



**AT PARKERSBURG.**

**THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION.**

**Ralph Trimble Made Best Average—Verges and Howard Won Team Match—F. E. Mallory Captured Individual Championship—Officers Elected.**

Parkersburg, W. Va., Sept. 18.—Gun Editor "Sporting Life."—The first annual shoot of the West Virginia State Sportsmen's Association held here on the 15th and 16th was a complete success from start to finish. From out of town were Col. A. G. Courtney, representing the Remington Arms Co., and who by the way never fails to do a little business as he goes along; Ralph L. Trimble, of the Du Pont & Hazard Powder Co.'s, Cincinnati; Hood Waters, Baltimore, Md.; H. E. Greider and Oliver Twigg, of Davis, W. Va.; J. F. Mallory and D. A. McGillis, St. Marys, W. Va.; E. O. Bower and his running mate, Lou M. Gorham, of Sistersville, "The Greatest Town on Earth;" Thos. Alford and Geo. Alford, of Marietta, O.; C. E. Verges, Lowell, O.; T. S. Bibbee, Elba, O.; John G. Goll, Martins Ferry, O.; John B. Gaden, Wheeling, W. Va.; A. H. Donnelly, Fairmont, W. Va.; and Dr. Hibbard, of Athens, O. The best shooting was done by Ralph Trimble, Hood Waters and Geo. Alford, who went above the 90 per cent. mark.

As was announced through your columns a few days since, a meeting of the representatives of the several gun clubs of West Virginia was held in Parkersburg on the evening of the 15th inst., and the West Virginia State Sportsmen's Association was successfully launched. There were representatives from Fairmont, Davis, Piedmont, Wheeling, Sistersville, St. Marys, Mannington and Parkersburg, and the new association starts off with quite a strong membership. F. C. Percival, Esq., of the Mountain State Gun Club, Parkersburg, was elected president; vice presidents, D. M. Wallace, Sistersville; J. O. McNeely, Fairmont; H. E. Greider, Davis; Dr. H. Clay Shaw, Piedmont; John B. Gaden, Wheeling; J. A. Hopkins, Mannington; F. E. Mallory, Parkersburg; and John F. Mallory, St. Marys. Ed. O. Bower, of the Sistersville Rod and Gun Club, Sistersville, was elected secretary-treasurer. The time or place for next meeting has not as yet been decided. Mr. Olin V. Neal, the popular jeweler of Parkersburg, presented to the Association an elegant gold badge representative of the West Virginia State individual championship, which will remain the property of the Association, and which will be contested for from year to year.

The scores follow:

FIRST DAY, SEPT. 15.	
Targets	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
E. O. Bower	14 14 12 13 12 14 13 11
J. F. Mallory	14 13 8 11 13 11 9 12
F. E. Mallory	13 13 14 14 13 12 14 14
T. Alford	12 14 12 12 12 14 12 13
T. S. Bibbee	12 15 9 13 13 15 13 13
Robt. Clark, Jr.	14 11 13 12 15 15 11 12
F. M. Kiser	14 11 13 12 15 15 11 12
A. G. Courtney	12 10 12 10 12 10 12 10
S. T. Mallory	15 13 13 13 15 14 14 13
Greider	9 11 10 8 10 10 10 10
Oliver Twigg	5 8 8 8 12 10 10 10
R. Trimble	14 15 14 14 14 14 15 13
George Alford	14 14 14 14 14 13 14 14
C. E. Verges	13 15 12 9 13 11 11 11
L. M. Gorham	13 14 14 13 13 12 12 12
McGillis	5 6 12 10 10 10 10 10

SECOND DAY, SEPT. 16.	
Targets	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12
E. O. Bower	13 14 12 14 12 14 12 10 13 13 22
L. M. Gorham	12 11 11 13 12 12 9 6 10 10 13 25
R. Trimble	14 14 14 14 15 14 15 13 13 13 23
Howard	13 14 13 14 14 15 15 15 14 14 24
G. Alford	13 11 13 10 12 13 14 15 12 14 22

The team shoot was very closely contested, nine out of the 10 men in the race breaking 23 out of 25. C. E. Verges and Howard tied for first on 48 out of 50. Four teams tied for second on 46. The scores: Verges 23, Howard 23, Total, 46. R. Clark, Jr., F. E. Mallory 23, Total, 46. T. S. Bibbee 23, R. Trimble 23, Total, 46. G. Alford 23, Thos. Alford 23, Total, 46. L. M. Gorham 23, E. O. Bower 23, Total, 46.

