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## LAST CALL FOR OAK RIDGE

### EARLY ENTRIES TO JUNIOR INDICATE STIRRING BATTLE

### Canada Challenges U. S. Supremacy With Quebec and Toronto Champions

First among the early birds enrolled in the 3rd Annual U. S. Junior Championship Tournament to be held at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, from July 19 to 24 is the strong Canadian contingent, headed by Quebec Junior Champion Bernard Lesage and Toronto Junior Champion R. Slemms (the latter a veteran of the Cleveland tournament).

Others in the Canadian group are from Toronto: F. R. Anderson, K. Hastings, J. Kagetsu and W. R. Oaker; and of these Hastings and Oaker are also veterans of the Cleveland meeting.

In the U. S. groups, Ohio leapt into the lead with three entries from Cleveland and one from Akron. Cleveland will send, of course, 1947 Junior Champion Larry Friedman, who hopes to make it three times in a row. He will be supported by Cleveland's "chess twins," George and Harold Miller. Akron will be represented by Earl Dennison of the Firestone Chess and Checker Club.

New York, a close second to Ohio in early entries, will be represented by Larry Evans, Champion of the Marshall Chess Club, and Arthur Bisguier, Champion of the Manhattan Chess Club, while Kentucky Junior Champion Jackie Mayer is an early entry from the South.

Two official contenders, not as yet named, will represent Pennsylvania, and many other localities have indicated that they will officially support entrants in what promises to be the biggest and best of the U. S. Junior Championships. First report from Oak Ridge indicates that nineteen entries have already been received as an early start to a large enrollment.

### JIM SCHMITT WINS PUGET SOUND OPEN

Nineteen-year old Jim Schmitt of Portland, Ore. won the Puget Sound Open Tournament from a strong field of contenders with a score of 6-0. Second was Carroll Crain of Tacoma with 5-1, losing his only game to Schmitt. Third place went to Vernon Holmes, Tacoma Champion, with a score of 4-2. Seattle City Champion Charles Joachim finished fourth with 3½-2½. A three-way tie for fifth was broken by the Sonneborn-Berger method in the following order: V. W. Bever, Seattle Chess Club Champion; Bert Brandstrom, Skagit County Champion; and Henry Amsden.

Twelve players contested in the six-round Swiss which was directed by Ray Hiscox.

### ELECT OFFICERS AT WASHINGTON

The annual meeting of the Washington State Chess Federation was held at the Carlton Hotel in Tacoma. Lawrence Taro (long secretary-treasurer) was elected president; John Nourse vice-president; Richard Allen secretary, W. H. Raleigh treasurer.

### JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP INFORMATION

Dates: July 19-24.  
Place: Ridge Hall, Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

Accommodations: Free housing will be provided for all entrants.

Entry fee: \$5.00 to USCF Members (Non-members add \$1 for annual dues); send checks to William H. Rankins, 133 West Pasadena Road, Oak Ridge, Tenn.

Qualifications: Open to all citizens of the United States and Canada who have not attained their 21st birthday.

Transportation: Southern Railway or L & N to Knoxville, bus to Oak Ridge. Oak Ridge is on Tennessee Highway No. 61—take Route 25 from the North, Route 70 from the West, and Routes 41 and 11 from the South.

IMPORTANT NOTICE  
Since passes are required for admission to Oak Ridge; entries must be mailed in well in advance of opening date.

### MINNEAPOLIS AVENGES DEFEAT BY WINNIPEG

Traveling to Detroit Lakes (Minn.) a Minneapolis team met and defeated the Winnipeg (Canada) team by a decisive score of 20½-8½ to avenge last September's beating of 15½-14½ in this annual international contest.

Minneapolis	Winnipeg
Dr. G. A. Koetsche 0	L. Moser 1
G. S. Barrie 1	I. J. Brennan 0
R. Ott 0	A. Mogle 1
C. R. Dixon 0	A. Derman 1
R. Guzyan 1	S. Blinder 0
R. C. Berto 1	P. M. Chiswell 0
O. M. Oulman 1	H. Gregory 1
L. Narveson 1	E. Johansen 0
H. Fructman 1	E. Bodnitsky 1
C. H. Simmer 1	N. Garinkle 0
W. R. Kaiser 0	J. Filkow 1
S. Sorenson 1	J. Chataigne 1
K. N. Pederson 1	N. Sechen 0
P. Gantris 1	R. Moser 0
R. D. Hammond 1	P. Buhar 0
L. Kile 0	H. Finberg 1
L. Miller 1	W. Moser 0
P. Johnson 0	J. Felman 1
L. S. Smith 1	A. M. Bourque 0
S. Rein 1	M. Finberg 0
M. Janowitz 1	D. Wright 0
E. C. Johnson 1	R. Moore 1
B. R. Church 1	J. Kovacs 0
J. A. Baker 1	N. Smith 0
E. F. Michl 1	J. Skulsky 0
E. T. Baldwin 1	R. Mink 0
S. Sorenson 1	W. Orteson 0
Knaub 1	P. Mogle 0
M. Orteson 1	A. Kurtz 0

Minneapolis 20½ Winnipeg 8½

Position No. 23  
By A. Carra (Bologna)  
L'Echiquier de Paris, 1947



OKI, KPI, QP5, SP5IKI,  
S, S, S, S,  
White to play and win

Position No. 24  
By F. Fisher (London)  
L'Echiquier de Paris, 1947



SKK, P7, S, S, S, S, S,  
OBK  
White to play and win

### White To Play And Win!

TWO excellent studies from the pages of L'Echiquier de Paris, (column edited by Dr. J. Menerat with unflinching taste) illustrate practical but difficult wins for White. In Position No. 23 the deft handling of the White Kt is the secret of success; in Position No. 24 the White B and K combine in a delicate series of maneuvers. In either study the slightest slip casts away the victory.

