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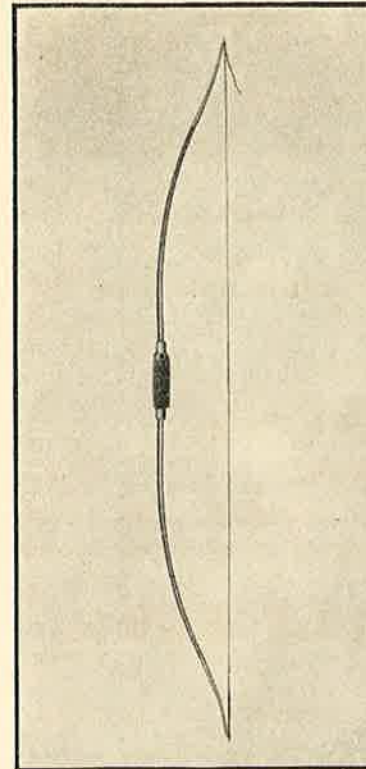
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Who Said "Archery"?

By J. H. Howell, Washington, Ill.

Two years ago, if anyone had even insinuated that I would have become an Archery addict, I would have promptly referred them to the nearest alienist for a mental examination. The idea! Me take up Archery?

All my life I'd played with guns and dogs—I had been a Class A shooter at the traps, and at one time, played golf in the "eighties". Archery, I would admit, was a delightful sport for girls' colleges, and even Boy Scouts, but as a man's recreation, comparable to golf or trap-shooting—how perfectly absurd!

Awhile back, I was living in Alameda, California, recovering from a financial "wallop" of a ranch gone "haywire". It was then I gave up trap shooting because of the expense.

One of my good neighbors was a chap named Morrissey, a 200-pound 6-footer, and a newspaper editor. We "clicked" right off the bat, and used to lunch together a coupla' times a week. It seems that he was at one time a Pacific Coast pistol champion — or something, but had taken to Archery very seriously.

One evening when we were both puttering about our gardens, he called over for me to come and see a new jointed hunting bow that he had just finished. The bow was made in two pieces joined at the handle and was made of lemonwood. It was beautifully finished.

As he handed it to me he said, "Go ahead and string it up, and tell me what you think of it."

Now listen! I laid against that bow in the best orthodox manner, and couldn't budge it. Frank, with a know-

ing chuckle, braced it with no perceptible effort. I started to marvel right then I think.

Morrissey had a sort of indoor range in his basement, and we took this bow down there to test it. It was what he called a 65-pound bow. Try as hard as I could, it was impossible for me to pull that bow over 8 or 10 inches. What a man's bow that was!

While I was there he showed me two or three beautiful target bows that were much lighter, and some arrows that were a dream. And when I left I had a book of Dr. Pope's, "Hunting with the Bow and Arrow," tucked under my arm. All of this was interesting, and the book was thrilling—but it still didn't seem to strike any particular spark in me.

Things drifted on for six or seven months. I happened to be going over the operations of one of the large lumber companies out West, when the thought came to me that this Yew wood that Morrissey made his bows from, grew out there some place, and on inquiry I located a lot of it. In fact, I split out about three straight grained staves and took them home with me. Two of these I took down to Frank, and the other I tucked away in the loft of the garage and proceeded to forget all about it — and Archery, for another six months.

Along about then some articles appeared in the Saturday Evening Post, written by Stewart Edward White, telling of shooting big game in Africa, with bows and arrows — except, of course, rhinos, hippos and elephants.

They were a "wow"! And the idea

that there was such a killing force in the Long Bow, and such practical field marksmanship obtainable from such equipment, began to creep under my skin and created an itch for further knowledge.

One day at lunch, Frank said to me, Jim, why don't you bring that stave of yours down to the shop some night, and we'll work it up into something usable. I know mighty well, that with your love of shooting, if you had a decent sort of a bow and learned to use it, you'd get as big a thrill out of it as I do. I haven't fired a pistol since this Archery bug bit me."

