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EDITORIAL

The Horseshoe Pitchers of New York, New Jersey and Connecticut are now drawing up their Summer schedule of tournaments so as to have their dates conflict as little as possible. Under this system, there will be some tournament on every week end and holiday where the pitchers from these States will be able to play the whole Summer through. Of course, this only applies to Open Tournaments. Why don't you boys in other sections of the country, do the same?

Be sure and send in the dates of your tournaments so I can list them under the "Coming Events" column! This being the opening of the season, it would be a good time of the year to send me the name and addresses of any horseshoe pitcher whom you think might be interested in receiving a sample copy of The Horseshoe Pitcher.

THE HORSESHOE PITCHER Official Organ of The National Horseshoe Pitchers Association of America IS IT ?

The date of the first issue of The Horseshoe Pitcher was September, 1948. It took a whole year for the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association to adopt it as their "Official Organ." This happened at the Convention held in Murray, Utah, during the week of August fifteenth to the twentieth. From then on I proudly printed on the cover of each magazine "Official Organ of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association of America." But this only lasted to the end of that same year, December.

In all that time I received no cooperation from the officers of the National in the way of articles or advertising so in the next month's edition I wrote an editorial stating my reasons for discontinuing calling The Horseshoe Pitcher the Official Organ of the NHPA. If you save your copies. dig it up and read it again.

At our next convention, in August 1950, I got the officers to sanction a one page ad each month (at reduced rates) and beginning with the September issue, I again had the cover printed stating that this was the official organ of the NHPA and have been doing so up to this writing.

By now, if you have read this thus far, you are probably wondering what my gripe is. Well, here it is. Each convention I attend, and I have not missed one since 1946, the officers always censure me for some of the articles I have printed. My answer always was the same—if you do not like the articles why not write some yourselves? We went through this same thing last year and the officers promised they would contribute articles. Did you notice any? Of course not!

And this in spite of my almost frantic appeals for Winter articles! If the officers of the Association are not interested enough to really make The Horseshoe Pitcher their official organ I cannot see the sense in carrying that message on the cover month after month. I suppose I'll caten it now for daring to print this "derogatory" article and maybe, as a punishment they may discontinue advertising. It's O. K. by me. I thank my stars that I do not depend on this little magazine for my bread and butter. This is more of a hobby with me. If I break even I am satisfied and if I make a profit I'm tickled to death.

Just one more thing—I am of the firm belief that the majority of my subscribers are NOT MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL.

BYRON JASKULEK

The following article appeared in the old Horseshoe World of June, 1939. Because its contents hold true today we are reprinting it in its original form.—Editor.

What Does The Future Hold? . . . And The Real Answer By R. B. HOWARD

What does the future hold for the horseshoe game in America?

That is a question that is often asked and often answered, even though the answer may be more or less of a guess. Sometimes we feel that we spend too much time worrying about the future instead of taking care of the present, yet horseshoe pitching can die or it can go on to new heights all depending upon the groundwork that is built today—in 1939.

Youth is the answer to the problem.

Unless we interest the boys, and yes, the girls, of today in the sport, it may be lost tomorrow.

It is not a heartening thing for the writer to sit at his desk only to open mail from warring factions in some state, more interested in personal preferment than they are in the interest of the game. It is not heartening to open letters from state associations saying they feel that they can't pay National Association dues any longer—that their pitchers just won't pay the extra quarter. It isn't heartening to listen to the grumbling of the pitcher who thinks that the rules are ruining the game, little realizing that if he would quit grumbling and get behind his club, his state association and National Association that tournaments would be held oftener and that conventions would be possible, where rules he complains of could be changed.

But there is a brighter side.

And this brighter side comes from the stacks of mail we receive from pitchers who like to play horseshoes and who want to see others interested in it, too. They realize that it is healthful exercise and they want all to enjoy it. These folks give much of their time in building courts and in interesting their neighbors in the sport. Many of them have brought the youngsters into the game and here lies the big answer to the question "What does the future hold for horseshoes in America?"

