

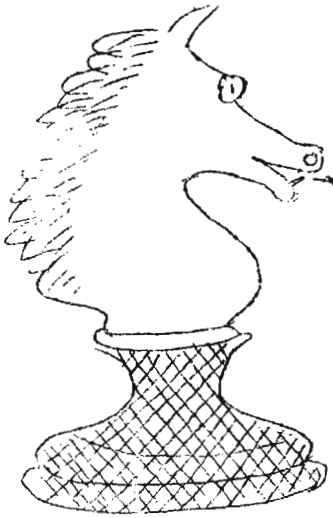
WASHINGTON

NEWS LETTER

October, 1948

The Knight says:

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has expired



West Coast players
score in U.S. Championship
tourney: STEINER 1st.
 ULVESTAD 3rd.
In U.S. Open,
 ULVESTAD 2nd.
(See pages 4 & 5)

TO THE

Dear Larry,

I was thinking about one of your recent editorials about creating the title of Chess Expert. I think it is a good idea but needs something concrete to back it up.

I have noticed that various friends of mine have trophies for various sports, which they display in their homes. A well-known Island yachtsman has a den filled with cups won by him in various yachting contests. Another friend has on his mantelpiece two of those little gold figures on a plastic stand that are so popular now. His son won them in track and golf. Down at the Seattle Chess Club are several cups inscribed with the annual winners which are seldom seen--but nevertheless are there.

I think it would be beneficial to award to all winners one of these figurines as a personal prize to be kept in his home. It would be something that would dignify the game and keep it in the public eye. Also I thought that the Washington Chess Federation should give annually about 2 or 3 of these trophies to picked players for any outstanding achievement.

This is the same idea as the Hollywood "Oscar" award. It can be for any achievement, and should be by vote of the board. As far as Chess Expert is concerned, it seems to me the Experts would soon have trophies enough. They will win them, or they won't qualify.

Last year we were unable to

have the Plaque presentation owing presumably to lack of time. I suggest that next season the Plaque be awarded at the B. C.-Washington State Tourney, which should be held at Mt. Vernon, where we really had a bang-up job of management, and which is more central for both sides. The "Oscars" should also be awarded at this time.

Well, I have a lot more ideas but I think there is enough here for this issue.

I wish to compliment you and Mr. Husby for a job well done. Anyway, I think you should have an "Oscar" for sterling efforts on behalf of Washington Chess.

JACK NOURSE,
Port Blakely, Wash.

COMING EVENTS

WASHINGTON STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

TIME -Dec 4th and 5th, 10 am
PLACE -New Seattle Chess Club,
Assembly Hotel,
9th and Madison,
Seattle, Wash.
EVENT -6 round Swiss.
PRIZES-Permanent trophy for winner
with name on perpetual cup.
Other prizes if sufficient
players participate.
ENTRY -\$1.50. Limited to residents
of the State of Washington.
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Each player is requested to bring one self-starting electric clock if possible. Dick Allen will provide devices for connect-in them for chess clocks!

Please send entrys as early as possible. It is essential we may estimate number of entries in order to provide sufficient equipment.

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There has been a notable lack of interest among the readers of THIS PAPER CLEARLY SHOWN BY ABSCENCE OF LETTERS TO THE EDITOR. To reverse this condition, we are now offering a prize of a years subscription to the WCL, and a free section in postal chess to the winner of a letter-writing contest, subject "Chess Organization".

The letters will be judged upon constructive ideas involved, if practical, and not necessarily upon writing ability. The contest will end October 20th, and promptness may be used for tie-breaking.

Officers of the Washington Chess Federation will not be eligible in the contest, as they will be the judges. The winner of the contest will be announced in the next edition of the WCL, and the letter published.

