsmouth; Ryan H. S. Club, Dover Point; Poy Ryans, 14 Central Ave., Portsmouth.
- NEW JERSEY**—Warinanco Park, Elizabeth; Branch Brook Park, Newark; Wildwood, Beach Park.
- NEW YORK**—Central Park, Inwood Hill Park, New York City; St. Mary's Park, Williamsbridge Oval Park, Woodlawn, Van Cortlandt Park, all in the Bronx; Parade Grounds, Fort Greene Park, Brooklyn; Belmont Lake State Park, Babylon, L. I.; Kirk Park, Syracuse.
- OHIO**—Jermain Park, Toledo; Cedar Point, Sandusky; Williams Memorial Pk., Wilmington.
- OREGON**—Laurelhurst Park, Portland.
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