It was this thought that prompted the writer to go to Houston, Texas, several years ago to "sell" horseshoe pitching to the American Amateur Athletic Union. Certainly, college athletes who can't participate in professional tournaments should not be denied a chance to pitch horseshoes. And the A.A.U. set-up will work out. Some over-zealous A.A.U. organizers did overstep theirs authority by accepting any and all pitchers, regardless of their professional acts in the past, into the A.A.U. We protested this "raiding" of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association membership and this "whitewashing" of professionals and we now believe that A.A.U. officials have the matter in hand. The youth of the land are the ones to be enrolled as A.A.U. pitchers.

And this need not be confined to the A.A.U.

Horseshoe clubs, ever so professional, may interest young men and boys in the game. Why not start a Junior club, playing for medals or other prizes, not considered professional?

The boys you start in a junior club today will be the making of your club tomorrow, perpetuating this great game that we love so well.

In fact, the writer is so taken with the possibilities that, having asked to be relieved as soon as possible of the secretaryship of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association, he may give what time he does devote to the game to junior organization. What could be more interesting and what could be of more service to the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association or such organization that has a vision into the future of the sport. Unless the several state organization making up the National realize this, they will not long exist and the National, which isn't faring so well these days, will drop into oblivion. Let's interest the youth of today in horseshoe pitching that we may have a bigger and better game tomorrow!

Frank J. Troxel, secretary of the Recreation Horseshoe Club, White Plains, N. Y., has written the National Association a sketchy, yet interesting outline of his idea of the need of "the future horseshoe pitcher." "Don't print this as it is . . . dress it up a bit." says Frank, but we think he tells it in straight-forward simple language that needs no dressing, as a climax to our appeal, in this article, for an interest in junior shoe tossers. Here's Frank's outline:

The Future Horseshoe Pitcher

From lack of space to give 24 boys adequate group activity, a Junior high school teacher conceived the idea of having the boys pitch horseshoes. He brought his class to the indoor courts, after brief instruction in the rudiments of the game; the boys are divided into 12 teams; they pitch doubles; 25 points were allowed to a game and the boys pitched the 30-foot distance. The teacher kept a record of the games won and lost, and the number of ringers each boy made. This group has now increased to 36 boys and they come to the courts each week.

Of the 36 boys, 12 were very much interested in the game of horseshoes. The local club is now sponsoring these 12 boys. This unit is known as the Junior members of the club. They receive membership cards in the club and are given instruction and encouragement by the senior members.

As the Juniors pay no dues they are now awarding a chest of silver, the proceeds to help buy uniforms and to pay their fee in the country and state associations.

In order that each boy may have his own shoes, the club buys t^hem, and the junior member in time pays for them at the rate of 10c a week.

A book listing the records of each boy is kept handy and great interest is shown in the ringer percentage of each boy.

At first it was decided to have the boys pitch among themselves (two teams of six), but due to the rapid improvement of some of the boys, a challenge will soon be forthcoming to any team pitching under 35 per cent.

Fifty shoes are allowed to a game, and this year the boys pitch the 30-foot distance. They are all under 16 years of age.

It is very encouraging to see the boys step back ten feet after tossing their shoes; also they observe the foul line rule, and I believe that these boys know more about the rules of the game than their elders.

These boys have been taught to keep score and this gives the senior team score keepers for their home games.

Round robin play is scheduled for this summer; also games will be booked with teams averaging up to 35 per cent.

We feel that these twelve boys will be future horseshoe players; also State and National Association members.

As we are always interested in the promotion of horseshoes and any new ideas that come up, we feel that this idea of Junior Members is too good to keep and we want to pass it along to the other clubs who might be interested in getting new blood into their organizations.

FRANK J. TROXEL, Secy., Recreation Horseshoe Club,

White Plains, N. Y.

INDIANA

By LESTER CRAVEN

On looking back over the past year, 1952, across the State of Indiana, I feel gratified in saying that as a whole we had a very successful year in horseshoe pitching.