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Letters on other subjects are also welcome, and will be published as usual. Some ideas might be constructive criticism on present work being done, but of course this would probably come under the contest heading. Letters on departments of the WC. are welcome---Do we have enough news?---Are we giving sufficient space to the postal page? do you like the games?---do you like the editorials and what would you like for an editorial subject? Did you like Allen's pages,---and how about Rehberg's and Corbett's?---Do you welcome the coming series by Ulvestad?---Would you prefer the paper to cover only Puget Sound News, or Washington State, or Pacific Northwest, or Pacific Coast? Should national and international be included, or only when some Washington player is participating?

Remember, it is reader's opinions that determine the policies of a newspaper. I feel you have the interest--now I'm asking you to show me!

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DAKE WINS OREGON OPEN

US. CHAMPIONSHIP

Arthur Dake, one of the Pacific Northwest's two recognized master's, came out of retirement to win the Oregon Open tournament without the loss of a game. Dake returned to competition for the last USA-Russia team match, and was formerly one of America's leading masters.

Following Dake in the strong event were two outstanding Juniors, Jim Schmitt, second, and George Reddington, third, which may predict a rosy future for Oregon chess. Schmitt recently became well known by winning the strong Puget Sound Open undefeated, and later the Portland Chess Club championship.

The tournament was a Swiss, with six rounds, so it gives a fair comparison of strength. It was played at the Portland Chess Club, and completed over Labor Day weekend.

Dake and Schmitt won their first two round encounter, then Dake won from Schmitt, and led throughtout the tournament, with Schmitt, Reddington, Noland, and Skarsten tied for second at the end of three rounds. After the fourth round, Schmitt and Noland were left tied, Reddington losing to Dake, and Skarsten to Noland. Schmitt and Noland met in the fifth, and drew, but it was Reddington's win in the sixth that broke the tie, and captured third for himself.

1948
OREGON OPEN

Tournament	1	2	3	4	5	6	SCORE
1.Dake	W4	W6	W2	W3	W5	W8	6 -0
2.Schmitt	W5	W7	L1	W10	D4	W6	4½-1½
3.Reddington	L7	W10	W8	L1	W9	W4	4 -2
4.Noland	L1	W9	W5	W6	L2	L3	3½-2½
5.Swift	L2	W8	L4	W9	L1	W10	3 -3
6.Skarsten	W10	L1	W7	L4	W8	L2	3 -3
7.Fendrich	W3	L2	L6	L8	W10	Out	2 -4
8.Goodman	W9	L5	L3	W7	L6	L1	2 -4
9.Van Houten	L8	L4	W10	L5	L3	Out	1 -5
10.Chapman	L6	L3	L9	L2	L7	L5	0 -6

Herman Steinger, Los Angeles, won the 1948 biennial Championship after coming from behind in a terrific finish. It was Steinger's first major win since the Hastings tournament in 1946.

Issac Kashdan placed second, only one-half point behind. He had been the favorite to win.

Olaf Ulvestad, the well known Seattle master, and George Kramer, New York junior tied for third. Both players were in strong contention for first during most of the tournament, and at one time Ulvestad was actually leading.

The unfortunate part of the tournament was that a number of famous masters did not compete, for one reason or another. This list includes defending champion Sammy Reshevsky, Reuben Fine, I. A. Horowitz, Arthur Dake, Alexander Kevitz, Al Pinkus, and the former champion Arnold Denker! If the masters and the US Chess Federation could get together, this would not have happened.

1948
US. CHAMPIONSHIP

STEINER	15 - 4
Kashdan	14½ - 4½
ULVESTAD	13 - 6
Kramer	13 - 6
Hesse	12 - 7
Rubinow	12 - 7
Shainswit	12 - 7
Adams	11½ - 7½
Evans	11½ - 7½
Shipman	11½ - 7½
Santasiere	10½ - 8½
Sandrin	10½ - 8½
Poschel	8 -11
Platz	7½ -11½
Heitner	7 -12
Whitaker	6 -13
Howard	5½ -13½
ALMGREN	4 -15
Suraci	3 -16
Janes	2 -17

NOTE: West Coast names in capitals.

