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#### MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL SECRETARY

The October issue of the "News Digest" was the biggest and in my opinion the best single issue in the history of our official publication and editor Ellis Cobb deserves the plaudits of the entire membership for his fine work.

The October issue contained eight more pages than normal because of the great number of State Tournaments held in late August and early September, but its value stems from the fact that the news items came from so many different areas and states.

The "News Digest" is the property of every N. H. P. A. member and every State Chapter. Its purpose is to serve as a means of communication in the dissemination of ideas and viewpoints, to stimulate interest by its general news items and accounts of tournament results, and to furnish information concerning future events and activities.

Knotty problems that arise in tournament procedures, the difficulties of organizational and promotional work, the framing of a satisfactory handicap system can all be solved more easily if we can benefit by the experiences of others through the pages of the "News Digest."

It is always stimulating and interesting to read of the activities of clubs in other sections of the United States and to hear of the forming of new groups.

Every State Chapter and every local club with N. H. P. A. affiliated members should see to it that news of its particular organization is carried in the "News Digest." and this news should include personal and human interest items as well as tournament results and announcements.

So make use of your magazine and you will thereby make it a better publication.

#### N. H. P. A. FILMS

Both the 1957 and the 1958 films of the World Tournament are now available for showing and arrangements can be made by writing to your National Secretary, Bob Pence at 341 Polk Street, Gary, Indiana.

Instructions for ordering and showing the films were carried in the September issue of the "News Digest" in the article by Lou Siebenaler before his death.

Both films are 8 mm and each one takes slightly in excess of one hour to show. The 1957 film is in black and white and the 1958 in beautiful color.

The 1958 film is more personalized, showing individual shots of all 36 players, plus the top four in Class B, the Women's Champion, the Junior Champion and slow motion of the top four players along with the Ted Allen exhibition and various sideline highlights of the tournament.

A written commentary accompanies each film.

We are still looking for someone to volunteer to take charge of N. H. P. A. films and to take the official films of the 1959 World Tournament.

It is also hoped that by next summer we will be in a position to take 16 mm films with a sound track.

The N.H.P.A. wishes to express its appreciation for the co-operation of the following manufacturers of horseshoes who are Associate and Contributing members of the National Horseshoe Pitchers' Association of America and whose horseshoes are fully approved for use in any sanctioned tournament:

The Diamond Tool and Horseshoe Company, Duluth, Minnesota. The Dixon Victory Shoe Company, Des Moines, Iowa. The Gordon Horseshoe Company, Cincinnati, Obio. The Ohio Horseshoe Company, Columbus, Ohio. The Ted Allen Horseshoe Company, Boulder, Colorado.

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE

We are happy to announce to our membership that the recent misunderstanding with the Ohio Horseshoe Company has been cleared up and effective at once the company is once more a member of the N. H. P. A.'s family of manufacturers of officially recognized horseshoes.

Robert G. Pence National Secretary

#### HARVARD PARK, CALIFORNIA — SEPTEMBER 7, 1958 CHAMPIONSHIP — CLASS "D"

GROUP ONE	W	L	R	S.P.	%
Russell Norman, Santa Monica	5	0	128	324	39.5
Wally Haugland, Los Angeles		1	109	250	43.6
Russ Hudgens, Lynwood		2	119	306	38.9
M. Lingenfelter, Fontana	1	4	88	292	30.1
Billy Crick, Los Angeles	1	4	81	280	28.2
Al Papke, Covina		4	81	296	27.4
GROUP TWO	W	L	R	S.P.	%
Clark Bell, Covina	5	0	151	294	51.4
Harry Nelson, Venice	3	2	136	310	43.9
Edwin Carl, Pasadena	3	2	154	364	42.3
Adolfo Chavez, Rivera	2	3	144	358	40.2
John Bellin, W. Los Angeles	2	3	140	360	38.9
Bill Rathbone, Huntington P.	0	5	114	314	36.3
The top two from each group played a four man pionship.	round	robin	to dec	ide the	cham-
	W	L	R	S.P.	%
Clark Bell	3	0	100	200	50.0
Russell Norman		1	89	194	45.9
Harry Nelson	1	2	89	186	47.8
Wally Haugland	0	3	79	196	40.3

#### BALDWIN PARK, CALIFORNIA — SEPTEMBER 14, 1958 CHAMPIONSHIP — CLASS "C"

GROUP ONE	W	L	R	S.P.	%
Henry Durr, Baldwin Park	5	0	168	264	63.6
Wally Shipley, W. Covina	3	2	158	310	51.0
Gunnar Hansen, Baldwin Park	3	2	135	266	50.8
Clark Bell, Covina		2	124	264	47.0
Don Barta, Pomona		4	115	302	38.1
George Lowe, Culver City	0	5	80	238	33.5
GROUP TWO	W	L	R	S.P.	1%
Ralph Navarro, South Gate	5	0	159	306	52.0
Nick Port, Santa Monica		1	141	292	48.3
R. A. Long, Santa Paula	3	2	146	282	51.8
Edwin Carl, Pasadena	1	4	114	264	43.2
Russell Norman, Santa Monica	1	4	99	250	39.6
Floyd Adams, Baldwin Park	1	4	111	286	38.8
The top two from each group played a four m pionship.	an roun	id rob	in to de	cide the	cham-
promonip.	W	L	R	S.P.	0%
Ralph Navarro	2	1	96	178	53.9
Henry Durr	2	1	109	196	55.6
Wally Shipley	1	2	83	156	53.2
Nick Port	1	2	95	190	50.0
Ralph Navarro defeated Henry Durr 50 to 48	to win	the cl	hampion	ship.	