Solutions will be published in the July 20th issue.

### CCLA Donates Special Prizes To U. S. Open Tournament

The Correspondence Chess League of America, USCF affiliate, has donated a special trophy to be given to the CCLA member, playing in the U. Open Tournament at Baltimore who finishes with the highest standing, as a gesture to encourage more frequent entry into national tournaments on the part of CCLA members.

In addition the CCLA will award a Gold Medal to the winner of the best played game in the Open Tournament by a contestant other than the regular winners. The Editors of The Chess Correspondent will be judges and select the game for award.

### MOUZON VICTOR IN SO. CAROLINA

Harold A. Mouzon, Jr. of Charleston was crowned Champion of South Carolina in a two-day Swiss tournament at Columbia on June 19-20 in the first State Tournament since 1933. Mouzon, a student at the College of Charleston, is the Charleston City Champion, holding the title in 1948, 1947 and 1944.

Second place went to E. B. Hallman of Spartanburg, 1930 State Champion, as a result of a tie-breaking on the Sonneborn-Berger system. Third place went to Paul L. Cromelin (Augusta) and fourth place to Karl Stamm (Spartanburg).

South Carolina Championship

Harold A. Mouzon, Jr. (Charleston).....	4
E. B. Hallman (Spartanburg).....	3½
Paul L. Cromelin (Augusta).....	3
Karl Stamm (Spartanburg).....	2½
James Mosimann (Charleston).....	2
Robert F. Brand (Charleston).....	2
Alfred Rawlinson (Columbia).....	2
John MacEntire (Spartanburg).....	2
Joe K. Park (Clemson).....	2
H. Vernon Poe (Clemson).....	1½
Alexander D. Lewis (Clemson).....	1½
J. H. Ard (Clemson).....	1

At the annual business meeting of the South Carolina Chess Ass'n the following officers were re-elected: Robert F. Brand, president; Alexander D. Lewis, secretary; Joe K. Park, treasurer; Paul L. Cromelin, tournament director. Spartanburg was selected as site for the 1949 tournament.

### MICHELSEN WINS CHICAGO TOURNEY

Einar Michelsen regained the Chicago City Championship in a hotly contested twelve-round tournament in which most of Chicago's leading players competed by the score of 9½-1½. Michelsen lost no games, but drew with Albert Sandrin, former State Champion, Herman Hahlbohm, 1947 City Champion and former U. S. Open Champion, and with Harold Leaf.

Second place went to Joe Shaffer with 9-2, losing to Michelsen and drawing with Earl Davidson and Sam Cohen. Earl Davidson captured third with 7½-3½, Albert Sandrin was fourth with 7-4, and Herman Hahlbohm fifth with 6-5.

The Consolation tournament was won by Paul Mow with 5-1, losing his only game to runner-up, Arnold Tuckler, who finished second with 4-2. Robert Herwitz finished third with 3½-2½. Both tournaments were played in the rooms of the Chess Club of Chicago, 185 West Madison Street.

### DOUBLE-HEADER FOR LOG CABIN

Ever ambitious for new fields of conquest, the Log Cabin Chess Club of West Orange (N.J.) made a long and arduous trek by auto on the week-end of June 19-20 to face two strong competitors in quick succession.

Undaunted by a series of cloud bursts which made roads slippery and visibility zero, the team reached Washington in time to line up behind the chess-boards and face the Washington Chess Divan in a spirited match which was closely contested down the line, but ended in a 7½-5½ victory for the Divan.

Piling again into their cars at 1:00 a.m., the Log Cabin plowed through the rain to Baltimore, arriving at 3:00 a.m. There after a needed sleep, the argonauts faced the combined Maryland Chess Club and Baltimore Chess League team, and scored this time a victory by 6½-4½, to finish off one of the most arduous dual matches in chess history.

(See Page 5 for scores)

### CHESS LIFE PRIZE AT BRIDGEPORT

The Bridgeport YMCA Chess Club solved its prize award problems by granting subscriptions to CHESS LIFE to the tournament victors. The winners were: Walter Hattersley (Stratford), Richard P. Smith (Milford), and Albert Walach (Bridgeport).

### SANDRIN PLAYS BLINDFOLD WAY

Albert Sandrin Jr., present Illinois State Champion, continues in the blindfold way of chess by giving a 15-board exhibition at Hawthorne (Western Electric) Chess Club in Chicago. He won 13, drew 1 and lost 1. In a total of 73 blindfold games, Sandrin has lost only 6.

### L. STEINER LEADS AT CZECH TOUR'Y

By a thin half-point L. Steiner leads the international tournament at Karlovy Vary, Czechoslovakia. Dr. Vidmar, G. Stoltz and Barca are tied with 8-4 each and Canadian Abe Yanofsky follows with 7½-4½.