I did. Morrissey and I worked up a presentable bow out of that Yew that I had, although it was rather green yet. He loaned me some good arrows, and the following Sunday I went down to the Greenwood Club with him to shoot. There were a keen bunch of fellows there, even more so than the trap shooting crowd I knew, and they certainly put themselves out to give me a boost in the sport. But when it came to hitting one of those four foot straw targets — I couldn't get to First Base.

Here were a lot of fine fellows that I could just shoot rings around with a rifle or shotgun, and they were all of them making me look like thirty cents. The old competitive spirit, I guess it was, started gnawing away until I felt I simply had to know more about it. I fixed it up with Frank, on the way home, to join the Club, made up some matched arrows, put up a target on my lawn at home, and buckled into conscientious practice.

I combed the libraries for literature on Archery. Delved way back into its history, and the more I read the more interested I became, and the more I realized what there was to it as a sport — the ethics of it, the physical

benefits, and the camaraderie.

Of course, all this enthusiastic interest in Archery just raised Cain with my low golf handicap. It's gone forever now, I guess. And, incidentally, the golf part of this episode has been a pretty serious matter. Many worthwhile friends used to ride me about week-end neglect of family, and kid Bess about being a conventional golf widow and all that sort of stuff. Naturally, a lot of that did seep into my soul and give me pause for thought.

But there didn't seem to be a way out of the situation. Bess didn't care much for golf. Her major interests were wrapped up in the children, anyway. She was a good sport with it all. She didn't complain—much.

But all the time there was creeping up on me the increasing realization of the utter selfishness of me, a contented family man spending most of my leisure moments entirely for my own individual enjoyment. The girls were getting big and husky. And they were regular tom boys like their mother. It seemed a shame not to play around with them more.

Well, about this crucial period in this serious decision, my interest in Archery began to crystallize. I finally got so I could hit things. The books I secured were read and enjoyed by Bess. She gradually assumed a talking interest in the sport — and the next thing we knew, I had made her a bow and some arrows, secured similar equipment for the girls, and there we all were, the four of us, having the time of lives, shooting on our own home range or down to Greenwood Club.

Just by plain evolution, or induction, or maybe by a turn of Fate, my major recreative sport became a pastime that the whole family thoroughly enjoyed. And maybe you think this

didn't help even our erstwhile contentment.

I'm afraid that I will never win back that 10 handicap. I'll always play golf now and then, of course, but my prime object now is to shoot 600 with a bow, rather than 80 with a whole set of clubs.

So here I am! — Having just a bear of a time with one of the cleanest, most thrilling, ethical sports I've ever engaged in. It's got many of the same elements of outdoor camaraderie that golf has; it requires the skill and coordination that trapshooting does; and it lends itself most delightfully to hunting afield.

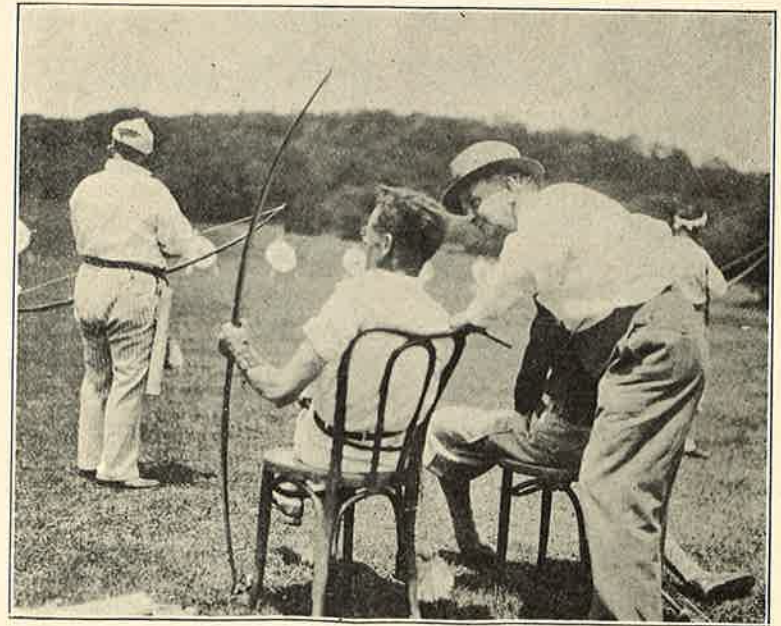
And then, don't forget — the whole family gets the same sort of a kick out of it!

