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On Sunday, December 12, the United States Chess Championship got under way in the Terrace Room of the Henry Hudson Hotel in New York City. On hand to defend the title which he had last won with a sensational score of $11-0$ was Grandmaster Robert J. Fischer, now practically a veteran at the age of 22 . The other players, in order of their USCF ratings, were Samuel Reshevsky, Pal Benko, Larry Evans, William Addison, Robert Byrne, Dr. Anthony Saidy, Nicholas Rossolimo, Arthur Bisguier, Bernard Zuckerman, Duncan Suttles, and Dr. Karl Burger.

Play began shortly after 2 p.m., following the introduction of the players and brief addresses by M. J. Kasper, Chairman of the U.S. Championship Committee and Lt. Col. E. B. Edmondson, President of the United States Chess Federation.

Fischer's string of U.S. Championship victories was broken in the very first round, though this result was not known until a few days later when his adjourned game with William Addison ended in a draw. Fischer, with a somewhat superior endgame, tried hard for a win but finally had to concede the half-point when Addison defended with great accuracy.

The biggest surprise of the early rounds was the three straight losses of Grandmaster Larry Evans. He was defeated by Rossolimo, Addison and Fischer, before beating Bisguier in Round 4.
FISCHER WINS!
In spite of losing to Robert Byrne
and Samuel Reshevsky in consecutive
rounds, U.S. Champion Robert J. J.
Fischer retained his title by scoring
$81 / 2-21 / 2$, finishing a full point ahead
of Reshevsky and Byrne who tied for
second and third.
The other scores: William Addison
and Bernard Zuckerman (6 $1 / 2)$; Nico-
las Rossolimo (6); Pal Benko, Larry
Evans, Dr. Anthony Saidy (5); Arthur
Bisguier and Dr. Karl Burger (3); Dun-
can Suttles $(21 / 2)$.

## ROUND ONE



GRUENFELD DEFENSE

| SAIDY |  | ZUCKERMAN |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. P-Q4 | N-KB3 | 30. $\mathrm{N} \times \mathrm{Bch}$ | $\mathbf{R \times N}$ |
| 2. P.QB4 | P.KN3 | 31. K-Q2 | K-R2 |
| 3. $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{QB3}$ | P-Q4 | 32. N-K2 | B-B4 |
| 4. $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{B} 3$ | B-N2 | 33. $\mathrm{R} / 5-\mathrm{RI}$ | R-KR1 |
| 5. B-N5 | N-K5 | 34. R-QBI | K-N3 |
| 6. $\mathbf{P \times P}$ | NxB | 35. R-B5 | B-N5 |
| 7. $\mathrm{N} \times \mathrm{N}$ | P-K3 | 36. N-B3 | RxP |
| 8. Q-Q2 | $\mathbf{P \times P}$ | 37. RxRch | K×R |
| 9. Q-K3ch | K-B1 | 38. P-Q5 | PxP |
| 10. Q-B4 | B-B3 | 39. NXQP | R-Q2 |
| 11. P-KR4 | P-83 | 40. K-B3 | K-N3 |
| 12. P-K3 | P-KR3 | 41. $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{N} 4$ | R-Q8 |
| 13. N-B3 | B-K3 | 42. R-Q5 | R-B8ch |
| 14. B-Q3 | N-Q2 | 43. K-Q4 | R-KB8 |
| 15. O-O-O | K-N2 | 44. R-Q6 | $\mathbf{R \times P}$ |
| 16. P-KN4 | Q-QN1 | 45. N-Q5 | K-B2 |
| 17. QR-N1 | B-K2 | 46. $K \times P$ | B-B6ch |
| 18. $Q \times Q$ | QR×Q | 47. K-Q3 | $\mathrm{B} \times \mathrm{N}$ |
| 19. $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{K} 2$ | N-B3 | 48. $\mathrm{R} \times \mathrm{B}$ | $\mathbf{R \times P}$ |
| 20. N-B4 | B-QB1 | 49. K-K4 | K-K3 |
| 21. N-K5 | B-Q3 | 50. R-R5 | P-R3 |
| 22. P-N5 | N-K5 | 51. K-B3 | P.84 |
| 2. BXN | PxB | 52. K-N3 | K-B3 |
| 24. P-R5 | RPXP | 53. R-Q5 | RxP |
| 25. RxP | B-K2 | 54. R-Q6ch | K-K4 |
| 26. R/5-N1 | P-KN4 | 55. R-N6 | K-K5 |
| 27. P-R6ch | K-NT | 56. R-K6ch | K-Q6 |
| 28. R-R5 | P.B3 | Resigns |  |
| 29. N/5-N6 | R-R2 |  |  |
| ROBATSCH DEFENSE |  |  |  |
| BURGER |  |  | SUTTLES |
| 1. P-Q4 | P-KN3 | 16. N-K4 | N-B3 |
| 2. P-K4 | B-N2 | 17. N-N5 | Q.K1 |
| 3. N-QB3 | P-Q3 | 18. Q-B5ch | B-83 |
| 4. P-B4 | N-KB3 | 19. N-K6ch | K-B2 |
| 5. N-B3 | P-B4 | 20. 0-O | Q-QB1 |
| 6. B-N5ch | B-Q2 | 21. R-K1 | N-Q1 |
| 7. P.K5 | N-N5 | 22. N×Nch | $\mathbf{R \times N}$ |
| 8. N-N5 | BxB | 23. Q-R5ch | K-N1 |
| 9. $\mathrm{Q} \times \mathrm{N}$ | B-Q2 | 24. Q-N6ch | K-R1 |
| 10. P-K6 | PxP | 25. P-B5 | QXQBP |
| 11. NXRP | K-B2 | 26. B-N5 | R-KB1 |
| 12. N-N5ch | K-N1 | 27. QR-BT | Q-Q6 |
| 13. $\mathrm{N} \times \mathrm{P}$ | PxP | 28. QR-QT | Q-B7 |
| 14. Qxp | BXN | 29. R-Q2 | Q-B3 |
| 15. QxBch | K-B1 | 30. R-Q3 | Resigns |
| QUEEN'S GAMBIT DECLINED |  |  |  |
| RESHEVSK |  |  | BENKO |
| 1. P-Q4 | P-Q4 | 10. O-O | 0-0 |
| 2. P-QB4 | P-K3 | 11. QR-NI | P-QR4 |
| 3. $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{QB} 3$ | B-K2 | 12. Q-B2 | $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{N} 3$ |
| 4. PXP | $\mathbf{P \times P}$ | 13. KN-Q2 | B-Q3 |
| 5. B-B4 | P-QB3 | 14. BxB | QxB |
| 6. P-K3 | B-KB4 | 15. P-KR3 | KN-Q2 |
| 7. B-Q3 | BxB | 16. P-K4 | PXP |
| 8. $\mathrm{Q} \times \mathrm{B}$ | N-B3 | Draw |  |
| 9. $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{B} 3$ | QN-Q2 |  |  |
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Addison $\square$
Evans $\square$
Suttles
Benko
Zuckerman .............. 1

## Round 2

Suttles $\qquad$
Burger
Reshevsky
Saidy
Bisguier
Evans


Fischer ......................
Rossolimo
Bisguier
Burger
Burger
Reshevsky
Saidy


| Round | 4 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Fischer ......-........... 1 | Benko ...................... 0 |
| Zuckerman ............. 1 | Suttles .................... 0 |
| Byrne ..................... $\frac{1}{2}$ | Burger |
| Rossolimo .............. 1 | Reshevsky ............. $\frac{1}{1}$ |
| Addison .................. 1 | Saidy ....................... 0 |
| Evans ..................... 1 | Bisguier ................ 0 |
| Round | 5 |
| Bisguier ................... 0 | Fischer .................... 1 |
| Saidy ...................... 0 | Evans. |
| Reshevsky .............. 1 | Addison .................. 0 |
| Burger .................... 0 | Rossolimo |
| Suttles ..................... 0 | Byrne ..................... 1 |
| Benko ..................... 0 | Zuckerman ............. 1 |
| Round | 6 |
| Fischer ................... 1 | Zuckerman ............. 0 |
| Byrne ...................... 0 | Benko ..................... 1 |
| Rossolimo ............... ${ }^{\frac{1}{4}}$ | Suttles ................... ${ }^{\frac{1}{2}}$ |
| Addison .................. 1 | Burger ................... 0 |
| Evans ..................... 0 | Reshevsky .............. 1 |
| Bisguier ................. $\frac{1}{2}$ | Saidy ......................-3 |
| Round | 7 |
| Saidy ....................... 0 | Fischer ................... 1 |
| Reshevsky .............. 1 | Bisguier ................. 0 |
| Burger ................... 0 | Evans ...................... 1 |
| Suttles ................... 1 | Addison ................. 0 |
| Benko ..................... 0 | Rossolimo .............. 1 |
| Zuckerman ............- $\frac{1}{2}$ | Byrne |



## NEXT MONTH:

All the rest of the games from the Tournament!