R. Clark, Jr.	12 13 14 10 13 15 13 13 15 15 14 22
F. E. Mallory	13 12 14 13 9 14 11 15 13 14 13 18
A. G. Courtney	12 13 12 11 12 12 12 11 12 11 18 18
C. E. Verges	13 13 14 14 13 13 13 13 14 13 12 23
Donnelly	12 10 9 13 9 9 11 6 7 6 8 12
T. S. Bibbee	11 11 12 12 15 13 10 10 10 10 10 10
F. M. Kiser	15 14 14 13 14 11 10 14 15 14 14 24
T. Alford	11 10 10 11 12 14 10 12 14 11 24 24
Goll	14 14 13 10 12 13 11 11 11 11 11 11
S. T. Mallory	11 11 14 14 15 12 13 14 12 13 13 18
Gaden	10 8 10 10 10 10 13 12 9 9 9 9
Greider	12 9 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10
Morrison	10 13 12 10 10 13 10 10 10 10 10 10
D. A. McGillis	6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6
Twigg	10 9 12 13 8 14 17 17 17 17 17 17
Hibbard	10 9 12 13 8 14 17 17 17 17 17 17
J. Mallory	11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11

After the regular State events had been shot off the championship race was called. As there was a handsome prize, "The Olin V. Neal Trophy," at stake the shooters were on the tip of expectation, for although they all said they were not hankering after the championship each man got up with the full determination to carry off the prize if possible. The race was under the "Winston Handicap" with 50 targets per man. The race resulted as follows: Bower 43, Gorham 39, Clark 42, F. E. Mallory 45, Donnelly 28, Kiser 44, Greiner 36, Gaden 36, S. T. Mallory 40.

As F. E. Mallory succeeded in breaking the largest number of targets, 45, he was declared the State champion. The trophy, which the championship carried with it was presented Mr. Mallory by Colonel Courtney in a neat speech.

For the two days' shooting R. L. Trimble made best average, breaking 425. Blue Rocks out of 455 shot at, an average of 93.2 per cent. He was using a Parker gun, three drams of Du Pont and Hazard smokeless in Leader shells. "BIG LAUGH."

**OIL CITY GUN CLUB.**

**Their Regular Club Shoot Well Attended.**

The Oil City Gun Club held their last regular weekly shoot on their grounds at Oil City, Pa., on Saturday, Sept. 18.

Bates won Class A medal in the first contest. Class A shot their first 25 targets in a very strong wind, which accounts for the poor scores made in the first half of the contest. The scores follow:

25 Targets.	
Foskett	10100 10110 10000 06011 11001-11
Breene	10011 10030 09101 11001 10030-10
Loomis	09000 11011 11011 01101 00111-14
P. A. P.	10101 10911 10071 01100 11111-16
Worden	00100 00110 00000 00010 01001-6

15 Targets.	
Graham	01111 10101 11011-11
P. A. P.	11001 11101 10110-10
Bates	11111 10111 10111-12
Dorworth	10111 10111 10111-12
Helmbrecht	01011 10111 10111-10
"X. Y. Z."	01000 10030 01000-3
Bair	01011 01110 09000-5
C. N. F.	01111 10000 01111-9
Clickner	01111 10031 10010-9
Crozier	00000 01110 11010-6
Smedley	00001 11111 01101-9
Loomis	01110 01111 11101-12
Breene	11110 00101 11111-11
Mayor	01110 10000 01000-5
Woodcock	11110 11111 00011-11

**CLASS A—MEDAL CONTEST.**

Graham	11110 11111 10110 01110 01011
Bates	11111 01111 11011 11110 11101-39
Dorworth	10111 10110 01111 00111 01011
Helmbrecht	10111 11101 01111 11111 11111-39
Smedley	10111 01110 10101 01011 11030
P. P. P.	11110 11110 10301 11011 11011-36

**CLASS B—MEDAL CONTEST.**

Case	01111 11110 10101 01110 10101
Woodcock	11101 11011 10101 01111 11111
Loomis	00110 11110 01030 01111 01111-15

**CLASS C—MEDAL CONTEST.**

Breene	00911 10310 01000 10111 10101
Crozier	11000 10030 01010 11011 10111
Bair	01001 00910 01000 00001 01011-8

**CLASS D—MEDAL CONTEST.**

C. N. F.	11110 10011 01110 10301 01001-14
Clickner	01111 10111 11001 11111 00011
Helmbrecht	10001 10111 11111 01111 11011-39
"X. Y. Z."	00100 00000 01011 00011 00000-6

**SHOOT OFF AT TIES.**

Bates	11111 11111 01101 11011 11111-22
Graham	11010 11111 11110 11111 10111-21
Clickner	10111 11011 01011 11101 10101-18
Woodcock	10110 11011 11001 01101 00011-14
P. A. P.	01111 11100 11111 11111 11110-21

**SKIDMORE WON FIRST PRIZE**

**At the Brooklyn Gun Club's Weekly Shoot.**

William E. Skidmore made the only straight score at the shoot of the Brooklyn Gun Club at Union Course, Sept. 18, and incidentally gathered in the prize in the club shoot. Scores:

**CLUB SHOOT—25 BLUE ROCKS.**

W. E. Skidmore	11101 11101 01101 11111 01111-20
Geo. Paterson	11011 11101 11000 10110 01110-16
J. S. Wright	00011 11111 10011 01001 10011-15
C. J. Bequaert	00001 00101 01111 01010 11011-14
L. T. Lane	10100 01111 00000 11101 11010-13

Match, 25 Blue Rocks—George Paterson 14, J. S. Wright 12.