US OPEN

Weaver Adams won the US Open championship, coming from behind after a shaky start.

Olaf Ulvestad and Issac Kashdan tied for second, and George Kramer was fourth under the tie breaking rules.

The winner was in doubt until the final round when Adams and Ulvestad met, and drew after a hard sturggle.

The tournament included 74 players, and was played out as a twelve round Swiss.

LEADERS STANDINGS

Adams	9½-2½
ULVESTAD	9 -3
Kashdan	9 -3
Kramer	9 -3
Pavey	8½-3½
Steinmeyer	8½-3½
Bisguier	8½-3½
Pinkus	8½-3½
McCormick	8 -4
Shapiro	8 -4
Hartleb	8 -4
Pilnick	7½-4½
Donovan	7½-4½
Evans	7½-4½
Santasiere	7½-4½
STEINER	7½-4½
Kilmer	7½-4½

KITSAP COUNTY BEGINS

Jack Nourse, defending champion, is the favorite to repeat in the annual Kitsap County tournament, although he may get some tough competition from Merlyn Danskin, Charles Magerkurth, and George Rehberg.

The event will be a double round robin, with Class a and a Class B section.

STANDINGS

George Rehberg	3 -0
Jack Nourse	2 -0
Charles Magerkurth	0 -2
Merlyn Danskin	0 -1
Dr. John Almond	0 -0
Howard Peterson	0 -0
Frank Blakefield	0--0
G. L. Christie	0 -2

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All correspondence concerning the Washington Chess Federation and the Puget Sound League should be addressed to the above named Directors. This list is not Official, but some of the clubs have not reported yet.

 * PUGET SOUND LEAGUE NEWS *

STANDINGS

Tacoma	1	-0
Everett	1	-0
Kitsap	1	-0
Seattle	1	-0
Bellingham	1	-0
University	0	-1
Olympia	0	-1
Skagit	0	-1
Queen Anne	0	-1
Ymca	0	-1

1st Round Results

TACOMA 10, Skagit 0. (forfeit)
 Everett 7, Olympia 3.
 Kitsap 7, Queen Anne 3.
 Seattle 7½, University 2½.
 Bellingham 8½, Ymca 1½.

Oct 24th

2nd Round Schedule

Kitsap vs Tacoma at Bremerton
 Olympia vs Queen Anne at Seattle
 University vs Everett at Everett
 Seattle-Bellingham at Bellingham
 Skagit vs Ymca at Mt. Vernon

LEADING PLAYERS

Amsden	Bellingham	2	-0
Bever	Queen Anne	2	-0
Butler	Bellingham	2	-0
Danskin	Kitsap	2	-0
Dudley	Seattle	2	-0
Knagey	Bellingham	2	-0
Magerkurth	Kitsap	2	-0
Naas	Everett	2	-0
Power	Everett	2	-0
Rehberg	Kitsap	2	-0
Weissenborn	Seattle	2	-0
Yocom, H.	Olympia	2	-0
Bader	Bellingham	1½	- ¼
Bickford	Seattle	1½	- ¼
Bollman	University	1½	- ¼
Cornell	Seattle	1½	- ¼

EVERETT	7,	OLYMPIA	3
Taro	1,	Ayer	1
Power	2,	Harmeson	0
Naas	2,	Yocom, C.	0
Husby	0,	Yocom, H.	2
Dahlquist	2,	(forfeit)	0

KITSAP	7,	QUEEN ANNE	3
Nourse	0,	Bever	2
Danskin	2,	Roberts	0
Magerkurth	2,	Brewster	0
Rehberg	2,	Raleigh	0
Blakefield	1,	Carson	1

SEATTLE	7½,	UNIVERSITY	2½
Joachim	½	Bollman	1½
Dudley	2	Schain	0
Cornell	1½	AuYong	½
Weissenborn	2	Wippell	0
Bickford	1½	Amidon	½

BELLINGHAM	8½,	YMCA	1½
Bader	1½	Allen	½
Knagey	2,	Sego	0
Amsden	2,	Housley	0
Case	1	Bolotin	1
Butler	2,	Drummond	0

SEATTLE CC STAGES GALA OPENING

The Seattle Chess Club had a formal opening of their new quarters in the Assembly Hotel Saturday evening, September 25th with a gorgeous buffet supper, Roulette chess, and piano solos by the accomplished Mrs. T. H. Davidsen.

