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LOCAL MAN WINS MEET

A . Christensen is Crowned Horseshoe Pitching Champion Of South Dakota

Arnold Christensen of Beresford was crowned horseshoe pitching champion of South Dakota last weekend, as he defeated Leigh Dunker, former champion of Warner in the state tournament held Saturday and Sunday at McKennan Park in Sioux Falls. Christensen won all of his 23 matches, while Dunker was victorious in all but one.

W. E. Christensen, also of the Beresford community team, took sixth place honors in Class A competition, winning 14 matches and losing 8. Ringer prizes were won by Engwald Oren of Beresford and Ed Erickson of Alcester, among others.

Prominent in the field of 24 entrants were the new champion Arnold Christensen, the runner up, Mr Dunker, And the third place winner, Louis Gednalski of Dell Rapids, none of whom been defeated in horseshoe pitching competition during the past summer until the state tournament. Against this strong competition Christensen was forced to throw between 600 and 700 ringers for an average of 59.1 percent before he emerged as winner. Entries were listed from a number of points throughout the state.

Those on the Beresford team entered in Class A competition were Arnold Christensen, W. E. Christensen, Clarence Christensen, Olaf Jorgensen, Everet Nelson, Bing Oren and Cal Johnson. Local players in Class B which was contested Saturday evening were August Nelson and Kenneth Nelson.

A business meeting of the visiting pitchers was held in the band shell at McKennan Park at 1:00 P. M. Saturday. Leo Washburn of Deadwood was elected as president of the state association and L. O. Pigney, also of Deadwood, was named secretary for the coming year.

Other winners in the tournament were: Hans Sandvig, Baltic, fourth; William Curts, Worthing, fifth; M Ferguson, Sioux Falls, seventh and Lee Washburn, Deadwood, eighth.

1 st Place	Arnold Christensen	Beresford	23 Wins	0 Loss	59.1 %
2 nd Place	Leigh Dunker	Warner			
3 rd Place	Louis Gednalski	Dell Rapids			
4 th Place	Hans Sandvig	Baltic			
5 th Place	William Curts	Worthing			
6 th Place	W E Christensen	Beresford			
7 th Place	M Ferguson	Sioux Falls			
8 th Place	Lee Washburn	Deadwood			