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# BISGUIER 

## Shares First Place With Tartakower; <br> Golombek, Penrose, Schmid Share Third

SPECIAL:-By virtue of a 10th round win while Dr. Tartakower was drawing a difficult Caro-Kann against Bogoljuboff, U.S. Junior Champion Arthur Bisguier in the best tradition of young American masters abroad shared first place honors at the Southsea International Tournament in England with Grandmaster Tartakower.

Bisguier suffered his only loss, and with it lead in the tournament, in the semi-final round when he succumbed to English Champion Golombek in a 56 move Budapest.

Penrose, the 16 -year old London Champion, drew with Golombek in the final round and thus shared third plage with Golombek and the young German master Schmid-a very distinguished beginning for a teen-age player in his first international venture. Bogoljuboff, who has been very successful in recent German tournament, placed sixth.
Early rounds in the Southsea International Tournament in Eng. land have been a triumph for youth in the persons of our own U. S. Junior Champion Arthur Bisguier and the teen-age Champion of London, Jonathan Penrose. At the end of 8 rounds, Bisguier was leading with $61 / 2-11 / 2$, while Penrose and Tartakower were tied for second with $6-2$,
In the first 8 rounds Bisguier defeated Leslie, 9 'Hanlon, Wade, Ursell, and Penrose, while draw. ing with Prins, Tartakower and Schmid. The 16 -year old Penrose was a little less steady, but more spectacular in his wins, scoring outright victories over Thomas, Bogoljuboff, Prins and Tartakower, but losing his 8th round contest with Bisguier.
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SOUTHSEA TOURNAMENT



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## NASH, THOMAS TOP EARLY D,C, ROUNDS

As the 1950 District of Columbia Championship goes into the fourth round, CHESS LIFE columnist Edmund Nash and George Thomas are tied for the lead with 3-0 each in an event that includes such players as Hans Berliner, Oscar Shapiro and Martin Stark.


General Eurico Gaspar Dutra, President of Brazil, indulges in a quiet game of chess. His Execllency, a noted patron of chess, is a familiar figure at all outstanding chess functions in Rio de Janciro.


## By Wasition P. Murphy <br> Chicago, III.

Composed for Chess Life


## White To Play And Win!

$\mathrm{P}^{\text {OSITION No. } 75 \text { is the first original composition of a young col- }}$ encouraging a revial of the which we are publishing in the interest of the position is a little bizzare, the winning line is clear-cut and effective. Position No. 76 is a rather famous study by Kubbel in which a very deft series of checks force Black into a losing position, for all of his advantage in material.

Mr. Richard K. Guy of London writes me, moralizing avout endgame compositions and the difficulty of creating one that is absolutely sound. His own composition (published as No. 70 in this column on February 5) won 1st Prize in the informal composing tourney of the Romanian "Sah" in 1948-yet recently Mr. Walter Veitch of London, has found a continuation which leaves White no promise of victory: 1. P-R7, RxKt!; 2. P-R8(Q), R-R4ch; 3, K-Kt7, BxP! Can any of our readers now find a winning line for White.

Please furn to Page four for solutions.

## EMIGH CAPTURES SO. DAKOTA TITLE

Don Emigh of Pierre won the So, Dakota Championship with a $4 \frac{1}{2}$ $1 / 2$ score in a 5 -round, 14-man Swiss event, held at Rapid City, So. Dak. The winner, whose name is pronounced "amy," is a 22 year old employee of IBM So. Dak. office.
M. H. Semrau placed second and B. W. Holmes third on S-B points with 4-1 each. B, D. Goddard was fourth with $31 / 2-11 / 2$; while M. F. Anderson was fifth and Dr. Geo. D. Shaw sixth on S-B points with 3-2 each.
C. R. Stearns of Rapid City won the Rapid Transit title, while
Irving White placed second. Irving White placed second.
Dr. Geo. D. Shaw of Tripp was elected president of the South Dakota Chess Ass'n, and M. F. Anderson of Rapid City was once again chosen as secretary-treasurer.