Sweepstake, 10 Blue Rocks—Skidmore 8, Paterson 7, Wright 7, Lane 5.

Sweepstake, same conditions—Paterson 9, Skidmore 7, Wright 7, Lane 5.

Sweepstake, same conditions—Skidmore 10, Paterson 8, Wright 5, Lane 5.

Sweepstake, same conditions—Skidmore 8, Wright 6, Paterson 5, Lane 4.

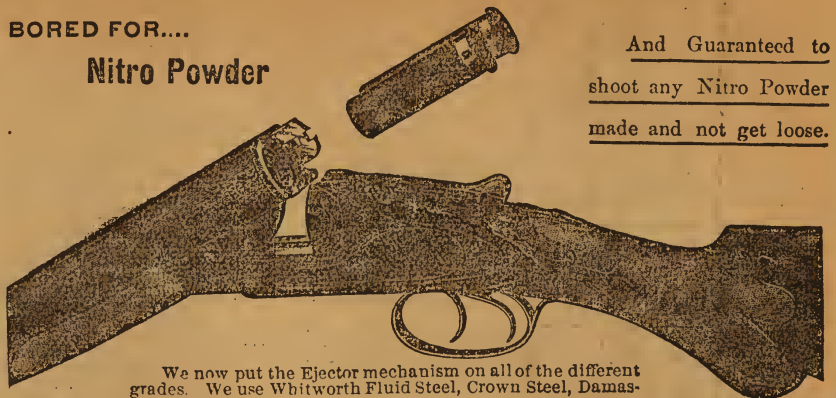
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**ZOELLER AND BAUMAN TIED**

**In the Club Shoot of the Bison Gun Club.**

Zoeller and Bauman were tied in Class A of the badge shoot of the Bison Gun Club, at Buffalo, on Sept. 16. Hager won Class B and Beebe Class C. The following were the scores:

Events	
Targets	1 2 3 4 5 6
Zoeller	8 11 18 6
Bauman	8 14 10 7 11
Wilson	15 15
Estes	9 13 7 6
Cooper	7 12 14 6 9
Mack	5 9 18 4 6 11
Hager	9 16
Foxie	9 11 18 7
Vine	14 7
Beebe	7 11 9
Krevasan	7 6 4 11
Wheeler	18 18

**A Shoot at Indianapolis.**

The Limited Gun Club, of Indianapolis, Ind., will hold their third annual Interstate tournament on Sept. 28 and 29. Professionals and paid shooters barred. The programme on Sept. 28 calls for four events at 20 targets, entrance \$2.50, and one event at 100 targets, with optional sweep of \$2.50 on each 20 targets. This match is for the Grand Hotel Cup, emblematic of the amateur championship of Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio, Michigan and Illinois.

On Sept. 29 the programme calls for four events at 20 targets, entrance \$2.50; 10 pair, entrance \$2.50, and a two-men team match, 50 targets per man, entrance, team, \$6.00. Shooter making best average will have his net entrance money refunded. Targets 2 cents, 10-gauge guns and black powder barred. First day Rose system, 5-4-3-2-1 points; second day 40, 30, 20 and 10 per cent. All sweeps optional. Grand Hotel will be headquarters.

**A Three-Cornered Match.**

Three members of the North Milwaukee Gun Club shot at 20 live birds each on Sept. 18, for a small stake, William Egan being the winner, with eighteen dead. The scores follow:

E. A. Weidner	22102 22220 22220 22222-17
J. Traudt	22222 20220 22220 22222-17
Wm. Egan	22022 22222 22222 22222-18



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**Sherwood Gun Club Organized.**

The Sherwood Gun Club is the title of a new trap-shooting organization which has been formed at Sherwood, Md., on the Northern Central Railway. The club will shoot only at clay pigeons and its traps will shortly be set in a large field which has been secured for the purpose.

The organization, which starts out with about 25 members, is governed by an executive board, consisting of the regular officers and one member at large. This board is made up as follows: President, Charles S. Abell; vice president, Frank Smith; secretary, B. C. Howard; treasurer, Alexander C. Neison; member executive board, Oscar F. Lackey.

Shooting will begin in about a week, and the board will shortly designate the regular shooting days.