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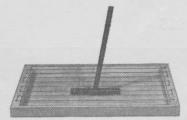
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Dale E. Dixon

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### THE 1965 NHPA CONVENTION

### Wanted — Bids For the 1967 World Tourney

The 1965 NHPA convention and business meeting will be held on Thursday morning, August 5, at Keene, N. H. during the World Tournament and the most important single piece of business will be the awarding of the 1967 World

The selection will be made by the delegates on the basis of sealed bids as is provided for in the NHPA constitution. Should no sealed bids be received the matter will be deferred and placed in the hands of the Executive Council.

The unwritten policy of the NHPA is to rotate the tournament site from one section of the country to another as much as possible. With this year's tourney being held in New Hampshire and next year's in Utah it is hoped bids will be received from other sections of the country.

Cities or clubs desiring information should contact NHPA President Harold Craig, 809 Carson Street, Muncie, Ind.

Adoption of an official Horseshoe Hall of Fame will also be on the agenda of the convention. A committee consisting of Chairman Carl Steinfeldt, Elmer Beller, Leland Mortenson, Marvin Chrisman and Bob Pence has been very active working on this matter and will have a plan to present to the convention.

Each state association is entitled to voting delegates to the convention on the basis of their NHPA membership. The President has the power to appoint delegates from among NHPA members present to occupy unfilled seats, but each state association is urged to appoint official delegates of their choice.

All NHPA members are urged to attend the convention and to participate

whether they are voting delegates or not.

### **World Tourney Prize List Largest Ever**

The cash prize list is the largest ever. The increase of more than \$1,000 was made possible because of the Keene Horseshoe Club is donating \$4,000 in order to fulfill its bid which awarded the tourney to the New Hampshire city and because the entry list has been increasing each year.

The World Tournament is not a money making project for the NHPA or any individual. The only financial benefit is derived by the community where the event is held for it does bring in visitors from all over the U.S. and Canada for a period of 11 days.

The NHPA puts far more money into the tourney than it receives from entry fees and the donation of the host club. In addition to the cash prizes the scorekeepers and other workers are paid a token amount for their services.

The difference between receipts and expenditures, however, does not come out of the NHPA membership fees. It comes instead from the revenue derived from sale of NHPA trophies, sport shirts, scoresheets and other game related items. Membership fees and "Digest" subscription money is used for routine office expenses and to publish the monthly magazine.

### Miller High Life Awards, Again Feature of 1965 **World Tournament**

The Miller Brewing Co. of Milwaukee, makers of Miller High Life, will for the fourth consecutive year donate all of the trophies in the various classes

for the fourth consecutive year donate all of the trophies in the various classes of the Men's division at the World Tournament.

In the past these have been a beautiful set of trophies each year and this year will be no exception.

The trophies will be for at least the first five places in the 36 man championship class, the first four places in classes B and C, the first three places in the Senior's Class A and the first two places in the Senior's Class B and C.

The Miller Brewing Co. has always been a booster for all types of sports and the NHPA appropriates the company's interest in the game of horseshee.

and the NHPA appreciates the company's interest in the game of horseshoe.

Appreciation of the efforts of this fine company in supporting our game can be shown by our members when social events are enjoyed and where refreshments are served.

### World Tournament Warm-Up Meet, August 1, Manchester, N. H.

Cash prizes in all classes with a top prize of \$100 for winner of class A, is expected to attract many of the top World tournament players, to Manchester, New Hampshire on Sunday, August 1. The 20 newly constructed courts in Wolfe park, Manchester, N. H. will be the scene of this tournament. Take Rte 101 or 93 to Everett Turnpike at Manchester, N. H. and exit at

Queen City bridge.

All players must have an NHPA card to be eligible and must be registered before noon on Sunday, August 1. Entry fee will be \$5.00 and ringer percentage from 3 previous meets are required. In lieu of ringer percentage a maximum of 2 qualifying rounds of 100 shoes may be pitched at the courts, Saturday, July 31 or Sunday before 11 A. M. A qualifying fee of \$1.00 for first round and \$3.00 for second round will be charged. Class A players will also pay an additional fee of \$2.00 toward cash prizes in their class.

All play will take place on Sunday, August 1 with Classes B, BB, C, CC and D playing 8-man round robins beginning at 12:30 P.M. Class A consisting

of 10 men will start round robins beginning at 12:30 F.M. Class A consisting of 10 men will start round robin play at 4:00 P.M.

Play will be limited to 50 players. Entry fee will be returned to those who do not qualify. Advance registrations may be sent to Clyde Robinson, 14 Oak Street, Derry, New Hampshire. In case of inclement weather, meet will be cancelled and all entry fees will be returned.

### "THE STORY OF HORSESHOES"

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### World Tournament Information — Direct Daily

NHPA members and horseshoe fans can obtain daily reports in detail of

the 1965 World Tournament at Keene, New Hampshire.

Simply send 84¢ with a request for a two weeks subscription during the World Horseshoe Tournament, starting with the July 31st issue. Send the money and the request to

> Circulation Manager The Keene Sentinel Keene, New Hampshire

A large number of members and fans obtained daily information in this manner last year and there have been numerous inquiries about a similar

service this year.

The local newspaper in Keene will cover the tournament in depth and detail. Arrangements have been made for full coverage by the NHPA working with the Publicity Chairman of the Keene Horseshoe Club, Malcolm Georgina. SEND YOUR REQUEST IN NOW.

### Hibbing (Minn.) Open Tournament

The annual Hibbing Open Tournament will be held at Hibbing, Minnesota, July 24-25. Pitchers may qualify from July 12 until July 24, when qualifying closes at 11 A.M. Each entrant will pitch 100 shoes, with a limit of 3 times at an entry fee of \$100 for each attempt. Highest score will count. An additional fee of \$3.00 to be paid for those who are the finalists. Tournament starts at 11 A.M. on Saturday, July 24 with Class A and B taking to the courts. Classes C, D, and E will start at 5 P.M. Saturday, July 24, playing 7 games. Class A and B resume balance of 5 games on Sunday, beginning at 10 A.M. Trophies will be awarded.

### Glen Sebring, NHPA Officer Enters National Contest Of The Texaco Company

Glen Sebring of Erie, Pennsylvania and second vice-president of the National Horseshoe Pitcher's Association has placed himself in contention for nationwide honors by entering into the "Credit-Card-O-Rama" conducted by the Texaco Company of which he is an employe.

Glen Sebring

Glen is connected with the Sales Division working out of Buffalo, New York. He made himself eligible when he submitted an improved accounting procedure which was accepted by

the Texaco company.

There will be several awards made on a national scope which include 10 color TV sets. A winner of one of these will give Glen more consideration for a job achievement for which he is at present under consideration. The purpose of the contest is to get as many new credit card holders as possible and Glen is making his appeal to all of the members and friends in the horseshoe pitching world to help him be one of the top winners in the National Texaco "Credit-Card-O-Rama".

So, why not sit down and send in the enclosed application blank for a Credit card and help put the man that spent so many hours in promoting the horseshoe sport in the Eastern region, on top in this contest. He has been one of the driving forces behind successful Eastern National tournaments. His address is as follows: Glen Sebring, 1431 West 42nd Street, Erie, Pennsylvania 16509. - ADV.

