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**AND ROBERT A. KARCH'S  
NORTHWEST RATING LIST**



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Seattle Spokane Tacoma Olympia West Seattle  
Kitsap Tri-Cities Boeings McNeil

**RATINGS UP TO DATE - ALMOST!**

SFC ROBERT KARCH has brought our North west Rating List nearly up to date, even including this issue's Puget Sound League results. We regret the word "nearly" because at the last moment a flood of junior match and tourney results arrived. Those are not included in this month's N.W. Rating List.

**OLYMPIA LIST**

CHARLES JOACHIM sent in 50 names with their Olympia ratings. V. Pupols 2100, Dr. A.A. Murray 1970, C. Joachim 1941, W. Conner 1932, D. Parsons 1910, C. Harmeson 1899, E. Ayer 1896, T. Davis 1882, R. Pawley 1880, J. MacKenzie 1876, Ed Tveden 1856, P. Sty - mans 1850, H. Parmelee 1837, Dr. MacInnis 1835, D. Wells 1772, J. Booth 1732, D. McCuiston 1726, R. Tabor 1630, M. Burnett 1625, R. Gall 1608, Col. Gurfine 1606, George Gates 1587, Mrs. Pat Martin 1582, Jim Mohs 1580, L. Moore 1542, F. Lang 1536, P. Dolan 1534, H. Krueger 1533, D. Hanon 1530, R. Hallgren 1520, Lucky Larson 1520, A. Smith 1516, W. Atkinson 1512, Pvt. J.R. Raboin 1504, Pvt. P.M. Quanbeck 1500, Major Martin

1498, Mrs. Ted Davis 1492, Art Beck 1488, Dave Hanon (again?) 1480, Rein Latt 1479, Mrs. Bob Stratton 1478, L.C. Durwald 1476, Don Schwarz 1466, Bob Stratton 1460, Earl Thompson 1440, S. Holt 1431, J. Schader - 1432, C. Nelson 1420, W. Hughes 1408, and Jay Mowell 1406. (Dec. 14th, 1957)

**DECEMBER 20th WALLA WALLA VALLEY RATINGS:**

1. Ken Hartwig 1572, 2. Peter King 1382, 3. Bill Krapfel 1344, 4. Bruce Bayley 1256, 5. Keith Tillotson 1220, Noil Hunter 1150, Ed Nightengale 1142, John Nash 1120, John Anderson 1110, Bob Aliverti 1078, 11 Noal King 920, 12 Lew Hartwig 916, Monte Crippen 892, Henry Condon 854, and 15 C. Bowerman 718. (Sent in by NEAL KING.)

**FROM NEBRASKA FEDERATION**

The Nebraska Chess Federation has put out a new book - A Selection of the Best Games of VASSILY SMYSLOV WORLD CHESS CHAMPION. Edited and Arranged by Alexander Liepnicks and Jack L. Spence. Annotations by Edmar Mednis, Anthony Santasiero, Charles Kalmo and Leonid Dreiberger. Cover illustrations and drawings by Walter Jursevskis.

The price is \$4. Orders may be sent to: Jack Spence, 540 Securities Building, Omaha, Nebraska or Alexander Liepnicks at 1226 So. 26th St., Lincoln, Nebraska.

**BOOK REVIEW**

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The book contains 33 complete games, and every game is analyzed move by move, showing the reader where to place pieces so that they will be in position for decisive, telling combinations.

The 33 games included are not artificial nor full of bewildering complications.

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# WASHINGTON OPEN

JANUARY 18-19

AT THE SEATTLE YMCA

FIRST ROUND AT

9 AM

A 5 ROUND SWISS

The Washington Open will take place at the Seattle YMCA on Saturday and Sunday, January 18th and 19th. This tournament will be 100% U.S.CF rated. It is to be a five-round Swiss with Median tie-breaking. Time limit will be 50 moves in two hours.

Only obvious endings will be adjudicated in order to protect the majority from stalling tactics of a minority. Other games will be declared drawn for pairing purposes and played when possible between rounds.

Entry fee will be \$3 plus a 25 cent rating fee for adults and \$2 plus a 25 cent rating fee for Juniors ( under 19 ). Those paying the \$2 fee will be only eligible for a cash Junior prize.

First prize is guaranteed to be at least \$25. In the last big Seattle tournament, the Seafair, the co-winners each pocketed \$30.

Other cash prizes will be announced at the conclusion of the opening round of play.

First round 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. Second round 1:30 p.m. to 5:30.

Third round 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Fourth round 8:30 a.m. Sunday. Final round starts at 1 p.m. Sunday.