What other sport, I ask you, gives so much?

ARCHERY IN VERMONT

News of archery activities in Vermont comes to us from Major C. L. Williams of Burlington, Vt. Major Williams is president of the Champlain Valley Archers and operates a range at Lake Placid. An indoor range in Burlington attracted the attention of many people during the winter and a tournament was held there in May.

The Burlington Free Press says, "This keen interest has convinced Major Williams that it would be worth while to carry the gospel of archery to other parts of Vermont. So he is visiting nearby towns with the purpose of interesting various people in opening archery ranges. He hopes to make archery as popular in Vermont this summer as miniature golf became last summer. He believes that it is quite as good sport as miniature golf and better exercise."



Mr. James Duff and the Secretary discussing the perfect form of one of the Philadelphia Archery Association archers.

The Making of an Archery Club. II.

"ArrowGolf"

By Clark E. Schurman, Seattle, Wash.

Almost every sport editor has used a story of a match between archers and golfers, in every city from coast to coast.

A "match" is a match only when each side stands a chance to win half of the time. Many hospitable golf clubs have "been taken to the cleaners" by bow-and-arrow teams—which raises the question what is a fair basis for this type of contest between clubs and balls on one side and bows and arrows on the other, over a golf course. The question is important to every archery club which wishes to widen its interests and contacts and to stand alongside the older sport clubs in its community.

For several years past our group of Seattle Bowmen have been invited to the Olympic Golf Club to meet their six best players. We have felt the same tingle that a fine flight shot affords, as these chaps sent unbelievable drives down their fairways. I presume we have all been secretly glad that the golfers got a good roll with most of their drives, though our arrows stood where they struck—because it must be far harder to keep a golf ball on a compass line than to send an arrow along it.

In any case I know one of us felt embarrassed picking an arrow from between his feet in a sand trap and tossing it easily to good position for a final shot, when a golfer who might have landed in the trap could have improved his soul with profanity.

There came times when the situation was reversed. Archers' swift

flat putts struck the very hard shoulder of the green after the feathers had almost kissed the target in passing, and the glance went on to kingdom-come.

Various devices through several years failed to develop a basis for play which gave the golfers, who made wonderful golf scores, a chance to win a match. We read clippings and commercial directions for the game; we invented tiny targets, rules and handicaps. Some of us were beaten, but never enough to sink the bowmen's team.

Meanwhile the game had gripped us all. We secured an abandoned farm and set up an arrow-golf range for our own fun. The course was measured and marked along conventional lines with the addition of a blind shot over a huge barn. The flags were set on permanent posts. Tees six inches high and 1½ in diameter were planted six feet in front of the flags. White rubber balls 3½ inches in diameter were chosen for the "holes". These were left on the tees and had to be displaced or punctured, not merely set quivering in the gouged top of the tee.

Around these tees were drawn two circles, with 6 and 12 foot radii. The boxes from which to tee off were definitely fixed. If the first or second shot landed an arrow in either of the rings it was carried back one bow-length or six feet farther, to add difficulty and eliminate all "cinch" putts or conceded putts.

Fifty archers took part in the open-

ing of this course in 1930, and no one was content under 27 holes — some played all day long.

Out of this experiment has come a simple and equitable way of playing the golfer on his own smooth course.

Small wire tees, eight inches long, are carried to hold the balls six inches above the ground. These are placed uniformly at the left of the flag, even with it—so that we take a 50-50 break on backstops for our putts (provided we succeed in landing within the area of the green).

By measuring back a bow-length from any approach shot that is within 12 feet of the ball, in order to make a final putt, and by using so small a ball as 3½ inches, the archer becomes entitled to use a flight arrow and bow for his drives and to stand astride the flight arrow and proceed with a target arrow and lighter bow—getting the most out of his several abilities just as does the golfer.

And he stands a chance of being beaten—especially on strange courses.

A few weeks ago we were again invited by the Olympics—they are a game bunch of golfers, and they have believed us when we have sought to work out an equitable basis and not rubbed it in through the newspapers when we won through opportunity rather than superior skill. It rained and the match was postponed; but the archers went around by themselves and the golfers went around by themselves. Not until after dinner did we bother to compare results. Then it became evident that in spite of the loss of roll on the wet fairway and other technical difficulties that are beyond a mere bowman, they would have beaten us if we had gone through with the match.