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SOUTH GATE, CALIFORNIA - OPEN CLASS "D'	SOUTH	GATE,	CALIFORNIA	- OPEN	CLASS	"D"
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GROUP ONE	Won	Lost	R	S.P.	Pct.
Adolfo Chavez, Rivera	4	1	132	318	41.5
V. B. Gasaway, Baldwin Park		1	131	318	41.2
Bob Schneider, Rivera	3	2	126	310	40.6
Ernie Anderson, Hawthorne		2	134	330	40.6
George Lowe, Culver City	1	4	95	316	30.1
M. Lingenfelter, Fontana	0	5	77	252	30.6
GROUP TWO	Won	Lost	R	S.P.	Pct.
Billy Crick, Los Angeles		0	138	336	41.1
Russell Norman, Santa Mon.		2	126	320	39.4
Clark Bell, Covina		2	115	300	38.3
Lewie Shell, Los Angeles	2	3	114	294	38.8
Edwin Carl, Pasadena		4	105	298	35.2
Ernest Erickson, Downey	0	5	71	276	25.7
The top two from each group played a pionship.					
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W	on /	Lost	R	S.P.	Pct.
V. B. Gasaway	3	0	90	178	50.6
Adolfo Chavez	1	2	81	186	43.5
Russell Norman	1	2	58	154	37.7
Billy Crick, Los Angeles	1	2	55	174	31.6

"Jiggs" Gasaway pitching in his first tournament, came through in great style to win the Class "D" Open. This is another first for Baldwin Park. All I can say is that Mr. Oscar Sandberg is doing a great job in getting so many new horseshoe pitchers to compete in tournament play.



## NORWOOD, OHIO OPEN HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT SEPTEMBER 19-20-21, 1958

#### CLASS A

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W	L	ĸ	5.P.	%c
William Neilson, Indiana	2	588	806	72.9
Harold Reno, Ohio	2	567	794	71.4
Gravdon McFatridge, Indiana	2	553	746	74.1
Ralph Maddox, W. Virginia	3	550	756	72.7
Paul Focht, Ohio	3	516	730	70.6
James Johnson, Kentucky	5	490	732	66.9
Wilbur Kabel, Ohio	6	472	708	66.6
Carl Williams, Pennsylvania	7	419	650	64.4
Charles Sipple, Ohio	7	412	676	60.9
Marvin Craig, Indiana	8	489	768	63.6
Milton Kuhn, Pennslyvania	10	296	462	64.0
James Ohler, Pennslyvania	11	331	494	67.0

#### CLASS B

W	L	R	S.P.	2%
Clyde Green, Indiana		425	716	59.3
Eugene Mendenhall, Indiana		412	678	60.8
Loren Crooks, Ohio	4	459	782	58.7
Charles Coppess, Ohio	4	410	702	58.4
Robert Pence, Indiana	6	419	734	57.0
Leonard Glass, Ohio	6	355	672	52.8
Stanley Manker, Ohio	6	417	772	54.0
W. Brzostowski, Ohio		384	684	56.1
Joe Kelly, Michigan	6	375	704	53.2
Harold Wolfe, Ohio		407	744	54.7
Hobart Brunner, Ohio	10	308	662	46.5
Ralph Brunner, Ohio	10	266	634	42.0

Ties for first place was decided to throw 50 shoes and the top 2 men play 1 game for the winner. H. Reno, 138 points — 88.0; W. Neilson, 121 Pts. — 74.0; G. McFatridge, 117 Pts. — 72.0. W. Neilson, won 51 — 70.0%. H. Reno, lost 29 — 58.3%.

Kuhn & Ohler from Pennslyvania, quit after 7 games so all the games were forfeited. Due to a heavy rain on Saturday all games were played on Sunday. Finished about 10:30 P.M.

Ties in Class A — all except for 1st place was decided by Ringer Percentage. Ties in Class B — was decided by games won and lost and ties broken by total points.

CLASS C

	W	L	R	S.P.	%
Albert Zadroga, Pennsylvania	4	1	207	328	63.1
John Fulton, Pennsylvania	3	2	228	374	60.9
John Coble, Indiana	3	2	190	342	55.5
Howard Bryant, Ohio	2	3	230	380	60.5
Roscoe Robinson, Indiana	2	3	175	320	54.6
Paul Helton, Ohio	<b>1</b>	4	156	308	50.6
CLASS D					
	W	L	R	S.P.	.%
Alex Clark, Michigan	6	1	224	374	59.8
Carl Lundgren, Michigan	6	1	188	346	54.3
Paul Van Sickle, Indiana	5	2	201	390	51.5
John Reno, Ohio	5	2 4	190	426	44.6
Ray Miller, Ohio	3	4	173	354	48.8
Arthur Moore, Indiana	2	5	164	370	44.3
Rudolph Bourret, Pennsylvania	1	6	20	208	10.0
CLASS E					
	W	L	R	S.P.	.%
Mickey Broughton, Ohio	5		170	370	46.0
Kenneth Dawes, Ohio	3	2	151	324	46.6

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#### **NORWOOD OPEN** — Continued

Melvin Montgomery, Ohio	3	2	149	320	46.5
Lester Peary, Michigan		3	184	360	51.1
Lester Rose, Ohio	1	4	150	354	42.3
Donnie Roberts, Ohio		4	128	320	40.0
CLASS F					
	W	L	R	S.P.	%
Ottie Reno, Ohio	6	1	150	376	39.8
Joe Vaughn, Ohio	6	1	161	412	39.0
Bob Duff, Ohio	5	2	143	386	37.0
Robert Gorden, Ohio	4	3	124	384	32.2
Junior Chrisman, Ohio	3	4	141	416	34.0
Robert Rung Sr., Ohio		4	109	392	27.8
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George Meek, Ohio <u>1</u> 6 98 382 25.6 Tie in Class D — was decided by games won and lost and the one with the highest ringer pct. Ties in the rest of the class were broken by total points.