# NORTHWEST RATINGS

By Robert A. Karch

AS OF JAN. 1, 1958

## MASTERS (4)

Dake, Arthur W.	2412	
Pupols, Viktors	2202	+13
Ulvestad, Olaf	2263	+61
Zemgalis, Elmars	2231	

## EXPERTS (15)

Ballantine, C.	2010	*
Baumwell, Dr. M.	2048	
Bills, William A.	2038	
Bishop, George	2074	
Dalbergs, Ivars	2126	-38
Edberg, Robert	2000	
Griffiths, C.	2078	+109
Holmes, Vernon	2036	-35
Joachim, Charles	2103	+33
McCormick, Jim	2142	
Patterson, G.S.G.	2036	+18
Seglins, Viesturs	2049	+59
Trembois, James	2085	
Wade, Daniel E.	2045	+12
Warner, Eugene	2114	

## CLASS A (84)

Almond, Dr. John	1953	+115
Anderson, M.F.	1866	
Ayer, Ellis	1832	+8
Bader, Max	1925	-39
Baker, D.W.	1800	*
Bell, J.	1857	*
Berg,	1944	
Blums, Raimunds	1870	-56
Byron, Fred	1962	*
Clark, Clarence	1980	
Conner, Walt	1986	+78
Cornelius, Gordon	1862	.
Crawford, Donald	1868	
Davis, Ted	1818	*
Dolph, Phill	1845	*
Dorame	1800	
Driscoll, Tom	1858	
Eilmes, Don	1911	+2
Erb	1846	*
Erickson, David	1828	-51
Feuerberg, G.	1805	*
Forray, Frank	1825	*
Grannis	1888	*
Greenwood, L.R.	1818	
Groot, Dr. C.	1876	
Haffner, Don	1836	
Harmeson, Chester	1932	+6
Harrison, David	1974	-24
Hartwig, Kenneth	1974	+20
Henion, Maurice	1900	*
Hess, William K.	1900	
Hewitt, Charles	1952	-2
Hovermale, Elmer	1800	

Howard, Fred M.	1827	+32	Bauman, C.J.D.	1750
Hughart, Harold	1994	*	Bayley, Bruce	1704
Hughes, N.	1932	*	Bever, V.W.	1791
Hull	1805		Bixler	1650
Jacobs	1882	*	Bjornsen, Dale	1736 -9
Johnson, Donald W.	1982	+4	Blackler, Russell	1799
Karch, Robert A.	1850		Brandal, Will	1633 *
Kittredge, Robert	1926	+20	Braham	1721 *
Kromer, Ray F.	1902	-2	Bricher, Joseph	1619 *
Kronquist, Ray	1940		Bricher, Vincent	1785
Lawhon, George	1830		Brown, Ron	1683 -96
Leininger, Eugene	1862	+40	Carlson, Carl	1644 +45
Lyberger, P.A.	1800		Carter, Rev. A.	1644
MacInnis, Dr. W.	1801	*	Chonin, V.	1655 *
Makens, Thomas E.	1846	-4	Clark, Alan	1796
Manson, Henry	1828		Collins, Robert	1790
McHenry, J.R.	1800	*	Conway, Mike	1649 +21
Meador, Duane	1837	+77	Cooper, Frank J.	1750
Minea, George	1804		Coubrough, Leslie	1695 -27
Moore, Deane	1896	-28	Daniels, Donald	1740
Munger, Larry	1824		Davidson, Theo.	1614
Murray, Dr. Arthur	1927	-13	Davies	1678 *
Nash, Johnny	1866		De Yarmon, Don.	1656
Nelson, Terry	1954		Dolan, Phil	1698
Nightengale, Ed	1817	+3	Dolph, Cliff	1755
Noland, Hugh	1950		Dorn, Ruppert	1764 *
Nourse, Jack	1882	+47	Dunsten, Fred	1674
O'Brien, John	1888	*	Falkenhagen, J.	1666
Parker, Dr. Griff	1824	+50	Farrelly, J.	1671
Parsons, Dick	1890		Fass, Martin	1765 +17
Pawley, Richard	1807	*	Friedman, C.	1644 *
Pearson, Beldon	1804		Galardo, Julian	1615 *
Ray	1827	*	Gall, Richard	1721 *
Rehberg, George	1948	*	Gamido, Henry	1600
Shephard, Dr. H.	1826		Garrott, John	1743 *
Skarsten, Mal O.	1874	+49	Gates, George	1628 *
Somsen, Dick	1856	+66	Gell, John	1683 +57
Spencer, Rodger	1850		Gilchrist, John	1764
Stewart, C.H.	1936	*	Gillette, Wm.	1797 +45
Stokes	1830		Gilman, Charles	1700
Tamblyn, Harry	1838		Groenig, Dr. D.	1743 *
Tilletson	1804		Grubb, F.	1700
Tomlinson, M.	1824	*	Hamilton, Dennis	1710
Unger, Rodney	1807	+17	Hansen, Ralph	1721
Vandenburg, Rich.	1819	*	Hardin, K.	1746 *
Vellias, Russell	1965		Harmon, Clark	1775 *
Voget, William	1924		Higginson, Rob't	1738
Walker, Robert	1910	+62	Hoge, William	1706
Watson, Ira	1888		Hughes, Roy	1652 *
Weaver, F. Howard	1916		Hunter, Neil	1682 -64
Zweers, Garritt	1876	-24	Johnson	1749 *