COVER PICTURE . . . . Looking very jubilant on receiving their various awards for placing in the 1964 World tournament are left to right, Glen "Red" Henton who placed third and is also the present state champion of Iowa; Carl Steinfeldt, who placed second and is the present state champion of New York; Harold Reno, 1964 World Champion and present champion of the state of Ohio and John Monasmith of Yakima, Washington who was the defending champion of the world of horseshoes. These fine gentlemen and sportsmen will be back again to try for that coveted top spot of "WORLD CHAMPION", at Keene, New Hampshire, July 31 thru August 10.

### Tennessee Chapter of the NHPA

At the annual meeting of the Tennessee state association the following officers were elected. Roger Norwood, president; John Walker, Billy Stidham and Charles Fortenberry, vice-presidents, and Ben Raskopf. Plans were made for the annual state tournament. The courts at Tyson park were severly damaged by flood waters but will be repaired in time for the state meet which will start on June 20 with the first 16 in the championship class playing at Tyson park. Class AA will start on June 26 at John Walker's courts in Jefferson City and Class A starting play at Billy Stidham's courts at Piney Flats. 48 trophies will be given this year.

The Tennessee association is proud to have had two of its members take honors in the last world tournament. They are Charles Fortenberry who placed in the Class A flight and Roger Norwood who copped the Class C title.

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### Cash Prize List For 1965 World Tourney

Class A		Class B	Class C
1	\$650.00	1\$40.00	1\$22.00
2		2	221.00
3		3 37.00	3
4			
			4 20.00
	260.00	5 35.50	5 19.50
	225.00	6 35.00	6 19.50
7	200.00	7 34.50	7 19.00
8	175.00	8 34.00	8 19.00
9	155.00	9 33.50	9 18.50
10	135.00	10 33.00	10 18.50
11		11 32.50	11 18.00
12	105.00	12 32.00	12 18.00
13	95.00	13 31.50	13 17.50
14	86.00	14 31.00	14
15	78.00	15	15
10		16	16
16 17	71.00		
	66.00	17 29.50	17 16.50
18	62.00	18 29.00	18 16.50
19	59.00	19 28.50	19 16.50
20	57.00	20 28.00	20 16.50
21	55.00	21 27.50	21 16.00
22	54.00	22 27.00	22 16.00
23	53.00	23 26.50	23 16.00
24	52.00	24 26.00	24 16.00
25	51.00	25 25.50	25 15.50
26	50.00	26 25.00	26 15.50
27	49.00	27 24.50	27 15.50
28	48.00	28	28
20		29	29
29	47.00	30	
0.4	46.00		30 15.00
31	45.00	31 22.50	31 15.00
32	44.00	32 22.00	32 15.00
33	43.00	m . 1	m
34	42.00	Total\$956.00	Total\$554.50
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#### WOMEN AND SENIORS

Total.....\$4,519.00

Class A	Class B	Class C
1.     \$50.00       2.     35.00       3.     25.00       4.     20.00       5.     18.00       6.     17.00       7.     16.00	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
8	Total\$78.00	Total\$45.00 Totals Women\$319.00 Seniors\$319.00

GRAND TOTAL - \$6,667.50

### Licking County, Ohio (Formerly Newark, Ohio) Club Open, Hebron, Ohio, June 25, 26, 27

As announced last month, The Licking County Ohio Club was pleased to use the dates that for many years had been more or less reserved for the Lakeside, Ohio Open, which will NOT be held this year, and they will welcome a big interstate entry for the Open Tournament on their new courts at Hebron, Ohio. They have 10 fine courts, excellent facilities, and all who enter can be assured of pitching.

The entry fee will be \$5.50. Qualifying 100 shoes, Friday night, June 25, 6 to 10 P. M. and Saturday morning, June 26, until noon; followed by the round-robin Saturday afternoon and evening, and finishing up on Sunday, June 27. All under NHPA sanction. Cards available at courts.

The courts are centrally located at Hebron, Ohio, on Route 440, 25 miles east of Columbus, Ohio. Again The Licking County Club is ready and anxious to make this one a big success by cordially inviting all NHPA players, their families and friends, regardless of what State they live. The Ohio Buckeye State Association will assist.

### **Example Of How To Contact Your Newspaper**

Sports Editor Post Tribune Gary, Indiana

Dear Sir:

Members of the Kouts Horseshoe Club and followers of the game in this area respectfully request that the sport pages of your paper carry daily results of the annual World and National Horseshoe Championships to be held July 31 through August 10 in Keene, N. H.

This annual event attracts entrants from all over the U. S. and Canada including some from this area. Daily reports of the tournament are filed at the playing site with both Associated Press and United Press International.

Fans and players in this area would greatly appreciate receiving tourna-

ment results each day through the medium of the Post Tribune.

Sincerely Yours,

Enoch Edwards, Secretary Kouts Horseshoe Club Kouts, Indiana

The above letter is similar to one sent to the daily newspapers in northwest Indiana by the Kouts Horseshoe Club last summer prior to the World Tournament in Greenville, Ohio.

The letter resulted in excellent coverage of the World Tournament in the daily papers of the area for the first time in memory and also resulted in the Kouts Club receiving publicity about its own activities during the season.

The NHPA hopes every club and group of players in the country will follow this example, using local newspaper name instead of the one shown above. A letter of request coming from a club or organized group will have far more weight than letters from individuals.

### Dimondale, Michigan Club "Beehive" of Activity

The intense activity in horseshoe pitching in Diamondale, Michigan has gained it the title of "the Horseshoe Capital of Michigan". From all the efforts of such fellows as Vic Benson, Jim Ostrander, Clint Hines, Neal Dolbee, Pat Smith and Earl Grable and many others, they have been busy as bees contructing a new court layout to hold their tournaments on. Guests from surrounding areas who came over during the construction period were Frank Dickinson and his wife. Also Red Ryder and Mo Dixon from Jackson came over to look over the new set-up.

### Midwest "Ringer Round-Up" - Roberts Park, Connersville, Indiana

The Connersville Club will be the host and it has been busy all year in preparation, determined to make this event a success as it is the first big open tournament ever held in Connersville.

Roberts Park will have 19 courts built in a back to back manner and the entire layout is undergoing extensive refurbishing to have it in first class

shape.

The Connersville Club has received the full cooperation of the Mayor, the

Park Board, the Chamber of Commerce and other civic organizations.

The Tournament will be held Saturday, July 17 and Sunday, July 18 at Roberts Park in Connersville, Ind.

The entry fee will be \$5.00 and there will be no qualifying. The deadline for entries will be 12:30 P.M., Saturday, July 17.

Players will be placed in Classes at that time on the basis of their records to date.

Players without a previous record will pitch 100 shoes to establish their

ringer percentage sometime prior to the 12:30 P.M. deadline time.

Players who feel their record is too low may pay an extra fee of \$2.00 and pitch 100 shoes for a new record sometime prior to qualifying time. They can raise but can not lower their record.

Players placed in Class A will play a split schedule, half of their games

on Saturday night, July 17 and the remainder on Sunday afternoon.

The prize list will be approximately \$1,000.