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|  |  |  |  |  | UND THR |  |  |  | SIEGEL TOPS S. JERSEY <br> cored $51 / 2-1 / 2$ to win the Tenth Annua South Jersey Amateur Open, played in Camden on November 19-21. James Gwyn, John Yehl, and Milton Danon- all with $5-1$ placed second through Class prizes were awarded to: H. Ros enstein ("B"); G. Bergmann ("C"); D Edwards ("D"); H. Eisenberg (Unrated) en's Prize, was also the first woman to awarded to the Amateur Champion o the South Jersey Chess Association. Thi Lew Wood directed. |  |  |  |
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## Benko Wins First American Open

The first American Open, played at the Del Mar Club in Santa Monica, California drew an impressive entry of 124 players on November $25-28$. Winner, with an unequalled 7-1, was Grandmaster Pal Benko who thus climaxed a string of victories in California tournaments before returning east for the United States Championship. Benko led the tournament all the way, yielding draws only to Larry Evans and Dr. Anthony Saidy. Among Benko's victims were Dr. Erich Marchand, Irving Rivise, Ray Martin, and Tibor Weinberger.

Evans and Saidy, both undefeated, were involved in a five-way tie for second through sixth. Each had $61 / 2$ points, as did Robion Kirby, Rivise, and James Schmitt.

Tied at $6-2$ were J. Blackstone, David Blohm, R. M. Jacobs, J. Grefe, E. Osbun and Marchand. Grefe and Marchand shared the awards for highest ranking Experts.

Mrs. Lina Grumette won the Women's Prize; Norman Lessing and H. Rankis shared the prize for the best results of any player over 50 years of age. Junior prizes went to R. Tarjan (under-14) and J. Lee and R. Neustaedter, who tied in the 14 to 18 group.

The tournament, with a prize fund of $\$ 2400$, was conceived by USCF President Ed Edmondson and joins the United States Open and the National Open as one of the top nation-wide chess events. It was sponsored, in its inaugural year, by the Santa Monica Bay Chess Club and was directed by Herb Abel. Tournament Director Abel reports torrential rains right up to game time, which makes the large turnout all the more impressive. Once play began, the weather cleared and the contestants (provided they didn't sleep off the special Turkey Dinner!) had plenty of time to see the sights around Santa Monica. The American Open will definitely be back in '66-same time, same place-as announced by Al Epstein, owner of the Del Mar, in his speech of welcome to the players.

The full prize list: 1st, Pal Benko ( $\$ 600$ plus trophy); 2nd through sixth, Evans, Saidy, Kirby, Schmitt, Rivise ( $\$ 120$ each); Experts: Marchand, Blohm, Grefe ( $\$ 100$ each); Class A: M. Kerllenevich, Sid Rubin, Greg Gean, L. Enequist, Robert Greene, J. Freed, W. Stewart, Bud Pollard (\$33.12 each); Class B: A. V. McKenzie, P. Shuey ( $\$ 75$ each), Greta Olsson, R. Heisler, D. Ostrowski, Dr. B. Collins, P. E. Vayssie, Lt. G. S. Wren, J. Steffen (shared 3rd B); Class C: G. Fennell (\$100); G. Anderson, R. Nelson, R. Usan, J. Kent (\$20 each); Unrated: W. Faelton, M. Klausner, R. Stork, H. Singleton; Women's: L. Grumette (\$50); Over-50: N. Lessing, H. Rankis (\$25 each); Under-14: R. Tarjan (\$25); Age 14-18: J. Lee, R. Neustaedter (\$25 each).

The crosstable will appear in our January issue.


Pal Benko (left) and Tibor Weinberger, Hungarians both, meet in the first AMERICAN OPEN in Santa Monica. Benko won this game with a nifty Queen sacrifice and went on to take the tournament.

MARTZ WINS NORTH CENTRAL
U.S. Junior Champion William Martz of Hartland, Wisconsin scored $61 / 2-1 / 2$ to take a clear first in the 1965 North Central Open, played in Milwaukee on November $25-28$. The only half-point he yielded was to Martin Safer of Milwaukee in the final round.

Curt Brasket, Minneapolis, Minn.; Charles Weldon, Milwaukee; Albert Sandrin, Chicago; Ivan Theodorovitch, Toronto, Canada placed second through fifth, with Safer taking sixth. All had scores of 6-1. Seventh through tenth, with $5 \frac{1}{2}$ points each, were Henry Meifert, Milwaukee; Angelo Sandrin, Chicago; Robert Holyon, Milwaukee; and Richard Verber, Chicago.

The Women's Championship was won by Miss Michele Consigny of Milwaukee and the Junior Championship went to Don Gieseker of St. Louis, Mo. Class trophies were awarded to Martin Safer (A), Larry Leuallen (B), Arthur Williams, Jr. (C). Lawrence Neiman won the Merit Award.

The tournament, sponsored by the Wisconsin Chess Association, was directed by Miss Pearle Mann. James Forciea acted as referee. A record-breaking crowd of 131 players took part in the event, the twelfth in a series.

## SHERWIN WINS EMPIRE CITY

Senior Master James T. Sherwin won the Empire City Open, played in New York City on November $26-28$. His score of $51 / 2-1 / 2$ gave him a clear first in a field of 104 players. Placing second through eighth, with five points each, were Michael Valvo, Alan Baisley (who won the Top Expert Award), Paul Brandts, Roy Hoppe, Larry Kaufman, John Pamiljens and Morton Siegel. Grandmasters Arthur Bisguier and Nicolas Rossolimo finished out of the money, Rossolimo scoring $41 / 2$ (three draws) and Bisguier 4 (two draws and a loss to Harry Baker). The Class A Prize went to Joseph Donath, $4-2$, and Gary Pokoik won the Junior Prize, also with 4 points.

The 54-player Amateur Division, held concurrently, was won by Bruce Fuchs with a score of 6.0. Douglas Widman, Steve Morrison, J. Kelly (who was Top Unrated) and Howard Ant (Top A) all scored 5-1 and placed second through fifth. The " $B$ " Prize went to Jon Blucher (4), top "C" was Douglas Amann (4), and Paul Willig was top "D" with $41 / 2$. The Junior Prize was won by Richard Weinberg, 3-3.

The tournament was directed by J. F. Reinhardt and Gerald O'Flaherty. U.S. Champion Robert J. Fischer handled the adjudications.

## "EVERY SUNDAY" TOURNAMENT

# Bait or Booty? by ROBERT BYRNE 

That is the question which is posed again and again when White offers his QNP early in the opening to an undeveloped opponent. Usually the sacrifice is not forcing so that Black has the option of tamely declining it in favor of a safer, less hectic game. Indeed, many textbooks advise just that. And yet, making an ironbound rule of refusing the offered QNP takes a lot of fun and excitement out of the game. Where is there a player, so positional and quiet, who never on the QNP yearned to diet?

The game which follows is a fairly typical example of what ensues when a man covets his neighbor's pawn. Crisis follows crisis with such rapidity that one can hardly tell whether Black was being courageous or just plain foolhardy through the first half of the game. This time the defender was successful, but who can foretell the fate of the next man to gobble a QNP?

## 1965 Illinois Open SICILIAN DEFENSE

## Hugh Myers

$\begin{array}{ll}\text { 1. } & \text { P-K4 } \\ \text { 2. } & \mathrm{N}-\mathrm{K} 2\end{array}$
It is a bad mistake to play (as I once did against Keres) 2. Robert Byrne P-QB4
N-QB3 P-Q4, for after 3. PxP, QxP; 4. QN-B3, Q-Q1; 5. P-Q4, White has a potent lead in development.
3. P-Q4

Returning the opening to more regular channels. He could also have aimed at a King's Indian type setup with 3. P-KN3 or 3. P-Q3.

| 3. | I..... | PxP |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| 4. | N | N-KB3 |
| 5. | N-QB3 | P-Q3 |
| 6. | B-QB4 | ....... |

Threatening to disorganize Black's position by 7. NxN, PxN; 8. P-K5! In the event of 6. ........, P-K3, White plans an attack by P-B4 and P-B5.
6. ........

Q-N3


So far as I know, this move is one of the many ingenious inventions of Pal Benko. The idea is to cross up White's harmonious development by forcing his Knight to an inferior square. 7. N-B3 would obviously be bad since it would block the KBP. 7. N-N3 would be out of kilter with White's chosen system since QN3 must be reserved as the proper retreat square for the Bishop. Undoubtedly best is what looks at first glance worst, namely 7. KN-K2, which Bobby Fischer employed against Benko in the stem game of this variation. In that game Fischer showed brilliantly that the Knight, far from being misplaced, could play a powerful role in the K-side attack after it reached KN3.

Finally, it should be noted that the direct attempt to refute the move by 7. B-K3 is not sound. After 7. QxNP; 8. N/4-N5, Q-N5, Black escapes with a pawn and his hide.