## CLASS B (123)

Aikman, P.	1751		King, Neal	1748
Anderson, Herbert	1788		Riperts, Arvids	1670
Arbogast, Beryl	1700		Knapp, Earl	1683 -181
Bailey, William L.	1752		Krapfel, Bill	1787 -9
Ball, Jerry	1602		Krueger, Hartley	1677 -71
Ball, Lemuel	1742		Kuhlman, H.	1764 *
Barto, John R.	1780		Leach, Royal	1668
Bauer, Wayne	1791	-57	Lougheed, Ron	1711
			Lulham, Gerald	1632
			Lunde, Al R.	1660

CLASS B -continued

CLASS C

Mackenzie, John	1631	+36	Alberts, David	1354	Jaensch, Egon	1560	-40
Mage, Max	1750	-32	Alexander, Ray	1582	Johnson, Dale	1509	
Magerkurth, C.	1743	+43	Amdahl, Karl	1470	Keeley	1268	
Malcolm, H.	1678		Anderson, John	1350	Kelly, Jack	1564	
Martin, Mrs. Pat	1636	*	Atkinson, Bill	1558	* Kiszely, Karl	1544	
McGillivray	1649	*	Backer, John	1500	Kuvara, Robert	1566	
McGregor, Alan	1716	-11	Barclay, Kenneth	1394	Lang, Frank	1486	*
McNeese, James	1788		Beck, Arthur	1436	Larsen, Lucky	1425	*
Mehaffey, D.	1624		Belanger, Joseph	1554	Lee, Leonard	1358	
Miltimore, James	1618		Bender, Albert	1544	+14 Lienenweber, Mary	1399	
Moory, N.	1615	*	Bentley	1450	* Livermore, J.F.	1543	
Morgan, Robert	1680		Berry	1400	Lockhart, Scott	1572	*
Morris, Oliver S.	1724	-22	Bezemer, Paul	1590	Lulham, Michael	1444	
Munro, James	1714	+38	Bivens	1510	* Martin, Major	1519	*
Murphy, R.	1630		Booth, John	1571	* McBride, Phillip	1542	
Murray, R.	1702	*	Bowerman, Chet	1599	-5 McCuiston, Don	1558	-22
Neuman, P.F.	1756		Bransom, Robert	1510	* Meade, Tom	1476	
Parmelee, Harry	1682	+37	Breakey, John	1525	Mohs, Jim	1558	*
Peterson, Hersch	1650		Burnett, Monroe	1533	-21 Moore, Larry	1561	*
Peterson, R.	1677		Calkins, James	1553	Moorman, Phil	1396	
Pinson, R.	1762	*	Calligan, Chris	1324	Mowell, Jay	1450	*
Popham, James	1735		Cook, A.	1378	Napjus, Chris	1478	
Prichard, Paul	1700		Curtis, Frank	1400	Orr	1300	*
Priebe, George	1608		Denevere, Vito	1314	Paglieri, James	1356	
Rice, Ralph	1646		Dolle, Thomas J.	1506	Park, John	1541	*
Ring, John E.	1655	-45	Dolph, N.B.	1250	* Poe, I.C.	1569	*
Rodnite, Frank	1700		Dolph, R.C.	1529	* Potter, Dr. Frank	1588	
Rohrer, William	1600		Duggan, W.G.	1453	Raine	1450	
Rood, Paul	1696		Durwald, L.C.	1510	Rose, Donald	1343	+25
Sawyer, Stan	1705		Eddberg, Arlene Y.	1534	Rosengren, Harold	1446	
Schneider, Heinz	1651	+45	Eddy, Buz	1458	+40 Schader, James	1408	
Schrank, G.	1657		Edwards, Dwight	1512	Schain, Stuart	1450	
Seekamp, Killian	1725		Ege	1447	Schroedel, John	1442	+76
Seymour, G.	1742		Eilmes, Mary	1594	Skinner, Ron	1352	
Simon, Robert	1787		Everest, G.	1571	* Smith, Kenneth	1598	
Smith, Alex	1769	*	Faithfull, George	1440	* Spencer, Judy	1326	*
Snyder, John	1666		Frank, Ludwig	1431	* Stansby, Lewis	1460	
Spatz, Sam	1689	-22	Frederic, Jack	1421	* Stenersen, Steve	1444	
Stymans, Phil	1605	+36	Geary, C.T.	1574	* Stimson, David	1528	
Tabor, Ron	1659	*	Gemar, Joseph	1595	+11 Swank, Edgar	1400	
Thompson, Horton	1765	-7	Gleeson, Fred	1550	Sweezy, Claude	1564	+24
Thunberg, Eric	1708		Glenn, Gary	1520	Teltoft, Mike	1500	
Travis, Ted	1639	-21	Goodman	1500	* Ullrich, Robert	1426	
Turner, Robert	1700		Gray, Carroll	1573	Uriyu, Dr. Frank	1570	
Turner, Tom	1779	*	Hake, Gale	1524	+50 Vogel	1556	
Tveden, Ed	1777		Hannon, David	1582	Walker, M.	1250	*
Vhay, Jack	1662		Hanson, Carl	1404	Warren, Kenneth	1400	
Vukonich, E.	1790	-48	Hanson, Jerry	1512	Weber	1370	
Weisscher, Ben	1625	-27	Hartman, John	1538	-14 Wells, Dale	1519	+49
Wilson, J.	1673	*	Hay, Edward	1548	Whitlock	1500	
Winters	1748		Hiatt, Dick	1530	Willenberg, Bill	1402	*
Woodward, Stuart	1635	-18	Hickey, Don	1450	Williams	1200	*
York, Duncan W.	1702		Hickey, Pat	1510	Wilson, William	1426	
Young	1650	*	Hill, John	1586	Wolover, Jerry	1366	
			Holohan	1450			
			Holzinger	1550			
			Howard, F.C.	1568			
			Hudson, Del	1400			
			Hughes, Walter	1482			
			Hunt, E.E.	1564			