There will be a Junior tournament for boys under 17 who pitch 40 feet and a Boys' Tournament for those who pitch less than 40 feet starting at 10 A.M. Saturday morning, July 17.

There will be a Women's Tournament Saturday night, July 17.

Bob Pence, National Secretary, will be the tournament manager assisted by Harold Craig, NHPA President, officers of the Indiana State Association and the Connersville Club.

### 1965 New York State Tournament — Lockport, New York

The 1965 annual New York state tournament will take place on the Outwater park courts, Lockport, New York beginning on Thursday, July 1 and concluding on Sunday, July 4. The meet is open to any member of the New York state association and NHPA, residing in the state of New York.

Membership cards will be available at the courts.

The Lockport club, sponsors of the New York meet have come a long way since is first affiliated with the NHPA. At that time the clubs' Women's League was organized. There are now 8 teams in the men's league and 6 in the womens' league. Joe Dean who is honorary chairman of the tournament was the first Lockport champion. From the courts in Joe's backyard the club

was the first Lockport champion. From the courts in Joe's backyard the club progressed to the present courts in Outwater park where the state meet is to be held. There are 10 - 40 foot courts and 5 - 30 foot courts complete with lights and protection by fence. At present the Park department is in the process of putting blacktop walkways between the courts.

Qualifying fee will be \$5.00 with no additional pitching fee. Qualifying rounds will be held at the following times: Thursday, July 1, 7 to 10 P.M.; Friday, July 2, 1 to 11 P.M.; Saturday, July 3, 8 A.M. to 12 noon. One attempt of 100 shoes pitched individually with scorekeeper from some other club than qualifying pitchers' club. Prizes as follows: Top six finalists in Class A - cash, no trophies. First and second - All other classes - Trophies Class A - cash, no trophies. First and second - All other classes - Trophies only. (Prize list as designed at the 1964 annual State association meeting.)

The opening ceremonies will start at 12:30 P.M. on Saturday, July 3rd.

Sunday's play will start at 12 noon and continue until concluded.

Annual meeting of New York state association will convene at 10 P.M. on Saturday, July 3rd. The Lockport club will furnish refreshments following the meeting. Good motel accomodations are available close by at reduced rates for horseshoe pitchers.



### SPOTLIGHT

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### Local Clubs

The Okanogan Valley Club was organized in 1963 with a membership of about 35 members. Working in cooperation with the city of Omak, Washington, the club now has a 16 court layout located in the East Side City Park of Omak. In 1964 the club had both singles and doubles league pitching, an open tournament and a county tournament. The 1965 activities will be the same but with the local club also hosting the Washington state tournament to be held on the Labor Day weekend. Officers are as follows: Howard Shatto, president: Wilmer Shatto, vice-president and Woody Wriston, secretary-treasurer.

The Mid-Hudson Horseshoe League is made up of the following clubs, Peekshill, Montrose, Verplancks Point, Buchanan and Putnam Valley. Nine high percentage players of the Westchester County League were named captains of 9 three man teams. We are anticipating that by next year all of our members will be NHPA members. Our officers are as follows: Charles Wilson, president: Bill Rodgers, secretary: Jim Lennox, treasurer and Ed Lockwood, Sr., publicity. Team captains are: Ken Schrott, Lloyd Conklin, Tom Ryan, Ed Lockwood, Philip Bleakley, Arnold Tuttle, Lou Schlurensauer, Jim Lennox and Art Walsh.

The Lewiston, Idaho club has just completed 16 courts in Clarkston, Washington, for which we will explain the location. As soon as we returned from the state tournament last year where we had been assured of the 1965 state meet, we began to look around for a suitable site for a 16 court plant, as our local court site only had 5. As Lewiston is divided by the Snake River and Clarkston, Washington on the other side, hence the location of our new courts. The one restriction that we will have in this tournament is that is will be for Idaho residents only, even though the courts are in the state of Washington.

South Gate, California — Horseshoe pitching is still very popular here at the South Gate courts. We have 18 of the most beautiful and up to date courts in the United States. Our Club has the largest membership in Southern California and is closely affiliated with the National and Southern California Horseshoe Pitcher's Association. More than 90% of our Club members hold National Cards. We have open pitching on Tuesday and Thurday evenings.

Our most promenantly known member is National Vice-President, Elmer Beller. Our 1965 Officers are: President - Norman Smith; 1st V. Pres. - Ross Faulkner; 2nd V. Pres - George Farrell; 3rd V. Pres. - Lyle Augspurger; Sec.-Tres. - Eldon Carrier There is always a lot of action at the South Gate Courts, so we wish to extend an invitation to any out of state horseshoe pitchers who may be visiting Southern California at any time of the year, to come out to beautiful South Gate Park, and you will find someone in your class that will give you a good game. We are a bunch of friendly congenial guys that are doing all in our power to promote the game of horseshoes, and we will try to make your visit to Southern California a very popular and happy memory to take home with you.

### Special Notice About T-Shirt Orders

Mary Craig of Muncie, Indiana makes this announcement that there will not be any shipments of NHPA T-Shirts from July 15th until after the close of the 1965 World Tournament, August 10th.

### Northern California Individual League Averages

"A" League Individual Results (Through May 2 Matches)

W	L	%	W	L	%
Graves (S)10	2	68.8	Hopkins (M) 2	2	53.2
Blexrude (M) 7	1	68.9	DeVries (S) 2	2	46.8
Gonzales (L.G.)13	3	66.0	Hagerman (G.G.) 5	7	60.6
Henderson (L.G.) 9	3	64.9	Lucas (S) 3	5	49.4
Zelmar (L.G.)11	5	60.0	Fraser (G.G.) 4	8	63.2
Braun (A.V.) 8	4	66.4	McNally (A.V.) 4	8	55.6
Pratt (S) 8	4	63.5	Anderson (M) 1	3	50.8
Santos (A.V.) 8	4	60.7	Lampkin (L.G.) 1	3	48.7
Mac Carty (L.G.) 8	6	59.2	Giles (S) 2	6	48.3
Almeida (G.G.) 6	6	60.3	Seymour, J. (G.G.) 2	10	53.6
Layett (A.V.) 6	6	59.0	Marcevich (M) 0	2	39.8
Loucks (M) 1	1	58.3	Turner (L.G.) 0	2	50.0
Latino (S) 2	2	55.7	Davis (M) 0	8	51.5



### "B" League Individual Results (Through May 2 Matches)

(Through May 2	Mat	ches)	
	W	L	%
O'Brien (G.G.)	4	0	55.9
Page (S.R.)	14	2	42.8
Lampkin (L.G.)	6	1	44.6
Wynn (A.V.)	13	3	47.7
Walker (L.G.)		3	46.9
Vice (S.R.)		3	44.1
Murphy (M)	9	3	43.6
Petersen (S.R.)		2	40.3
Seymour, B	3	1	36.9
Taggart (G.G.)	8	4	47.6
Baker (G.G.)		4	44.4
Ludlow (L.G)	8	6	42.8
Fulwider (S.R.)	8	8	42.0
Robb (S.R.)		3	36.5
Frazier (S)	8	8	33.9
Norton (S)	6	6	32.8
Dovell (A.V.)	7	9	43.3
Forsman (M)	4	6	35.9
Garcia (L.G.)	2	3	33.1
Saathoff (M)	4	7	37.5
Rasmussen (A.V.)	2	6	38.0
Fiddler (L.G.)	3	9	33.9
Knight (G.G.)	1		33.4
Sadowski (L.G.)	2		36.2
Bourland (M)	0	2 12	$35.0 \\ 29.4$
Lyon (G.G.)	U	14	20.4

# Annual St. Joe Open Tournament, June 27, St. Joseph, Mo.

The annual St. Joe Open tournament under the guidance of Ray Cavin, will take place on the Noyes Field courts, 28th and Edmond Sts., St. Joseph, Missouri. 100 shoe qualifying scores should be sent to Ray Cavin, 1824 Holman Street, St. Joseph, Missouri, accompanied with entry fee of \$3.00. There will not be any qualifying on the day of the tournament. However, pitchers may qualify on the courts on the day before the tournament. Round Robin play will start promptly at 9 A.M. Central Standard time. All classes will consist of 8 men each. The Midland Empire Open will be held on September 12 under same rules and conditions as above.