Our club at Lawrenceburg, while not having too many members, succeeded in installing new courts, sponsoring a County Fair Tournament, a club tour tournament and a Fourth of July exhibition between James Johnson, Kentucky State Champion, and Grayden McFatridge, Indiana State Champion, which Johnson won 2 out of 3, the 3rd game being very close, 50—48, which was watched by a very nice group of spectators.

David Craven, who was winner in 1950, again showed his ability by winning the Lawrenceburg Fair trophy in a very nice 8 man round robin with Baker 2nd, Sanders 3rd, Brandt 4th, Oswald 5th, Gompf 6th, McClure 7th, and Grieve 8th. I do not have percentages of the game at hand but will say the better games were around 60 per cent ringers. I might sav that the winner of the club trophy was the writer of this article, "Pop" Craven as several of the members cal me. Although nearing 60 years of age, I enjoyed the thrill of winning a beautiful trophy as well as the ellowship and pleasure one derives among horseshoe pitchers.

The Lawrenceburg Club was also a member of the state league in 1952. We pitched a 10 man round robin of doubles with 8 cities forming the league. We played return games with each club and I feel sure this created a lot of interest in horseshoe pitching in Indiana. To give you an idea of the increasing interest, in 1950 there were 22 paid entrees in the



state tournament at Indianapolis with 16 pitching in Class A. in 1951 at Frankfort we had 63 entrees with 36 pitching in Class A, B and C. In 1952 there were 94 paid entrees of \$3.00 each with 56 pitching in Class A, B, C, D, and E with, I believe, a raise in prizes from \$165 to \$525 a very substantial increase, and I wish to put in a word of praise for the Frankfort Club for a well planned job in the worthwhile sportsman like manner they conducted the state tournament.

I feel like in the coming year, if we all strive a little harder, criticize sparingly, and in a friendly way, work for our club and organization at large, and give thanks to Jake, editor of The Horseshoe Pitcher, for his helpful articles, we can have a better year in 1953 than ever before.

I do not know just how our club will stack up this year, as we have not had our spring meeting yet, but as long as we have fellows like Sanders, Brandt, Baker, Oswald, Gompf, and several others, who in the past years have devoted much time and many miles of driving at their wn expense to the advancement of horseshoe pitching in this section, I feel safe in saying that, come warm weather these boys will be out to the park pitching for that string of doubles.

KANSAS

By PERL "PEP" PEPPLE

In the January issue of The Horseshoe Pitcher I have just read with intense interest the article by my friend Alvin "Pete" Dahlene, ex-Kansas State Champion from Lawrence, Kansas. His article inspires me to offer mine. For the benefit of the many horseshoe pitchers throughout the United States I think it would be wonderful if many others of the pitchers would send in articles, especially information directed to the amateurs and students of the game, because these are the ones we must depend upon to build our future in the sport. I am firmly of the opinion that it would be a "master stroke" if such men as Fernando Isais, Ted Allen, and many others of State and National Fame, would submit articles, because the amateurs and students want to know first-hand how the Great and Near Great have reached the top; and how even the mediocre have been successful. Doubtless, there are a large number of pitchers who could give valuable and entertaining information written in their own simple language which would be very profitable. To illustrate my point, here is a record of some of my own activities which have helped to put Kansas back on the high plane it now enjoys in the sport. I am proud of my efforts because it shows what can be accomplished by a man, even in late life.

Ten years ago I had never even seen a regulation horseshoe, and in 1948 ten of us got together and organized the Topeka Horseshoe Association, and I was elected Secretary-Treasurer, which possition I have always held. We obtained 90 members for our club out of a total of 193, the first year, Chairman of the horseshoe committee of Capitol Post No. 1, The American Legion, Topeka, Kansas, since 1949; Permanent State Chairman, horseshoe committee of The American Legion of Kansas since 1949; First District Chairman of that organization, 1950-1951; Director of