No archery club can expect enough

invitations for this kind of contest to more than whet the appetite of its members for this phase of our sport. The "rover" or archery-golf picnic to some wide open pasturage offers a way out. In twenty minutes nine willow wands, wire tees and rubber balls can mark a temporary course. There will come the zest of the vaulting flight, the comradeship of the walk to the arrows, the rare hunting-practice of holing out in a target as tiny as the business area of a rabbit or grouse, at unmeasured distances. The hills are just as blue from an abandoned farm or a borrowed pasture as from a quarter-million dollar golf course, for the man with a bow.

Such practice will "shake down" the archers to where they will more readily fit into the conventions of the golf course; it will weld together your evening, indoor club, and build its morale; it will afford competitive practice that will be needed if you sometime have a chance to play expert golfers who make close to par.

Meanwhile, the bowman who es-says a SMALL rubber ball, cannot help winning admiration from the golfers. And a chap who can plug a golf-ball around as fast as I can an arrow has my unceasing admiration. Most of us can stand a lot of glancing putts and calmly accept the tendency of a ball to settle back into the little wire ring when the feathers have started it wobbling, if only, once in eighteen holes we can get a sweet long putt that sends the ball plop, and makes the golfers shake their heads and look one over with a newly appraising eye.

The Maplewood, Mo., Archery Tournament was held at Maplewood on June 28. This was the second annual tournament for this association.

A LETTER FROM DR. ELMER

Wayne, Pa., June 30, 1931.

Dear Mr. Davis:

In your letter of last February you were kind enough to invite me to write some biographical articles for the Sylvan Archer. I do not wish you to think that I have forgotten about it. The truth is that I meant to write an article on my friend, Bill Palmer, who held the championship twice, but I was so busy with a couple of epidemics of flu and scarlet fever and other professional work that I simply could not write a thing. For a couple of years I have been trying to get out a second edition of my book but all winter long I could not do a tap of work on it. Now that summer has come I have started again. I will try to get up something on Palmer some day, but the Lord knows when.

I wish to take this opportunity to say how much I enjoy your paper and how very good I think it is. All of the major articles are so excellent and original. What little I could write would be nothing in comparison with the stories of those splendid western archers, who have done things so superlatively well both at the targets and in hunting. The scientific researches of such men as Hickman are putting American archery into international prominence.

Sincerely,

ROBERT P. ELMER.

"Bows and Arrows" by Saxton T. Pope has recently been released by the University of California Press. It contains a brief history of Archery, with many pictures and descriptions of bows of different types, from the Jessop Collection and many others in the University Museum.

Send us the stories of your hunts

TEXAS ARCHERS HEARD FROM

By Harry L. Zollars, El Paso

Away down here near the Mexican border and "Where Sunshine Spends The Winter" and incidentally the summer also, we have a great good time when the Sylvan Archer arrives. And I am writing this to you while the address and title of your splendid magazine is still readable, as today one very interested Boy Scout returned the latest copy to me and said that he had just read it three times.

It happens that I am the Deputy Commissioner for Archery in the El Paso Area which comprizes many a square mile. Archery is going fine among our Scouts, and we have had some hot contests with other teams at far removed cities. We had the good fortune to win late last year in an inter-city contest with Birmingham, Ala., and Quincy, Ill., and this year Mr. Cousino, of The Gold Archery Co., at Toledo, O., got us all mixed up in another three-corned contest with his Scouts and Scouters and those of Marfa, Texas, which we also had the luck to win. In this contest I selected the double Scout round as a test of stamina and nerve among the Scouts and was amply rewarded by splendid exhibitions of grit and determination and am a better man for it.

Along the Rio Grande near El Paso are large areas of brushy timbered tracts, in some places almost impassable, and in which abound cotton tails, Mexican crested quail, with a scattering of coyotes and bob-cats. The irrigation canals abound in huge carp, turtles and muskrats. All of which were an open challenge to us who love our bows and arrows. We were faced with the restriction of shooting our costly and nicely finished arrows into the brush and water where

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the chance of recovery was very slim and we were forced to find a way to supply ourselves with an abundance of cheap arrows "just like the Thompson brothers."