CODE

Over 2200 Master  
 2000-2199 Expert  
 1800-1999 Class A  
 1600-1799 Class B  
 Below 1600 Class C  
 (\*) Newly rated.  
 (+ or -) From October

CHALLENGE MATCHES

Rated players are invited to send in results of 2 to 5 game matches for rating purposes, but no more than one match a month between the same two players.

# PUGET SOUND LEAGUE

SUNDAY, DEC. 1st SCORES: Boeings  $5\frac{1}{2}$  Seattle Chess Club  $4\frac{1}{2}$ , Kitsap  $7\frac{1}{2}$  Tacoma  $2\frac{1}{2}$ , Olympia 7 McNeil 3. SUNDAY, DEC. 8th SCORE: Seattle Chess Center 9 West Seattle 1.

When Olympia had to leave McNeil sporting a  $5\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$  lead, there were 2 unfinished, but easily adjudicated games left. On first board, Conner had a win while Joachim had a draw on second although down a pawn. Bishops of opposite colors more than compensated for the pawn.

OLYMPIA CLUB	7.	MCNEIL ISLAND	3.
Walt Conner	2	Tod Travis	0
Chas. Joachim	1*	Rod Unger	1*
C. Harmeson	1	N. Hughes	1
Ellis Ayer	1	C. Sweezey	1
Ted Davis	2	J. Park	0

\* Joachim and Unger played two draws.

A reserve match found McNeil winning by a 5 to 2 count.

MCNEIL RESERVES	5.	OLYMPIA RESERVES	2.
Whitlock	0	R. Pawley	2
Warner	2	Phil Stymans	0
Cornelius	1	Jim Mohs	0
J. Galardo	1	" "	0
N. Moory	1	" "	0

With both a Warner and a Cornelius on their team, no wonder the McNeil Reserves won!

A December 2nd match at Olympia found Olympia and Shelton struggling to a 3 to 3 draw in a "friendly" match.

SHELTON CLUB	3.	OLYMPIA CLUB	3.
Lucky Larson	0	John MacKenzie	2
Alex Smith	2	Dale Wells	0
Bill Atkinson	1	Jim Mohs	1

The "tempest in a tea pot" didn't boil over! We are referring to the Boeings vs. Olympia 5 to 5 tie story in our last issue. Boeings did not want Pupols to play for the Olympia team. We felt that no player, regardless of his strength, should be kept out of WCF activities. In fact we welcome them regardless of ability! We feel that Olympia agreed to play under the conditions that prevailed in that match because they had little choice, either play under the

conditions imposed by Boeings, or go back to Olympia without playing at all! True, the appearance of Pupols converted probable victory for Boeings into a possible defeat but this should not cloud the true issue. We want our Puget Sound League teams strong.

Not backing down from our previous stand one iota, we think the match should be considered an Olympian win. Since this is a first offense and the Editor feels that it is not his job to be judge, jury and executioner, we will leave it as a drawn 5-5 match and invite comment. So as not to be considered helpless should future rule violations occur, the Editor does have the right to leave this kind of match out of the pages of the WASHINGTON CHESS LETTER.

## CHESS CENTER 9. WEST SEATTLE 1.

On Sunday, Dec. 8th, the Chess Center team ran up the most lop-sided score of the season, walloping West Seattle by a 9 to 1 tally. The West Seattle quintet was beefed up with the addition of David Harrison and several games were very hard fought and close. Both Harrison and Ben Weisscher lost a game on time. Ulvostad waived clocks at Gerrit Zweers request & five hours later the strategy rewarded Mr. Zweers with a draw. When clocks were produced for their second game, Zweers said he didn't have a chance at 40 moves per hour and forfeited!