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Kansas American Legion State Horseshoe Championships since 1949; Director of the Topeka Chamber of Commerce and Shawnee County Sportsmen. Inc., All Sports Festival Horseshoe Tournament since 1949; Spokesman in team matches between Topeka Horseshoe Association and clubs of surrounding towns since 1949; Spokesman for Kansas State Professional Championships, 1951-1952; Originated and directed the Kansas Free Fair Horseshoe Tournament in Topeka. 1951: Leader of a movement which resulted in the establishment of three modern horseshoe courts or grounds in Topeka in 1949, 1950, 1951-one of which (Gage Park grounds) is listed in other papers as one of the best places to pitch in the U. S.electrically lighted too. Establishment of courts in City Park, Manhattan, Kansas, through cooperation with that city's Mayor: won the American Legion State Championship in the Class B division for ansas in 1948, 1949, 1950; Received a walnut plaque, engraved with gold plate, in 1951, from "The American Legion, The Topeka Horseshoe Association, and friends," for "Faithful and Valuable Service in Promoting the Sport of Horseshoes": Honored by being elected President of the Kansas State Horseshoe Pitchers Association for 1953.

Whatever my success it would not be possible were it not for the friendships I have created among people and the cooperation I receive from various civic organizations. My sole object is to work as a member of a team and not to be an individual "star," and to inspire that philosophy into every pitcher I come in contact with so he will do the same. I have always had good cooperation with Kansas newspapers and radio stations, and of course the American Legion. Each year the State Department of the Legion furnishes magnificent gold trophies, silver and bronze medals, all engraved, and gold-stamped silk ribbons as awards in the Annual State Horseshoe Championship. They cost many dollars. At all tournaments I arrange for prominent speakers to open the games, including at times the Mayors of towns, Legion officials, etc. After each Legion State Tournament I prepare a report for publication in their Annual Proceedingss of the State Convention. Public address or broadcasting systems are generally furnished for our various tournaments which makes it very nice. The State Department of the Legion originated in 1948 their horseshoe pitching program as an added branch of their athletic department. I have operated that program ever since. Other Legion departments could do likewise, and on to a National Legion Champion, and if anyone is interested in promoting such a program I stand ready and willing to furnish information, etc., how it is done in Kansas.

Since 1949 the Capper Publications of Topeka have furnished me with a beautiful gold engraved trophy to be presented to the winner each year of the State Professional Championship. They have in attendance at the tournament one of their top notch speakers or writers for the occasion, and after the trophy is presented they follow up in a few days with a fine editorial in great length and detail all about the contests. They have a radio station here and I have been requested twice to be interviewed on it about up-coming tournaments.

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In closing I trust this article will be accepted in the light in which it is intended: (1) To show what can be done by a person of Enthusiasm, Vision, and Will, even though he starts late in life ... I am 61 years old. (2) To serve as an inspiration to others.

Now, come on fellows, do not disappoint me, I want to read articles you submit, and I am sure the editor of The Horseshoe Pitcher will appreciate your cooperation.

OHIO

By A. B. McCOY

It has been sometime since I have written for The Horseshoe Pitcher, and as it won't be long until we are pitching those horseshoes again, I am writing a few lines to express my views concerning suggestions made by the different writers in the past several months.

One writer says that there are 1.000,000 horseshoe players in the United States and if THE OFFICERS OF OUR NATIONAL ORGANIZA-TION would organize them and get them to pay 50 cents per month, that would be \$500,000 for the N. H. P. A. Man alive that sounds fine, but there is lots wrong with this writers reasoning.

In the first place who is going to go out and contact those 1.000,000 players? 2nd, who is going to pay for the job of contacting said players?

It is plain to me that the writer who suggested that we were throwing \$499,000 over our shoulderss by not organizing these 1,000,000 players. don't understand the time and money it requires to organize horseshoe players or members of any organization for that matter.

The organizing of horseshoe players must be done by the players of each State, County and City. The fee for a yearly membership should be high enough to PAY a qualified organizer in each State, County and City to go out and really do a job.