## BUDAPEST HOLDS ALL USSR PARTY

The so-called Candidates Tournament at Budapest began on time with the following entrants finding travel visas available for the event: Stahlberg (Sweden), Najdorf (Argentina or Poland), Szabo (Hungary) and seven Soviet players: Boleslavsky, Bronstein, Flohr, Keres, Kotov, Lilienthal and SmyKeres,
slov.
Standings as we go to press are:
Eight rounds of completed play show Boleslavsky in the lead with $51 / 2-2 \frac{1}{2}$. Keres follows with $5-3$.

## BOSTON WINS JESUIT TITLE

In the annual Jesuit Intercollegiate Team Tournament, held at Dealy Hall at Fordham University, Boston College narrowly eked out the victory by a $3-2$ score over her rival Fordham University in the final round. Other teams participating in the annual event were Georgetown, Loyola (Baltimore), St. Peter's (Jersey City). John White and Alan Deerfield were the outstanding individual performers for the victorious New Englanders.

## KENNEDY LEADS WICHITA CITY

With a $10-3$ score, A. J. Kennedy is currently leading in the Class A division of the Wichita City Championship. B, J. Layde is second with $111 / 2-41 / 2$, while T. R . Canfield is third with $11-5$. In the Class B division J. L. Rader heads the field with $25-0$, while Lee Streiff has $221 / 2-31 / 2$. In the Class C division, Jim Gallis heads the list with 19-1, while K. G. Shutts is second with 19-3.

## WYMAN LEADS IN CLEVELAND

With the 7th round still incomplete Wyman clings precariously to the lead in the Cleveland City Championship with a $6-1$ score. Right on his heels with an unfinished game is Ellison with 5-1, while Robboetoy follows with 5-2.

## gedence wins NEVADA TITLE

Maurice Gedence of Las Vegas with $97 / 2$ points gained the Nevada State Championship in an Open Tournament at Carson City in which contestants from four states were entered. The tournament was held in the Senate Chamber of the Nevada State Capitol, with Hal Kispert of Reno acting as diHal Kispert of Reno acting as di-
rector and the Carson City Chess rector and the Carson City Che
Club as hosts for the event.
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Second place saw a tie between Utah State Champion Louis N. Page and former Nevada Champion William F. Taber of Reno at 81/2 each. Fourth and fifth spots were shared by two Idaho brothwith 6aver and Lloy while Herman A. Dittmann of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Dr. David McInturff of Sunnyvale, Calif. turff of sunnyvale, shared sixth and seventh with 6 points each.

## ADICKES VICTOR <br> IN NO. CAROLINA

Victory in the 1950 Western North Carolina Open Tournament went to W. C. Adickes of Asheville with a 4.1 score in a $10-\mathrm{man}$ 5 -round Swiss event at WinstonSalem, Adickes drew with Snyder and Chapman, while besting Crittenden, Gaede and Ashbrook. Second place was a two-way tie in game points and S-B points between Kit Crittenden of Raleigh and A. Henry Gaede of Chariotte with $31 / 2-21 / 2$ each; to make the tie more perfect they drew their individual encounter. With equal scores of 3-2, but placed 4th to 6th on S-B points respectively were H. E. Snyder of WinstonSalem, W. Underwood of Washington, and Wm. Chapman of Durham.

## PLANS PERFECTED

FOR CANADA MEET
Preparations to insure a successful USA-Canada 3,000 mile border match this year have been furthered by the appointment of two seasoned veterans of last year's campaign for the states of Ohio and Montana. S. S. Keeney, 1256 Donald Ave., Cleveland 7, Ohio and H. M. G. Brandt, 2413 Third Ave. No., Great Falls, Mont. will be hard at it again this year organizing chess players in their respective states and both have indicated things look bright for their side for June 18th. Enthusiasts who feel they may be able to participate in these areas this year are urged to contact these gentlemen at once to be assured of proper arrangements. Other State Team Captains, reported in last issue, say there is a considerable step-up of activity this year.

## SAVE THESE DATES!

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composed and the dumpry laid-out during confinement to bed for illness. Those cor-
respondents who have failed to receive acknovidedgment of thecir communications will
understand that necessity mad not indifference dictated the failure. Eventually all
nill be answered, although not too promptly, for the Editor is beginning to admat
that he is not as young as he likes to think he is!-The Editor.)