Ties in Class F — were decided by games won and lost and ties broken by total points.

#### PAST PRESIDENT EXPRESSES THANKS

In the background of any successful undertaking there are those who do not get in the public eye but make their presence felt in other ways. To these groups and individuals I wish to give the recognition that they justly deserve.

The path of the recognition that they justly deserve. The Salt Lake County Commission and the Salt Lake County Recreation Commission were the sponsors. Mr. Lamont Gunderson represented the former group and Paul Rose the latter; without them there would have been no tournament. The championship trophy again was given by Mr. Bill Adams in memory of his father Colonel Adams. Mr. Adams is owner of the Adams Carpet Company in Salt Lake City. The runner-up trophy was presented by an oldtime benefactor, the Gordon Horseshoe Company. The Brunswick Trophy Shop in Gary, Indiana, was the donor of the trophy for the lady champion. Our good friend Lee Hoffman, operator of the Wayside Inn, furnished the B Class trophy and various event prizes given each evening. The Diamond Horseshoe Company continued their usual support and sent three gold plated horseshoes, much valued as prizes by the happy winners. Two trophies for the Juniors were presented by Mr. Reinhard Backer, owner of the West High Bakery in Salt Lake City, and he has asked for permission to make the same awards next year. For the first time a Sportsmanship Award was presented and this was sponsored by the Tanner Jewelry in Salt Lake City. The Fred Tennert Store in Murray gave a pair of oxfords to the man pitching the most shoes in the tournament, they wanted to be sure he didn't go home barefoot. Faithful Pete Harman donated some special event prizes as well as provided his incomparable chicken dinner for the NHPA officers and representatives of the various newspapers. An air of expectancy was created by the Cook family in honor of our departed past president and esteemed friend, Arch Stokes, when they presented a beautiful trophy to Elmer Beller for his outstanding work for the NHPA in the past year.

A word of praise must go at this time to Mrs. Stokes and her daughter Maurine Cook for a delicious watermelon feed at the courts one afternoon.

The players and their families thoroughly enjoyed the banquet in beautiful Mill Creek canyon as guests of the Murray Chamber of Commerce with Manager Bill Smith acting as the congenial Master of Ceremonies. This event always proves to be a highlight of each tournament.

The Jaycees and their Snack Shack under the leadership of genial Johnny Walker were much in evidence and as always made a hit with the crowd.

One person who is not a horseshoe pitcher but always does two persons work is Mrs. Elois Standard. The securing of prizes and publicity was under her direction and it was an admirable job she did.

As I was not privileged to stay for the entire duration of the tournament I may have inadvertently missed someone who contributed a part in making the tournament a success. If I have failed to mention your name please accept my humble apologies and my sincere thanks.

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#### CLETUS CHAPELLE

#### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAMPIONSHIP - CLASS "D" HELD AT ARROYO VIEJO PARK. OAKLAND. CALIFORNIA

#### By CZAR MARCEVICH

Horseshoe pitchers from Northern Calif. gathered at Arroyo Viejo Playground in Oakland Sept. 21st, 1958. It was the largest turnout for this event (Class D Tournamest) in Northern Calif.

Fred Meyers, Pres. of Arroyo Viejo, welcomed the horseshoe pitchers and spectators and spoke of the fine cooperation the Northern Ass'n. members have given to make this tourney a great success. Don Titcomb, our State Champion, was Master of Ceremonies and did a wonderful job on the mike.

John Langrell and Fred Meyers, from Arroyo Club, certainly deserve credit and praise as they spent many hours of their time to make this event one of the best. Mrs. Kathern Hill was commended by the Chairman and many others on the fine work she has done on the refreshment committee. Refreshments were served by the Arroyo Viejo Club and there was plenty for all horseshoe pitchers and their friends. I'd like to comment that all the top horseshoe pitchers in Northern California were there to help score and judge or whatever was necessary. Our Northern Sect. was on hand to help out and kept score. Earl Davis, Northern Sect., Harry Nielson and Czar Marcevich, kept record of the scoresheet and took care of the blackboard won and losses.

The Arroyo Viejo Club was formed just two years ago and have one of the finest horseshoe courts in the State and their membership is growing every year and soon they are going to install lights for night pitching. I like to congratulate the Arroyo Club for their fine cooperation and effort for having this event and interest they have taken for the game of horseshoes.