(Standings 12 Games)

Steiner (Australia).....	8½-3½
Barca (Hungary).....	8-4
Stoltz (Sweden).....	8-4
Vidmar (Yugoslavia).....	8-4
Yanofsky (Canada).....	7½-4½

(Standings 11 Games)

Pirc (Yugoslavia).....	7½-3½
Opocensky (Czechoslovakia).....	6-5
Tortkover (Poland).....	6-5
Golombek (England).....	5½-5½
Pedgorny (Czechoslovakia).....	5½-5½
Sajtar (Czechoslovakia).....	5½-5½
Romacek (Czechoslovakia).....	4½-6½

(Standings 10 Games)

Foltys (Czechoslovakia).....	6-4
Troianescu (Romania).....	5½-4½
Prinz (Holland).....	5-7
Zita (Czechoslovakia).....	5-7

### PAUL DIETZ WINS AT PITTSBURGH

Championship of the Pittsburgh Downtown YMCA Chess Club went to Paul L. Dietz (18-year old former Pittsburgh Scholastic Champion) with a score of 15½-1½. Runner-up was Alexander Spitzer with 14½-2½.

Former Champion W. M. Byland (USCF and CCLA vice-president) finished third with 14-3, while David Spiro (who lost a heart-breaker to Dietz in the final rounds) was fourth and Sorenson fifth. The tournament was directed by Robert Reel, former Wisconsin State Champion and was played at the YMCA headquarters.

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## IF WE BEGIN WITH CERTAINTIES

ORD Verulam (1561-1626) discovered the profound truth that "if we begin with certainties, we shall end in doubts; but if we begin with doubts, and are patient in them, we shall end in certainties." In these simple words Francis Bacon expressed the basic formula of the empirical approach to life.

Certainly in chess no experiment was ever attempted more in doubt and uncertainty than the initial concept of an open qualification for the U. S. Biennial Championship Tournament. Many gloomy souls prophesied its complete failure, and even its most enthusiastic advocates were uncertain of the practical results of an ideal that was essentially valid in concept.

In 1946 the USCF first translated into actual practice this novel (in chess) concept of open qualification through a series of preliminary tournaments. As we pointed out in an editorial in CHESS LIFE on January 5th, 1947, the concept was fully justified in the practical results. Several of the winners of Area Preliminaries (who would not have been invited to a traditional closed tournament—notably Jacob Levin of Philadelphia who placed fourth) finished ahead of recognized experts who most definitely would have been invited to compete in the Championship, if it had been an invitational event.

At that time, however, we did not fail to recognize the fact that there were defects in the minute of the preliminary procedure which needed correction. To remedy these minor flaws the USCF appointed an exceptionally well-qualified committee, headed by Richard W. Wayne, to study the whole program; and the findings of this committee, embodied in the "Wayne Report" were the basis of procedure established for the 1948 Biennial Championship Tournament.

It is only just to admit now that the results of the 1948 Area Preliminary Tournaments have not been uniformly satisfactory, nor have they in all respects conformed to the basic procedure envisioned in the recommendations of the "Wayne Report." But it is quite unjust and illogical therefore to assume that these facts invalidate the basic conception of open qualification for the Championship.

In considering the question impartially, we must avoid the twin traps that oftentimes snare the unwary, remembering that a new idea is not necessarily good merely because it is news (as some enthusiasts are prone to believe), nor is an old idea to be preferred merely because it has become traditional and familiar. Both must be judged solely upon their merits as translated into practical action.

The greatest fault (there were several others) to be noted in the recent Area Preliminaries of 1948 has been the failure in some localities to advertise sufficiently in advance the time and place of the playing. This has not been altogether the fault of the local committees in many instances, but resulted primarily from the shortness of time allotted to the setting up of the Area Tournaments. It was unfortunate in that it reduced the number of contestants in some Areas and prevented the entry of certain outstanding players who would have competed if given better warning. It therefore tended to create a false impression that the chess players of the nation were not interested in entering preliminary meets—an impression which is denied emphatically by the amount of interest shown by chess players in writing about "open qualification." It is notable in this connection that in Area 3 where there was advance notice given, the Champions of Illinois, Nebraska, and Wisconsin together with a former Michigan Champion gave authority to the list of contestants.

That this matter of inadequate advance notice, together with other more minor defects require rectification is obvious; and we may be sure that the whole question of the U. S. Biennial Championship Tournament for 1950 will receive careful and detailed study when the USCF Board of Directors convene in Baltimore this July.

Montgomery Major

## HOW TO PUBLICIZE YOUR CHESS CLUB

By John D. French  
USCF Director of Public Relations

As public relations director of the United States Chess Federation, John D. French, (213 South Front street, Harrisburg, Penna.) has prepared a quick "check list" outline of ways and means of publicizing your local chess activities, especially the appearance of simultaneous players.

1) Retype each story from any printed material filling in the date and place of local activity. Mimeographed or printed copy seldom gets a good reception in a newspaper or radio office.

2) Make liberal use of pictures in your newspaper stories. An editor will often run an interesting picture with a few descriptive lines,

where a longer news story (which occupies less space), will not meet with his approval. With each picture add some suggested descriptive notes and be sure these lines include the date, time and place, tickets, etc., the local sponsoring group's name, and other necessary information.

3) Make contacts with your local newspaper editors and radio station managers, the sports man in particular, and explain to them that chess is of interest to a great many more persons than one would suspect; people not known to you or members of any club or organized chess activity. Do not give them a batch of stories at one time, but space them out at intervals: best is: a) a story two weeks in advance; b) a longer story a few days in advance; c) a shorty that "tonight is the night."