We solved the problem by cutting straight willow shoots about $\frac{3}{8}$ inch in diameter, peeling them at once, drying and then straightening over a gas flame, tipping them with six penny nails on which we stick a large globule of solder, wrap the nock with several turns of cotton thread, and fletch with plain feathers.

Our Scout archers and Scouters are having more real enjoyment from the sport than ever before now that each arrow does not have to be retrieved and worried about, and we are chalking up some wonderful shots. The last time we were out roving and hunting in one of these "bosques," a fat cotton tail stood up on his hind legs

at about forty yards from me, and was trying to spy on me as I crept through the brush. I kneeled and using my 50-pound native osage bow and one of the willow arrows I got in one shot which was enough. The arrow struck him in the head below the right ear and pierced the head, killing him instantly.

I also made a fine shot on a swimming muskrat and a turtle on the same day, and with the same artillery, and I am passing it on to you in order to help some of the other archers and Scouts who cannot afford to shoot and lose their good arrows.

There are three of us fellows down here who have worked and played with the Scouts and those who were interested in Archery, and they call us the Three Musketeers. These fellows are H. W. Brown, well along to

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Here are two Boy Scout archery champions, Calvin Curran of Waco, Texas, and Charles Cox, Jr., of Memphis, Tenn. Mr. J. H. Curd of Webster Groves, Mo., furnished the cut with his article which appeared in the June issue.

PACIFIC ARCHERY ASSOCIATION TOURNAMENT

The fourth annual tournament of the Pacific Archery Association, May 30 and 31, proved a sad affair for the seasoned archers of Northern California, for two novices won the Men's and Women's championships.

G. E. Burks, San Leandro Archers, who had never drawn a bow until two months before the tournament, took the open championship and the association championship and set a new national record for the Metropolitan round.

Miss Frances Suydam, Berkeley, Greenwood Archers, who had been shooting less than four months, won the Women's championship.

Neither Burks nor Miss Suydam had ever shot in tournament, not even a club affair.

The tournament drew archers from 19 cities, 65 men, 24 women and 12 juniors, a total of 101, actually shooting on the butts. The scores in every event exceeded scores made in other years. Burks shot a Metropolitan round of 847, far exceeding the tournament score set by Dr. Paul Crouch of 810, though not equal to Dr. Crouch's private practice mark of more than 900.

The association's "Open Championship," in which any archer may enter, whether a member of the association or not, is based on the single York and single American. Vance Brown, Greenwood Archers, was high man at the York with 507, but fell to 13th place in the American with 505. Wm. Bingham, Sacramento, was second at the York, with 473, but seventh at the American with 527. Burks, third at the York with 469, was second at the American with 567, which brought his total score higher than the men who beat him at the York. F. R. Harville,

last year's champion, was fourth man this year, his York round of 436 giving him too much handicap to overcome even with his score of 575 in the American, which was first in that event.

Burks won by consistent shooting at both distances, his combined scores totalling 1036, as compared to Brown's 1012, Harville's 1011 and Bingham's 1000.

The association championship, for members only, is based on the Metropolitan round, established when the association was founded and only one day was devoted to shooting. A trophy was offered for this round, and also for the American round portion of the Metropolitan, to be awarded permanently at the end of three years to the highest score. This double event will be abandoned by the association next year.

In the Metropolitan round Burks was first by more than 80 points, second place being won by G. W. Thompson, Palo Alto, 764, and third place by B. J. Miller, Lemoore, with 753. Vance Brown was fourth with 724. All these scores were higher than the winning score last year.

In the American round portion of the Metropolitan M. E. Spansel, Pacific Grove, was high man with 556 and won permanent possession of the trophy. R. R. Litchfield, San Leandro, was second with 528 and J. R. Bridwell, San Leandro, was third with 525. Benjamin, fourth man in the open championship, was also fourth in this American round, shooting 517.