SEATTLE CENTER	9.	WEST SEATTLE CLUB	1.
Olaf Ulvostad	$1\frac{1}{2}$	Gerrit Zweers	$\frac{1}{2}$
G.S.G. Patterson	$1\frac{1}{2}$	David Harrison	$\frac{1}{2}$
Chas. Griffiths	2.	Fred Howard	0
John O'Brien	2	Max Mage	0
Don Eilmes	2	Ben Weisscher	0

## THIRD ROUND STANDINGS

	W	L	D		W	L	D
Seattle Center	3	0	0	Boeings Club	1	1	1
Kitsap County	3	0	0	Seattle Club	0	3	0
Olympia Club	2	0	1	Tacoma Club	0	3	0
West Seattle	2	1	0	McNeil Isle	0	3	0

Summaries of the Boeings-Seattle C.C. and Kitsap-Tacoma matches were given in the last issue of the C. L.

The Editor.



OLYMPIA SURPRISES CHESS CENTER! ULVESTAD'S  
TEAM UPSET 6½-3½

If Olaf Ulvestad's Chess Center team had visions of waltzing through the Puget Sound League opposition undefeated to the title, these dreams were rudely shattered Sunday, December 15th. Villians were the Olympia Chess Club team which played host to the League favorites. Lying in ambush were Vic Pupols, Dr. A.A. Murray, Charles Joachim, Walt Conner and Ellis Ayer - five dangerous players to beard in their den.

Ulvestad and Charles Griffiths scored all of the Seattle Chess Center's points. The remaining three Seattle players could harvest only goose eggs. The result left Kitsap and Olympia as the only unbeaten. Chess Center is now in third and must beat Kitsap and hope Kitsap beats Olympia if it is to stay in title contention.

<u>OLYMPIA CLUB</u>	6½	<u>SEATTLE CENTER</u>	3½
Viktors Pupols	1½	Olaf Ulvestad	1½
Dr. A.A. Murray	0	Chas. Griffiths	2
Chas. Joachim	2	John O'Brien	0
Walt Conner	2	Holzinger	0
Ellis Ayer	2	Pat Hickey	0

KITSAP TAKES LEAGUE LEAD - SMOTHERS WEST  
SEATTLE 8½-1½

Kitsap was slightly favored to down West Seattle but instead played like champions scoring heavily on the host Westside squad 8½-1½ in games at the Seattle Club.

This was the fourth straight win for the Kitsapers but trouble looms ahead with both the Chess Center and Olympia left to be played.

<u>KITSAP COUNTY</u>	8½	<u>WEST SEATTLE CLUB</u>	1½
John Nourse	1	Gerrit Zwcers	1
Eugene Leininger	2	Eugeno Vukonich	0
George Rehberg	2	Fred M. Howard	0
Dr. Almond	2	Max Mage	0
Chas. Magerkurth	1½	Stuart Woodward	½

BOEINGS REFUSES TO LOSE AGAIN! WHIPS TACOMA  
EASILY 7½-2½

One thing can be said for this season's Tacoma team. They are consistent! For the fourth consecutive time Tacoma lost and for the fourth time the score was the same, 7½ to 2½. Tacoma's scoring punch was on the top two boards only. The bottom three men were unable to muster a point for Tacoma.

D. Samson played two draws with Max Bader on first board and has proved some kind of a find for Tacoma. He has also beaten both Walt Conner and Don Eilmes 1½ to ½ and played two draws with Leininger in other Puget Sound League matches this season giving him two wins, six draws, no losses.

<u>BOEINGS CLUB</u>	7½	<u>TACOMA CLUB</u>	2½
Max Bader	1*	D. Samson	1*
Rupert Dorn	½	Carl Carlson	1½
Dale Bjornson	2	Ludwig Frank	0
Jim Munro	2	S. Lockhart	0
V. Chonin	2	Jerry Wolover	0

SEATTLE CHESS CLUB TEAM FAILS TO VISIT  
MCNEIL - FORFEITS 10-0

The Seattle Chess Club, in danger of spoiling its perfect record (all losses) forfeited its match to McNeil. This is a sorry come down from the past two seasons when the club captured the championship.

FOURTH ROUND STANDINGS

	W	L	D		W	L	D
Kitsap County	4	0	0	West Seattle	2	2	0
Olympia Club	3	0	1	McNeil Island	1	3	0
Seattle Center	3	1	0	Seattle Club	0	4	0
Boeings Club	2	1	1	Tacoma Club	0	4	0

REMAINING SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, JAN. 5th. Chess Center at McNeil, Tacoma at Seattle Chess Club, West Seattle at Olympia, Boeings at Kitsap.

JAN. 18-19 WASHINGTON OPEN TOURNAMENT.