Close to sixty chess players and their ladies attended. The party brought in four new members with promises of six more, reports Edward L. Arnold, President of the club.

TACOMA ELECTS OFFICERS

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 * KINGS AND PAWNS IN SOVIET RUSSIA *
 * BY *
 * Olaf Ulvestad *

First of Five Installments.

On To Moscow!

July 19, 1946. That was a red-letter day in my life! It was then that the seven top-ranking American chess masters voted me on the team to represent the U. S. A. in the coming September ten-man chess-team match with Soviet Russia at Moscow.

The mere thought of this good fortune gave me thrills of anticipation. Aside from international chess competition, I was to get first-hand glimpses of a country which was at once the subject of considerable criticism. My feelings were naturally heightened when I thought of the barriers which the USSR had raised to foreign visitors. We, moreover, were invited guests. I looked forward eagerly to the trip.

Various preparations followed. There was no time to squander, as we were due in Moscow on September ninth. Special training was a "must". This included practice matches with fellow team-mates, careful study of latest developments in chess strategy, and close analytical examination of recorded and published games of Soviet opponents for style, strength, and weaknesses. (The Americans and Soviets had exchanged line-ups; i. e. each man on each team knew who his adversary was to be). Numerous essential details such as passports, plane and steamer connections and accommodations, luggage, and packing also took time and energy.

Late in August the U.S chess

team left by plane from La Guardia Field, bound for Stockholm. The first stop was Gander, Newfoundland, for an hour of "stretching" and refreshment after the cramped, bus-like accommodations of the plane. The next stop was Shannon, Ireland, where we came down with the setting sun to the beautiful green country-side where the River Shannon flows. We had an excellent meal at the airport there and the "stretch" after the long trans-oceanic flight was welcome. There followed some flying over Ireland and England until we reached the North Sea, over which our plane kept a consistent elevation of about 7000 feet. We arrived at Copenhagen after dark, but the experience of flying down into such a beautiful, lighted city at night is unforgettable. The pause at Copenhagen was long enough to find out about the taste of Danish coffee and listen to continental conversation at the airport restaurant. Again we were on our way and a few hours later enjoyed an experience at Stockholm similar to the one we felt when we descended on Copenhagen.

The customs officials at Stockholm were polite, efficient, and brief in their routine duties. Twenty days (going and coming) from Moscow) were spent in Sweden; but more of that later. Meanwhile, "On to Moscow!"

(To be Continued)

THE DEMON CHESS

They tell me that chess was illegal in certain forward looking nations at one time. To play was to invite a fine or worse.

This was a very good idea because it made the game much more popular than it was before the ban.

If Chess were illegal here today it would no doubt become the national pastime of the American people---like prohibition.

We would make clandestine trips to the local Chess Easy. These places would naturally be equipped with massive doors and peep-holes as well.

Chess Masters would achieve public acclaim. Their appearance (with their bodyguards) would be the signal for wild cheering on the part of the assembled and not so famous multitude.

No doubt Chess runners would operate between B.C. and Seattle bringing down the very latest in Chess sets and forbidden books on the Demon Chess.

Yes it would bring us all into the limelight and Chess would prosper.

Chessmasters are few and far between, particularly here in the Northwest. We do have one however, and his recent showing in national events places him among the world's best.