## A MONUMENT TO INCOMPETENCE

T HE alleged Candidates Tournament at Budapest has become indeed and Najdorf (if considered of Argentina rather than Poland) as bold intruders into the clannish circle of Soviet contestants. Possibly, it was all planned this way from the beginning. In any case the so-called Candidates Tournament will serve principally as a monument of the incredible incompetenee of the FIDE Summer Assembly of 1949, which carefully selected the one choice among many which was inevitably destined to completely destroy any prestige which FIDE might have gained by saving the World Championship title from the chaos of the past. FIDE has now cast the title back into chaos, for we, for one, challenge the right of the winner of this alleged Candidates Tournament to claim any preference in challenging Botvinnik to a match for the World Championship title.

## DED AS A DORE NAYLE?

CORRESPONDENCE Chess is not within the province of this pulication, for we refer the chess-by-mail fan to our eminent contemp-
orary, The Chess Correspondent of the Correspondence Chess League of America. But we cannot fail to note the absence of that admirable little digest of correspondence chess, published in its many languages, called "Mail Chess." It was an interesting and well-edited publication, serving a definite need in the promotion of international correspondence chess.

We trust therefore that it is not "ded as a dore nayle," to borrow the phrase of William Langland, but that the future will bring forth a revived "Mail Chess" as the mouthpiece of a reorganized and revivified ICCA.

It is not within our sphere of activity to comment upon the present difficulties that the International Correspondence Chess Association is experiencing nor comment upon the resignations of its founder, Erik Larsson, and his co-workers, E. W. Goodwin and Norman Yates. But we feel it proper to express a hope that the valient effort of the British Correspondence Chess Association to effect a reorganization of the ICCA will meet with success, for there is a definite purpose served by an international correspondence chess organization which can be served by no other medium quite as effectively.

Montgomery Major

## Mate The Subtle Way!

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## Ave., N.W., Washington, D, C, <br> ADVENTURES IN COMPOSITION: The Art of the Two-Move Chess Problem; By Comins Mansfield. Edited by Alain White. Published by "Chess," Sutton-Coldfield, England, 1950; price 15 shillings ( $\$ 2.10$ )

$T^{0} \mathrm{MY}$ knowledge, this is the only book in the whole of problem literature that deals with how one actually goes about composing a chess problem. It was originally published in a deluxe edition by the Overbrook Press at Stamford, Connecticut, in 1944. (A few copies can still be purchased from the publishers.) This reprint places within the reach of the average buyer a text which, if studied closely, can greatly increase one's knowledge of what chess problem is and how it is put together.

The author, Comins Mansfield, is President of the British Chess Problem Society and is generally recognized as the greatest composer of two-movers that England has produced. His problems, as Alain White points out in a brief preface, are distinguished by their originality, economy of means, and artistic finish. These qualities can be seen in the four problems that are diagrammed below. The mark of the master appears in the small White force used to accomplish the complex strategic plan of No. 155; in the startling key of No. 156 and the way the pieces are placed so that not a single one of the Black Queen's 14 moves brings about a dual mate; in the odd opening move of No. 157 and the beautiful mate following Black's acceptance of the sacrifice it offers; and in such details of No. 158 as the changed mate
(following 1. , QxP ch) and the control of the White King's second moves in the lines 1 . " Qdventures in Composition" tells in detail how some of these effects were achieved. It consists of nineteen short essays relating how the author has gone about composing different kinds of problems, liberally illustrated with diagrams showing how the positions evolved on the chessboard from uncharted ideas to finished products. There is on the chessboard from uncharted ideas to finished products. There is problem composition, and a "glossary" defining the various technical terms used in the book which is illustrated with forty-five of the author's best two-mover

Mr. Mansfield has not attempted to write a textbook on how one can become a good problem composer in ten easy lessons; no such book will ever be writien. He writes very compactly and his essays must be studied, not just read. But he more than succeeds in his aim of giving "those wishing to take up composition a few suggestions and a little help" and "a foretaste of the kind of pleasure and excitement which may be had from the mere effort to compose,"