### Glen Henton Easy Winner In Iowa Spring Opener

CLASS A		CLASS B	
W   Glen Henton, Maquoketa 5   Earl Wiges, Exira	L 0 2 2 3 4 4	Harry Page, Waterloo	L 0 2 3 3 4
CLASS C		CLASS D	
Lewis B. Jeter, Afton	1 2 2 3 4 4	Paul McElroy, Ottumwa 5 Earl Kaiser, Anita 3 Harold Shaw, Fairfield 2 Charles, Foxx, Ottumwa 2 A. Jackson, W. Burlington 2 Al Burgess, Marshalltown 1	0 2 3 3 4
CLASS E		CLASS F	
Robert Bock, Fairfield 4 Harry Savage, Des Moines 3 Arlo Williams, Lineville 2 Clifford Beaver, Ottumwa 1	0 1 2 3	Cecil L. King, Ottumwa 3 Harold Paxton, Kirkville 2 Larry Waddle, Ottumwa 1	1
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Ron Burgess, M. Dave Ricker, A			

### Annual Red River Valley Open, Fargo, N. D., July 3-4

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Steven Paul, Marshalltown .... 4 S. Troutner, Marshalltown .... 4

Jimmy Burgess, Ottumwa .... 1 Leonard Holt, Afton ...... 1

Plans are now completed and the annual Red River Valley tournament will take place at Fargo, North Dakota on Saturday and Sunday, July 3 and 4. Tournament play will be on the Oak Grove park courts in Fargo. These courts have been reconditioned with new clay which will add to playing conditions. Revived interest in the tournament has been indicated.

Red River Valley League officials will handle the details of the meet. They include, Doug Classon, president: Hank Wisness, vice-president: Will Gullickson, secretary and Helmar Jallen, treasurer. Others on the tournament committee are Bob and Lyle Olson of West Fargo, H. O. McDonald and Gus

Magnuson.

### Southwest Iowa Open Title Taken In Tow By Dixon

Dale Dixon of Des Moines, Iowa and maker of the new portable courts bearing his name, took all comers "in stride" to take over the annual Southwest Iowa Open title at McKinley park in Creston, Iowa. Iowa, Nebraska and Missouri pitchers were in attendance at this annual affair.

CLASS A		CLASS B	
W	L	W	L
Dale Dixon, Iowa 5	0	Wayne Trautwein, Mo 5	
Lilliard Pinion, Mo 3	2	Marvin Wollums, Iowa 4	2
	2	Horace Gilmore, Mo 3	2
Ray Cavin, Mo 3	3	Charley Hopkins, Iowa 2	2
W. Uhlig, Iowa 2	3	James Kiper, Mo 2	1 2 2 3 3
John Paxton, Iowa 2	9	Ernie Danielson, Iowa 0	5
Harold Darnold, Iowa 0	9	Erme Dameison, 10wa	U
CLASS C-1		CLASS C-2	
W	L	W	L
Bernard Ricker, Iowa 3	0	Guy Spitler, Iowa 3	1 2 2 2
Byron Hafner, Iowa 2	1	Madeleo Blake, Iowa 2	2
Kink Custard, Neb 1	2	Ken Walker, Iowa 1	2
Joe Foster, Neb 0	3	Loren Cain, Mo 1	2
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CLASS D		CLASS E	
W	L	W	L
Dean Carter, Iowa 4	1	Paul McElroy, Iowa 5	1
Archie Matheney, Iowa 3	2	Charles Cook, Iowa 4	2
Vern Nordgren, Nebr 3	2	Tom Spruill, Mo 3	1 2 2 2 4 5
Clair Wollums, Iowa 3	2	Maurice Clark, Iowa 3	2
Phil Robertson, Iowa 2	3	H. Woods, Nebr 1	4
Woddy Wilson, Iowa 0	5	Huron Johnson, Iowa 0	5
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C	LAS	SF	
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Earl Kaiser, Id	owa	5 0	
Terry Trautwe	ein,	Mo 4 1	
Sam Osterman	1, N	ebr 2 3	
Ed Eckles, Iow	a	2 3	
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### Wedding Bells And Foreign Study For Daughters Of National Secretary

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Arlo Williams, Iowa ...... 1 Gail Nielson, Nebr. ..... 1

National Secretary Bob Pence is a busy man these days. In addition to his daily work and taking care of his duties as an NHPA officer, he has a son graduating from high school, one daughter getting married in June and another daughter preparing to leave for a year of foreign study in Mexico and South America.

All three children along with Mrs. Pence have been active as scorekeepers, recorders and statisticians at World Tournaments during the past five or six years, having assisted at Murray, Muncie, South Gate and Greenville, and consequently are all well known to entrants in those tourneys.

Janet, who missed the 1964 tournament because she was studying at London.

don University in England, will be married June 17. She met her husband to be while in Europe. Their home will be in California where Janet will complete her studies at the U. of California and her husband will pursue a teaching

Judy will leave the day after the wedding for a year of foreign study in Mexico and South America as one of a group sponsored by the Great Lakes Association of Colleges.

# Long Beach — Southern California Long Beach Open

GROUP ONE					
	W	L	R	SP	%
Jim Weeks, Norwalk	5	0	259	334	77.5
Henry Durr, Los Angeles	4	1	236	358	65.9
Jonas Snyder, Chula Vista		3	254	390	65.1
Frank Esperanza, Oxnaro	2	3	213	358	59.4
Clarence Cummins, Orcutt		4	191	320	59.7
Don Shubert, Los Angeles		4	170	286	59.4
GROUP TWO					
	W	L	R	SP	%
Gerald Schneider, Bell	5	0	206	276	74.6
Clarence Pearcy, La Habra	4	1	182	300	60.6
John Walker, Chula Vista		3	234	372	62.9
Ronnie Simmons, Long Beach		3	210	352	59.6
Ed McFarland, Los Angeles		4	199	328	60.6
Waldo Hagy, Las Vegas		4	161	296	54.3
PLAYOFF					
Jim Weeks, Norwalk	3	1	261	338	77.2
Gerald Schneider, Bell		2	250	334	74.8
Henry Durr, Los Angeles		2 2	145	228	63.5
Clarence Pearcy, La Habra		2	102	184	55.4

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### Horseshoe Pitching Added To Physical Educational Program of Moriarty, New Mexico High School

Moriarty High school of Moriarty, New Mexico is the first school statewide to introduce horseshoe pitching in its physical education program. This fall it will add horeshoe pitching as an added sport whereby a student may receive a letter in it with other schools in the district. The coach will be Mr. Dewey Hunt. Mr. Hoyt Scott is the school principal. The man responsible for the building of the courts is Mr. Marion Henson, who for his outstanding work, was awarded the Merit Achievement Trophy.