I refer of course to Olaf Ulvestad, whose brilliant play and indefatigable personality have graced so many of our club rooms.

To the readers of "Chess Charts" he is a unique author on the theory of the opening. Not only does he simplify opening strategy for the beginner as well as the tourney player, but he also collaborates on the development of new ideas in chess. "Blitzspeil," a four-handed chess game, would never have reached its present popularity without Olaf's direction and help. Surely this is a man of many accomplishments.

Often he has donated his time and services in simultaneous exhibition and blindfolded play so that the interests of chess might be furthered. All who know the master will affirm the fact that he places the development of chess above any personal gain. Too often such noble effort is left unnoticed and unappreciated.

Speaking the mind of all who know him or his work, I wish to thank him and look forward to his continued success.

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Appreciation for the name of this column goes to Mrs. Taro. It just goes to show that the "Chess Widow" does more than she is given credit for.

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Who or what do YOU want to hear about?

 FUNDAMENTAL
 CHESS STRATEGY AND TACTICS
 by
 Richard P. Allen

Part IV

END GAME

A. Strategy

1. Reserve sufficient force to effect a checkmate. (The rook is the minimum force necessary.)
2. At any stage of the end game, the player of inferior force may claim for or draw in fifty moves. (The counting must recommence after a capture.)
3. The player of inferior force may also attempt to draw by repetition of moves or perpetual check. (If the same pattern is repeated three times, a draw is declared.)
4. The player of superior force may also attempt to draw by restricting the opponent so that he can not move legally yet is not in check. (Such a situation is called STALEMATE and counted a draw but considered a moral victory for stalemated player.)
5. Never make a move without first analyzing the motive and probable success of the preceding opponent move.

B. Tactics

1. The King must be active in the end game.
2. Pure pawn endings are the easiest to win. (If you are a pawn ahead, exchange pieces rather than pawns and viceversa for defense.)
3. Push passed pawns, without losing them, that is! (Rooks belong behind passed pawns.)
4. Use care in promoting a pawn reaching the eighth rank to avoid a possible stalemate or worse. (Sometimes a minor piece is better than a major.)
5. Blockade passed pawns with pieces. (The King is good at this.)
6. It is worth giving up a pawn to post a rook on your opponent's second rank, usually K7 or Q7.
7. If strong in pawns, get rid of the opponent bishops as they are better pawn gobblers than knights. (Move pawns to opposite color of opponent bishop.)
8. The bishop can prevent approach of the opponent King to the pawns if they are kept on opposite color. (If carrying the initiative, keep pawns on opponent bishop's color and off the color of your own bishop.)
9. The knight with three of four pawns in the end game is usually better than a lone bishop with equal pawns, because it can command both colors.
 If on the defensive, however, and forced to move, it ceases to function correctly where a rook or a bishop by retreating could still command the position.
10. Superior force does not always win in pawn endings; position is more important. (The rook's pawn is the weakest and most easily stopped, and the knight's pawn is the hardest to stop.)

END OF SECTION ON CHESS FUNDAMENTALS--ADVANCED TO FOLLOW.

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US CHAMPIONSHIP

Probably one of the best games in the recent championship tournament is the following one--the game in which the champion was defeated by the one who might have been champion!

King's Indian Defence
 ULVESTAD STEINER

White Black

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| 1. P-Q4 | N-KB3 |
| 2. P-QB4 | P-KN3 |
| 3. N-KB3 | B-N2 |
| 4. N-B3 | P-Q3 |
| 5. P-K4 | O-O |
| B-K2 | QN-Q2 |
| 7. O-O | P-K4 |
| 8. R-K | R-K |
| PxP is better | |
| 9. B-B | P-B3 |
| 10. P-Q5! | Q-B2 |
| 11. PxP | PxP |
| 12. P-KR3 | N-B |
| 13. B-K3 | N-K3 |
| 14. Q-Q2 | B-N2 |
| 15. QR-Q | KR-Q |
| B-R6 | B-R |

Not good.