4) Remember the local angle is what counts: names of local sponsors, players of local ability taking part, their pictures, etc.—all are good news.

5) Complimentary tickets (or playing receipts) must be given editors, radio announcers, reporters, etc., who have shown special interest in the event. It matters little that they are NOT players; they like the idea and might look in just to see what it is all about.

6) Get the news in early. Take pictures and stories to a newspaper office or radio station at least two days in advance of when you think it should be used (but abide by the decisions of the editors on when it is used, should they feel the items should be timed differently).

7) Call on me (John D. French, 213 S. Front, Harrisburg, Pa.) at any time for special help in your problem, either for a specific event or for general public relations of your club and the town.

## From the USCF Club Manual

Conducted by Gene Collett

### Roulette Chess

THE theory, held by some unreasonable individuals, that chess players spend all their time sitting and looking at the board gets a rude shock from two similar forms of team play—known as Roulette Chess and Caterpillar Chess—developed by the Washington (D. C.) Chess Divan and the Federal Chess Club of the same city.

The following story on these non-sedentary methods of play—guaranteed to reduce anybody's waistline—is adapted from the USCF Club Manual, soon to be published.

Roulette Chess is played by teams, with at least six members on each team. During the first round, one team plays White on all boards, and in the concluding round, the same team plays Black on all boards.



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Players of the white pieces make their moves at the sound of a chime and then go immediately to the next higher numbered board except that the White player at the last board will move to No. 1 board.

Thirty seconds after the White players make their first moves, opening the match the chime will sound again and Black players, who remain stationary throughout the play, will make their moves immediately. In another 15 seconds, the chime will sound again and the white moves will be made, after which the white players shift to the next boards as previously explained.

The process is then repeated.

When a game is completed, the two players at the board remove their pieces, or otherwise indicate that the board is "dead," and retire from play. This board is then skipped by the remaining players. The winner of a game reports to the timekeeper, or preferably to a separate scorekeeper; in the case of a draw, the player with the white pieces is required to report.

The team with the best score at the end of two rounds wins the match.

To make the contest exactly fair, players must not make their moves before the chime sounds and must remain at their boards until it is time to go to the next board. Kibitzing at adjoining boards is forbidden.

It is recommended that two score sheets (one for White and one for Black) be provided at each board, with both players being required to record their moves. Some of the "composite" games should be interesting to review.

As an alternative, players at White boards may move in one direction; those at the Black boards in the other. The time interval in this case should be equalized, allowing the same amount of time, say 30 seconds, regardless of whether the player is Black or White.

#### Centipede Chess

Caterpillar or Centipede Chess is similar to the last-mentioned form of roulette chess, except that the teams move in the same, rather than in opposite directions.

Two teams play simultaneously on several boards. Preferably, there should be three or four boards more than there are team members.

The teams line up in single file and move along the sides of the boards. The same players always face each other at each board. White makes a move, then Black makes a move, after which the two players go to the next board. This continues until the games are over. No players drop when a game is completed; they keep going until the last game is finished.

If you are No. 1 man on your team and there are five members, you will make the first and sixth move on each board, regardless of the number of boards played. If there are four players on each team and eight boards are played, an interesting arrangement is to start the players at Boards 1, 3, 5 and 7.

Such games may be scored if desired; this allows the players to study the games after their completion and determine who made the fatal blunder.

## For A Chess Scrapbook

It is desirable that the science of the chess-board should be cultivated in our public schools; especially as we already learn there are many tiresome things which weary the boy and are of no use to the man. There is, at the bottom of the game of chess, a wonderful fund of practical philosophy. Our life is a perpetual duel between ourselves and destiny. The world is a chess-board, on which we push our pieces, often at hazard, against a train of circumstances which give us mate at every step.

—George Walker (1840) quoted in Practical Chess

## Chess Life In New York

By Milton Finkelstein

**TOURNAMENT NOTES:** In the New York preliminary women's tournament, Mrs. G. K. Gresser, former U. S. Women's Champion, has assumed a commanding lead and is certain to finish an easy first, probably followed closely by Miss Elizabeth Wray.

CHESS LIFE readers will not be surprised to learn that Dr. Joseph Platz has been awarded a special prize by the officials of the Metropolitan Chess League, as a reward for his beautiful play in a game against J. L. Clark of the London Terrace Chess Club.

Rapid Transit fever has come with the Summer, and the weekly events at the four clubs which hold them have been attracting record entries. A recent rapid at the Marshall Chess Club, won by Olaf Ulvestad, had 26 entries. Imagine playing 25 games in a single evening, and against some of the best opposition available in the country!

The Manhattan Chess Club is making a real effort to prepare its players for the Open and National Tournaments this Summer. As a real warm-up, and to provide all the thrills of an international tournament, an eight-man "Experts Tourney" is under way with an imposing lineup which includes Pinkus, Kashdan, Bisguier, Kramer, Donald Byrne, Boris Siff, James Williams (former German master) and Brazilian diplomat A. Vasconcellos. Bisguier and Kramer have taken the lead in the opening rounds, and my prediction is that neither Kashdan nor Pinkus, their reputations notwithstanding, will be able to win this event!