# Engle New Champ of Pennsylvania "Spring-Warm-Up" Tourney

Oscar "Buck" Engle of Pittsburgh, Penna., went undefeated in the Class A division to capture the major Keystone state title of the season, by winning the annual Spring-Warm-Up tournament. Jim Solomon of Uniontown, Penna. was runner-up, losing only to Engle. Frank Kilinsky was the winner in a round robin play-off for Class B title over Merman Boyer and Burrel Brobeck.

CLASS A V	W	L	%	CLASS B W	L	%
Oscar Engle, Pa 7	7	0	75.3	Frank Kilinsky, Pa 7	2	64.1
James Solomon, Pa		1	75.6	Burrell Brobeck, Pa 6	3	63.3
Al Zadroga, Pa 4		3	70.7	Herman Boyer, Pa 5	4	60.4
Howard Shriver, Pa 3	3	4	71.2	Relman Wilson, Pa 4	3	60.2
Herbert Pinch, Pa 3		4	67.8	John Ruskin, Pa 3	4	57.5
Clyde Martz, Pa		4	64.4	Frank Oliverio, Pa 3	4	54.6
Sam Sutton, Pa		6	61.0	Glen Sebring, Pa 2	5	53.7
Harry Tuttle, Pa	1	6	61.0	Larry Hineman, Pa 1	6	57.0
CLASS C	W	L	%	CLASS D W	L	%
Joseph Sis, Pa	6	1	60.4	Robert Bird, Pa 7	0	57.9
Clair Bruce, Pa		2	63.6	Harvey Grimm, Pa 6	1	57.6
Frank Peluso, Pa	5	2	61.7	Clarence Fuller, Pa 4	3	54.3
Tony Ellis, Pa	4	3	60.6	George Combs, Pa 3	4	50.4
Jack Rainbow, Pa	4	3	59.4	Earl Winsper, Ohio 3	4	46.8
Andy Ponick, Pa	3	4	59.9	Jim Walker, Pa 2	5	48.7
John Curtis, Pa	1	6	48.1	Ross Hitchcock, Ohio 2	5	45.7
Clyde Falk, Pa	0	7	53.2	Earl Wright, Pa 1	6	40.4
CLASS E	W	L	%	CLASS F W	L	%
Thomas Board, Pa	7	0	70.5	Wm. Meador, Pa 7	0	59.1
Joe Osborne, Pa		3	51.2	J. Funkhouser, Pa 5	2	42.2
Dean Mayes, Pa		3	47.5	David Marsh, Pa 5	2	47.1
Peter Sowa, Pa		4	55.7	Clarence Black, Pa 4	3	46.9
Jim Schock, Pa	3	4	48.2	James Moore, Pa 3	4	45.9
William Cahill, Pa	3	4	46.4	Edward Blum, Pa 2	5	43.8
Richard Dickson, Pa	3	4	45.0	Ray Henry, Pa 2	5	38.5
Phil Burns, Pa	2	5	43.3	W. Smith, Pa 0	7	29.5
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CLASS G	W	L	10/0
Stahlbock, Aliquippa	6	1	42.2
J. Sochor, Monaco		1	41.0
Stroupe, Rochester	5	2	37.1
C. Osborne, Fredonia	5	2	36.0
P. Osborne, Fredonia	3	4	31.1
W. Carter, Monaco	2	5	32.1
W. Skibicki, Erie	0	7	
Terlesky, Brighton		7	

### COMING EVENTS

ne 18-19-20 — Eastern National Open tournament, Washington, Pennsylvania. ne 19-20 — Three division tournament June 18-19-20

June 19-20 for Iowa pitchers ONLY, Birdland park courts. Des Moines, Iowa.

June 19-20 - Eastern Indiana, Clear Creek park courts, Richmond, Indiana. ine 19-20 — State N. H. P. A. Champion-ship, Lynchburg, Virginia.

June 19-20 -

ship, Lynchburg, Virginia. June 20 — Massachusetts Open tournament

June 20 — Massachusetts Open tournament (first division) Aschenbach farm courts, Rte. 20, West Springfield, Massachusetts. June 20 — Father's Day Open tournament, sanctioned, Salem Oregon.

June 20 — Annual Baker Open tournament, Dake Dayk Courts Baker Open tournament,

Baker Park Courts, Baker, Montana. June 25-26-27 — Newark, Ohio Open tour-

nament (replaces Lakeside Open) Hebron, Ohio. (on Rte 440—25 mi. east of Columbus, Ohio)

June 26-27 - Oklahoma Open tournament, Sooner park courts, Bartlesville, Oklahoma. June 26-27 — Western Indiana tournament, Dorner park courts, Frankfort, Indiana.

Massachusetts Open tournament June 27 · (second division) Aschenbach farm courts, Rte. 20, West Springfield, Massachusetts.

- Three division tournament for June 27 Iowa pitchers ONLY, Eastside park courts, Osceola, Iowa.

ne 27 — Annual St. Joe Open tournament, Noyes Field courts, St. Joseph, Missouri. June 27 -July 4 — Hillsboro Open tournament (A and B classes) sanctioned, Hillsboro, Oregon.

July 4 - Atkins, Iowa tournament for Iowa pitchers ONLY. July 3-4 - Boone County Open tournament,

Fairgrounds, Lebanon, Indiana. lly 3-4 — New York state tournament,

Lockport, New York.
July 3-4 — Red River Valley Open tourna-

ment, Fargo, North Dakota. City park July 3-4 City tournament,

courts, Parkersburg, West Virginia. July 3-4-5 — Greenville Ringer

Open, City Park courts, Greenville, Ohio. July 4-5 — Cloquet Open tournament, Clo-Minnesota. quet, July 10-11 - Northern Indiana tournament,

City park courts, Wabash, Indiana.
July 10-11 — Hill City Open tournament,
Lynchburg, Virginia.
July 11 — Annual 4-State tournament, City

park courts, Falls City, Nebraska.

July 11 — Eighth Annual Kansas, Illinois
Open tournament, Kansas, Illinois.

July 17-18 - Iowa Open tournament (open ALL) Birdland park courts, Des

Moines, Iowa. July 17-18 — Annual Mid-West Ringer-Round-Up, Roberts park courts, Connersville, Indiana.

July 18 - Corvallis Open tournament, Corvallis, Oregon.

July 24-25 - Annual Hibbing Open tournament, Benet park courts, Hibbing, Minn.

July 24-25 — Central Indiana tournament, Fairview park courts, Anderson, Indiana. July 24-25 - County tournament, City park

courts, Parkersburg, West Virginia. July 31-Aug.1 — Annual Northwest Open tournament, Ramsey County Fairgrounds, St. Paul, Minnesota.

ly 31 - Aug. 10 — WORLD TOURNA-MENT, Wheelock park courts, Keene, New Hampshire.