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| 17. Q-B | QR-B |
| 18. P-KN3 | Q-N |
| 19. P-N3 | P-B4 |
| 20. N-R2 | N-Q5 |
| 21. B-N2 | R-K |
| 22. N-N4 | B-B3 |
| 23. N-K3 | Q-N2 |
| 24. QN-Q5 | N-R4 |
| 25. Q-Q2 | BxN |
| 26. NxB | KN-B3 |
| 27. N-B3 | N-R4 |
| 28. Q-Q3 | B-N2 |
| 29. B-QB! | |

This bishop is too powerful to allow its exchange.

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| 29. | KN-B3 |
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30. R-B
 The attack gets under way.

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| 30. | N-Q2 |
| 31. P-B4 | P-B3 |
| 32. P-B5! | N-N3 |
| 33. P-KN4 | K-R |
| 34. P-KR4! | Q-KB2 |
| 35. Q-R3 | R-KN |
| 36. R-B2 | B-B |
| 37. QR-B | B-K2 |
| 38. K-R | Q-N2 |
| 39. P-N5!! | |

The game is lost.

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| 39. | QR-B |
| 40. BPxP | QxP |
| 41. P-R5 | Q-N2 |
| 42. P-N6!! | |

If P-KR3 then Q-K3 wins!

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| 43. | B-Q |
| 43. R-N | R-K |
| 44. B-B | Q-Q2 |
| 45. Q-R2 | N-K3 |
| 46. B-KR3! | |

That Bishop!

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| 46. | Q-QN2 |
| 47. BxN | RxB |
| 48. B-R6 | |

And this Bishop!

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| 48. | Resigns. |
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OREGON OPEN

When a great master meets a promising young expert, an interesting battle may result. Such is the following case.

The game produces a masterpiece of position play--on both sides, until the surprise move brings about a total collapse!

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DAKE SCHMITT
 White Black

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| (Notes by L. Taro) | |
| 1. N-KB3 | N-KB3 |
| 2. P-B4 | P-Q4 |

This moves allows

transposition into a variation of the King's Knight defence in the Queen's Gambit, and although playable, is not to be recommended, as black must suffer long with a cramped game due to loss of the center.

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| 3. PxP | NxP |
| 4. P-K4 | N-KB3 |
| 5. N-QB3 | B-N5 |
| 6. | |

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| | P-K5 | N-Q4 |
| 7. Q-R4ch | B-Q2 | |
| 8. Q-N3 | NxN | |
| 9. NPxN | Q-B | |
| 10. R-QN | P-QN3 | |
| 11. P-Q4 | P-K3 | |
| 12. B-Q3 | B-B3 | |
| 13. O-O | Q-N2 | |

Better than BxN, etc., as white would develop a terrific king-side attack with the KN file open.

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| 14. B-QN5 | B-K2 |
| 15. B-K3 | O-O |
| Threatens BxN | |
| 16. N-K | B-K5 |

Beginning a series of moves to bring about the freeing manouver, P-QB4.

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| R-N2 | P-QB3 |
| 18. B-K2 | N-Q2 |
| 19. N-Q3 | P-QB4! |

The move is good, and should give black an equal game. If PxP, then BxN! would leave the white pawns too weak.

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| P-B3 | PxP! |
| 21. PxP | B-Q4 |
| 22. Q-R4 | KR-B |
| 23. N-B4 | R-B#6 |
| 24. B-R6! | Q-B3 |
| 25. B-N5 | Q-N2! |
| 26. NxB | QxN |
| 27. BxN | R-R6 |
| 28. B-B6 | RxQ |
| BxQ | PxB |

30. R-B2 K-B?
 R-B5 would probably be the best move; if then RxR black's outside passed pawns should counter-balance whites strong center pawns.
 31. R-N!
 Indirect pressure on the weak KP.
 32. P-KR4
 To hinder a threatened pawn-roller.
 32. P-B4!
 The pawns will roll regardless!
 32. K-K
 33. P-B5 K-Q2
 34. R-N5! R-R4
 35. RxR PxR
 36. B-Q2!
 Now a pawn must fall.
 36. R-B??
 37. P-K6ch!! Resigns.
 If Pxp then Pxpch, K-Q; and Bxpch wins the rook.