	W	L	9/0
John Martak, Oakland	5	0	36.1
Kenneth Elmes, Sacramento	4	1	30.
Bill Jerome, Oakland	2	3	32.1
Larry Bulawsky, San Francisco	2	3	29.6
Less Hill, Oakland	0	3	21.4
John Langrell, Oakland	0	5	10.4
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Dave Davenport, Sunnvale	0	5	36.2
GROUP B			
	W	L	.%
Tom Cochran, Vallejo	5	0	35.7
Howard Horsley, Oakland	3	2	33.
Ed McConnell, Oakland	2	3	31.3

GROUP A

Ed McConnell, Oakland	2	3	31.3
Frank Westbrook, Vallejo	2	3	28.1
Chas. DeHart, Oakland		4	24.4
John Kohler, Oakland	1	4	24.1
The top two from each group played a four man round robin to pionship.	decid	e the	cham-
	w	L	.c/e
John Martak	3	0	46.3
Tom Cochran	2	1	37.
Kenneth Elmes	1	2	32.2
Howard Horsley	0	3	33 1

#### Ted Allen Horseshoe Co., Boulder, Colorado

Once again Allen's topped the World's tournament individual ringer average for 1958. An increasing number of contestants used it there and in other contests. More and more records and tourney titles are being dominated by Allens. There's a reason . .

Watch this space for future announcements. Before another season we will be back in production, following the shop fire. Contact us for other supplies.

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# 1958 (34th ANNUAL) INDIANA STATE HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT HELD AT THE INDIANA STATE FAIR, INDIANAPOLIS

#### CLASS A

W	L	K	S.P.	%
Ed Sharp, Mulberry	2	619	820	75.5
Wayne Nelson, Eaton	2	603	810	744
Curtis Day, Frankfort	3	710	922	77.0
Graydon McFatridge, Rushville	3	640	886	72.2
Bill Neilson, Dugger	4	626	856	73.1
Jimmy Kemple, Rushville	6	575	834	69.4
Gene Brumfield, Markleville	6	542	792	68.4
John Stimac, Terre Haute	6	532	784	67.9
Oris Harshman, Frankfort	6	449	696	64.5
Floyd Fowler, Greencastle	8	575	842	68.3
Carl Atwell, Flora	9	397	698	56.9
John Coble, Peru	12	330	630	52.2
Harrison Maitlen, Berne	Withdrew			
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Sharp won playoff from Nelson, 50 to 26 with 65 ringers in 82 shoes for 79.5%.

CLASS B

George Johnson, Jr., Indianapolis	0	568	806	70.5
Lowell Edmondson, Danville		458	3 708	64.7
Clarence Bellman, Warsaw 7	4	524	i 814	64.4
Marvin Craig, Parker	5	437	676	64.6
Orville Harris, Indianapolis	6	542	808	67.0
Harley Campbell, Bryant	6	511	. 804	63.5
Walter Horner, Farmersburg	6	479	768	62.3
Nelson Brown, Mulberry	6	442	2 712	62.1
Eugene Mendenhall, Noblesville	6	420	) 706	59.5
Earl Green, Indianapolis		431	681	63.4
Virgil Taylor, Greencastle	7	471	764	61.8
Ray Billingsley, Crawfordsville	9	338	A REAL PROPERTY OF A REAL PROPER	52.7
Note - Lowell Edmondson (Class "C" Champ) fill	led in	for a	withdrawn	player.

#### CLASS C

Lowell Enmondson, Danville	1	239	442	51.8
Clifford Green, Yorktown		256	474	54.0
Bill Ferguson, Brazil	2	221	442	50.0
George Johnson, Sr., Indianapolis	3	207	414	50.0
Steve Raymond, Lafayette	4	245	492	49.9
Manford Swanson, Mulberry	4	194	464	41.8
Bob Rinnard, Farmland		226	486	46.5
Burl Taylor, Greencastle		206	482	42.8
James Cox State Line	With	drew		

#### CLASS D

Earl Van Natter, Kokomo	1	258	452	57.1
Harold McFatridge, Arlington	2	282	492	57.3
Tow Wetnight, Brazil	2	284	502	56.6
Bob Pence, Garv	3	241	476	50.7
Gerald Cummings, Sheridan	5	215	426	50.5
Bob Clingerman, Goshen	5	227	460	49.3
David Craven, Rushville	5	208	426	48.8
Fay Emery, Mulberry1	6	190	434	43.6
CLASS E				
Dale Solsberry, Sharpsville	1	233	414	56.3

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Roy Billingsley, Crawfordsville	2	215	386	55.7
Clyde Green, Portland		248	450	55.1
Clint Moore, Crawfordsville		241	446	53.8
Karl Van Sant, Cayuga		237	476	49.8

#### INDIANA STATE - Continued

	W	L	R	S.P.	%
Neil Farr, Fairmount	.3	4	200	464	43.1
Bill Dunn Kokomo	1	6	195	440	44.3
Kenneth Achors, Frankfort	.0	7	189	436	43.4
CLASS F					
Bob Behr, Frankfort	6	1	238	432	54.3
George Popejoy, Burrows	6	1	234	450	52.0
Paul Thistlethwaite, Sheridan	5	2	226	426	53.0
Marvin Chrisman, Connersville		2 3	213	418	51.0
Charles Cummings, Sweetser		5	195	430	45.4
Art Sharp, Roseville	2	5	197	440	44.8
Grover Norman, Greencastle		5	182	456	40.0
Myron Crane, Whitestown	.1	6	185	422	43.8
Jim Johnson, Decatur		Wi	thdrew		
Behr defeated Popejoy in playoof game.					

#### CLASS G

George Sales, Newcastle	1	236	440	53.6
Harold Bellman, Bourbon	1	246	472	52.1
Paul Van Sickle, Indianapolis	2	226	438	51.6
Charles Hanson, Russiaville		209	436	47.9
John Shuck, Forest		205	450	54.6
Hallie Taylor, Greencastle		194	448	43.3
Lester Crask, Noblesville		168	420	40.0
Clifford Landis, Monroe		96	202	43.3
James Johnson, Decatur	Wit	hdrew		
Ray England, Crawfordsville	W	ithdrew		

Sales defeated Bellman in first place playoff. Landis withdrew after four games, thereby forfeiting all games.

