

O. K. SMATHERS WINS STATE ARCHERY CROWN

O. K. Smathers, Ecusta's William Tell, won the North Carolina State Men's Archery championship on Sunday afternoon, October 16th, in a steady downpour of rain at the Casselberry Bent Creek Ranch near Asheville.

O. K. shot a score of 574 to lead the archers in the American round. Robert Powell of Asheville placed second with a score of 560 and Boyd Catolster of Cherokee finished in the third place with a 550 score.

Smathers also won second place in the flight shooting contest, missing first place honors by a few yards.

O. K. received the State championship trophy which he will keep for one year and pass on to the winner of the tournament next year.

He received a nice plaque for winning second place in the flight shooting contest.

Since archery is one of the most remarkable sports in the world today, having been transformed from a means of killing people in ancient wars of the past decades to a modern sport of keen competition, we will endeavor to explain some of the basic points of modern archery.

Men usually use a six foot bow. The bows are of different strengths. The average man's bow requires a pull of about 45 pounds to take the string back the length of the arrow. The men's arrows average 28 inches long. However, the length of the arrow is optional with the archer.

The target is usually made with straw as the basic material over which is stretched an oilcloth, or canvas covering. On this covering is a series of concentric rings. The inner ring or the bullseye, has a diameter of 9.6 inches; each of the four other circles are a trifle less than five inches in diameter.

The center ring is painted gold; receding from it, in succession, are red, blue, black and white. The archer scores 9 points for hitting the gold, 7 for red, 5 for blue, 3 for black and 1 for white.

The targets are placed on an easel, with the exact center of it being 48 inches from the ground.

Tournament shooting in America is called the American round. American round for men calls for 30 shots at 60 yards, 30 shots at 50 yards, and 30 shots at 40 yards.

Another kind of tournament shooting is called 'flight shooting' and 'free flight shooting', both being for distance and not accuracy.

In 'flight shooting', the archer stands erect, holding the arrow in one hand, the bow in the other, the same position as when shooting at a target. But in 'free flight shooting' the archer lies on his back on the ground with the bow strapped to his feet, and draws the bowstring with both hands. The pull on the bow in regular flight shooting scales from 45 to 85 pounds, but in free flight shooting, the pull is about 150 lbs.

THE ART OF REMEMBERING NAMES

From both a business and social standpoint it is important to remember names. What can be more embarrassing than to meet a person to whom you have been introduced, but whose name has slipped your mind? Here are five rules that may help you to remember names:

- (1) When introduced make certain that you have heard the name correctly.
- (2) Repeat the person's name as often as possible as you stand talking to him.
- (3) Learn as much about him as you can and study his features.
- (4) Associate the name with something in your mind.
- (5) Later in the day test your memory of the name.

A little girl was showing her playmate her new home. "This is daddy's den", she explained as they entered one room. "Does your daddy have a den?"

"No," was the answer. "My pop just growls all over the house."

FIGHT ONE MORE ROUND

Life is queer with its twists and turns
As everyone of us sometimes learns,
And many a failure turns about
When he might have won if he'd stuck it out;
Stick to your tack though the pace seems slow—
You may succeed with one more blow.
Success is failure inside out—
The silver tint of the clouds of doubt—
And you never can tell how close you are,
It may be near when it seems afar;
So stick to the fight when you're hardest hit—
It's when things seem worst that you mustn't
QUIT.

A bank president notices a new employee dexterously counting out large sums of money for customers. Admiring his efficiency the president walked over and asked—"Where did you get your financial training young man?"

"Yale", was the answer.

The president beamed. "Splendid! And what's your name?"

"Yackson," the other replied.