## 7. $\mathrm{N} \times \mathrm{N}$

Exchanging thusly avoids losing a tempo but it has the usual disadvantage of giving Black a solid pawn structure in the center.

$$
\begin{array}{llr}
\text { 7. } & \ldots \ldots . . & \text { PxN } \\
\text { 8. } & 0-0 & \text { P-KN3 }
\end{array}
$$

Both of the alternatives. 8. ........, P-K3 or 8 $\qquad$ P-K4 are equally reasonable. 9. B-K3!?

Played without any hesitation, it double dares Black to grab the QNP. A player less aggressive than Myers would have been content with 9 . B-N3 and only then 10. B-K3.
9.

QxP!?


An extraordinarily dangerous step, especially when one considers that the circumspect retreat 9 $\qquad$ Q-B2 would have been quite unobjectionable. Worse than that, the capture was played with no more reflection than White used on his ninth move! I cannot explain it in any other way than to say that I was eager to see some quick action.
10. B-Q4!


Nor is Myers slow to show just where the action is. Threats of N-Q5 and N-N5 are in the air and Black is hard pressed for a defense. The attempt to retreat with a tempo, 10. ........, Q-N5, fails against 11. BxN! PxB; 12. Q-Q4! with the double threat of QxBP and BxPch. The attempt to play it cool with 10. ........, Q-N1 fails against 11. P-B4, B-N2; 12. P-K5! and Black has had it. Finally, after much analysis and rechecking, I realized that the defense had to be played wide open.

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P-K4!


The fact of the matter is that Black must continue to live dangerously if he is to live at all. 11. N-Q5 is ruled out by 11. ........, QxB; 12. NxN ch, K-K2 and White's attack is shot down. Or 12. NB7 ch, K-Q2; 13. QxQ, PxQ; 14. NxR, B-N2, and again the defense triumphs. Much more difficult is 11 . N-N5, PxB; 12. N-B7 ch, K-Q2; 13. NxR, Q-N2; 14. QxP, B-N2; 15. P-K5, N-K4 and the position is far from clear. Another try is 11. N-N5, PxB; 12. R-N1, QxR; 13. QxQ, PxN; 14. QxP ch, B-Q2; 15. Q-N7, R-Q1; 16. P-B4, B-K2; 17. P-K5, N-N5; 18. PxP, BxP; 19. Q-Q5, B-K3 and again, despite Black's material advantage, the position is none too clear. Branching off from this last line there is 13 . QxP, QxR ch; 14. BxQ, PxN; 15. QxN, R-KN1; 16. BxPch, B-Q2; 17. BxBch, KxB; 18. QxBP ch, B-K2; 19. QxRP and Black's two Rooks and Bishop will have great difficulty overcoming White's Queen and three pawns.
11. Q-B3!

Still more fuel for the attack. 11.
12. N-N5

B-K2

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Instead, 12. N-Q5 would have failed after 12. ........, QxB; 13. NxN ch, K-Q1; 14. BxP, B-R3; 15. KR-Q1, Q-B4 and White will have difficulty extricating his minor pieces in view of the threat $\mathrm{K}-\mathrm{B} 2$ and QR-KB1.

But now Black cannot play 12. ........, PxB because of 13. P-K5! O-O; 14. PxN, BxP; 15. B-Q3, PxN; 16. QxR and Black's two weak doubled pawns do not compensate for the lost exchange.

> 12. ....... Q-N5

The only move, but it holds by a hair.
13. N-B7ch K-B1

The King would only be exposed to harassment by White's minor pieces on the Q -side.

## 14. $\mathrm{N} \times \mathrm{R}$

QxB
Black had foreseen that the White Knight would now be trapped.
15. BXRP

Q-R3!


Exacting his pound of flesh. 13. N-N6 fails against 13. $\qquad$ B-K3 and 13. Q-K3 fails against 13. P-B4.
16. B-K 3 !

White has not run down yet by any means.

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\begin{array}{ll}
\text { 16. ....... } & \text { QxN } \\
\text { 17. B-R6ch! } & \text { K-N1 }
\end{array}
$$

White has got the Black King and Rook in a difficult bind, but the alternative was worse: 17. ........, K-K1? 18. B-N7, B-N5; 19. Q-Q3! R-N1; 20. BxN, BxB; 21. QxP and Black, with his King stuck in the center, will have to lose more material in order to defend himself against the threat of QR-N1.
18. P-KR3

Essential, because Black threatened to break the bind by 18. ........, N-N5.

## $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{K} 1$

So that he can offer to exchange White's Bishop by B-B1. The Knight must also defend the QP against a possible Rook attack. There is not a moment to lose in view of White's deadly threat to double Rooks on the QN-file.

| 19. Q-K3 | B-B1 |
| :--- | ---: |
| 20. QR-N1 | BxB |
| 21. QxB | P-B3 |
| 22. R-N6 | K-B2 |
| 23. KR-N1 | N-N2 |
| Just in the nick of time! |  |
| 24. R-N8 | Q-R2 |

At last Black has fought off the most direct threats and can now look forward to a gradual expansion of his position.

## 25. R/1-N7ch!?

Sets the trap 25. ........, BxR? 26. RxR and Black suddenly is unable to defend his King. But it permits Black to enter directly into an ending which, though arduous, is won for him.

> 26. RxQch
> 27. Q-K3
$\mathbf{Q \times R}$
$\mathbf{B \times Q}$
$\ldots \ldots .$.


Perhaps White thought that Black must either lose his Bishop or a number of pawns. The main threat is Q-N3 ch and subsidiary threats are Q-R7 and QN6. It goes almost without saying that after such a wild opening both players were short of time here.
27. ........

N-K3
Defends everything.

## 28. Q-R7

28. Q-N6 would have been a little better: 28. ........, N-Q1; 29. Q-B7 ch, KK3; 30. P-QR4, P-KB4; 31. PxP ch, PxP; 32. P-R5, P-B4 and now Black will still consolidate by ........, B-Q4 and N-B2.
29. ........
N-B4
30. P-QR4
R-QB1

This passed pawn will succeed in hampering the freedom of the Black pieces for some time.

| 30. $\ldots \ldots .$. | K-K2 |
| :--- | :--- |
| 31. P-R5 | K-Q2 |
| 32. Q-N4 | $\ldots . . .$. |

Intending to get to the K-side pawns by Q-B4-B7ch.

| 32. |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| 33. P-B3 | B-R3 |
| 34. K-R2 | P-N4 |
| P-R4 |  |

The idea is to close the K-side by P-R5, leaving the Black pawns in a solid defensive position so that he will have a free hand to go after White's Q-side pawns.

## 35. P-R4

But White wants to keep his opponent busy defending against possible inroads on both flanks.

| 35. ...... | $\mathbf{P x P}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| 36. Q-Q2 |  |
| Threatening Q-R6. |  |
| 36. ........ | R-KR1 |
| 37. K-R3 | N-K3 |

$\begin{array}{cc}\text { 38. KxP } & \stackrel{\text { N-B5 }}{\text { Threatening } 39 .} \text {........, B-B8; 40. P-N3? }\end{array}$ N-N3 mate.

| 39. P-N3 | N-N3ch |
| :--- | ---: |
| 40. K-R3 | P-R5 |
| 41. Q-N4 | PxPch |
| 42. KxP | N-B5 |

Despite White's attempts, he has not been able to create K -side targets.

| 43. Q-N6 | R-N1ch |
| :--- | ---: |
| 44. K-B2 | R-QR1 |
| 45. Q-N3 | N-K3 |
| 46. Q-K3 | R-KRI |
| 47. Q-R7ch | N-B2 |
| 48. K-N2? | ....... |

Overlooking the threat; he must get his Queen out of there.

| 48. | 49...... |
| :--- | ---: |
| Q-N6 $64!$ |  |
| $B-N 4$ |  |

Now it will cost White a pawn to free his Queen. To be sure, it cannot be won, but it can be kept entirely out of the action.

| 50. K-N3 | R-N1ch |
| :--- | ---: |
| 51. K-B2 | R-KB1! |
| 52. K-N3 | P-B4! |

This and the preceding move will saddle White with a weak KP or KBP which will be lost immediately.

## 53. P-KB4

54. KxP

PxPch
This wins a pawn well enough, but 54. ........, PxP ch! would also have done that besides keeping the Queen out of play and sidetracking the King to KN3, for, if $55 . \mathrm{KxP}$ ? then 55. , R-B5 ch! wins the Queen.


Now on 61. K-B1, P-K7 wins since there is no perpetual check. If 62 . Q-K8 ch, then $\qquad$ , K-B2 and White can neither check nor stop $\mathrm{R}-\mathrm{B} 8 \mathrm{ch}$ and $\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{K} 8=$ Q. If $62 . \mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{B} 8 \mathrm{ch}$, then ........, N-B2 and once again the Black pieces cooperate to stop any check. If 62 . Q-R8 ch, then 62. ........, K-Q2; 63. Q-N7 ch, N-B2 and once again White has come to the end of his rope. Therefore, WHITE RESIGNED.