# CLASS H

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George Hinshaw, Modoc	7	0	203	406	50.0
Elvin Cast, Frankfort	6	1	212	424	50.0
Roscoe Robinson, Parker	5	2	191	388	49.2
Al Quebe, Kirklin		2 4	200	482	41.5
Jim Evans, Kokomo	2	5	196	458	42.8
Art Moore, Wabash	2	5	180	450	40.0
Lee Martin, Greencastle	2	5	155	444	34.9
Cleve Reed, Rich Valley	1	6	154	400	38.5
CONSOLATION at Indianapolis					
Rodney Hatton, Indianapolis	5	0	152	274	55.5
Morris Briney, Frankfort	4	1	166	330	50.3
Charles Broadstreet, Stilesville	3	2	149	328	45.4
Al LaFon, Lafayette	2	3	138	338	40.8
Harold Keyes, Winchester	1	4	98	294	33.3
Don Ricker, Frankfort	0	5	113	336	33.6
CONSOLATION at Frankfort (Finals)					
Gilbert Lee, Marion		0	187	320	58.4
Claybert Anderson, Lafayette		1	183	330	55.4
Ed Jamison, Marion		2	164	310	52.9
Walter Jones, Valparaiso	1	4	147	298	49.3
George Kingma, Lafayette	1	4	160	328	48.8
Virgil Huffman, Poneto	1	4	135	316	42.7
Preliminaries					
Claybert Anderson, Lafayette	5	0	152	270	56.3
Gilbert Lee, Marion	5	0	145	278	52.2
Walter Jones, Valparaiso	5	0	159	330	48.2
Charles McCammon, Muncie		1	151	280	53.9
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#### INDIANA STATE - Continued

Harold Craig, Muncie	1	153	334	45.5
Ray Wells, Muncie	1	127	308	41.2
Bill Hickson, Frankfort	2	149	308	48.4
John Kolaiser, Hammond	2	134	278	48.2
Charles Hancock, Indianapolis	2	150	322	46.6
Doc Haffner, Crawfordsville	3	128	296	43.3
Charles Baker, Muncie	3	145	342	42.4
Fred Cunningham, Marion	3	113	308	36.7
Roy Peterson, Colfax	4	142	336	42.3
Jim Wark, Valparaiso	4	133	354	37.6
Joe Schilling, Lafayette	4	100	280	36.0
Bob Borman, Muncie	5	97	282	34.4
Dale Reeves, Lafayette	5	109	346	31.5
Russell Chowning, Shelburn	5	100	326	30.3

#### JUNIOR DIVISION

at Lafayette, Aug. 23		
W	L	%
Hallie Taylor, Greencastle6	0	43.9
Jim Day, Frankfort	1	32.0
Steve Kingma, Lafayette4	1	45.0
W. Cummings, Sweetser4	1	26.3
Wimmer, Sweetser	2	28.8
There were six other contestant	s.	

#### OLD TIMERS DIVISION

For players 60 years and older at Crawfordsville, Aug. 24.

Won by Doc Haffner, Crawfordsville 2nd — Geo. Johnson, Sr., Indianapolis 3rd — Ray England, Crawfordsville. There were five other contestants.

#### GLEN ANDERSON, ILLINOIS STAR, KILLED IN CRASH

Glen Anderson, Illinois pitcher and one of the ranking pitching experts of the United States, was killed instantly, Saturday, October 18th while travelling on U. S. highway 150, through Coal Valley, Illinois, a short distance from his home in Orion. He apparently fell asleep at the wheel and crashed into a bridge. He was alone in the car at the time.

It was only this past summer that Anderson attained the height of his pitching career when he finished in fifth place in the Worlds' tournament at Murray, Utah. A short time later he was runner-up in the 1958 Illinois state tournament. His trophy case contained many beautiful trophies which proved his adeptness at horseshoe pitching.

Anderson's training schedule included pitching at least 200 shoes on the Riverside park courts in nearby Moline, Illinois, every day of the week. As a result of this constant practice he finished high in every tournament in which he played, and it can be said that he was probably the most active pitcher in the Middlewest, playing in almost every major tournament in all parts of the country.

Funeral services were held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Orion, Illinois, on Tuesday, October 21. In attendance were Robert Pence, National secretary, and Illinois state association president, Ralph Dykes, and Ellis Cobb, Illinois state secretary.

#### FROM HERE AND THERE

Tennessee may soon have an active N. H. P. A. State Chapter. V. A. Stanley, of Oak Ridge, endeavoring to get N. H. P. A. members in the Oak Ridge, Chattanooga, Knoxville area where there has been considerable activity during the past year. The annual Tennessee Valley Fair held a tournament which attracted 90 entries and amounted to a State championship. It was won by O. D. Lebow of Knoxville, while Hubert Davenport and W. H. Suffridge won the doubles title.

1957 World Tournament films were shown at the annual meeting of the Minnesota State Association and the Chautauqua (New York) County Association in October.

Wibaux County, Montana, pitchers had a successful season under the guidance of Roger Barnaby and are planning on organizing an N. H. P. A. Chapter.

#### WISCONSIN NEWS

Carl Pfeffer of Milwaukee won the 1958 State title at the Wisconsin State Fair with an average of 69.0 ringers in 11 games thereby regaining the championship he had won in 1956.

