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S. D. STATE HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT

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State Shoe Pitch Here In Sept.

Horseshoe pitching experts from various points in the state are expected to be here September 14, 15 & 16 to take part in the annual state tournament of the South Dakota Horseshoe Pitchers Association. Tournament play will be at the City Park, where 24 courts will be completed soon in anticipation of the event.

The Commercial Club has donated \$75 which will be distributed as prize money to the competitors in the tourney. First, second, third & fourth prizes will be awarded to entrants in each of 2 divisions.

According to tournament rules announced by L. O. Pigley, Deadwood, state association secretary, the afternoon of the first day will be spent in pitching the qualifying rounds. Twenty-four highest scoring pitchers will make up Class A and the remaining number will pitch in Class B, which may be divided into two brackets. The regular pitch will start at 10 o'clock the second day, and each player will play every other entrant in his bracket.

A special division has been created for women who may be skilled in shoe tossing and wish to take part in the tournament. Each woman who enters will throw 100 horseshoes each day and the first prize money will go to the one having accumulated the highest number of points at the end of the third day. Three other prizes will be given in this division.

In order to compete in the tournament, players must be members of the State and National Associations, according to the rules. New association officers will be elected during business meetings to be held at the tournament grounds at 9 a. m. the second day of the meet.

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State Horseshoe Pitchers Gather For Tournament

Qualifying Round Played Today. Championship Games Start Friday.

Headed by Lee Washburn and L. O. Pigney of Deadwood, president and secretary respectively of the South Dakota Horseshoe Pitchers Association, devotees of this popular sport from all parts of the state were expected to gather in Beresford today for the annual state tournament. The contest is to be held today, tomorrow and Saturday at the Beresford City Park where 24 regulation courts have been constructed this week especially for the event.

Play this afternoon was to be limited to pitching qualifying rounds. The 24 highest scoring pitchers will make up the Class A group and will begin pitching for state championship honors tomorrow. Those who do not qualify among the top 24 will fall into Class B which may be divided into two brackets. Every

contestant in both class will pitch against every other contestant in his class during the tournament. First, second, third and fourth prize money, donated by the Beresford Commercial Club, will be distributed to the winners in each group.

Those in charge hope to make up a special division for women only as an added feature of the tournament.

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**STATE HORSESHOE
PITCHING CHAMP**



Leigh Dunker

**BERESFORD MAN
IS RUNNER UP**



Arnold Christenson