## Club Chapters

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For The Tournament-Minded July 19-24

U. S. Junior Championship Tournament Oak Ridge, Tennessee Will be played at Ridge Hall in Oak Ridge, Tenn. Open to all American citizens who have not yet attained their 21st birthday.

Since passes must be issued for entering Oak Ridge, entries must be made in advance.

August 14-15 Massachusetts State Championship Deerfield, Massachusetts Open to MSCA members; Women's, Men's and Speed championships; team match; played at Eagle Brook School, Deerfield, Mass. All events open.

September 4-6 2nd Georgia Open Tournament Augusta, Georgia Open to all comers; will be played at Sheraton Bon-Air Hotel, Augusta, Ga.

September 4-6 Pennsylvania State Championship Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Open to Pennsylvania players; held at Pittsburgh Hotel; State, Junior and Women's Championship divisions; write W. M. Byland 3244 Latonia, Pittsburgh 16, Pa. for details.

September 4-6 14th Annual Southwestern Open Championship San Antonio, Texas Open to all players; held at Gunter Hotel, San Antonio; write B. R. Millem, 419 E. Dewey, San Antonio for details.

September 4-6 Nebraska State Championship North Platte, Nebraska Open to Nebraska players; held at North Platte Chess Club; for details write Jack Spence, Room 317, YMCA Bldg, Omaha 2, Nebr.

September 4-12 New York State Championship Endicott, New York Open to New York chess players, with team matches in addition to regular championship and non-championship meets; to be played at En-Joie Park at Endicott; for details write M. L. Mitchell, 1208 Monroe Street, Endicott, N. Y.

September 4-6 West Virginia State Championship South Charleston, West Virginia Tournaments for State, Women's and Junior championships, open to West Virginia players; will be played at Recreation Hall, South Charleston under auspices of Caribbe Chess Club; Entry fees: State Championship \$5; Player's Tournament and Women's \$2; Junior Championship \$1; write H. Reid Holt, 164 Sunset Drive, Charleston 1, W. Va. for hotel reservations and send him entries.

September 4-6 Ohio State Chess Championship Columbus, Ohio Open to Ohio players; Swiss system; to be held at Seneca Hotel; write S. L. Trumbull, 190 S. Trusel St., Columbus for hotel reservations and details.

September 4-6 Virginia State Championship Charlottesville, Virginia Open to Virginia players; played at Albemarle Hotel; State Championship, Class A and Class B tourneys.

September 4-5 North Carolina Championship Winston-Salem, North Carolina Open to all chess players; date tentative; Class A and B championships; further details when arrangements are made final.

Team Matches From The Chess Clubs

SAN DIEGO, CALIF.

Table of chess team matches for San Diego, Calif., listing players and scores for various clubs like San Diego Chess and Coronado Chess.

DETROIT, MICH.

Table of chess team matches for Detroit, Mich., listing players and scores for clubs like Edison Chess and Marshall Chess.

NEW YORK, N. Y.

Table of chess team matches for New York, N. Y., listing players and scores for Log Cabin 'A' and West Side 'Y'.

WEST ORANGE, N. J.

Table of chess team matches for West Orange, N. J., listing players and scores for Union Chess and Log Cabin 'B'.

LANSING, MICH.

Table of chess team matches for Lansing, Mich., listing players and scores for Lansing Chess and Bay City Chess.

TORONTO JUNIORS BATTLE ELDERS

Invading the Toronto Chess Club, a team of ten Toronto juniors gave their seniors a tough battle before accepting a 3 1/2-6 1/2 defeat after very stout opposition.

Table showing scores for Toronto Juniors and Toronto Chess Club members.

INTERPLANT PLAY AT WESTINGHOUSE

Rivalry is strong between the Elevator Division Chess Team and the Meter Division Chess Team at the Westinghouse plant in New Jersey. In a 4 1/2 hour battle the Elevator Division of Jersey City scored a close victory by 4 1/2-3 1/2 over the Meter Division of Newark.

Table showing scores for Elevator and Meter divisions in the Westinghouse interplant play.

TRI-CITY MATCH ENDS IN TIE

Pittsburgh and Firestone (Akron) teams ended in a tie in the tri-city match, with Youngstown Chess as the victim. Both Firestone and Pittsburgh defeated Youngstown by a score of 5-1; and the two leaders drew 3-3 in their own encounter.

Table showing scores for Pittsburgh, Firestone, and Youngstown teams in the tri-city match.

DAVENPORT, IOWA

Table of chess team matches for Davenport, Iowa, listing players and scores for Tri-City Chess and Rockford Chess.

ROCKFORD, ILL.

Table of chess team matches for Rockford, Ill., listing players and scores for Tri-City Chess and Rockford Chess.

LASALLE, ILL.

Table of chess team matches for LaSalle, Ill., listing players and scores for Rockford Chess and Decatur Chess.

ST. LOUIS, MO.

Table of chess team matches for St. Louis, Mo., listing players and scores for Independent Chess and Cleveland Chess.

TOLEDO, OHIO

Table of chess team matches for Toledo, Ohio, listing players and scores for Toledo Chess and Detroit Marshall.

NORMAN, OKLA.

Table of chess team matches for Norman, Okla., listing players and scores for Norman-OU Chess and Okla A & M Chess.

GENEVA, N. Y.

Table of chess team matches for Geneva, N. Y., listing players and scores for Finger Lakes Chess and Sampson College.

MODESTO, CALIF.