Tommy Bartlen of West Allis, the 1957 Champion, finished second while Ed Schimek of Milwaukee took third. Pfeffer also won the Southern Wisconsin tourney over the Labor Day Week end.

Other players who were in the championship class A at the State Fair were: Steve Rajec of Milwaukee, Joe Madden of Waukesha, Earl Ramquist of Beloit, Andy Klobuchar of Racine, Wally Sager of Ixonia, Roger Ehlers of Fort Atkinson, Alden Van Item of Green Bay, Floyd Rogers of Mukwonago, and Ray Pipkorn of Cedarburg.

Orcille Degner of Jefferson won Class B and Arnie Rupnow of Oconomowoc took honors in Class C. Both averaged 57.0% ringers.

The tournament was under the direction of Art Klement of Fort Atkinson and attracted an entry list of 52 players.

The Washington Park Club of Milwaukee under the direction of Art Neilson had another successful season and ran a season long handicap league. The top five finishers in the state tournament played in this league.

More than two dozen Wisconsin players attended a showing of the 1958 World Tournament film at the Community Building in Fort Atkinson on Sunday, October 26. National Secretary, Bob Pence of Indiana, was a guest at the meeting and narrated the film. The meeting was arranged by Mr. Klement, head of the Wisconsin Association, and a good start was made in signing up N.H.P.A. members for 1959.

#### TED ALLEN REMINISCES

Here it is Indian Summer in the high country above us where the frosty autumn turns a man's thoughts to the big game hunting near at hand. Bowling is in full swing, the more active horseshoe competition is over with in Colorado. But let me reminiscent over the time since the world's tourney of last July. Aside from the yearly highlighted big meet in Murray, it also gives me a chance

Aside from the yearly highlighted big meet in Murray, it also gives me a chance for a delightful vacation to and from Utah. To me, it is a never ending pleasure to travel over any part of this U. S. There is much to see if one looks around. This year the fishing trips to back country took a prominent place in the trip. Next year, I have promised, I will take Dale Nixon with me on the first trip before the tournament. A short 4 to 6 mile round trip hike to a stream. It is a wonderful conditioner and relaxes the nerves. The fishing was good there this year.

But it was on the return trip that the awaited "dream fishing" took place. A phone call home found that my buddies could not get away from work to meet me at the end of the road far back into a narrow valley canyon. Nothing to do but sling the pack on my back and take the trail afoot to the site. Truly a fishing paradise, the kind you dream about or hope to get to some day, in this day of population. With an already injured back all summer, 5 miles in was all I wanted to take of the all up hill climb. But it was worth it. Two days and two nights of fishing, looking, relaxing in beautiful country. Where only a trail by-passed and not another track on the stream, except the old campfire made by my buddies last June.

Altho injuring my sciatic nerve the worst ever, after arriving home, I continued to practice a little shoes and start the bowling season. But at this time my entire back structure is progressing along better than I had hoped for. And barring further injury next season I'll be feeling fine at the 1959 world's tourney. I'm going to try very hard for a new world's record ringer average.

After the Wyo.-Tri-state Aug. 17, my next tourney appearance was at Kimball, Nebr., The Wyo-Nebr. closed, for a night exhibition at the dedication of brand new courts. A dream and accomplishment of the leading efforts of Lou Seibenaler, who passed away 11 days later.

He organized one of the best new clubs in the nation. And to those who never noticed, he had attended nearly all of the World's meets in Utah, acting as scorer and recently as film-maker. About 68 years old, in good health, a respected and retired prominent farmer, he had been leader in many farm organizations. Age only slowed him a little. Was interested and educated in a great many topics, an extremely interesting conversationalist. Faithful to his church. A lifelong organizer in horseshoe pitching. A lovable family man and pleasant to have around. (*Please Turn the Page*) That Sat. noon of August 23rd after a week of hard work, I lay down for a much needed rest. But sleep didn't come. The thought that brought me up and hurriedly tossing a few things in the car was the old invitation to a barbecued steak at the home of the Burt Alexanders, if I was to get to Kimball a Sat. night before the tourney. Don McCance, 1957 Nebr. state champ and winner of this one, and I had the best steaks ever, a tested special. Departing from the usual stay at the Seibenaler farm because of so many guests, McCance and I bunked among the dozen or so of Alexander's shot-gun trophies, who himself won the class B, here.

Came Sunday morning, one of those beautiful, pleasant, perfect days that makes you feel that everything is going to be perfect all day, anticipating a fine time. Before going to the courts, in pops Merle Denning for a chat. He is one of those characters who can remember the mule shoe days and the old timers who were always looking for a match with some other well known player. It was natural to fall into stories of the past, plus the time in 1930 when Seibenaler and I toured the state of Nebr. looking for the better known pitchers, unannounced for the bit of fun of surprise. Couldn't find Denning at the time. He told us a story which I am repeating to you and hope Ellis Cobb inserts under "Unusual stories."

This tourney was well attended, climaxed with night ceremonies and my exhibition. I kept score in the class C. A little drowsy at my job, I woke up in one game, when L. E. Arnold, of Arnold Drugs, Sutherland, and a companion walked up, noticed that I was scoring two of their friends. Immediately the air got lively. With all four men ribbing each other, Arnold and companion began rooting for their choice. A little unusual in a tournament, but we had a lot of fun.