The Women's championship was also won by consistent shooting at both National and Columbia rounds, rather than brilliance at either. Miss Frances Suydam shot 286 at the National, fifth place, and 456 at the Columbia, second place. Miss Ethel Hig-

gins, Greenwood Archers, second for the championship, shot 264 at the National, seventh place, and 467 at the Columbia, first place. Mrs. Mildred Eberhard, San Leandro Archers, third for the championship, shot 309 at the National, second place, and 390 at the Columbia, sixth place. Miss Isabell O'Connor, Greenwood Archers, last year's champion, was first at the National with 335, but shot tenth at the Columbia with 347 and finished sixth for the championship.

The Junior championship, for which the Junior Metropolitan round was shot, was won by Ruth Downing, Modesto, with a score of 490, Kirkwood Bourrett of San Francisco being second with 448 and Gail Shadinger, Visalia, third with 411.

The Men's team shoot was won by San Leandro Archers, with 1934, the high score for three years, which gave the club permanent possession of the trophy. Greenwood Archers of Oak-

land was second with 1885 and Sacramento Municipal Club team was third with 1750. Fresno, Sacramento Archery Club, Ahewahnee Archers of San Francisco, and Modesto also had teams entered.

The Women's Team shoot was also won by San Leandro, with a score of 1653, with Greenwood second with a score of 1557 and Fresno third with 1072.

The Wand shoot, 30 arrows at 100 yards, was won by G. W. Thompson, Palo Alto, with six hits. Three hits were made at one end.

An Associated Press report says that arrow heads made from petrified palm trees were used to shoot game by Indians of the old southwest. Samples of the arrowheads have been brought back from New Mexico by R. W. Brown, geologist of the U. S. geological survey. The characteristic grain of palm wood can be easily seen.



The Philadelphia Archery Association held a meet on June 21 with "51 braves and 24 squaws," according to word received from C. R. Passehl. Above is a view of the meet. This picture, as well as the snapshot of "Jimmie" Duff, was sent in by Mr. Passehl.

TRI-STATE TOURNAMENT AT TOLEDO, OHIO

The Toledo Archery club held a tri-state tournament at Jermain Park, Toledo, Ohio, on June 21. The weather was hot and very windy. The Double American Round was won by Earl Mead, Cleveland, Ohio, with a score of 174-1089. W. L. Loomis of Newaugo, Mich., was second with 173-1017 and K. P. Brewster of Findlay, Ohio, was third with 170-934.

Mary Mattox of Toledo, Ohio, won the Double Columbia Round with a score of 131-717; Mrs. D. Slinsky, Grand Rapids, Mich., was second with 112-552; Mrs. W. E. Sherman of Eaton Rapids, Ohio, was third with 82-386.

W. E. Dueringer of Cleveland won the men's Clout shoot with the score 41-233 and Mary Mattox of Toledo won the women's Clout shoot with the score 35-139. Wm. Mattox won the men's Flight shoot with a shot of 271 yards.

The Nebraska Open Archery Tournament will be held at Scottsbluff on September 6 and 7. Charles S. Simmons of Scottsbluff writes that besides the local and state archers a goodly number are expected from neighboring states. He says "South Dakota, Colorado and Wyoming are sure to be represented and we invite the world and hope they come. Perhaps some who read your magazine can see a vacation slightly altered to fit the situation. We welcome you. There are Jack Rabbits aplenty for those who care to hunt with the bow. You will find enthusiasts and a 'Let's go now' group ready and anxious to show you through this land of Sugar Beets. Come and bring Diana."

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MISSOURI VALLEY ARCHERY TOURNAMENT

The Fourth annual tournament of the Missouri Valley Archery Association was held in St. Louis on May 30 and 31. Russell Hoogerhyde of Coldwater, Michigan, was first in the York and American Rounds. His score was 124-640 and 89-623. Dr. E. S. Hodgson of East St. Louis, Ill., was second with 118-540 and 89-579; Carl G. Thompson of Pinehurst, N. C., was third with a score of 107-509 and 88-532.

In the Women's National and Columbia Rounds Mrs. Nat B. Lay of Maplewood, Mo., won first place with a score of 61-289 and 72-426 respectively. Mrs. Dave Craft of Tulsa, Okla., was second with 50-210 and 66-375; Mrs. Fred E. Brown of Peoria, Ill., was third with 55-259 and 62-314.