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# GAMES BY USCF MEMBERS 

Annotated
by JOHN W. COLLINS

## WESTBROCK WINS CHAMPIONSHIP

As reported in the August issue of Chess Life, John T. Westbrock of Brooklyn, N. Y. won the New York State Championship with $\alpha$ score of $7-2$ (four draws) ahead of Ivan Theodorovich, half a point behind, and Peter Graves, Allen Kaufman, John Pamiljens, August Rankis, and Mitchell Saltzberg, all with 6-3. Westbrock, a C.P.A. with Texaco, is a veteran of many New York State, Manhattan, Marshall, U. S. Open and weekend championships. Years of correspondence chess, national and international, enable him to manage a long, taxing positional tug, such as the following one, which he regards as his most meaningful in the NYS, with accuracy and alertness.

## New York State Championship Ithaca, 1965

OLD INDIAN DEFENSE
I. Theodorovich

1. P-Q4

N-KB3
2. P.QB4

P-Q3
This Old Indian Defense, favored by M. Chigorin, is akin to the Philidor Defense and can transpose into a King's Indian Defense. But its scope and promise is limited.
3. N-QB3
P-K4
4. PxP

Main alternatives are 4. N-B3, 4. P. K4 and 4. P.Q5. The move played forces an ending which is about equal.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { 4. } \\
& \text { 5. }
\end{aligned} \text { Quach } \quad \begin{aligned}
& \text { PxP } \\
& K \times Q
\end{aligned}
$$

Loss of the castling privilege is less significant with the Queens off.

## 6. B-N5

Or 6. N-B3, QN-Q2; 7. P-KN3, P-B3 with equal chances.
6. ........
B-K3

Better is 6. ........, P-B3! 7. N-B3 (7. O-O-0 ch, K-B2) QN-Q2.

$$
\begin{array}{lll}
\text { 7. O.O-Och } & \text { QN-Q2 } \\
\text { 8. } & \text { N-B3 } & \text { K-B1 }
\end{array}
$$

If 8. ........, BxP; 9. NxP, B-K3; 10. NQ5 gives White the advantage.
9. P-K3
N-N5
12. P-K4
N-B2
10. B-R4
P-KB3
13. B-K2
P-KR4
ii. N-Q2 N-R3

Threatening a version of the Noah's Ark Trap (14. ........, P-KN4; 15. B-N3, P-R5).

| 14. PPB3 | B-QB4 | 17. N-R4 | P-QN3 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 15. KR-B1 | P-B3 | 18. K-N1 | N-Q1 |
| 16. B-B2 | B-K2 | 19. N-N3 | P-QB4 |

16. B-B2 B-K2 19. N-N3 P-QB4

This gains Q5 but loses Q4. An alternative is 19. ......., N-N2 with a program of K-B2, KR-Q1 and QR-B1.

| 20. N-B3 | N-B3 |
| :--- | :--- |
| 21. $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{Q5}$ | B |
| 22. N |  |
| $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{BI}$ | $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{Q} 5$ |

A Roland for his Oliver.
23. B-Q3 B-Q3
24. N-K2
K-N2
26. B-K3
25. N/2-B3

The near-symmetry and Indian-file down the center is geometrically striking.

$$
\begin{array}{lr}
\text { 26. } \\
\text { 27. P-K.KR3 } & \text { P-R5 } \\
\text { P-KN4 }
\end{array}
$$

This leaves the KBP backward and weak and discards the chance of breaking with ........, P-N3 and ........, P-B4. Better are 27. ........, P-N3 and 27. ........, NN1, followed by 28 . ........, N/1-B3.
28. P-QN3
R-B2
31. R-B2
N-B5
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { 29. K-N2 } & \text { N-B1 } & \text { 32. R-Q1 } & \text { NxBch }\end{array}$

## 30. R-QR1 N-N3

The two Bishops are not important in this locked position. There was no hurry about exchanging the Knight as it stood well at B5 and White could only take it at the risk of opening the KN-file for his opponent.
33. RxN
R-KNI
34. R/3-Q2
P-B4

Thus the weak KBP is liquidated, but now the KP and KNP are weak.

$$
\text { 35. } P \times P \quad B \times N \text { ? }
$$

All the simple recaptures are preferable.
36. BxN !


Black's dominating Knight is eliminated and White obtains one!

## 36. <br> BPxB <br> $\qquad$

If 36 . KPxB; 37. NxB, RxP; 38. R/B2-K2 and White penetrates the Kfile. And if 36. ........, B-B3; 37. B-K3 and White has play against the KP and KNP.

$$
\begin{array}{lr}
\text { 37. } \mathrm{N} \times \mathrm{B} & \text { R×P } \\
\text { 38. } \mathrm{K}-\mathrm{B} 2 & \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{R} 3 \text { ? }
\end{array}
$$

Queen-side action is a mistake. In fact Black has nothing better than a noaction policy with 38 . ........., K-B3, 39. ........, KR-KB1 and 40. ........,R/1-B2.

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\text { 39. K-Q3 } & \text { P-N4 } \\
\text { 40. R-B2 } & \text { PxPch }
\end{array}
$$

If 40. ......., K-B3; 41. K-K4, R-B2; 42. PxPch, KxP; 43. R-B4 and White wins.

## 41. PxP!

41. RxP is strong too, but White wants a passed-pawn.

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\text { 41. } & \text { B- }-\mathrm{B4} \\
\text { 42. } & \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{N} 2 \mathrm{ch} \\
\mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{R} 2
\end{array}
$$

The King would be about equally endangered at B3 once White doubled Rooks on the open file.
43. R-B1
R.B2
46. R/1-K1
B-Q3
44. R/I-QNI R-K1
47. R-QN1 B-B1
45. R-K2 R-K3
48. R/2-N2 P-N5I?

Desperate, ingenious and unavailing.

| 49. RPxP | P-R6 |
| :--- | ---: |
| 50. $P \times P$ | RxPch |
| 51. K-K4 | R-B2 |

For if 51 .
RxP; 52. R-N7ch and mate in two.
52. R-N8
R-QB3
53. R-Q8!

White goes for mate.

| 53. ........ | RxP |
| :--- | ---: |
| 54. $\mathrm{K} \times \mathrm{P}$ | $\mathrm{P}-\mathrm{Q} 6$ |
| 55. $\mathrm{R} / 1-\mathrm{N} 8$ | P Q7 |

So near and yet so far.

| 56. R-R8ch | K-N2 |
| :--- | ---: |
| 57. $\mathrm{R}($ Q8)-N8ch | K-B3 |
| 58. RxPch | Resigns |

If 58. ........, K-B4; 59. R-B8ch, K-N4; 60. R-N6ch and mate in two. And if 58. ......... K-Q2; 59. R-R7ch, K-B3; 60. RN6ch, K-B4; 61. R-R5 mate.

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## ALABAMA AND NEW HAMPSHIRE

Two more of our "missing" States have been heard from-Alabama and New Hampshire. Only Idaho, Kansas, Kentucky, Montana, Oregon, South Dakota, Vermont and Wyoming remain on the list of States that have not had games in this column. Let's have some games from them soon!

## Alabama Open Championship

## Birmingham, 1965

CARO-KANN DEFENSE
S. Martinez
G. C. Bates

1. P-K4
2. P-Q4
P-QB3

The Two Knights' Variation (2. N-QB3, P-Q4; 3. N-B3, B-N5; 4. P-KR3, BxN; 5. QxB ) is a newer approach.
2. $\quad$ N- QB3

The two main alternatives are the Panov Attack (3. PxP, PxP; 4. P-QB4, N-KB3; 5. N-QB3 and the Advance Variation (3. P-K5, B-B4; 4. B-Q3, BxB; 5. QxB).

$$
\begin{array}{lll}
\text { 3. } & \text { P.... } & \mathrm{PxP} \\
\text { 4. } & \mathrm{N} \times \mathrm{P} & \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{B4}
\end{array}
$$

Tringov-Smyslov, Capablanca Memorial, Havana, 1965, continued: 4. N-KB3; 5. NxNch, NPxN; 6. N-B3, B-N5; 7. B-K2, P-K3 (book is 7. ......., Q-B2) 8. O-O, B-Q3; 9. P-B4, R-N1; 10. K-R1, N-Q2.

## 5. N-N3 <br> B-N3 <br> 6. N-B3

This is usually preceded by 6. P-KR4, P-KR3.

Other tries are 6. KN-K2 and 6. N-R3, with the idea of $7 . \mathrm{N}-\mathrm{B} 4$ and $8 . \mathrm{NxB}$.
6.
N-Q2
7. B-Q3
BxB

Developing the White Queen is unbooked and seems against principle.