July 31 — Vermillion County Fair Open tournament, City park, Cayuga, Indiana. Qualifying closes at noon.

August 1 -- World tournament Warm-Up Tournament, Wolfe park courts, Man-chester, New Hampshire.

August 1 Open tournament, Legion park courts, Red Oak, Iowa. Deadline for qualifying, 11:30 a.m. Finals at 1 p.m.

August 6 - Brown County Open tourna-Brown County fairgrounds, Mt. Sterment, Biling, Ill.

Duluth Portorama tournament, Duluth, Minnesota.

August 8 - Valley Fair tournament, Davenport, Iowa. Details in later issue.

August 15 — Galesburg Open tournament,

Lincoln park courts, Galesburg, Illinois.

August 15 — Falls City Open tournament,
City park courts, Falls City, Nebraska.

August 15 - New Hampshire State tournament, Manchester, New Hampshire.

August 17-18 - Illinois state tournament, Illinois state fairgrounds, Springfield, Ill.

August 18 - Illinois state Boys' tournament, Illinois state fairgrounds, Springfield, Ill. Aug. 21-22 — Hobbs Open Tournament, Highland Park Courts, Kokomo, Ind. August 21-22 — Annual Cornbelt Open tour-

nament, Crapo park courts, Burlington, Iowa.

August 21-22 - Southern Indiana tourna-

ment, Fairgrounds, Franklin, Indiana.
August 21-22 — Hobbs Open tournament,
Highland park courts, Kokomo, Indiana.
August 21-22 — Annual Oregon State tournament, (Oregon residents only) Hills-

boro, Oregon. Aug. 21-22 — West Virginia Open tournament, City park courts, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

ngust 22 — Annual Massachusetts State tournament, Aschenbach courts, West Springfield, Mass. August 22 -

August 27 — Annual Farmers tournament, Iowa State Fair, Des Moines, Iowa. Aug. 27-28-29 — Annual Missouri State

tournament, Sedalia, Missouri. Earl ston, Supt.

August 28 -Georgia NHPA Doubles Championships, Sweetwater Inn courts, Austell, Georgia.

August 28-29 -- Annual Iowa State tournament, Iowa State Fair, Des Moines, Iowa, also Iowa State Boys' tournament and Ladies' tournament and Senior Men's tournament.

August 28-29 -- Annual New Mexico State tournament, Los Altos park, Albuquerque, New Mexico. August 28 — Georgia NHPA Championship

Doubles meet, Sept. 4. Singles tournament, Austell, Ga. Sept. 4 — Annual Minnesota State Boys'

tournament, Duluth, Minnesota.

pt. 4-5 — Annual Minnesota State Tour-Sept. 4-5 —

nament, Cloquet, Minnesota. Sept. 4-5 tournament,

- Ottumwa Open Riverside park courts, Ottumwa, Iowa. ept. 4-5 — Annual West Virginia State tournament, Logan, West Virginia. Sept. 4-5 -

Sept. 4-5-6 — Michigan State tournament, Dimondale, Michigan.

- Annual Indiana State tourna-Sept. 4-5-6 ment, Heekin park courts, Muncie, Indiana. Sept. 4 — Georgia NHPA Singles Champion-Sweetwater Inn ships, Courts, Austell, Georgia.

4-5 -Sept. Nebraska State tournament, Crete, Nebraska.

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### COMING EVENTS

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Sept. 4-5-6 — Annual New England Tournament, Wolfe park courts, Manchester, New Hampshire. Added attraction, Ladies tournament and Junior boys meet.

Sept. 6 - Annual Rock River Valley Open tournament, Lawrence park courts, Rock Falls, Ill.

Sept. 11-12 - Valencia County Fair tournament, Fairgrounds, Belen, New Mexico.

Sept. 11-12 - Family Week-end, Highland park, Kokomo, Indiana.

Sept. 12 - Midland Empire Open tournament, Noyes Field courts, St. Joseph, Mo.

Sept. 18-19 — Indiana-Ohio Open tourna-ment, Heekin park courts, Muncie, Indiana.

Sept. 19 - Afton, Iowa Open tournament (open to ALL) Fairgrounds, Afton, Iowa.

Sept. 18-19 — Annual Oklahoma State tournament, Central park courts, 6th and Peoria streets, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Four classes A, B, C and D.

#### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SCHEDULE

June 20 Northern "D" Championship, Arroyo Viejo. July 5 - Alameda County Fair "A", Pleas-

anton. July 10 . - Alameda County Fair "B", Pleas-

anton. July 24-25 -- Sonoma County Fair "Open",

Santa Rosa.

August 1 — Northern "B" Championship. Mosswood.

Aug. 15 — Arroyo Viejo Open, Arroyo Viejo. August 29 - Northern "C" Championship, Seaside.

Sept. 5-6 -- Northern "A" Championship, Mosswood.

Sept. 12 - Los Gatos "D" Added, Los Gatos. Sept. 18-19 - California State Championship, San Jose.

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SCHEDULE

June 20 — Class "C" Added, Fullerton June 27 — Class "D" Added, Long Beach July 3 — Sat. Semana Nautica, "B" Santa Barbara

- Sun. Semana Nautica, Santa Bar-July 4 bara

- Pomona "F" Open, Pomona - Western Open, South Gate - Sat. So. Gate "G" Open, South July 11 — 1 July 17-18 -July 24 - Sat. So. Gate Gate

July 25 — Pomona "C" Open, Pomona July 31 — Sat. Oxnard "B" Open, Oxnard

Aug. 1 — Oxnard Open, Oxnard Aug. 8 — Oxnard "C" Open, Oxnard Aug. 14 — Sat. Baldwin Pk. Doubles, Bald. Pk.

Aug. 15 — South Gate "B" Open, South Gate Aug. 15 — South Gate "G" Open, South Gate

Aug. 21 — Special Open, Baldwin Park Aug. 22 — Class "D" Open, Fullerton Aug. 29 — Championship "F", Pomona

Sept. 5-6 - Ringer Round Up, South Gate

Sept. 5-6 — Ringer Round Up, South Gate Sept. 12 — Championship "G", South Gate Sept. 19 — Championship "E", Fullerton Sept. 26 — Championship "C", Pomona Oct. 3 — Championship "AA", South Gate Oct. 10 — Championship "B', Pomona Oct. 17 — Championship "A", Baldwin Park Oct. 24 — Championship "D", Baldwin Park Oct. 31 — South Gate Open, South Gate Nov. 7 — Fullerton Doubles, Fullerton

### Greenville (Ohio) Ringer Classic, July 3-4-5

The Greenville Ringer Classic will be held on July 3-4-5. It will be sanctioned by the Ohio Buckeye Association. Qualifying from 2 p.m. - 9 p.m. Saturday, July 3rd and from 8 to 11 a.m. on Sunday, July 4th. All entrants must be registered before 11 a.m. Sunday, July 4th. Tournament pitching will start at approximately 2 p.m. on July 4th and continue thru Monday, July 5th. Entry fee of \$5.00.

There will be a Ladies Tournament on July 4th. All entrants must be registered by 11 a.m. on the same day. No qualification. Entry fee of \$3.00.