Next came the Great Plains Open at Curtis, Nebraska, Sept. 20 and 21. Gotten together by Richard Herrick. A lot of credit is due him for selling the idea to business men who had never had anything like that before the state tourney last year. It was a good beginning, the highlight of the fall festival for this friendly farm and small college town. The prizes were good. As usual Merle Denning flew in and circled the courts before landing his light plane.

In closing I say that it is my belief that all things even up somehow in a lifetime. The law of averages prevail. Winner or loser today, the reverse may be tomorrow. Such seemed to be the case with me this past year. At least I like to think things may have come out even for me. A lot of people by now know that in the past year I was a little unlucky. Last fall two fires hit us, no connection between the two. One at the forge plant where my shoes were made. The other was in our home, for damage to \$4,500. In Jan. a divorce. The same month a fall while repairing the house left my right arm and shoulder almost immobile for a few weeks. In April the worst back injury in many years that remained all summer. I thought I'd about had it. I wondered if the Old Boy had overlooked me. But something good came out of the house fire. A new ruling by the City had prohibited the fire wagons from coming to our rescue, just outside of the city limits.

Everyone was just waiting to see who's place would be the first test. We happened to be the victims. But just in the nick of time from 12 miles away came the Louisville fire dept. at the call. Five more minutes would have been too late. But out of it came such an aroused people who responded with wrathful writings and realization to the rural danger which was state-wide, that most rural areas immediately formed their own fire departments.

But in July just before the World's tourney, when I usually have to watch out for a jinx of injuries, a piece of good luck came my way. Helping my brother, we were dozing, grinding and trucking peat moss from the high country to the valley. That's the expensive stuff used on gardens and lawns. Trucking a heavy load all down hill for 22 miles, in low gear for steeper places, in high up to 40 per on less grades, but curves all the way, many things can happen, and does.

For two days, 4 trips, a slight bumping and clicking noise occurred somewhere in the rear, getting progressively worse. Close inspection, even with wheels in motion failed to locate it, no wobble or the like. The orders were "keep going." Three trips later just as I pulled in the office yard the dual wheels broke completely off the axle housing. The break had occurred inside the drum out of our sight. Nothing short of miraculous for by all the odds it should have happened in the canyon curves when the pressure was on. Nothing could have prevented a total wreck. I guess that just about evened up things.

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#### WYOMING STATE TOURNAMENT, AUGUST 31 AND SEPTEMBER 1

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Art Rugg

#### By DOROTHY MILLER

The 1958 Wyoming State Tournament took place in Cheyenne, Wyo., Aug. 31 and Sept. 1. A new Champion was crowned. Shell Patton of Saratoga. Levi Farrel won Class B Championship.

Art Rugg, State President of the Horseshoe Club for 19 years, has just celebrated his 72nd birthday on Sept. 20, 1958. Mr. Rugg resigned this year. He is awarding a new trophy to the most improved pitcher at the State Tournament each year. We have named it The Art Rugg Trophy. The first winner of the new Trophy was Cliff Trump of Cheyenne 1957 — 20.0% — 1958 — 27.9%. The next tournament will be held in Saratoga, Wyo. on the 31st of August and 1st of September, 1959. The new president of the Wyo. Association is Meryle Palmer, 3421 Day Av., Cheynne, Wyo.

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CLASS A			CLASS B		
W	L	%	W	L	%
Patton	1	57.1	Farrel	2	42
Palmer	2	61.4	Dungan	3	38.7
Forsyth	2	60.2	Sherard	4	38.8
Laughlin4	3	54.7	Peck6	4	35.2
C. Arnold	3	48.6	C. Trump2	8	27.9
Trump	4	51.9	Preston 1	9	25.1
Miller 2	5	55.7			
B. Arnold0	7	46.2			

#### MISSOURI CROWNS NEW STATE CHAMP

Missouri's State meet was held over Labor Day weekend in Sedalia, Mo., with seven former state champs being present. When the contest was over Dane Baker of Wentworth, Mo., was the new title holder. In the election of officers for next year Earl Winston was elected president, Claude Long of Carthage, Vice-President, and Alfred Smith of Springfield, Sec.-Treasurer.

CLASS A	W	L	10
D. Baker, Wentworth	10	1	69.8
J. Elkins, Neosho	9	2	65.8
L. Greenlee, Springfield	7	4	61.1
Wm. Kempfe, Alma		4	64.8
C. Long, Carthage	6	5	62.8
R. Bales, Kansas City	6	5	62.3
P. Stockwell, St. Joseph	5	6	64.4
P. Lattray, Webster Groves	5	6	67.3
Wm. Young, Overland	5	6	57.5
E. Winston, La Monte		8	63.5
N. Snelson, Springfield		8	58.7
C. Banes, Irwin	0	11	53.6
CLASS B	W	L	%
Lilly, Lamar	8	L 3	% 62.6
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#### EARL WINSTON WINS MIDLAND EMPIRE TOURNAMENT

By RAY CAVIN

Earl Winston, La Monte, Mo., won the 4th annual Midland Empire horseshoe pitching tournament, held at Noyes Field Courts, in St. Joseph, Mo.

Winston won 5 games and lost none in Class A to dethrone defending champion Roland Kraft of LeCompton, Kansas. Kraft's only loss was to Winston 40 to 51 for second place. Ray Cavin and Roland Kraft had the honor of pitching the marathon game of the tourney, going to 102 shoes, with Kraft winning 51 to 48. Kraft threw 71 ringers, Cavin 70. A field of 26 pitchers qualified with 24 reaching the finals in 4 classes. Six trophys were given, 2 each in Class A, B, C. Cash prizes were given in Class D. Cavin sponsored and directed tournament play.