Duckstein-Petrosian, Olympiad, Varna, 1962, went: 7 . $\qquad$ P-K3; 8. O-O, Q-B2; 9. P-B4, O-O-O.

| 8. QxB | KN-B3 | 10. P-B4 | B-K2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 9. $\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{O}$ | P-K3 | 11. B-B4 | ........ |
| Or 11. R-K1. |  |  |  |
| 11. .... | 0.0 | 14. KR-K1 | N-B1 |
| 12. QR-Q1 | Q-R4 | 15. N-K5 |  |
| 13. P-QR3 | KR-K1 |  |  |

## 13. P-QR3 KR-K1

15. P-N4! would forestall

P-B4 and increase the spatial plus.

| 15. | QR..... | QR-Q1 | 17. $P \times P$ |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 16. $Q-K 3$ | $P-B 4$ | 18. $Q-K 2$ | BxP |

Or 18. Q-KB3 threatening $19 \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{N} 4$ or 19. QxP.
18.

B-Q5
Preferable are 18 $\qquad$ Q-R̄̄ and 18. B-Q3.
19. N-B3 P-K4

This cedes a Bishop, weakens the KP and loses control of KB4, but if 19. ........, B-N3??; 20. P-N4 wins a piece.

> 20. B-N5 Q-R5!

Also feasible is
PxB

$$
\text { 21. } B \times N
$$

PxB
22. N-B5
22. $\mathrm{NxB}, \mathrm{PxN} ; 23$. Q-Q3 has the advantage of further weakening Black's Pawns and getting a Bishop.

N-K3?

One might expect 22. ........, B-N3. 23. $\mathrm{N} / 3 \mathrm{xB} \quad \mathrm{PxN}$

Not 23. ........, NxN?? 24. Q-N4ch and 25. Q-N7 mate.

## 24. Q-N4ch

Interesting is 24. $\mathrm{NxP}, \mathrm{NxN} ; 25 . \mathrm{RxN}$, RxQ; 26. RxRch, K-N2; 27. RxR, QxBP; 28. R/2-Q2, Q-B8ch; 29. R-Q1, QxP; 30. $\mathrm{R} / 8-\mathrm{Q} 3$. It is probably a draw. 24.