21. QxPch K-R
 22. N-B7ch QxN
 23. QxQ RxQ
 24. BxR R-B
 25. R-K? B-B4?
 26. P-QN4 B-Q5
 27. B-B6 P-B4
 28. K-B P-KR3
 29. P-N5 B-B3
 30. B-Q7 P-N3
 31. R-K6 K-N2
 32. B-K8 P-N4
 33. Pxp Pxp
 34. P-R3 P-B5
 35. P-B3 B-Q
 36. B-R5 R-B3
 37. R-K4 R-B4
 38. R-Q4 B-K2
 39. P-QR4 K-B3
 40. R-Q7 Pxp
 41. K-N2 R-B5
 42. RxP B-Q3
 43. R-R6 R-QN5
 44. RxP R-N7ch
 45. K-N R-N8ch
 46. K-N2 R-N7ch

8. N-Q2 N-KB3
 9. P-K4 Pxp
 10. Nxp B-N2
 11. R-K Q-B2
 12. Nxn Pxn
 13. B-K4 R-KN
 14. BxB QxB
 15. P-Q5 P-K4
 16. B-K3 R-Q
 17. N-R4 N-B4
 18. BxN BxB
 19. Q-B3 B-K2
 20. QR-Q Q-N3
 21. N-B5 B-B
 22. N-Q4 R-N3
 23. N-B6 R-Q2
 24. R-K4 B-B4
 25. P-KN3 K-B
 26. Q-B5 R-B2
 27. K-N2 RxN
 28. Pxr Qxp
 29. R-Q8ch K-K2
 30. R-QB8 Q-Q3
 31. R-KR8 R-N4
 32. Q-B8 P-B4
 33. Rxpch Qxr
 34. R-K8ch K-B3
 35. RxQ Resigns

Drawn!

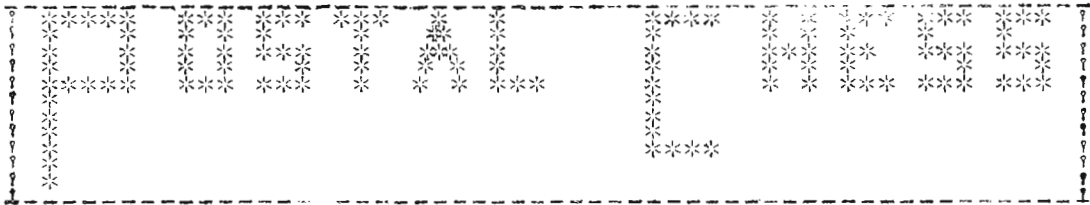
 A lesson in bishops of opposite colors!

PS LEAGUE

English Opening
 SCHMITT NOLAND
 White Black
 1. P-QB4 N-KB3
 N-KB3 P-K3
 P-Q4 P-QN3
 4. P-KN3 B-N2
 5. B-N2 P-Q4
 6. Pxp Pxp
 7. ~~X/O-O~~ B-K2
 8. N-B3 O-O
 9. B-B4 N-R3
 10. R-B P-B4
 11. N-K5 Pxp
 12. N-N5 N-R4
 13. P-K3 NxB
 14. KPxN P-B3
 15. N-KB3 Q-Q2
 16. N/5xQP N-N5
 17. P-QR3 N-B3
 18. Nxn BxN
 19. RxB Qxr
 20. N-K5 Q-K

The following game might easily have been played by a pair of masters--Bollman's fine play throughout the game certainly deserves the highest praise, the constant pressure and fine finish gives an insight to the strength of two of the states better players.