There is no use in kidding ourselves, people just won't work for nothing, I know of lots of players that never even suggested to the player that they were pitching with, that he should join the N.H.P.A. or subscribe to The Horseshoe Pitcher. If we just charged \$.50 for membership yearly, it would not be long until we would not have any organized pitchers in the United States. However, if we charged \$5.00 per year, we could pay an organizer \$2.50 per member that he organized, and we would have plenty left to run the affairs of our State & National Association. Sometime we will run our Horseshoe Associations on a business basis, then and only then will we get out of the horse and buggy days.

I surely disagree with the suggestion that we quit charging the horseshoe manufacturers for stamps for each pair of shoes. It not only brings in needed revenue, but we can keep tab on the makers of the shoes we pitch.

I would like to say a few things regarding State Associations, and as

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I have been Secretary-Treasurer of Ohio for several years, and helped to reorganize the State after it had gone to pieces twice, and finally we reached 178 members in 1951. I resigned in 1952, when I could not go along with the policy set up by several of the other officers. I know one thing, the State Association and the National must form a policy and stick to it. Never change a program once you have advertised same to your members. If you do, it is a sure way to break up any organization.

Jake: I believe I am qualified to speak on any subject concerning organization, as I have been an organizer for forty (40) years, and I am still making my living forming organizations, and keeping them organized.

Ordinarily, you will find people that believe when they elect Officers to head an organization, they believe they have the right to GIVE THEM HELL, if the organization does not do as they would like it to do. However, if you would ask those same people to take over one of the offices, you would get an absolutely No. I believe that if you don't have a better policy, and be willing to get in there and try to make it work, it would be better to keep still and try to help those that are trying to make the thing work.

I am trying to get ready to do a little pitching this Summer (I have help in my office) and I want to get in shape so that I can take in some of the tournaments this year, including the National if at all possible, as it has been five years since the last National Tournaemnt I attended at Milwaukee. I am strong in favor of having a certain amount of games being played to qualify instead of the solo 100 or 200 shoes.

OREGON

By E. T. PRESCOTT

After reading your most interesting January issue of The Horseshoe Pitcher and noting you are still soliciting copy from your readers, I am prompted to indorse, particularly, one of the suggestions of Charley Gerrish. He suggests that a pitched shoe when measured for a ringer with a straight edge, which does not clear the stake. should be declared a ringer even though all three points touch. The present rule is too technical and I do not believe is beneficial to the sport.

A suggestion that I have often thought of making is regarding the use of "pitch," and "toss." I believe in dignifying our sport. I handed in some copy to the sports editor of one of our local papers several years ago, and he gave the item the heading "Barn Yard Golf." I took him to task for it in the open forum, and since then he has been very respectful of our game. I believe "pitch" is more dignified than "toss."

As secretary of the Salem Club I know what Byron Jaskulek is talking about regarding new members and publicity. I have taken care of the publicity end of horseshoe pitching here in Salem for some years. The papers want news, not just an announcement.

HORSESHOE PITCHING - A REAL SKILL

By Charley Gerrish

The art of pitching horseshoes is a skill that is deserving wide appreciation perhaps many fold over what it is getting. Comparitively few people realize the amount of fine eye and physical controls that go with the science of throwing ringers. In comparison with other sports it is somewhat surprising to discover how hard it is to find any other game so exacting in the use of muscle, nerve and 20-20 vision. For example, the aim of a baseball pitcher has to be quite accurte to get the ball in the area required for a strike nitch. But in hurling horseshoes one has to strike a stake of 1-inch diameter and only 14 inches high. In baseball the dramatic player in a 9man team is the pitcher, while in horseshoes every player is a pitcher. In the football game a passer has a wide area in contrast to the size of the slipper slammer's stake. The football passer's receiver or catcher isn't stationary, but helps get himself to the pigskin, so this is a pretty large target as compared to that of the hoofwear heaver. The pool or billiard expert has a cue for a tool, and table for support, whereas the ringer flinger depends wholly on his own physical coordinations, optic, sinew and nerve. The sport of archery takes more of a personal performance than



does the shooting of a fire-arm, but the arrow supported by a bow also demands less of the actor than does the tossing of the silver slippers at a one-inch needle that has to thread the eye of a horseshoe which has an opening gap of not over three and one-half inches.