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K-R1
```

25. RxN!??


Intent: homicide, result; suicide. 25. Q-K2, 25. R-Q3 and 25. N-R6 leave the issue in doubt.
25. ........

R-KN1!


This fingers the flaw in White's combination and stops his attack.

## 26. Q-R5

White must protect his QR , but 26 . Q-K2 saves a move.
26.
R-N4
27. Q-B3?
Again better is 27. Q-K2.

| 27. ...... | R×N |
| :--- | :--- |
| 28. Q-Q3 | PxR |

Resigns

Bates won the Championship-as he had previously done in 1954.

## New Hampshire Open, 1965

## KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE

J. Alvord
D. Maxwell

1. P-Q4
N-KB3
2. P-K4
P-Q3
3. P-QB4 P-KN3
4. P-B3
5. N-QB3 B-N2

This is the Samisch Variation. 5. P-B4, the Four Pawns attack, a pawn-rush, is an old alternative which has experienced some recent revival.

$$
\begin{array}{llr}
\text { 5. } & \ldots \ldots . & O-0 \\
\text { 6. } & \mathrm{B}-\mathrm{K} 3 & \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{K} 4
\end{array}
$$

Both 6. ........, N-B3 and 6. ........, QN-Q2 have their supporters.
7. P-Q5

While this is most favored, 7. KN-K2, maintaining the center tension, has much to recommend it.

$$
7 . \quad \text { N. ...... }
$$

A good line, possibly better, is 7 . P-B3; 8. Q-Q2, PxP; 9. BPxP, PQR3; 10. P-KN4, QN-Q2; 11. KN-K2, PKR4!

## 8. Q-Q2

Or 8. P-KN4, P-KB4; 9. NPxP, PxP; 10. $\mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{Q} 2=$.

## 8. B_N5 <br> P-KB4

A hoary piece loss is 9 . B-R6??, QR5ch; 10. P-N3, QxB.
White does not want his QB to be shut-in. More usual, however, is 9. O-0-0. Balanel-Solin, Marianske Lazne, 1954, then continued with 9. ........, P-QR4; 10.

B-Q3, N-R3; 11. KN-K2, N-B4; 12. BQB2, B-Q2 with equal chances.
9. ........ B-B3
10. B-R6 N-N2

Black should plumb White's intentions with 10. ........, B-N2.

| 11. O.O-O | P-B5 |
| :--- | :---: |
| 12. P-KN3 | B-N4 |
| P-KN4? | 13. |
| P-KR4! |  |

If 12. ........, P-KN4? 13. P-KR4!
13. BxB
14. $\mathrm{KN}-\mathrm{K} 2$
$\mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{B} 3$
In order to exchange the "bad" Bishop.

| 16. ... | N-R4 | 19. N-Q4! | R-B2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 17. B-R3 | BxB | 20. K-N1 |  |
| 18. RxB P-QR3 |  |  |  |
| If 20. N-K6, N-N2. |  |  |  |
| 20. ...... | N-Q2 | 23. Q-Q4 | N-K6 |
| 21. N-K6 | N-K4 | 24. $Q \times Q$ | NxQ |
| 22. P-B5 | N-B5 | 25. R-Q4 |  |

White makes good use of this square of entry. Now 26. PxP, PxP; 27. NxP is threatened.

| 25. |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| 26. R-N4 | N-R4 |
| 27. P-N3 | R-N1 |
| P-N 3 |  |

White's Knight at K6 is too strong, it should be challenged with 27. N-N2.
28. $P \times Q P$
PxP
31. N/5-Q4 R-QB1
29. R-R4
P-R4
32. N-B6
K-B2
30. N-QN5 R-Q2
33. N-N5ch
........

White has skillfully maneuvered his QR and Knights and is ready for a pawnbreak. 32. P-N4 at once is indicated (32. ........ RxN?? 33. PxR, attacking the Rook, and Black has no time for KxN.

## 33. ....... K-N2 <br> 34. P-N4! N-Q8

These Knight-forking threats are soon exhausted.

| 35. K-B2 | N-K6ch | 38. RxP | R-N2 |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 36. K-Q3 | N-Q8 | 39. N-K6ch | K-B3 |
| 37. R-R2 | PxP | 40. $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{K}-\mathrm{Q} 8!$ | $\ldots . .$. |



This is the winning idea.
40. .......

Sacrificing the Knights for a Rook and a Pawn is decisive because of the passedpawn and the misplaced Black Knights.

| 41. $\qquad$ R/1xN(Q1) |  |  |  | P-R5 | R-QRI |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 45. | P-R6 | K-Q2 |
| 42. | NxR | RxN | 46. | R-QB2 | N-K6 |
|  | P-R4 | K-K2 |  | R/2-B6 | N-B3 |

Losing a piece shortens the agony. White would win anyway by obtaining two more passed-pawns with 48 . RxPch.

## 48. RxPch <br> Resigns

All maturely managed by White.
Alvord and Maxwell are preparatory school students-the former at Phillips Exeter Academy and the latter at St. Paul's School.

## Chess Life

## Here and There . . .

USCF Expert Sanford Greene of White Plains, N.Y. swept to a $5-0$ victory in the 2nd USCF Futurity, played in Hartford, Conn. on November 27-28. The tournament was limited to players who had never before won a USCF-rated tournament. Greene's best previous showings were a second place in the 1959 Intercollegiate and fourth prize in the 1959 New York City Championship.

Second place in the tournament went to Frederick Townsend (4-1) who also directed. Juris Ozols, Brian Bambrough, and Ronald Morgan were next in line, all with $31 / 2$ points, in a field of 25 .

The championship of the Rochester (N.Y.) Chess Club was won for the umpteenth time by Dr. Erich Marchand, whose score of 5-0 was quite sufficient. Randy Mackenzie ( $31 / 2$ ) and Alan Plutzik (3) were next in the 6 -player round robin, held November 19-21.

Virginia state champion Charles Powell scored a $5-0$ sweep in the Richmond Open on November 27-28. Craig Hemphill, Julian Allen, and W. Rozzell-all with 4-1-finished second through fifth in a field of twenty-five.

The second annual Anthony N. Spinnato Memorial Tournament, played in Baltimore, Md., was won by defending champion William N. Bragg with a score
of $41 / 2-21 / 2$. Robert Erkes and Lewis A. Hucks were second and third in the 8 player round robin.

Before going on to the American Open in Santa Monica, grandmaster Pal Benko stopped off in San Diego to score a $5-0$ sweep in the 30 -player Mission Bay Open, played on November 19-21. Larry Evans was second, half a point behind, while Tibor Weinberger, Eric Osbun and Harry Borochow-all with 4-1-finished third through fifth. The Herman Steiner Memorial Tournament, scheduled to be held concurrently, was cancelled.

Fifty-one players turned out for the Illowa Open, played in Moline, Illinois on November 13-14. Glen Proechel turned in a perfect $5-0$ to take a clear first and Paul Tautvaisas, with $41 / 2$, was second. James Gibbs, Mike Frithiof, Vic Krohn, M.D. Matherly, and Steve Eagles were next in line, all with $4-1$. The Junior Prize went to William Fleissner. The tournament was sponsored by the Illowa Chess Club and directed by Stan Roberts and John Hoye.

Sam G. Priebe edged out Jack L. Gibson to take first place in the Phoenix (Ariz.) Open on November 26-28. Each player scored $41 / 2-1 / 2$. In spite of the tiebreak, the players will meet in a 4 -game


The Club del Mar in Santa Monica, California was the attractive playing site of the first American Open, held over the Thanksgiving weekend. One hundred twenty-two players battled for more than $\$ 2000$ in prize money. (See p. 257)
-Photo by Art Zeller
match to determine the state championship. Bruce R. Isaacs edged out J. Daniel Leach for third, each scoring 4 points. The tournament, sponsored by the Phoenix Chess Club, attracted 39 players.

Twenty-two players were on hand for the Northeast Open, played in Lynn, Massachusetts on November $13-14$, with victory going to John A. Curdo who posted a perfect $5-0$. Robert G. Loyte, $4-1$, took second while Edward Page edged out Joseph Foley for third.

George Gant, scoring $41 / 2 \cdot 1 / 2$, took first place in the Midwest Open, played in Lincoln, Nebraska on October 16-17. Gilbert Ramirez, Mare Hutchison, and Warren Wittekind-all with 4 -1-finished second through fourth in that order. Ramirez won the Nebraska State Championship title. Twenty-two players took part in the tournament which was sponsored by the Lincoln Chess Foundation.

The annual Cloudcroft Resort Open, played in Alamogordo, N.M. on November 11-14, was won by Wesley Koehler of Brighton, Colorado with a score of $51 / 2-1 / 2$. Max Burkett of Las Cruces, N.M. was second in the 14 -player field with a score of 5-1.

USCF master Kenneth Smith turned in a 5-0 score to take first place in a speed tournament played at the Holiday Inn in Denton, Texas on November 21. Tibor Rekey, who lost only to Smith, took second place in a field of 16 .

George Berry edged out Edwin Cohen for first place in the Falls City Open, played in Louisville, Kentucky on November $20-21$. Both scored $41 / 2,1 / 2$. Harold F. Branch Jr. and Richard Ernst finished third and fourth respectively, with scores of 4-1. Twenty-four players competed in the tournament which was held under the auspices of the Louisville Chess Club.
S. A. Popel took first place in the $30-$ player Third Minneapolis Open on November 13-14. Tied with Popel, at $41 / 2-1 / 2$, but trailing in the tie-break column, was Milton Otteson who placed second. Laszlo Ficsor, R. K. Johnson, and Ronald Elmquist were next in line. A "minor tournament," held concurrently, was won by Dale Gustafson.

The Middle Georgia Open, played in Macon on November 6-7, was won by D. Brad Wade whose score of $41 / 2-1 / 2$ was tops in a field of twenty-one. Craig Hemphill edged out Jack P. Gwin for second, each scoring 4-1. The junior championship went to Bill Thombs.
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AIRMAN DAVID M. LEES of James Connally AFB, Texas (Home: Springfield, Mass.), who won the 1965 Armed Forces Chess Championship (see November CHESS LIFE), was happy to be "in the middle" at the Thomas Emery Chess Awards Dinner in the Sheraton-Carlton Hotel when Maj. Hugh G. Robinson, Army Aide at the White House, gave him President Johnson's congratulations, inscribed in a 1965 Inaugural Souvenir Book. American Chess Foundation Vice President G. Randle Grimes of Atlantic City, N.J. holds the sterling silver Champion's Trophy.
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Alexander Keyes scored 41/2 points in five rounds to take a clear first in the Maine Open, played in Portland on November 13-14. William Hemmeles edged out veteran Harlow Daly for second, each posting an undefeated 4-1. It was the second year in a row that Keyes has won the Open title; Daly, as the highest scoring Maine player, was declared state champion.

The Junior Championship of the Pittsburgh (Pa.) Chess Club was won by John Kolts whose score of $51 / 2 \cdot 1 / 2$ topped a four-player double round robin.

A Pittsburgh team traveled to the YMCA in Erie, Pa. on November 7 to play a 16 -board match with a team from Buffalo and Erie. The visitors, though losing the top five games, managed to score a victory to the tune of $81 / 2 \cdot 71 / 2$. We are informed by the club's publicity director, Martin S. Lubell, that during the last four years Pittsburgh has played 11 matches without defeat-winning 10 and drawing one!