Table of chess team matches for Modesto, Calif., listing players and scores for Sacramento Chess and Fresno Chess.

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Table of chess team matches for Modesto, Calif., listing players and scores for Modesto Chess and Sacramento Chess.

WEST ORANGE, N. J.

Table of chess team matches for West Orange, N. J., listing players and scores for Log Cabin 'B' and West Point Post.

LANSING, MICH.

Table of chess team matches for Lansing, Mich., listing players and scores for Lansing Chess and Midland Chess.

1948 North West Washington Championship

Table of scores for the 1948 North West Washington Championship, listing players and their performance.

1948 Puget Sound Open Tournament

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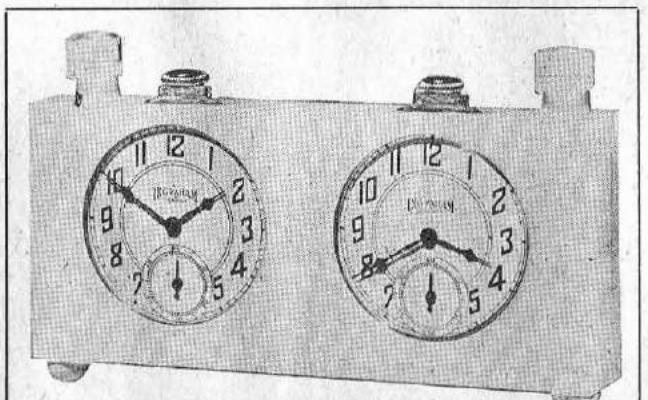
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# Ten Second Chess Tournaments Made Easy By Electric Clock

By Gene Collett

Club members who tire of banging a bell or yelling "Move!" every 10 seconds during lightning chess matches might borrow an idea from A. W. (Art) Fey of Hazleton, Pa., and make a 10-second clock.

Although Fey's clock is not the only one of its sort made by U. S. chess players, it is a good one and its construction is simple. The accompanying diagram shows how anyone with a little mechanical skill can make such a clock. (This diagram will appear in the forthcoming USCF Club Manual.)

Several years ago Art noticed some members of his club played very slowly. He believed if they could be persuaded to play 10-second chess, it would speed up their game. And he thought a novelty like a 10-second clock would help do the persuading.

"The idea of applying 10-second operation to an electric clock, which had the usual one-second sweep hand, was immediate," says Art. "The practical application of the idea required a few hours of experimentation. I soon found that a celluloid clock face cover is much easier to pierce than a glass cover when applying the 10-second contacts.

"I've made about a half dozen of the 10-second clocks for friends but have never commercialized the idea."

One of these Fey-made clocks has been used for rapid transit meets at the Pittsburgh Downtown YMCA Chess Club for the last two years and, at last reports, was still giving excellent service. It rings a buzzer (or a bell, if desired) every 10 seconds, signalling the contestants to play.

Among Fey's other chess inventions is the Chess Game Recorder. This can be contained in a playing table, and there are electric connections from each square. As the game proceeds a wax coated tape emerges from the front of the recorder, bearing a record of the match. The files are lettered across, the ranks number. If the first player (white) on his first move plays P-K4, the tape will read E2 E4, showing the squares from which and to which the moves were made.

Fey completed work on the recorder about two years ago and obtained his patent January of this year.

Although Art has not lost his interest in chess, he has been devoting much of his inventive ability in recent months to another hobby, magic. His "Artea appearing top hat effect" was published in a magic periodical last October, and he has originated several other magical effects.

# WINKELMAN WINS FRANKLIN TITLE

B. F. Winkelman, author of "Modern Chess Endings", won the championship of the Franklin Chess Club of Philadelphia and custody of the George W. Childs Cup by defeating Sydney T. Sharp in the final round of a hotly contested tournament. Sharp finished second, with Ash third, Glover fourth and Driver fifth.

Last year both Sharpe and Winkelman were undefeated in a 12 round tourney.

# CHESS GAINS OFFICIAL NOTICE

Chess in Denver (Colo.) received an official recognition when The Citizen, a newspaper published for the benefit of 8,000 State and Municipal employees, devoted space to recording the number of Denver and Colorado officials who are engaged in chess playing.

Numbered among these were Earle Pollock, secretary of the Public Utilities Commission, who in his more serious moments is vice-president of the Denver YMCA Chess Club; W. George Denny, Jr., auditor of PUC; C. L. Flower, assistant engineer of PUC; John Weiz, senior auditor of PUC; and Merrill McKnight, investigator for PUC.

Other statehouse chess enthusiasts, discovered by The Citizen, were: Berton T. Gobble, inheritance tax commissioner for Colorado; and the following members of the civil service commission: Jack Devivier, Laurence Phelps, Rufus C. Browning, Fred Fenger, and Charles Hauser.

In a recent exhibition, Weaver W. Adams gave a simultaneous at the University Club against some 32 enthusiasts, and followed the exhibition with his usual instructive lecture.

# SACRAMENTO TIES MODESTO IN MEET

In a four-way chess match held at Modesto (Calif.), Sacramento and Modesto Chess Clubs tied for first with 13-1; Stockton was third with 1-0; and Fresno fourth with 0-2. Results of the individual matches were:

Sacramento	6 1/2	Fresno	2 1/2
Modesto	6	Stockton	1
Sacramento	4	Modesto	4
Stockton	3	Fresno	2

# NEW ENGLAND HAD 11 MAN PRELIM.

Added details on the New England Championship Preliminary for the U. S. Championship reveal that the winner, Anthony Suraci, as reported in CHESS LIFE June 20, gained his title in a playoff of a three-way tie with 1947 Connecticut State Champion Tapp Taves and former Connecticut State Champion Emanuel Resnick. The tourney and playoff games were contested in the New Haven RRYMCA.