In the archery golf contest the first three archers were: J. E. Lichnosky, Omaha, Nebr., with a score of 47; George Needham, Denver, Colo., score 49; and Carroll Walden, Memphis, Tenn., score 50.

The Flight Shoot Open Tournament was won by Roy I. Case of Racine, Wis., with a distance of 271 yards, 16 inches, and by Miss Ethel Kannappell of St. Louis, Mo., with a distance of 209 yards, 17 inches.

OREGON STATE ARCHERY TOURNAMENT

The fifth annual tournament of the Oregon State Archery Association was held on the campus of the Oregon State College at Corvallis on July 3 and 4. First place in the York and American Rounds was won by A. E. Coleman of Corvallis, with a score of 92-378 and 85-511 respectively. E. J. Partlow of Monmouth was second with 71-339 and 86-520; L. L. Daily of Eugene third with 70-266 and 87-527.

In the Women's National and Double Columbia Rounds Adele Hodges of Portland won first place with a score of 71-353, 64-353, 65-381; Sadie Chase of Portland was second with 54-250, 66-318, 65-377; Grace Trachsel of Sweet Home third with 43-165, 64-358, 68-370.

FOURTH ANNUAL SALT LAKE COUNTY TOURNAMENT

The Fourth Annual Spring Archery Tournament in conjunction with the Salt Lake County Sportsmen's Association Outing, held May 24 at Geneva Resort, was the occasion for the largest gathering of archers to date in Utah, 45 archers facing the target line. The high honors of the day went to Charles A. Pace of Payson, who captured the Double American Round with a score of 1122, and to Miss Katherine Rauch, victor in the Double Columbia Round. Maurice Scanlon and Dean Holden tied for first in The Junior American Round for Intermediates, Scanlon being awarded the trophy on having the greater number of hits. Mardee Robinson eked out a first place in the Junior Metropolitan Round over Elliott Airmet, who slipped slightly in the afternoon round. To top off the day's close competition, Paul J. Davies and Dr. L. D. Pfouts divided the flight honors with shots of 350 yards each. The excellent scores made as well as the fine attendance was very gratifying, and speaks well for the development of the sport in Utah.

Charles T. Dakin of Chapman Camp, B. C., writes us that interest in archery in his locality is stirring. He has been making experiments with native bow woods and says, "Half the neighbors' kids want me to 'make them a bow'."

WASHINGTON STATE ARCHERY TOURNAMENT

On June 6 and 7 the third annual Washington State Tournament was held at Olympia. "Ye Olympia Bowmen" were hosts to 33 men, 14 women and four junior shooters.

Ideal conditions prevailed and good scores were made. The state record in the flight shoot for ladies was broken by Mrs. A. M. Anderson with a shot of 257 yards, 8 inches.

The men who won perpetual trophies of the Washington State Archers were:

Stanley Spencer, who won the state champion cup with a score in the York and American Rounds of 122-640 and 88-574.

Franz Zallinger, who won the Clout shoot cup with a score of 33-193.

Wallace Burr, who won the Flight shoot cup with a shot of 365 yards, 1 foot, 6 inches.

The ladies' state champion cup was won by Mrs. I. M. Stamps, whose score in the National and Columbia Rounds was 64-276 and 61-307 on Sunday and 70-446 and 72-420 on Saturday.

The ladies' Clout shoot cup was won by Mrs. Thomas Belshaw with a score of 25-99.

Both Junior cups were won by Arthur Longworth, of Tacoma.

The Southern Oregon Archery Association held its first tournament at Medford on May 30. Thirty archers participated. A. E. Coleman of Corvallis was the men's champion and Homer Prouty of Portland won the flight shoot. Mrs. Coleman was the women's champion and Mrs. Prouty won the women's flight shoot.

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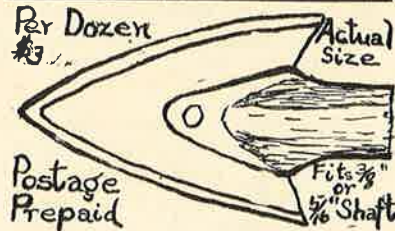
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