Dr. Bruno Schmidt ran up a 4-0 score to win the championship of the Syracuse (N.Y.) Chess Club, played during October and November. Royce Allen and Robert Buck were next in the 13-player event, each scoring 3-1.

Gerald and Robert Rubin of Montreal, Canada scored $41 / 2 \cdot 1 / 2$ to tie for first place in the Green Mountain Chess Con-
gress Open, played in Rutland, Vermont on October 23-24. The 21-player tournament was dominated by Canadian players, Peter Murray of Ottawa and James Millar of Montreal finishing third and fourth with scores of 4-1.
M.I.T. edged out Fordham University on tie-break points to win the Eastern Intercollegiate Tournament, played at Pennsylvania State University on November 6-7. The Penn State team finished third.

The Wichita (Kansas) CAC Classic Open, played November 6-7, attracted 20 entries and was won by D. Ballard in a 5-0 sweep. Wayne Dockery (4-1) placed second and Donald Varvel ( $31 / 2$ ) was third.

A Thanksgiving 30/30 Open sponsored by the Cedar Valley Chess Club of Waterloo, Iowa ended in a tie between Robert Burrell of Jessup, Iowa and Dan Reynolds of Fort Dodge. Each scored 5-1 to top a field of 18 .

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Alexander Edelsburg and John A. Chalmers are co-champions of South Carolina, each scoring five wins and a draw in a field of 27 contestants in Columbia, S.C. on November 26-28. Edelsburg was previously state champion in 1952 and was co-champion in 1956 and 1960. Chalmers is a 25 -year-old premedical senior at the University of South Carolina. Third place in the tournament went to Peter Wludyka of Columbia, with four wins and one loss. The state junior title was awarded to Gene C. Haney, a high school student from Spartanburg.

A newly created chess club, specifically for juniors, recently became active in Los Angeles. Operating under the name of Student Chess Club of Los Angeles, it is believed to be the first of its kind in the country. The Fall schedule of activities officially opened in October with a 5 -round $30 / 30$ tournament in which 28 boys participated. The winner was Alan Dorn with a perfect score of 5-0. Steven Gruen finished second with $41 / 2-1 / 2$ and Tom Beckman was third with $4-1$. Prizes were awarded by the Piatigorsky Foundation, which sponsors the club.

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The Manhattan Chess Club again provided playing facilities for the New York City Interscholastic Chess League, which opened its 1965-6 season with three individual tournaments under the direction of Dr. Milton Hanauer.

USCF master Walter Browne of Erasmus High School, Brooklyn, captured the High School Individual, which was limited to students in grades 10 through 12. Browne scored $5^{1 / 2-1 / 2}$ in the 32 -player Swiss. New York City under- 16 champion Sal Matera took second with 5-1 and accounted for Browne's half-point minus. Third through sixth were John Towsen, Steven Barry, Jed Stein and David Wiltenburg, all with $4 \frac{1}{2}$.

The Ninth Grade Individual, a 26 player, 10 -round Swiss, resulted in a tie between Stuart Weissman of Ryan and Michael Goodman of Horace Mann, both scoring $81 / 2$. Peter Henner was third with $71 / 2$; Sam Gutmann and Richard Sulzbach each scored 7.

The Junior Individual for 8th grade and below was won by Leonard Schleifer of Sage with $12-2$ in a 15 -player field. Following were Mitchell Goldfarb, 11-3, Daniel Holzman, $91 / 2-41 / 2$ and Richard Adler, 9-5.
The league will have a much larger entry for its team tournaments which begin in February. Some of the tournaments may be USCF-rated, for the first time.

USCF Master Michael Valvo swept to a $6-0$ victory in the 1965 Baltimore Open on October 29-31. Charles W. Powell, $5-1$, placed second in a field of 36 , while Henry Steinbach, John Pamiljens and Edmund Nash-all with $41 / 2$ points-finished third through fifth.

In the 45 -player Amateur Division, held concurrently, Lt. Gail S. Kujawa edged out Eddie Kitces, Joseph Uher and Bruce W. Fletcher-all of whom scored 5-1.

The two events were co-sponsored by the Maryland Chess Association and the Towson Chess Club. Dr. G. Lee Schreiber and Howard E. Ross were the directors.
U.S. players may be interested to know of the Quebec Carnival Chess Tournament, to be played at the Quebec Institute of Technology, 310 Bl . Langelier, Quebec 2, Canada on February 11-13. Full details may be had by writing to Dominique Lamontagne, 831 Louisiane St., Quebec 10, P.Q., Canada.

Al Weissman scored a 5-0 sweep to take too honors in the 1965 New London Y Chess Club Candidates Tournament played in New London, Conn. from September to December. Harry Lyman, Jose Espino, Ernie Widham, and Ron Morgan were next in line, all with 4-1.

The 1965 New Mexico Open, played in Albuquerque on December 4-5, was won by Troy Armstrong of the host city with a score of $41 / 2 \cdot 1 / 2$. Second in the 44 -player field was Dennis Naylin, Boulder, Colorado who led the four-pointers on tie-breakers. Gary Simms, Amarillo, Texas; Sidney Brower, Los Alamos, N.M.
and Jerry Hayden-all 4-1-finished third through fifth. The tournament had a record turnout for a chess event in New Mexico and was sponsored by the Albuquerque Chess Club, Warren Miller directing.

The eighth annual Thanksgiving $30 / 30$ Open, played in Waterloo, Iowa on November 20-21, ended in a tie between Robert Burrell and Dan Reynolds, each of whom scored $5-1$ to lead the 18player field. William K. Diehl, $4^{1 / 2}-11 / 2$, finished third.

A Labor Day tournament that we did not previously report is the 1965 New England Open, played in Boston on September 3-6. Winner in the 70-player major division was Harry Lyman with a score of 6-1. John Curdo, Harold Feldheim, David Turner, and Harlow Dalyall with $51 / 2$ points - finished second through fifth.

The Reserve Division, with 60 players, ended in a tie between William Parberry and Robert Milardo, each with 6-1. Third through fifth were Aaron Adelston, Robert Loyte, and Gabor Lantos. The tournament was directed by Robert Goodspeed.

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| Rating System |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Rating Fees .................................................................. | 4,130.18 |
| Other Income |  |
| General Donations ....................................................... ${ }^{\text {S }} 25.25$ |  |
| Earmarked Donations ................................................ 6,391.22 | 6,416.47 |
| TOTAL INCOME | \$98,734.20 |
| EXPENSES |  |
| Membership Promotion and Retention |  |
| Printing and Mailing | \$ 1,045.57 |
| Chess Life |  |
| Printing and Mailing .................................................. \$20,083.03 |  |
| Editorial Fees and Expenses ...................................... 1,936.80 | 22,019.83 |
| Book and Equipment Department |  |
| Cost of Chess Books and Equipment Sold* ..............\$22,368.79 |  |
| Shipping Supplies and Expenses ............................... 886.10 | 23,254.89 |
| Tournament Department |  |
| Prizes and Expenses | 12,973.94 |
| General Overhead and Other Expenses |  |
| Taxes ............................................................................ ${ }^{\text {S }}$ 1,563.43 |  |
| Office Salaries .............................................................. 21,230.00 |  |
| Rent .............................................................................. 2,100.00 |  |
| Stationery, Printing and Office Supplies .................. 840.15 |  |
| General Postage ......................................................... 4,315.14 |  |
| Telephone and Telegraph .......................................... 829.76 |  |
| Administrative and Travel Expense ........................... 1,888.54 |  |
| Accounting and Legal .................................................. 1,162.64 |  |
| Maintenance and Repairs ........................................... ${ }^{\text {\$ }} 274.82$ |  |
| Insurance ................................................................... 346.31 |  |
| F.I.D.E. and International Tournament Expense.... 2,235.10 |  |
| Depreciation-Furniture, Office and |  |
| Tournament Equipment ...................................... 249.04 | \$37,034.93 |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | \$96,329.16 |
| NET INCOME FOR THE YEAR | \$ 2,405.04 |
| ${ }^{8}$ Inventory-Books and Equipment-July 1, 1964...... ${ }^{\text {a }} 14,097.23$ |  |
| Add-Purchases .......................................................... 23,291.92 |  |
| \$37,389.15 |  |
| Less-Inventory-June 30, 1965 ................................. 15,020.36 |  |
| (Submitted by Management) - |  |
| Cost of Chess Books and Equipment Sold ................\$22,368.79 |  |

## TOURNAMENT LIFE


#### Abstract

Tournament organizers wishing announcement of USCF rated events should make application at least six weeks before the publication date of CHESS LIFE. Special forms for requesting such announcements may be obtained only from U.S. Chess Federation, 80 E. 11th St., New York 3, N.Y.


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IOWA-NORTH CENTRAL OPEN
5-rd Swiss, $30 / \mathrm{hr}$,, to be played at Wahkonsa Hotel, 927 Central Ave., Ft. Dodge, Iowa. $70 \%$ of net entry fees divided among top scorers. Entry fee \$6; Juniors under 19, \$4.00. Register by $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. on starting date; last round ends at 6 p.m. on Jan. 16. Entries \& inquiries: John M. Osness, 320 Columbia Circle, Waterloo, Iowa 50701 .

## January 28-29-30 <br> BROOKLYN OPEN

6-rd Swiss, 50/2, at Central YMCA, 55 Hanson Place, Brooklyn, N.Y. $\$ 150$ first prize; $\$ 100$ second; $\$ 50$ third; trophies to top three and to top expert, A, B, C, D, unrated, junior and woman. Entry fee: $\$ 10$ if received by January 21, otherwise $\$ 12$. For Juniors under 21; $\$ 6$ if received by Jan. 21, otherwise $\$ 8$. Advance entry fee will be refunded if you become unable to play. Registration closes 8 p.m. on Jan. 28; first round begins promptly at $9 \mathrm{p.m}$. Central YMCA is next to Atlantic Ave. subway station; men's accommodations available. Send entries \& inquiries to USCF, 80 E. 11 St., New York, N.Y.