Solutions to previously published problems on page four

Problem No. 155
Y Comins Mansfield
1st Prize, Olympic Tourney, 1936



From "Adventures in Composition"



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## The Reader's Road Jo Chess

By Kester Svendsen
INTERNATIONALES TSCHIGORIN-GEDENKTURNIER, MOSKAU 1947. Edited by F. Chalupetzky and T. Florian. Magyar Sakkvilag, Kecskemet. 78 pp.
$T$ HIS paper-bound book offers, with light notes, the 120 games of the
 notation with little chess figures to represent the pieces. The annotations are by Russian players, Lilienthal, Bronstein, Botvinnik, and so on. The 12 -page article by Konstantinopolsky on new ideas in the opening devotes a good deal of space to the Ruy Lopez, particularly Botvinnik's handling of the Tchigorin system. Fifty-two of the games were draws, but most of these went more than 30 moves. The specimen appended below shows Smyslov choking off Plater's Old Indian Defense before it gets started. Poor Plater got only a pawn beyond his fourth rank White: Smyslov-Black: Plater. 1. P-QB4, 2. N-KB3, 2. N-KB3, P-KN3, White: Smyslov-Black: Plater. 1. P-QB4, 2. N-KB3, 2. N-KB3, P-KN3,
3. P-KN3 B-N2, 0.0, 5.O-O, P-Q3, 6. P-Q4 QN-Q2, 7. N-B3 P-K4, 8. P-K4 3. P-KN3 B-N2, O-O, 5.O-O, P-Q3, 6. P-Q4 QN-Q2, 7. N-B3 P-K4, 8. P-K4
P-B3, 9. R-K1 Q-B2, 10. P-KR3 PxP, 11. NxP N-N3, 12. P-N3 R-K1, 13. P-B3, 9. R-K1 Q-B2, 10. P-KR3 PxP, 11. NxP N-N3, 12 . P-N3 R-K1, 13.
B-N5 P-QR4, $14 . \mathrm{Q} 2$ P-R5, 15. QR-Q1 PxP, 16. PxP QN-Q2, 17. B-R6! BR1?. 18. N-B5! (18. PxN leads to mate, of course) N-B4, 19. NxQP R-K2, 20. P-QN4 N-K3, 21. P-B5! P-N3, 22. P-K5 N-Q2, 23 BxP Resigns. After 23. $\quad \mathrm{QxB}$ or an yother, 24 . N-Q5 is the finisher.

## The Kibitzer Has His Day <br> From the Editor's Mail Bag

Dear Mr. Major:
A1 Horowitz simply refuses so far, to publish letters sent him, with regard to his refusal to allow me to play first board in the U.S. is Yugoslavia Radio Match, but instead he has answered them with half-truths, untruths and slanderous statements. These I shall answer personally in due time. Mr. Horowitz made the statement that I worried about my prestige, when in reality 1 was of the U. S. Chess Federation. His statement that Frank Marshall on oceasion played other than first board is true, but he was at that
time captain of the team and it was his privilege to place himself wherever he thought it would be most advantageous to the team. The situation has absolutely no analogy to mine, as no one ever dictated his position. I assure you, if they had attempted to do so, his reaction would have been precisely the same as mine.
As you know, I was never consulted and neither was the Federation, and I feel therefore that Mr. Horowitz's actions were an insult not only to us, but to American Chess as well

As for personal prestige, I can
(Please turn to Page 3, col. 2)

Aldhhines' Carrly Chess Career

By A. Buschke

## III THE MATCH WITH

 LEVITSKYPONZIANI'S OPENING Ninth Match Game, St. Petersburg, February 28 a
(March 13, 16), 1913.
Notes by A. A. Alekhine in "Novoe Vema" of March 31 (April 13), 1913,
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## The Kibitzer

only tell you that I have played in and organized many National and International matches and never once raised an objection as to what
board I was to play. My only concern was the welfare of the team and in this particular case I felt so well prepared, that to take my rightful place as United States meant an advantage for the American side. There were no ulterior or material motives involved.
Mr . Horowitz made reference to the time when Denker was made to play third board against the Russians, although he was at the time Champion, but he did play
first board in the Radio Match against the same team. Mr. Denker agreed only under pressure,
but certainly protested the refusal to be allowed to play first board In both instances we lost the wrong Mr. Horowitz's judgement was.

