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BYRON JASKULEK (deceased)

(1889 - 1956)

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While not being a championship class contender, Byron was one of the State's most enthusiastic horseshoe pitching promoters. Filling the gap nationally, when a journal was needed, after the old "Horseshoe World" ceased publication, Byron started editing, and publishing, "The Horseshoe Pitcher" in 1948. Similar to the current "Horseshoe Pitcher's Digest", his magazine carried articles on the sport, news events, and scores from tournaments all over the nation. The magazine was run on a 'non-profit' basis.

Known by his friends as "Jake", Byron became interrested in the sport upon retirement from government service in 1940. He was a member of the Inwood Club of New York City, and held positions in both State and National Associations

At many of the National tournaments he was called upon to arrange playing schedules and score keeping procedures.

He was also one of the first to seek sponsorship of horseshoe matches by corporations such as the Cigar Institute, etc. Perhaps the first T-V exhibition ever held, was arranged by Byron, and it it was featuring another State Hall of Famer; Vito Filiccia.

His successes in the field of promotion will make "Jake" among the best remembered advocates of the sport of horseshoes.