Queen's Pawn
 BOLLMAN JOACHIM
 White Black
 1. P-Q4 P-Q4
 2. N-KB3 P-K3
 3. P-K3 N-Q2
 4. B-Q3 P-QB4
 5. P-B3 P-B5
 6. B-B2 P-QN4
 7. O-O P-KR3



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White		Black

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| 1. P-K4 | P-K4 |
| 2. N-KB3 | N-QB3 |
| 3. B-N5 | P-QR3 |
| 4. B-R4 | N-B3 |
| 5. O-O | B-K2 |
| 6. P-Q3 | P-QN4 |
| 7. E-N3 | P-Q3 |
| 8. P-QR3 | N-QR4 |
| 9. B-R2 | P-B4 |
| 10. P-QN4 | N-N2 |
| 11. N-B3 | O-O |
| 12. P-R3 | Q-B2 |
| 13. N-Q5 | NxN |

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|-------------|---------|
| 14. BxN | R-N |
| 15. B-N2 | B-K3 |
| 16. BxB | PxB |
| 17. R-B | QR-QB |
| 18. Q-Q2 | Q-Q |
| 19. B-B3? | PxP |
| 20. PxP | RxN! |
| 21. PxR | B-N4 |
| 22. Q-K2 | BxR |
| 23. RxB | Q-KN4ch |
| 24. Resign. | |

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Big A's

- 1. Taro, L. 1470
- 2. DiPaula, Dr. F. 1375
- 3. Finnegan, J. 1343
- 4. Hazen, R. 1335
- 5. Naas, J. 1330
- 6. Moore, C. 1316
- 7. Power, H. 1309
- 8. Norman, A. 1306
- 9. Hagerkurth, C. 1288
- 10. Hellums, J. 1271

Class A

- Almond, Lt. 1238
- Blakefield, F. 1250
- Cerretelli, J. 1268
- Coubrough, L. 1250
- Davis, C. 1250
- DiPaula, Dr. F. 1375
- Finnegan, J. 1343
- Groy, Miss A. 1250
- Hazen, R. 1335
- Hellums, J. 1271
- Hagerkurth, C. 1288
- Moore, C. 1316
- Naas, J. 1330
- Norman, A. 1306
- Power, H. 1309
- Taro, L. 1470
- Wooddale, E. 1250

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- Allen, A. 993
- Arntson, H. 1023
- Ballantine, C. 1100
- Bever, V. 1185
- Booth, A. 990
- Cairncross, R. 1100
- Christey, G. 1100
- Corbett, T. 1054
- Dahlquist, H. 1100
- Emerson, L. 1100
- Gordon, J. 1000
- Harneson, L. 1100
- Howard, J. 1149
- Husby, P. 1060
- Kaffenberger 1068
- Landenberger 963
- McCarthy, G. 1148
- McMartin, Dr. 1056
- Herk, A. 1091
- Palder, Dr. 962
- Orne, S. 1108
- Raleigh, T. 1020
- Roberts, H. 1100
- Rink, A. 950
- Running, J. 993
- Taylor, C. 1016
- Yocom, C. 1016
- Yocom, H. 1100

Class C

- Anderson, I. 899
- Beal, J. 850
- Birks, D. 850
- Miscok, R. 668
- Jones, Dr. 756
- McConnell, C. 850
- Ross, Mrs. 764
- Neilson, M. 805
- Plume, E. 732
- Ronaneski, L. 850

GAME RESULTS

47-A-3
 Husby 1, Herk 0
 Cerretelli, 1, Husby 0
47-A-4
 Hagerkurth 1, Naas 1
 Naas 1, Husby 0

47-B-1
 Naas 1, Kaffenberger 0
47-B-2
 Almond 1, Yocom, C. 0

47-C-1
 McMartin 1, Landenber
47-C-2
 Anderson 1, Jones 0