And so with other sports. Hardly any require the pin-point precision that is needed to flip those pony pumps onto the iron pegs. Perhaps bowling comes nearest. A strike in bowling may compare to a double-ringer in horseshoe pitching. But a spare or less in bowling would miss the stake entirely in horseshoes.

A rather strong attraction about the horseshoe game is its limitless bounds to make records. One hundred straight ringers have been thrown. No one has yet done 200 straight. Four-deads *could* be tossed on for fifteen minutes or fifteen hours, if one can imagine it. So it's about time we "take our hats off" to horseshoes. The throwing of continual ringers of 40 percentum, 50 percent, on up to 60, 70, 80 is a feat of remarkable skill, steady nerve and fine physical ability.

JAKE'S JOTTINGS

In last month's issue the article headed CANADA was written by our good friend, Walter Woodward, of Lakeview, Ontario, Canada. Our printer inadvertently omitted his name. Excuse, please.

The ALL-SPORTS almanac for 1953 has again made its appearance. As usual, it has a page on horseshoes which lists the scores of last year's championship games at Murray, Utah. The publisher is Frank Clement, 826 Howard Street, Whittier, California.

Just received this from Casey and Mary Jones—We are now at Random Lake, Wisconsin, in the Bowling Alley business. We moved in February 1. We have four alleys and tavern and really have been busy. Casey likes it very much. We have looked for a place since we got back from Salt Lake City. We are about forty-five miles from Waukesha now. A short time ago, Casey had 731 in League Bowling at Waukesha and right now he is bowling tonight so I have to tend bar. He's doing pretty good; started with 225. Casey is going to put in horseshoe courts this Spring—plans on putting in about four courts with lights. (Good luck to the Jones'.)

More congratulations are in order. Dale Dixon, of Des Moines, Iowa, has gone into the horseshoe manufacturing business. His shoes are called the "Dixon Victory Horseshoe." Hope that word "victory" will mean just that!

On March fourteenth the Fort George Horseshoe Club, T. P. O'Gara, President, held an "Irish Night" party at their club rooms at 1672 St. Nicholas Avenue. As usual, every one had a very enjoyable time. This wide awake club is going to hold their annual Spring Dance Saturday evening, April 18 at the Community Center, 651 Academy Street. There will be dancing and plenty of refreshments for all. Price of admission will be two dollars and a half per person. A small investment for a big time! Be seeing you there.

The Empire State Branch of the National Horsesshoe Pitchers Association will hold a meeting in the club rooms of the Fort George Horseshoe Club on Thursday evening, March 26 at eight thirty. A schedule for the coming seasons' tournaments will be drawn up so all you local boys be sure to attend.

Did you move? If you did, send me your new address because the

Post Office Department does not forward this class of mail. Lots of magazines are returned to me each month because of this reason. * * *

The Sports Department of the United States Air Force are going to hold a sports conference soon in Norman, Oklahoma, where about three hundred officers and enlisted personnel will attend. This will include plans for horseshoe pitching.

When holding your tournaments this Summer, why not give a few prizes of subscriptions to The Horseshoe Pitcher. Many of the clubs have been doing this over the past two years.

Did you pay your National dues yet? There is no time like the present. Just send a buck and a half to your Secretary.

COMING EVENTS

May 17—Audubon Park, Jersey City, N. J., Hudson County Open May 30—Central Park, New York, N. Y., Empire State Open June 14 or 21—Elizabeth, N. J. Warinanco Park, Rosselet Memorial July 3 & 4—Clearfield, Pa., Pensylnvania State Championship July 12—Newark, N. J., Branch Brook Park, New Jersey Open July 21 to 27—Murray, Utah, Fair Grounds, Worlds Championship August 23—Branch Brook Park, Newark, N. J., New Jersey State Champ. August 30—Branch Brook Park, Newark, N. J., N. J. Doubles Champ. Be sure to get your tournaments listed early to prevent overlapping.