CLASS A

W	L	R	S.P.	.%
E. Winston, La Monte, Mo	0	295	418	70.6
R. Kraft, LeCompton, Kansas	1	261	372	70.2
P. Stockwell, St. Joseph, Missouri	2	207	346	59.8
R. Cavin, St. Joseph, Missouri	4	225	372	60.5
W. Smith, King City, Missouri	4	187	342	54.7
H. Robinson, Nebraska City, Nebraska	- 4	211	350	60.0
Fourth, fifth and sixth place was decided on points.				
CLASS B				
W	L	R	S.P.	1%
D. Earlywine, Omaha, Nebraska	0	190	296	64.2
B. Foster, Maryville, Missouri	1	146	284	51.4
W. Winston, La Monte, Missouri	2	172	326	52.7
G. Beard Jr., Warrensburg, Missouri	3	169	338	50.0
C. Stiles, St. Joseph, Missouri	4	152	326	46.6
M. Huff, King City, Missouri	5	127	286	44.4

#### CLASS C

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J. Foster, Omaha, Nebraska	0	259
C. Burns, Falls City, Nebraska	1	238
C. Kilgore, Stewartsville, Missouri 2 D. Punneo, St. Joseph, Missouri 2	3	229
	3	203
H. Castor, St. Joseph, Missouri	4	176
V. Nordgren, Omaha, Nebraska	4	156
CLASS D		
W	L	Pts.

L. Cain, King City, Missouri	1	255
F. Foster, Maryville, Missouri	1	247
G. Beard, Sr., Warrensburg, Missouri	2	212
C. Bell, Marvville, Missouri	3	204
W. Gay, King City, Missouri	4	214
A. Strassil, Falls City, Nebraska	4	164

### SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI OPEN HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT

#### By ALFRED SMITH

		CLA.	SS A		
W	L	1%	W	L	9/0
D. Baker	0	76.3	Greenlee	4	65.9
Uhlig	2	70.9	Womack	4	65.3
Elkins	2	65.4	Snelson1	6	65.1
Henson	4	68.0	F. Baker1	6	62.8
		CLA	SS B		
Lilly6	1	68	Carver2	5	52.0
Banes	1	65.3	Yoeman	5	47.0
Nixon	2	58.3	Brouse	5	36.4
Adams	2	56.1	Smith0	7	22.3

#### ONTARIO, CALIFORNIA — SEPTEMBER 28, 1958 CHAMPIONSHIP — CLASS "B"

#### GROUP ONE

	W	L	R	S.P.	%
Harry Morse, South Gate	4	1	223	366	60.9
Ralph Metcalfe, Ontario	3	2 2	206	340	60.6
Fred Bonaly, Los Angeles		2	227	380	59.7
Gil Calkins, Auzsa		2	167	334	50.0
Al Rogers, San Pedro	2	3	201	346	58.1
Henry Durr, Baldwin Park	0	5	203	382	55.8
GROUP TWO					
	W	L	R	S.P.	-%
Bill Shoemaker, Monrovia	5	0	217	348	62.4
Henry Fisher, Compton	3	2	175	294	59.5
Gunnar Hansen, Baldwin Park	3	2 3	181	312	58.0
Wally Shipley, Covina	2	3	180	324	55.6
Fred Burkhart, San Gabriel	2	3	166	308	53.9
C. Beach, Ontario	0	5	144	290	49.7
The top two from each group played a four man pionship.	round	robin	to dec	ide the	cham-
L	w	L	R	S.P.	%
Henry Fisher	2	1	111	188	59.0
Bill Shoemaker	2	1	107	194	55.2
Harry Morse		2	94	174	54.0
Ralph Metcalfe	1	2	84	184	45.6
Harmy Eigher defeated Bill Shaemahar 50 to 10 to	o min	the ch	ampion	chin	

Henry Fisher defeated Bill Shoemaker 50 to 10 to win the championship.

#### **GRANT COUNTY, INDIANA**

Charlie Cummings won the annual County tournament, defeating last year's champ, Gib Lee in the pay off tilt. Cummings had a fine 63.6 ringer average for the entire tourney while Lee accumulated a 62.3 average. Other Class A players were Ed Jamison, Virgil Holloway, Lester West and Neil Farr.

Alvin Skinner won Class B with a 57.0 ringer average while Ralph Enyeart took Class C honors. The tournament was held in conjunction with the Grant County Fair.

#### **NEWS AND NOTES OF HORSESHOE FOLKS**

Walt "Bud" Horner, Florida State Champion from Farmersburg, Ind., who suffered a heart attack during the course of the Canton, Ill. Fall Festival Tourney and was confined to the hospital for a long time is now back home and preparing to make his regular winter visit to Florida. He hopes to be back in competition next summer.

Ben Farmer, of Union City, won the Randolph County, Indiana championship from Bob Rinard in a playoff on the Windsor Club courts.

Walt Jones of Valparaiso, Indiana, won the city tournament from Jim Wark. Both are N. H. P. A. members.

The Canadian National was won by Elmer Hohl, of Wellesley, for the second consecutive year, when he edged out Dean McLaughlin in the key game. The tourney was held at Port Credit, Ontario. Both Elmer and Dean are terrific pitchers and everyone hopes to see them at the World Tourney sometime in the future.

Recently crowned State Champions include Gene Lykken of Kindred, North Dakota; John Yernberg, St. Paul, Minnesota; Leigh Dunker, Warner, South Dakota and Carl Pfeffer, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.





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