HERMAN STEINER
Los Angeles, California
Dear Mr. Major:
I hope you can find space for a few paragraphs in defence of your position, as you have for animadversion, in what threatens to become I'affaire Russe.
Firstly, it appears that a great deal of confusion-semantic psychodynamic, and otherwise - has been caused by an elementary failure to distinguish between literary criticism and analysis of ideas. For your critics to object to your literary style as style is one thing. To make it a basis for declaring you wrong (or right!) is another colored horse entirely. A man's style is his face, as Zukertort once remarked to Bishop Lopez; and as the good prelate re plied: "Whether the countenance be crimsoned with anger or with Marx, who among us shall be the first to cry 'J'adoube'?"
Secondly and seriously, we Americans often tend to resemble the Russians in our pragmatic dialectic that whatever works or whoever wins is right. The cult of Mammon and Stalin both agree in justifying the means by the end. Reviewing the letters and the editorials printed, this would seem to be the reason for your critics' misinterperting your outraged idealism as evidence of a "superiority complex" (whatsoever that is). Conversely, I feel sure that many of your critics are not suppressed commies but rather impressed American chess players who are overwhelmed by Russia's present apparent chess superiority; and feel, crge, that the Russians' methods for achieving that superiority are above drastic criticism.
commend you for, and I consider it your duty to go on exposing those methods. You mention Cicero. Bolitho says of Cicero's orations against the nihilist Cataline: "Their effect was of a pitiless and unwavering searchlight directed into the midst of a cavern and held there; so that never thereafter was there the least doubt possible to the most con-

## With The Chess Clubs

Edison Chess Checker Club

The Grandis Chessmen (Chicago), a recently organized Lithu-
anian chess group, held the Hamilanian chess group, held the Hamil-
ton Park Chess Club to a $51 / 2-51 / 2$ draw, with the fate of the match depending upon the adjourned first board game between Eastka of Grandis and Anderson of Hamilton Park. The Grandis Chessmen meet every Saturday evening at
Gage Park Field House, 55th St. Gage Park Field House, 55
and Western Ave., Chicago.
Sarasota (Fla.) Chess Club
journeyed to Ft. Meyers to win an $8-2$ five-man double round match, although without the services of Sarasota City Champion Major J. B. Holt scored a double Major J. B. Holt scored a double victory, as did Timothy Haggerty on board two

Wichita Chess Club is teaching chess to beginners with secretary K. R. MacDonald of the Wichita club acting as instructor. A North
High School Chess Club also meets at the YMCA at Wichita.

## LEAGUE FORMED AT LAKE ERIE

The first formal activity of the newly organized Lake Erie Chess League was an intercity match, held Sunday, April 2nd, at the White Inn, Fredonia, N.Y. Competition vas an eleven board match between the Queen city Chess Club or Buf Chess Club, the result of which Chess Club, the result of which
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ter club gaining a $6-4$ victory.

The pioneering of this league was worked out by Glemn Hartleb, of Erie, Pa., U.S.C.F. Membershipsecretary; Phil Mary, Buffalo, N.Y , Sew York State U.S.C.F, Director, and Wm. Wilcock, Jamestown, N.Y., who were more than gratified with the success of this initial attempt. The pleasant surroundings of the Duncan Hines approved White Inn were conducive to the best efforts of all players. Its cheerfulness and cordiality made possible an encouraging send-off for the newly found league.
The longest, and in many ways the most interesting game, though a d"aw, whis that between Glenn Hartleb, of Erie, and Roy Black of Buffalo. It will be recalled that Mr , Hartleb placed fourth in Iast year's U.S. Open at Omaha and Mr. Black was the only player present credited with a win against the renowned Capablanca.
The Lake Eric Chess League now consists of clubs from Eric, Pa , Buffalo and Jamestown, N.Y. However, its proponents have ambitious plans to embrace other cities in their area, i ncluding Rochester, N . Y. and Cleveland, Ohio.
fused mind as to exactly what the darkness contained. He revealed Cataline, even to his supporters."
Please go on exposing those methods. Then such farces may
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in Europe in 1948-by and on the insistance of the Russians-a second who knew no openings but could play a mean piano; or, foreign players being up against a whole menagerie of analysts rather than individual opponents; or, the FIDE being blackmailed by hreat of Russian non-participation into changing the site of the 1950 World Championship Candidates Tournament from Argentina to Hungary, when the aforesaid menageries may not escape their tended lives as did many athletes in the last Olympies in England.
And how can any American dare to go to Hungary now to participate in this "World" tournament, presuming the State Department relents and grants visas?
Your editorial and news columns can exist for no better purpose than to go on exposing those methods.