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# TORONTO LEAGUE HOLDS FESTIVAL

The annual Spring Festival of the Toronto Chess League was a well attended affair at the Labor Temple in Toronto. E. T. Jewitt received the Bouckley trophy from the hands of the donor for the most brilliant game in the 1948 Toronto Championship. Hart House and Gambit Chess Club received joint custody of the major league team championship shield, while Hart House topped the honors by receiving sole custody of the intermediate and minor league cups—presentation was made by G. Coyne.

Twelve groups of speed tournaments were conducted by B. Freedman with the following winners: 1. N. K. Glasberg; 2. E. Scanlan; 3. R. Siemms; 4. J. B. MacDonald and J. Shebylo tied; 5. W. Pickering; 6. F. Jackson and W. Bettridge tied; 7. A. Alakoski; 8. W. Humpage; 9. R. Dover; 10. L. A. Shackleton; 11. F. R. Anderson; 12. C. Allingham and P. Carey tied.

Anderson and Gasberg gave a tandem simultaneous with 13 wins, one loss to J. Shebylo and two draws, against R. Orlando and Jewitt. H. Rideout also gave a simultaneous, scoring six wins, five losses and two draws. The losses were to L. Siemms, J. Mann, E. J. Talvia, F. H. Armstrong and C. E. Ruddle; the draws to J. B. MacDonald and E. J. Halbert.

H. G. Martin and F. W. Watson furnished an interesting set of problems for a problem solving tourney which proved difficult even for the most experienced and ardent solvers.

# PUGET SOUND CHESS LEAGUE

Final standings of the Puget Sound Chess League confirmed the victory (without loss) of the Tacoma Chess Club, with University Chess Club second and Everett Chess Club third.

Puget Sound Chess League	8-0
Tacoma Chess Club	5-13
University Chess Club	4-13
Everett Chess Club	4-13
Kitsap Chess Club	4-4
Seattle Chess Club	3-13
Olympia Chess Club	3-13
Skagit Chess Club	3-3
Queen Anne Chess Club	1-13
YMCA Chess Team	1-13

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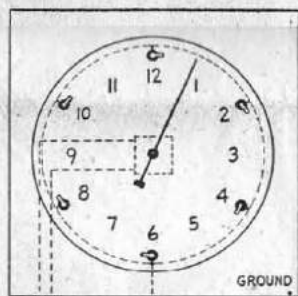
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H. Berliner	J. Partos
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R. S. Cantwell	A. Boczar
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M. Kirtz	E. McCormick
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W. F. Gray	C. Parris
C. F. Shewski	G. Sobin
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Divan	Log Cabin
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J. Partos	C. Baranch
A. Rothman	D. Beniz
J. Kager	R. Illerton
W. Hall	M. Bernhardt
A. Sazer	L. Frank
E. McCormick	G. LaPoint
G. Partos	C. Clarke
E. F. Lauka	R. Prem
M. Buchkowski	I. Lovett
V. L. Starke	T. Comber
Log Cabin	Baltimore

# SWALES TAKES BEACHES TITLE

David R. Swales captured the championship of the Beaches (Toronto) Chess Club with a score of 6-1. J. Good, Jr. was second with 4 1/2-2 1/2, while A. Worth and T. Crossley tied for third with 4-3 each.

# TWIN FALLS WINS FROM BOISE YMCA

By a score of 9-1 the Twin Falls (Idaho) Chess Club won in a five-man double-round match with the Boise YMCA Chess Club at the Rigerson Hotel in Twin Falls. Idaho State Champion C. H. Stewart gave Boise its single point by winning one of his two games.

Monday, July 5, 1948

Tournament Life

Conducted by Erich W. Marchand

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Annotations J. B. Goss, Dr. M. Herzberger, A. Y. Hesse, F. Platz, Fred Reinfeld, J. Rivise, Edw. J. Korpany, G. E. Page, Dr. Bela Rozsa, J. Soudakoff

RETI OPENING Manhattan Chess Club Championship, New York, 1947

Notes by Fred Reinfeld. White: A. S. DENKER. 1. K-K3 P-Q4 6. B-K2 P-K3 2. P-B4 P-Q3 7. O-O B-Q3 3. P-QK1 B-B4 8. P-Q3 Q-K2 4. P-KK1 K-B3 9. PxP

Unusual: It is customary to wait for P-K4 before playing this move. Thus: 9. Q-K2-Q2, P-K4; 10. PxP, P-Q3; 11. P-R4, etc. The text should be answered by 9... BxP1 to reinforce the center and open the QB file for counterplay.

After 16... B-B4 there is a standing danger of P-K4, P-B4, etc. and at best Black's B remains completely out of play. BxP1 to reinforce the center and open the QB file for counterplay.

After 22... Q-K3 DENKER. Chessboard diagram showing a chess position.