SUNDAY, FEB. 2nd. Olympia at Kitsap, Tacoma at McNeil, Boeings vs. West Seattle at the Seattle Chess Club, Seattle Chess Club at Seattle Chess Center.

FEB. 8th and 9th. WASH. STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

SUNDAY, FEB. 23rd. West Seattle at Tacoma, Boeings at McNeil, Seattle Chess Club at Olympia, Kitsap at Seattle Chess Center.

MARCH 22nd and 23rd. PUGET SOUND OPEN.

APRIL 19th and 20th. INLAND EMPIRE OPEN.

MAY 3rd and 4th. WASHINGTON STATE JUNIOR TOURNAMENT ( For players under 21 )

DETAILS IN COMING ISSUES.

The Ed.

# GEORGE KOLTANOWSKI'S

## "CHESS TEST"



This instructive look at the French Defense is the third of a series of three articles obtained by Geo. Bishop from George Koltanowski, as a very friendly gift to Washington Chess Letter and its readers.

Cover the game score with a sheet of paper. When you have played the Black move, stop and try to guess White's move, which will be on the next line. THE OPENING MOVES are: 1. P-K4, P-K3; 2. P-Q4, P-Q4; 3. N-QB3, B-N5; 4. P-K5, P-QB4; 5 P-QR3, BxNch; 6. PxB, N-K2. Botvinnik, who knows the French if any one does, usually plays 6. ...Q-B2. Now you are on your own. It is your move!

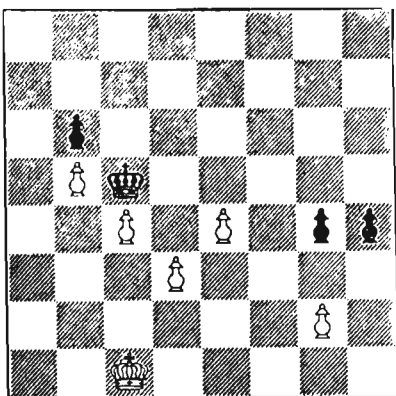
7. P-KR4            5 POINTS    If you have played the usual 7. Q-N4, or the O'Kelly move, 7. P-QR4, you also score 5 points. The text move is an idea which will prove its value on the 11th move. Steiner played it for the first time against Nimzowitch, at Dresden, 1926.  
                  ...Q-R4            Black plays as if White had not made his last move. Better would have been 7. ...Q-B2. -----
8. B-Q2            1 POINT      A natural. No use giving him too many pawns.  
                  ...Q-R5            Usually a good square for the Black Queen, but in this particular case the White Rook on KR4 may mean trouble for the Black Queen. -----
9. N-B3            2 POINTS     Again a defensive move.  
                  ...QN-B3           Black has a one-track mind. Better was P-QN3 and B-R3 -----
10. P-R5           4 POINTS     The idea of White's P-KR4 now begins to take shape. If you chose 10. PxP you lose 4 points, as you weaken your game for no good reason. -----
11. R-R4           5 POINTS     The Rook takes a sweeping view of the board. If you played 11. PxP, you lose 2 points. -----
12. R-B4           2 POINTS     For 12. R-N4, only 1 point. Ask yourself why. The reason will be seen shortly.  
                  ...P-B3            Black does not care for 12. ...O-O; 13. B-Q3, P-B3; 14. PxQP, KNxQP; 15. NxN, NxN; 16. Q-N4, NxPch; 17. K-K2, Q-N6; 18. PxP, R-B2; 19. BxPch., followed by Q-N6ch and P-R6. -----
13. PxBP           4 POINTS     This ties in with the last move. -----
14. PxNP           2 POINTS     Score 2 also for 14. NxKP. -----
15. NxKP           2 POINTS     You were just told about this one. -----
16. NxN            5 POINTS     Sells the Rook dearly. Other moves gain nothing. -----
17. BxN            2 POINTS     White has many threats. -----
- ...QxN



18. QxP            2 POINTS    Attack is the best defense.    One point for PxP.  
     ...O-O
19. B-K5           2 POINTS    The King's side attack is going to become evident  
     ...B-K3           before many more moves.    Two points for O-O-O.
20. R-N1           2 POINTS    A change of plan for the moment.    It stops ..Q-N3.
21. B-N5           3 POINTS    Gains time.
22. Q-R4           3 POINTS    Threatens Q-N5ch and Q-N7 mate.
23. Q-N3ch        1 POINT     Attacks and defends.
24. P-R6           3 POINTS    The KRP is asserting itself.    If you played B-Q3  
     ...K-K2           you lose 5 points, as your strong KRP would go.
25. Q-N7ch        2 POINTS    The harrassment must continue.
26. B-N3           3 POINTS    Is defensive, and permits QxRP.
27. QxP           1 POINT     That's why he played the Bishop away.
28. K-Q2           2 POINTS    The rest should be easy.    The two Bishops are going  
     ...P-Q5           to be killing against a wandering King.
29. R-K1ch        NO POINTS
30. Q-Q3           2 POINTS    This still continues the attack.
31. PxP           3 POINTS    Hinders the exchange of Queens that was threatened  
     ...RxP           with Pxpch.    For 31. B-QB4 only 1 point
32. R-K5           NO POINTS
- ...Q-R7
33. Q-B5ch
- ...K-N2
34. R-K7
- Resigns

57-63    Class A  
 42-47            B  
 34-41            C  
 If less---Study!