## January 28-30 <br> NORTH FLORIDA OPEN

5-rd Swiss, $50 / 2 \frac{1 / 2}{}$, to be played at Mayflower Hotel, 10 Julia, Jacksonville, Florida. In three sections: Open \& Amateur (USCF rated), Booster (FCA rated), entries permitting. Guaranteed $\$ 50$ first prize, other prizes depending on entries. Entries \& inquiries: Bill Segal, 5138 Rose Bay Terrace, Jackson: ville, Fla. Entry fee $\$ 8$, juniors under 18 \$2 plus USCF and FCA (\$2) dues if not already a member.

## January 29-30

BROWNSVILLE TWIN TORNADO
Two tournaments, one each day, to be held at the Stillman Town Hall, Fort Brown Civic Center, Brownsville, Texas. 4 -rd Swiss, $30 / \mathrm{hr}$, trophies each day for 1st and 2nd; trophies for best combined score and for best combined scores in Classes A, B, C, and Unrated;
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## January 29-30 <br> ST. PAUL OPEN CHESS FESTIVAL

Major event a 5 -round Swiss, $50 / 2$, at Brown \& Bigelow Research \& Development Bldg., 450 Syndicate St., St. Paul, Minn. 1st prize, $\$ 100$ plus trophy; 2nd $\$ 50$ plus trophy 3 rd $\$ 25$; 4th $\$ 20$; 5 th $\$ 15$; 6th thru 10th USCF memberships; trophies Class A, B, C, Unrated. Entry fee $\$ 6$ plus USCF dues if not a member. Concurrently with above, a minor tourna: concurrentiy (unrated) restricted to unrated \& "C" or below; entry fee $\$ 4$, students $\$ 3$. On Sunday or below; entry fee $\$ 4$, students $\$ 3$. Mond 5 moves/hr., only, an unrated 5-round Swiss, 40 moves/hr., entry fee \$4. Also a speed event on Sunday evening, entry fee \$1. Further details: Alden
R. Riley, 2095 E. Cowern Place, N. St. Paul,


## Starts February 4

## KINGS COUNTY JUNIOR OPEN

6 -rd Swiss, $45 / 11 / 2$, to be held at the Kings County Chess Club, Central YMCA, 55 Hanson Place, Brooklyn, N.Y. One game per week; starts Feb. 4 at $7: 30$ P.M. and continues at the same time on successive Fridays. Open the same time on successive Fridays. Open do all players under 21 regardless of residence. Entry fee: $\$ 2$ if received by Feb. 3,
otherwise $\$ 3$. $\$ 1$ less to King's County C.C. otherwise $\$ 3$. $\$ 1$ less to King's County C.C.
members. Trophy and book prizes; all entry fees go into prize fund. Send advance entries and inquiries to W , Goichberg, 450 Prospect Ave., Mt. Vernon, N.Y.

## February 11-13 <br> SOUTH JERSEY OPEN

6-rd Swiss, 50/2, at Hotel President, Albany at the Boardwalk, Atlantic City, N.J. Cash for 1 ist, 2nd, 3rd, Expert A, B, C, D, Unrated, Women: amounts depend on entries. Guaranteed $\$ 150$ for first. SJCA title to highest-scoring SJCA member. Entry fee \$10; 18-21 years, \$7.50; under 16, \$5. Entries \& inquiries: Lewis E. Wood, 1425 Sycamore St., Haddon Heights, N.J. 08035 . Entries close 8 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 11.

## February 18 -20

 EL PASO OPEN6-rd Swiss at Desert Hills Motel, El Paso,

Texas, $\$ 150$ guaranteed first prize: $\$ \$$ prizes and trophies for winners in all classes. Entry fee $\$ 10$ plus USCF dues if not a member. For further details: Hector Fabela, 5904 Delta Drive, El Paso, Texas 79905.

## Starts February 18 <br> JAMAICA JUNIOR OPEN

6-rd Swiss, $45 / 11 / 2$, to be held at the Jamaica Chess Club, 155-10 Jamaica Ave., Jamaica, N.Y. Oze game per week; starts February 18 at 7:30 P.M. and continues at the same time on successive Fridays. Open to all players under 21 regardless of residence. Entry fee; $\$ 2$ if received by Feb. 17, otherwise \$3. \$1 less to Jamaica C.C. members. Trophy and book prizes; all entry fees go into prize fund. Send advance entries and inquiries to W. Goichberg, 450 Prospect Ave., Mt. Vernon, N.Y.

## MINNESOTA OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP (MAJOR)

Open to all players except USCF rated ex perts \& masters, 6-rd Swiss, $45 / 2$, at Brown \& Bigelow Co. Cafeteria, 450 Syndicate Ave., St. Paul, Minn. First prize $\$ 50$ \& trophy; 2nd $\$ 25$ \& trophy; 3rd $\$ 10$; also trophies to top Class \& Crophy; 3rd $\$ 10$, also trophies to top Class B, C, D, Unrated, Woman. Top two Minn.
residents qualify for playoff Feb. residents qualify for playoff Feb. 26-27. Entry ee $\$ 6$. Registration time $6: 30$ to $7: 45$ p.m. on Friday, Feb. 18. Non-rated amateur section to be held concurrently with above. Further details: Richard Ashford, 1908 41st Ave. N.E., Minneapolis, Minn. 55421.

## MINNESOTA February ${ }^{18-20}$ CPENPIONSHIP (PREMIER)

Restricted to Class A and higher-rated players, 5 -rd Swiss, $45 / 2$, at same playing site as above. First prize $\$ 100$ \& trophy; 2nd $\$ 40$ \& trophy; 2rd \& Top Class A-trophy awards. Entry fee $\$ 10$. Top 4 Minn. residents qualify for playoff Feb. 26-27. Registration time 6:30 o $7: 45$ p.m. on Friday, Feb, 18. Further details: Richard Ashford at above address.

## February 20

MINN. OPEN SUNDAY TORNADO
To be held concurrently with above; 4-rd Swiss, $30 / \mathrm{hr}$. First prize $\$ 25$ \& trophy; trophies for second and to top Class A, B, C \& D, Unrated. Entry fee $\$ 5$. Registration time 8:30 to $9: 15 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Sunday, Feb. 20 (also on Friday evening and all day Sat.) Details: Richard Ashford at above address.

## Starts February 20

KINGS COUNTY CHESS CLUB OPEN
6 -rd Swiss, $50 / 2$, to be held at the Kings County Chess Club, Central YMCA, 55 Hanson Place, Brooklyn, N.Y. One game per week; starts Feb. 20 at 2:00 P.M. and continues at the same time on successive Sundays. Open to all USCF members. Entry fee: $\$ 6$, $\$ 4$ to juniors under 21. $\$ 2$ less to Kings County C.C. members. Prizes according to entries. Send advance entries and inquiries to Kings County Chess Club, address above.

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Rd., Wethersfield, ${ }^{1}$ Conn. $06109 .{ }^{\text {Bon-rated, }}$, Rd.,
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moves an hour.

## February 22

## HOLIDAY $40-20$

8 -rd Swiss, 40 moves in 20 minutes, to be held at Marshall C.C.. 23 W . 10 St. , New York, N.Y. Entry fee $\$ 4$; $\$ 2$ to players under 17 . Fifty percent off entry for Marshall members. First round begins 10 a.m.; last round ends 7:30 p.m. Prizes according to entries. Entries and inquiries: Wm. Goichberg, 450 Prospect Ave., Mit. Vernon, N.Y. Non-rated, since fastest rateable time limit is thirty moves an hour.

OKLAHOMA February OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP
5-Round Swiss at Upper Lounge Student Union Building, U. of Oklahoma, Norman, Okla. Winner becomes OPEN Champion, highest placing Oklahoman becomes State Champion; trophy prizes for champions and for winner A, B, C, Upset and Junior. Cash prizes from entry fees after expenses $60 \%$ for 1 st, from ent 2nd, $15 \%$ for 3 rd. Entry fee $\$ 5.00$.
$25 \%$, for
Repistration $8: 30 \cdot 10: 30$, first rd commences $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Registration } \\ \text { R:30-10:30, first } \\ \text { rd } & \text { commences } \\ \text { 11:00 A.M. Tournament Director is Jerry }\end{array}$ Spann. An unrated junior tournament held Spann. An unrated junior tend advance enconcurrently, furi or under. Send advance en-
tries or inquiries to D. Ballard, Cleveland House, Norman, Okla.

> February $26-27$
> 8th Annual
> GEM CITY OPEN

5 -rd Swiss, 45 moves in 1 hr .45 min ., at Central YMCA, 117 W. Monument Ave., Dayton, Ohio. Registration $8: 30$ to $9: 30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Sat., Feb. 26. $\$ 50$ first prize guaranteed. Cash prizes to Class A, B, C, Unrated, Junior. Entry fee: adults s6; Juniors (18 or under) S5. Advance entry fee (if postmarked by Advance entries \& details: Jim Crider, 309 Arms Drive, Fairborn, Ohio 45324.

## March 25-27 <br> 2nd Annual <br> CHESS FORUM OPEN

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## March 26-27 <br> PENNSYLVANIA INDIVIDUAL COLLEGE CHAMPIONSHIP

Restricted to full-time students at Pennsylvania Colleges. $5-\mathrm{rd}$ Swiss, $50 / 2$, at Houston Hall, University of Penn., Spruce St., between $34 \& 36$ Sts., Philadelphia, Pa. Rotating and $34 \& 36$ Sts., Philadelphia, Pa. Rotating and
permanent trophy for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Brilliancy, permanent trophy for $1 \mathrm{st}, 2 \mathrm{nd}$, 3rd, Brilliancy, March 18. Advance entries \& inquiries: Kenneth LeBow, 12 S. 34th St., Philadelphia, Pa, 19104.

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## April 16.17

GREATER PEORIA OPEN
5-rd Swiss, $40 / 100$ min., at Jefferson Hotel. 235 S.W. Jefferson, Peoria, Ililnois. Prize fund approx. $\$ 150$; actual amount depends on num ber of entries. 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, plus unrated and class prizes. Entry fee $\$ 6$; Juniors under 19, \$5. Registration 8-9:30 a.m. on opening day; 1 st round starts at 10 a.m. Advance entries \& inquiries: Murrel Rhodes, 1011 Springfield Rd., East Peoria, Illinois 61611.

## POSCHEL WINS MOTOR CITY

Dr. Paul Poschel of Ann Arbor, Michigan won the 1965 Motor City Open, played in Detroit on November 26-28, with an unequalled score of $51 / 2-1 / 2$. Paul Dupuis, Mark Pence, Wesley Burgar, and Charles Bassin-all with 5-1-finished second through fifth in a field of 66 players.

Class prizes were awarded as follows: Top Expert, Philip Kolody; First 19001999, Charles Bassin; First 1800-1899, Lindell Brady; First 1700-1799, Bernard Rollin; First 1600-1699, Ed Molenda; First 1500-1599, Donald Rule; First 14001499, Duwayne Riggins; Women's Champion, Mrs. A. Markowski.

The tournament, sponsored by the University of Detroit Chess Club, was directed by Arthur Mack.

Stephen Stadnicki, with a score of $51 / 2$ $1 / 2$, captured first place in the American International College Open, played in Springfield, Mass. on November 21 and 28. George Krauss, Jr. (5-1) placed second in the 27 -player event while Carl McClure edged out Tournament Director Harvey Burger for third, each scoring $41 / 2$ points.

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Larry Evans, International Grandmaster, has been United States chess champion and "Open" champion several times, Canadian "Open" champion once, and was a member of the United States Olympic Team in 1958 and 1962. Mr. Evans is author of New Ideas in Chess, a book in which the many aspects of strategy are illustrated from actual play.


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