23. Kt-K4 25. K-R2 Q-R4 K1(Q5)xBP1 27. Kt-K3 QxP 24. PxKt KtP 28. P-KB1

Now Black must lose a second piece, for if 23... Kt-K4; 24. Kt-B3 wins. 25... Q-K4 Q-Q1 26... Q-B7 threatens mate! 27. QxQ RxQ 31. KxKt and wins. Black resigned on the 44th move.

SICILIAN DEFENSE Kansas State Championship Emporia, Kansas, 1948

Notes by Erich W. Marchand. White: A. R. SELF. 1. P-R4 P-Q4 2. P-Q3 P-Q3

The logical way to take advantage of White's last move is by 2... P-Q1; 3. PxP, QxP since the Q is not easily driven away.

22. KR-K1 Kt-K3 25. QxKt B-B4 23. Kt-K2 P-Q3 26. Q-KB4 P-Q3 24. K1(2)-K4 KtK1 28. R1(1)-K1

MECHEM

40. B-K2 41. KtP ch, K-K4; 42. P-R4 and White wins the B.

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30. P-QK4 K-K1 51. Kt-Q3 K-B1 31. K-B3; 32. Kt-K6, P-B4; 33. Kt-B4. All is lost for Black.

MERAN DEFENSE Montreal City Championship Montreal, 1948

Notes by Erich W. Marchand. White: P. BRUNET. 1. P-Q4 P-Q4 6. B-Q3 PxP

An alternative is 9. 0-0. But if White is to get an advantage in this variation, 9. P-K4 seems to be necessary.

14. P-QK4 16. 0-0 17. Kt-K5 P-R3

Well worth considering would be 16... Kt-B; 17. QxKt, P-B3 and 18... K-B2. In such an open position the advantage of two Bs is very tangible.

22. R-R4 BxR 23. Q-K4 R-R5? The losing move. Correct was 22... R-K1; 24. Q-R7 (if 24. P-R4, R-K1); 25. Q-K5 ch, B-B1; 26. BxP after which the chances appear about even.

TENNENBAUM

After 24... Q-K16. Chessboard diagram showing a chess position.

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RUY LOPEZ U.S. Championship Preliminaries Area 7, New York, 1948

Notes by A. Y. Hesse. White: G. KRAMER. 1. P-Q4 P-Q4 3. B-K1 P-Q3

5. P-Q4 6. QxP immediately would be weak on account of Black's reply, Q-K4.

KANNAPPELL

If 25. R-Q2, Q-K1, if Q-Q2, QxQ ch; 26. RtxQ, R-K1.

played 17. .... P-B5, followed by B-B4. It is White's intention to reduce the pieces to a winning advantage on the side.

PILNICK

11. B-K3 P-K4 12. P-Q3 White's chances, if any, lie on the Q-side.

KRAMER

There has now emerged a K and P ending, the usual objective of the Exchange Variation; but, unlike a Koide advantage of four united Ps against three, White has a loose P-Q4, thus lessening the White advantage on the K-side.

STARK

38. KtRP! Not 38... BxR7; 39. Q-R1 ch, R-K2; 40. R-R7 wins.

SICILIAN DEFENSE Kentucky State Preliminaries Louisville, 1948

Notes by J. B. Goss. White: R. KANNAPPELL. 1. P-Q4 P-Q4 4. P-Q4 P-Q4

5. ... P-K4 gives Black a good line with a rather noble position. The QP at Q3 will soon go to Q1.

SLAV DEFENSE U.S. Championship Preliminaries Area 7, New York, 1948

Notes by J. Soudakoff. White: J. SOUDAKOFF. 1. P-Q4 P-Q4 6. P-K3 P-K3

TRAVER

A nice finish. The Kt has no move. 45. B-R4 ch, K-K1 52. B-B6 B-Q4 ch

MAYER

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KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE Washington D. C. Championship Washington, 1948

Notes by E. W. Marchand and E. Nash. White: M. C. STARK. 1. P-Q4 Kt-K3 3. Kt-Q3 P-K2

against the King's Indian is P-KK3 and B-K12. 4. .... P-Q3 5. B-Q3

After 38 RxBKP NASH

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16. Q-R5 ch K-K1 20. R-KK3 R-KK1 17. R-F3 Kt-Q3 21. Q-K6 ch K-B1

IRREGULAR OPENING Southwestern Intercollegiate Austin, 1948

Notes by Dr. Max Herzberger. White: J. GILBERT. 1. P-K3 P-Q4 2. K-B2 P-K4

This kind of opening has not been seen since Steinitz's days. Its success is based upon the naive belief that White's position can easily be taken by storm.

GILBERT

17. QxQ RxQ 19. P-R RtxP 18. Kt-K5 R-K1

SOLUTION

Winning move in Loyd-Moore position was White: Q-K6!

SOLUTIONS

Endgame Positions 19 and 20 Chess Life, June 5th

No. 19 by Gorbunov: 1. B-K1, B-R1; 2. P-Q3(Q), P-R3(Q); 3. Q-B2, Q-K1; 4. B-B1, Q-K3 (best); 5. B-Q1 (if 5. B-R2, B-K2, B-Q1); Q-K1 (not 5... Q-R3; 6. Q-B2 mate); 6. R-B2 wins.

No. 20 by Grosser: 1. Kt-Q7 (threat of Kt-B6 ch). If 1... Q-K4; 2. P-P1, if 2... BxK1; 3. B-K2 ch, other moves are won by Kt fork or B skewers; and White queens a P after trading off the Q.

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