The courts will be open Friday, July 2nd for anyone that wishes to practice.

### From Here and There

It has been reported that one of NHPA's staunchest members, Wade Dilley of Merino, Colorado has been absent from the courts during the last year due to a leg injury. He played in the Old Timers division at the 1963 World tournament held at South Gate, California. A note or card to this fine gentleman would be appreciated. His address is as follows: Wade Dilley. Rte No. 1, Merino, Colorado.

## Pomona — Southern California 60 Years and Over

	W	L	R	SP	%
Henry Harper, Monterey Park	3	1	150	266	56.3
Bill Shoemaker, Monrovia	3	1	133	278	47.8
Larry Geer, South San Gabriel	2	2	121	238	53.7
Clem Birkenbach, Baldwin Park	1	3	113	256	44.1
Sam White, Azusa	1	3	88	230	38.2

### Pomona — Southern California Juniors

	W	L	R	SP	%
George Hughey, Baldwin Park	4	0	83	162	51.2
Ramon Garcia, Baldwin Park	0	4	35	162	21.6

# Fullerton — Southern California Class "F" Added

	W	L	R	SP	%
Charles Lucas, Inglewood	5	0	118	316	37.3
Henry Thompson, San Gabriel	4	1	94	288	32.6
Ron Morton, Los Angeles	3	2	91	322	27.5
Mel Lingenfelter, Canoga Park	2	3	103	344	29.9
Ron St. Thomas, Bell Gardens	1	4	109	350	31.1
Joe Holder, Pico Rivera	6	5	91	344	26.4

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### Michigan Leads NHPA Membership Drive

The Wolverine State Horseshoe Pitchers' Association is leading the way in the drive for 1965 NHPA members which is gathering a full head of steam

and seems likely to surpass the record breaking year of 1964.

Michigan has already more than doubled its membership of last year and exceeded its previous number of magazine subscribers. In fact the Michigan group bids fair to equal the records of the leading states of past years, Indiana, Ohio and California.

The Michigan growth is a team effort. Irwin Carlberg worked hard for The Michigan growth is a team effort. It will carried worked hard for a number of years to build a firm foundation. Last year Vern Fuller and Ruth Hammond combined together for a very successful year. The Michigan State meet and the Water Wonderland Open under the direction of Vern Fuller were very successful and the impetus is paying off this year.

Roy Smith is President of the Michigan Association and Jim Ostrander in the way of Number and payer in the way of Number and Records.

is in charge of NHPA membership. Ruth Hammond is Treasurer and Record-

ing Secretary and Pat Smith is in charge of publicity.

Not only is membership on the increase but a great number of local clubs

are being formed and batteries of new courts installed.

Detroit recently held the largest tournament in its history. Already successful tourneys have been held at Holland and Saranac and new courts are in prospect in these locations.

Lake Orion and Burr Oak are each building nine new courts, a club is being organized at Shepherd, Mich., and the courts at Corunna are undergoing

extensive renovation.

Dyke Crowell is preparing to build a battery of 16 to 20 courts at Weston near Adrain and hopes to hold a big North Central State Open under NHPA sanction.

### Oklahoma Open Tournament — June 26-27

The Oklahoma Association announces that their Fourth Annual Open Tournament will be held at the new Sooner Park Courts in Bartlesville, Ok-

lahoma, Saturday and Sunday, June 26 and 27.

Four classes are tentatively planned and your percentage will constitute a qualifying score for class placement. An entry fee of \$2.00, together with your ringer percentage, must be in the hands of Frank S. Coleman, State Secretary, 1664 Maple Avenue, Bartlesville, Oklahoma, one week before the tournament (by June 19). All entrants must be NHPA members. You will be notified of your class by return mail.

A "non-sanctioned" Women's Open Tournament, one class event, will be held at 1:00 PM Sunday June 27 as an added feature. The entry for of \$2.00.

held at 1:00 P.M. Sunday, June 27 as an added feature. The entry fee of \$2.00 must be in the hands of the State Secretary (Frank S. Coleman) by June 19.

### New England Tournament — September 4-5-6

With the 1965 World Tournament at nearby Keene, New Hampshire, it is expected that the New England tournament will break all records. It will get underway at the Wolfe park courts on Saturday and Sunday, and Monday, September 4-5-6, at Manchester, New Hampshire. Sixteen men will make up Class A with all other classes having 8 men each. All entrants MUST be New England residents and have an NHPA card. Entry fee will be \$3.00 with an additional \$2.00 fee for all Class A qualifiers. Deadline for entry is 9:30 A.M. at the courts. For advance entry, registration may be mailed to Ralph Forsstrom, 88 Harmon Ave., Springfield, Massachusetts or Loinel Cayer, 76 Brown Ave., Manchester, New Hampshire. All entries MUST be accompanied by \$3.00 fee and NHPA card number. Rain date will be Saturday and Sunday, September 11 and 12. All pitchers are requested to dress in white, if possible with names on their shirts for easy identification.

Another feature of the New England meet will be a tournament for the Ladies and one for the Junior boys. There will be no entry fee required altho ladies will have to have an NHPA card. Tournament play in these divisions

will start at 5:00 P.M. on Saturday, September 4.

### Turner Captures Sacramento "B" Added **Tournament Title**

Tal Turner of Los Gatos won the Sacramento "B" Added Tournament at Sacramento, Calif. Tal came through without a loss while runner-up Fred Lavett of Seaside suffered two defeats. To make the day complete, Tal also won the raffle of a pair of horseshoes.

This was the first tournament conducted by the newly-organized Sacramento club and the efficient tournament committee turned it into a very successful event. The matches were played on the clay courts in McKinley Park. A brisk wind hampered play part of the afternoon.

GROUP ONE					
	W	L	R	SP	%
Tal Turner, Los Gatos	5	0	143	294	49.0
Wm. McNally, Arroyo Viejo		2	149	322	46.2
Budd Lathe, Sacramento		2 2 2	132	320	41.2
Artie Murphy, Mosswood		2	136	324	42.0
Max Vice, Santa Rosa		4	109	318	34.2
Ben Saathoff, Mosswood		5	114	306	37.2
GROUP TWO					
	W	L	R	SP	%
Fred Lavett, Seaside	5	0	157	304	52.0
Elmer Gamboa, Arroyo Viejo		2	163	344	49.0
Bill Fulwide, Santa Rosa		2	133	304	44.0
Pete Manitone, Sacramento		2 3	114	300	38.0
Ernie Norton, Sacramento		3	110	316	35.0
Virgil Gwaltney, Sacramento		5	92	280	33.0
PLAYOFF					
	W	L	R	SP	%
Tal Turner, Los Gatos	3	0	104	176	59.0
Fred Lavett, Seaside	1	2	109	210	52.0
Bill McNally, Arroyo Viejo		2 2	106	220	48.1
Elmer Gamboa, Arroyo Viejo		2	89	158	56.3

### New 4-Man Team Leagues Have Successful Launching In Northern California

A new venture for Northern California was introduced April 4 when the first matches of the 4-man team league were played. The response to this new type of competition has been extremely enthusiastic and it looks like this will be the beginning of a bigger and brighter future for the NHPA.