## MAGIC ON THE CHESSBOARD



STUDY BY CAMINAIDE, FRANCE

1. K-Q2 ..... P-R6
2. PXP ..... PXP
3. P-K5! ..... P-R7
4. K-B3 ..... P-R8/Q
5. P-Q4 MATE

Black can avoid the mate, but loses anyway.  
 1. ...P-R6 is forced, otherwise the White King can reach the queening square. If after  
 3. P-K5, K-Q5, both pawns queen, then  
 after 6. ....Q-R3†, the White King reaches safety at N3 and wins.

# JUNIOR CHESS NEWS

## MOORMANN WINS WEST SEATTLE HIGH CLOSED TOURNEY

A double round-robin to determine the W. Seattle club team placings in the high school league, was won by PHIL MOORMANN with a 7-3 score. This event was played during the past two months.

Second place went to JOHN SCHROEDEL, who finished with a 6-4 score. Third was taken by AL BENDER with 5½-4½. Fourth was West Seattle High School Club Champion WILLY BRANDAL. His score was also 5½-4½ but he lost a tie-breaker game to BENDER.

Fifth went to BUZ EDDY who had a final score of 4-6. BILL WILLENBERG finished on the bottom with 2-8.

This is the second tourney held this year by the West Seattle High School club. WILLY BRANDAL won the W. S. High School Open in November.

Place	Name	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	W	L	D
1.	Phil Moormann	XX	11	0½	0½	11	11	6	2	2
2.	John Schroedel	00	XX	10	01	11	11	6	4	0
3.	Al Bender	1½	01	XX	01	00	11	5	4	1 *
4.	Willy Brandal	1½	10	10	XX	01	01	5	4	1 *
5.	Buz Eddy	00	00	11	10	XX	01	4	6	0
6.	Bill Willenberg	00	00	00	10	10	XX	2	8	0

\* Bender won playoff game from Brandal.

## WEST SEATTLE HIGH SCHOOL 14. NEWBERG, OREGON 1.

The Westside team of BUZ EDDY, WILLY BRANDAL, BILL WILLENBERG and JOHN SCHROEDEL visited Newberg, Oregon December 14th for a 15 game match with the Oregonians. The two teams met in Newberg, but the match was held in Dundee, three miles south of Newberg, at Bob Brown's house.

The match was arranged by BUZ EDDY, when he had met several Newberg players at the Oregon Open in Portland.

Mrs. Brown served afternoon refreshments. She also prepared a wonderful dinner and was a most excellent hostess. The West Seattle team is very grateful for the good food and wonderful time shared by all.

Match summary is given in next column.

## WEST SEATTLE H. S. 14. NEWBERG, OREGON 1.

Willy Brandal	3	Gary Everest	0
John Schroedel	2	Bob Brown	1
Buz Eddy	3	Marvin Walker	0
Bill Willenberg	3	Tim Haffey	0
John Schroedel	1	Keith Noble	0
Bill Willenberg	2	Keith Noble	0

West Seattle had only four players to the host team's five. Newberg declined to accept forfeits on fifth board and allowed WILLENBERG and SCHROEDEL to play on last board along with their regular boards.

## QUEEN ANNE HI NEWS

Queen Anne High School has elected RICHARD DERHAM as their President. He is the club's only officer. The club advisor is MR. WALTHES. Below are the Club Ladder positions of each member as of December 17th.

1. Howard Brandt	8. Alan Rose
2. Richard Derham	9. Richard Trenton
3. Gary Franklain	10. Frank Thomas
4. George Waring	11. Mr. Walthes
5. Mike Dolbaugh	12. Gary McBride
6. Walter Elliott	13. Charles Richards
7. Davo Jensen	14. Robert Moririscy

## WEST SEATTLE H. S. NEWS

The West Seattle High School Chess Club has finally been set up, due to two tournaments held since October.

Board	Player	Score	These are
1.	Phil Moormann.....	11-5	the combin- ed scores of two tourna- ments held by the W.S. School Club.
2.	Willy Brandal.....	10½-5½	
3.	Al Bender.....	9½-6½	
4.	John Schroedel.....	9-7	
5.	Buz Eddy.....	5½-10½	

Alternate: B. Willenberg 5-11

## MATCHES

BILL WILLENBERG and WILLY BRANDAL are engaged in a 50 game match. As of December 21st, the score is 9-1 with BRANDAL on top.