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WHERE TO PLAY WHEN YOU'RE AWAY

-Casa Grande Park, Casa Grande; Rendesvous Park, Mesa; Encanto Park, ARIZONA-Phoenix.

ARKANSAS—Fair Park, Boyle Park, MacArthur Park, Little Rock.

CALIFORNIA—Community Center, Compton; Exposition Park, Los Angeles; Union Pacific Courts, Long Beach; Mosswood Park, Oakland; Horseshoe Grounds, Ontario, Golden Gate Courts, Candlestick Cove, Crocker-Amazon Courts, San Francisco; Memorial Park, South San Francisco; Lincoln Park, Santa Monica; McNear Park, Petaluma; Ives Memorial Park, Sebastopol.

CANADA-Dieppe Park, East York.

COLORADO-City Park and Washington Park, Denver; City Park, Greeley.

CONNECTICUT—Beardsley Park, Bridgeport; Pope Park, Hartford.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—Commerce Courts, Washington,

FLORIDA—South Waterfront Park, St. Petersburg.

- ILLINOIS—Welles Park, Chicago; Athletic Park, Canton; Riverside Park, Moline; Mineral Springs Park, Pekin; Reservoir Park, Quincy; Long View Park, Rock Island.
- ANA Brookside Park, Indianapolis; Dorner Park, Frankfort; Columbia Park, Lafayette; Forest Park, Noblesville; 3rd Street Park, Bloomington; Greendale Park, INDIANA -Lawrenceburg.
- IOWA—Birdland Park, Des Moines; Riverside Park, Ottumwa; Crapo Park, Burlington; Island Park, Cedar Falls; Ellis Park, Cedar Rapids; LeClaire Park, Dovenport.
- KANSAS—Forest Park, Ottawa; Gage Park, Topeka; Katy Park, Chanute; Huntress Park, Clay Center; Riverside Park, Iola; Klamm Park, Kansas City; South Park, Lawrence; City Park, Manhattan; Prospect Park, Wichita.

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.

NEBRASKA-Harmon Park, Kearney; Dewey Park, Omaha.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—South Playground, Portsmouth; Ryan H. S. Club, Dover Point; Pop Ryans, 14 Central Ave., Portsmouth.

- NEW JERSEY-Warinanco Park, Elizabeth; Branch Brook Park, Newark; Wildwood, Beach Park.
- NEW YORK—Central Park, Fort George, 193 Fort George Ave., Inwood Hill Park, New York City; St. Mary's Park, Williamsbridge Oval Park, Woodlawn, Van Cortlandt Park, all in the Bronx; Parade Grounds, Fort Green Park, Brooklyn; Belmont Lake State Park, Babylon, L. I.; Johnson City, Endicott-Johnsonn Courts; Kirk Park, Syracuse.

OHIO—Jermain Park, Toledo; Cedar Point, Sandusky; Williams Memorial Pk., Wilmington. Community Park, Cedarville.

OREGON-Laurelhurst Park, Portland; Bush Pasture Park, Salem; Atkinson Park, Oregon City.

PENNSYLVANIA—District Courts, Pittsburgh; Pt. Marion, Frank Murphy's Courts; Joe Mett's Courts, Revere; Oakhurst Courts, Johnstown; Playground Cts., New Freedom.

RHODE ISLAND-Columbus Square, W. Warwick.

TEXAS—Will Rogers Park, Amarillo; Elwood Park, Amarillo; Mason Park, Houston; Bellvue Park, Wichita Falls.

UTAH—County Fair Grounds, Murray; Liberty Park, Salt Lake City.

VERMONT—Stolte Field, Brattleboro; Memorial Park, Bennington; Ethan Allen Park, Burlington; Local Athletic Field, Springfield.

WASHINGTON—Zelasko Park, Aberdeen; City Park, Bremerton; Woodland Park, Seattle; Wright Park, Tacoma; Fair Grounds, Yakima.

WEST VIRGINIA-Bar B-Q Courts, East Nitro.

WISCONSIN-Washington Park, Milwaukee.

WYOMING-Union Park, Cheyenne.

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