ABRAHAM KAUFMAN
(Detroit) sees victory in the qualifying round of the Noon-Day tournament go to John Kovateh with
16 wins and 3 losses, the latter to 16 wins and 3 losses, the latter to
Mason, Gross and USCF Secretary Mason, Gross and USCF Secretary
Treend. Blachford and Mahon tied for second with $13^{1 / 2}-51 / 2$ each.

Portland (Maine) Chess Club lost its first match of the season when it was outpointed by a com bination team from Lewiston, Bid-
dleford and Turner by $41 / 2-31 / 2$. Before the match the Club presented a wrist-watch to 13-year old Robert Lincoln of Lincoln Junior High for his proficiency in learning the game in the classes conducted at the Boys Club.

Toronto Chess Club handicap tournament ended in a 6-1 tie be tween S. W. Stock and K. Kerns. Third place went to J. B. Davidson 43 , and fourth place to $W$.
Sachs $3^{1 / 2}-31 / 2$. Kerns has won the Sachs $3^{1 / 2}-31 / 2$. Kerns has won the
first game in a four game playoff first game in a four game playoff to determine the title.

## MAKE LAWN CHESS A SUMMER SPORT

Yielding to a growing popular demand to create a suitable outdoor equipment for summer-time chess, The Galla Knight Company, 228 . Kin St. Chicago, Ill., has de signed an authentie Staunton pattern chess set with 27 " Kings for use out-of-doors on lawn ehess
boards - ideal for summer homes, boards - ideal for summer
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Individual pieces are also available for window or counter display and are suitable as well for decorative background to a chess exhibition. Several of these Gallant Knight "Lawn" chessmen were used effectively to decorate the chess exhibition at the recent National Hobby Show in Chicago. "Lawn" Chess, however, remains a slightly more expensive pastime than ordinary club-room chess, for a complete set is priced at $\$ 450.00$ F.O.B. Chi-cago-but remains an inexpensive investment for clubs and resorts, when its attractiveness is considered as adding sommertime novelty to the game.

## WROBEL TOPS INFORMAL TALLY

The unofficial tabulation, based upon honors won in composing tourneys, recently released by Julius Buchwald of New York gives the unofficial championship crown in problem composing to M. Wrobel of Poland with $371 / 2$ points. O. Stocehi of Italy was second with $321 / 2$ points, L. Larsen of Denmark third with 28 points, and J. Buchwald of New York fourth with $261 / 2$ points. Stocchi led Wrobel in three-movers.
Team Championship in international solving tourneys say Germany lead with 136 points, Hungary was second with $79 \frac{1}{2}$ points, Holland third with 78 points and the U.S.A. fourth with 67 points.

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Send solutions to Position No. 46 to the Editor, CHESS LIFE, by May 20, 1950.

Solution to Position No. 44


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## May 20.21

## Indiana State Championship

Logansport, Indiana
Open to Indiana residents; probably Swiss System; players' meeting begins 6 p.m. Saturday, May 20 at Barnes Hotel; for details write: D. E. Rhead, Sec'y, 2715 Green St., Gary, Ind.

> May 20.21, 27.28 Michigan State Open Championship Jackson, Michigan

Will be held on two consecutive weekends at Jackson, Mich.; cash prizes; open event; \$5 entry fee will be accepted until opening of

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