The "A" League is composed of 4-man teams from five clubs: Los Gatos, Golden Gate, Mosswood, Arroyo Viejo and Sacramento. A home-and-home schedule has been dovetailed with the regular tournaments to insure some type of horseshoe pitching activity throughout the summer.

The "B" League has the same clubs as the "A" League with the addition of Santa Rosa.

Outstanding features of the 4-man team type of play is that only three hours are required to complete the matches. With only four games to play, the competition is well-balanced and lopsided scores are rare.

In the "A" League, Los Gatos swept their four first-half matches to lead 4-0, with Sacramento close behind. Newton Graves of Sacramento leads in individual honors with a 10-2 record.

In "B" League action, Santa Rosa leads with 3 wins and one tie. Dick Page of the Santa Rosa team has a 14-2 record.

# Baldwin Park — Southern California Class "C" Open

GROUP ONE					
	W	L	R	SP	%
Sam Costello, San Diego	5	0	183	312	58.1
Larry Geer, South San Gabriel	3	2	174	306	56.8
Carl Dennis, Lynnwood		2	135	290	46.5
Sam White, Azusa		3	155	328	47.2
Fred Brown, Huntington Park		3	146	312	46.7
Leo Dooley, Long Beach		5	79	240	32.9
GROUP TWO					
	W	L	R	SP	%
George Easterling, Los Angeles	5	0	160	264	60.6
Clem Birkenbach, Baldwin Park		2	173	332	52.1
Wally Shipley, West Covina		2	188	382	49.4
Ron Morton, Los Angeles	3	2	139	318	43.7
Willis Sims, Long Beach		4	156	346	45.0
Ken Mapes, Fullerton	0	5	82	270	30.3
PLAYOFF					
	W	L	R	SP	%
Sam Costello, San Diego	3	0	119	194	61.3
Larry Geer, South San Gabriel	2	1	104	206	50.4
George Easterling, Los Angeles		2	104	182	57.0
Clem Birkenbach, Baldwin Park		3	97	210	46.1

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### Connecticut Closed Tournament Crown Goes To Green

Sherman Green of Rocky Hill, Connecticut swept through the entire field in Class A to win the Connecticut Closed Tournament crown, at Middletown, Connecticut. He combined a 63.5 ringer percentage with his 7 game victory sweep. MacDonald defeated Dunleavy in a one game play-off for honors in Class C. All ties, other than for first place were decided by ringer percentage.

CLASS A			CLASS B		
S. Green	L 0 2 2 3	% 63.5 56.0 55.1 53.5	R. Dudek 6 W. King 5 W. Mrozak 5 E. Partridge 3	L 1 2 2 4	% 61.0 50.6 42.7 46.9 46.4
L. Lang	4 5 6 6	49.7 49.5 50.0 47.2	R. La Chance	4 4 7	46.4 46.4 44.4 38.5
CLASS C			CLASS D		
D. MacDonell 6 D. Dunleavy 6 F. Wagner 5 N. Cerretani 4 E. Tidd 3 J. Blomquist 2 E. Van Dine 1 T. Christensen 1	L 1 1 2 3 4 5 6	% 48.9 44.8 40.1 39.4 40.0 29.5 39.6 31.5	J. Cerretani 6 P. Marcuccio 5 H. Wrisley 5 P. Chabot 4 D. Wrisley 4 R. Lundgren 2 M. Anderson 1 M. Cerretani 1	L 1 2 2 3 5 6 6	% 35.2 40.1 35.7 38.7 35.1 26.6 26.2
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R. Hensen	L 0 1 2 3	% 43.4 38.6 31.8 27.8	B. Girardin	L 4 6 6 6	29.4 24.1 17.1 12.7

### Los Gatos, California Club Wins Fourth Straight

The Los Gatos Horseshoe Club's 4-man Class A team remained undefeated in the Northern California Horseshoe League by ripping The San Francisco Golden Gate Club 13-3 at Oak Meadow Park. Outstanding ringerman for Los Golden Gate Club 13-3 at Oak Meadow Park, Outstanding ringerman for Los Gatos was Connie Henderson who won all four games and averaged 72.7 percent ringers. Jesse Gonzales, flip flop artist also won four games and averaged 62.1 percent ringers. Stan MacCarty won two of two, averaing 62.1 percent and Verdan Zelmar won three of four with a ringer percentage of 62.5.

The Los Gatos B's lost 7-9 despite Kim Ludlow's three wins and a 50.4 percent ringer average. Joe Sadowski won two of four.

The second half of the Northern California League play resumes June 27th at 1:00 P.M. with Los Gatos hosting Oakland Mosswood and Bill Blevryde.

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1963 California champion at Oak Meadow Park.

Cal Childress, president of the local club says that membership in the club is open to all interested, novice and beginning pitchers. Free pitching instruction will be given by the club's top pitchers.

### Brown County Open, Mt. Sterling, Illinois, August 6

The annual Brown County (Illinois) Open tournament will be held at the Brown County fairgrounds at Mt. Sterling, Illinois on Friday, August 6 in conjunction with the Brown County fair. It will be under the supervision of Sid Logsdon of Versailles, Illinois.



## "From Out Of The Mail Bag"

April 30, 1965

Mr. F. Ellis Cobb, Editor Horseshoe Pitcher's News Digest 1307 Solfisburg Avenue Aurora, Illinois

Dear Mr. Cobb:

The game of horseshoe pitching is one which I first saw and tried at Tampa, Florida in the year 1921 — that was my first contact with the man-

ufactured playing shoe and the pitching of an open shoe.

Through interest in the game, it has been my privilege to meet and become a part of the finest group of men it would be possible to find anywhere on the earth. It does not hold forth the possibilities of making huge sums of money, or the lavish social life that is part and parcel of some of the other sports so popular today. Because of this, the men who are playing horseshoe are playing it for sheer love of the game, and I repeat, there is no finer group anywhere. I have yet to be at a horseshoe meet where I have witnessed any betting, any drinking, nor have I heard any of the foul language that seems to be a part of so many of the other sports - you and your friends can bring along the wife and kiddies and feel sure they are in the proper surroundings.

I see and hear complaints frequently that changes should be made in the

scoring, or in the manner of play, and at the risk of being "against progress" would like to register a vote for the present rules and methods.

One of the things I enjoy most is the present method of scoring — you are not faced with the last inning getting closer, or the clock running out on you — if you are unfortunate enough to be on the short side of the score as I usually am, you still can assure yourself that you have a fighting chance until that other fellow reaches fifty points. Many, many times I have witnessed games in which a player takes off in a big hurry with a flurry of doubles and builds up a nice lead, then he begins to calm down and the other fellow begins to find the range, and if he can hold the other man through cancellation and sneak in a few points himself, he still can take the game. I know that all of us have witnessed such games, and they can be real thrillers.

As to suggestions that a ringer should be counted as more than three - believe me, when your opponent starts out with about four or five doubles and looks like he will never stop throwing them, you begin to wish the ringers were worth only one point. My feeling is that present scoring methods and total points required provide an equalizer — a player can go through a hot streak, into a period of slump, and still have time to recover and make a

real game of it.

The Digest is great, please keep up the good work — it is for a grand game of skill which a man can enjoy to the fullest without benefit of wealth or social position.

Very truly yours,

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