

# SD STATE HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT

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### JOE SAUCO WINS STATE CROWN AT BOOKINGS, S. D., TOURNAMENT

Joe Sauco, Langford painter, won the horseshoe pitching crown of South Dakota in the most closely-contested tournament held in that state in years. The scene of the state meet was the campus of South Dakota State college, Brookings, the tournament being held as a feature of Farm and Home Day there, on July 11.

Henry Anderson of Elk Point was runner-up. Francis Jones of Sioux Falls, last year's champion, placed fourth.

Forty-two men from 16 counties in the state entered the tournament, each player being required to throw 100 shoes to qualify. The 12 high men were matched in round-robin style, each man playing every other man. The next 12 were matched in consolation games, this also being a round robin affair.

In the qualifying round, Francis Jones, the defending champ, was high with 212 points for his 100 shoes. Ferd Drey of Beresford, was second with 199. Mr. Drey was runner-up in the state meet last year and is the champion of the United States for his age, which is 71. Joe Sauco was third with 195 points and Henry Anderson was seventh with 170. A score of 168 was required in order to qualify for the championship round.

In the championship round, every

contestant lost at least two matches, none being able to come through with a clean record. Drey and Anderson were tied for second place, each having lost three matches, and in the play-off, Anderson won the title of runner-up.

In the consolation matches Clarence Myers of Flandreau was first, with Ralph Haas of Worthing, runner-up.

A meeting of the state horseshoe pitchers association was held after the state tournament and Mr. Drey was re-elected president.

#### o GAME POPULAR HERE

West Liberty, O.—Horseshoe pitching is getting to be a great sport here, especially among a few of our business men and the farmers.

The Zerkle court consisting of three courts attracts many players and sightseers every evening from 6 to 10 o'clock.

One evening last week a group of Springfield players were scheduled for a tournament but they did not appear, however, a number of games were played.

Those whom we usually see on the court are: S. E. Zerkle and son, Willard, D. J. Reardon, H. C. Eichholtz, C. A. Crouse, Mr. Wallace and sons, R. S. Wolfley, Robert Wearly and A. G. Keller.

1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Joe Sauco	Langford
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Henry Anderson	Elk Point
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Ferd Drey	Beresford
4 <sup>th</sup> Place	Francis Jones	Sioux Falls