On December 21st, the marathon match between Schroedel and Moormann found Phil Moormann enjoying a 19 game advantage. The score that day was Moormann 85 Schroedel 66 with only four games being played in December due to school exams.

BY JOHN SCHROEDEL

# JUNIOR CHESS LEAGUE NEWS

There is a Junior Chess League! Four high schools - Highline, Queen Anne, Auburn, and West Seattle, are in the League. Each of these schools has a chess team and soon will be ample competition with actual League play starting in February. The delay is to allow time for possible other schools to enter.

Representatives will confer during the latter part of January to set up a schedule and agree on rules. Contact with all of the schools has not as yet been completed.

Five non-league matches have been played recently. The results are as follows:

## HIGHLINE 10 AUBURN 0

The Highline team visited Auburn high school last Nov. 4th. No details. Individual results may be picked up regarding this match at the proposed West Seattle vs. Auburn match.

## HIGHLINE 8 QUEEN ANNE 2

Last Nov. 22nd, Highline downed Queen Anne 8 to 2. This is the first known match played by Queen Anne in some time.

HIGHLINE H. S.	8.	QUEEN ANNE H. S.	2.
Jim Munro	1	Howard Brandt	1
Chris Napjus	2	Dick Derham	0
Chris Calligan	2	Gary Franklain	0
Dick Hiatt	1	George Waring	1
Larry Ehlo	2	David Jensen	0

Queen Anno wants to play in the League but is hampered by lack of transportation.

## HIGHLINE 6 WEST SEATTLE 4

The two rival southwest schools, Highline and West Seattle, met last December 2nd. The result clearly showed that Highline has a strong team.

West Seattle had an extra player so BILL WILLENBERG and JOHN SCHROEDEL alternated on fifth board. (See next column for summary.)

HIGHLINE H. S.	6.	WEST SEATTLE H. S.	4.
Jim Munro	2	Willy Brandal	0
Chris Napjus	2	Buz Eddy	0
Chris Calligan	0	Al Bender	2
Dick Hiatt	1	Phil Moormann	1
Larry Ehlo	0	Bill Willenberg	1
Larry Ehle	1	John Schroedel	0

## HIGHLINE 7½ WEST SEATTLE 2½

On December 5th, West Seattle H.S. met Highline in a rematch and once again Highline proved too strong.

## HIGHLINE H. S. 7½. WEST SEATTLE H.S. 2½.

Jim Munro	2 *	Al Bender	0*
Chris Napjus	1½	Willy Brandal	½
Chris Calligan	2	Buz Eddy	0
Dick Hiatt	2	Phil Moormann	0
Larry Ehle	0	John Schroedel	2

\* In the second game on first board, Bill Willenberg took over for Al Bender. He lost to Jim Munro but after the match this was considered illegal and so BENDER forfeited his second game and the Willenberg-Munro game was crased. The 7½ - 2½ score remained the same anyway.

## WEST SEATTLE 7 QUEEN ANNE 3

On December 17th, the West Seattle H. S. team visited Queen Anne for competition with that school. The 7-3 victory was the first Washington match West Seattle High has won this season.

The double wins of AL BENDER & BUZ EDDY on second and fourth boards respectively secured the match for West Seattle.

## WEST SEATTLE H. S. 7. QUEEN ANNE H. S. 3.

Willy Brandal	1	Howard Brandt	1
Al Bender	2	Richard Derham	0
John Schroedel	1	Gary Franklain	1
Buz Eddy	2	George Waring	0
Bill Willenberg	1	Walter Elliott	1

## W. SEATTLE TEAM STATISTICS

Name	Boards	W L D	PCT.
1. Bill Willenberg	4 & 5	7-1-0	87.50
2. John Schroedel	2,3, 5	6-3-0	66.66
3. Al Bender	1 & 3	4-2-0	66.66
4. Buz Eddy	2,3, 4	5-4-0	55.55
5. Willy Brandal	1 & 2	4-4-1	50.00
6. Phil Moormann	4	1-3-0	25.00

BY JOHN SCHROEDEL

# SOLVERS' CONTEST

## LAST MONTH

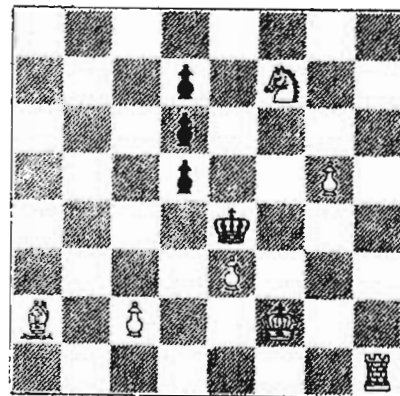
Correct solutions to both positions were sent by eleven of our most distinguished solvers. Maybe other cards or letters were lost in transit but these got through: Joachim, Oldham, Jaensch, Bader, Ballantine, Bloomquist, Fass, Dolph, Hess, Nourse, and Thompson. Others solved the problem.

Thompson's correct reply was least concise:

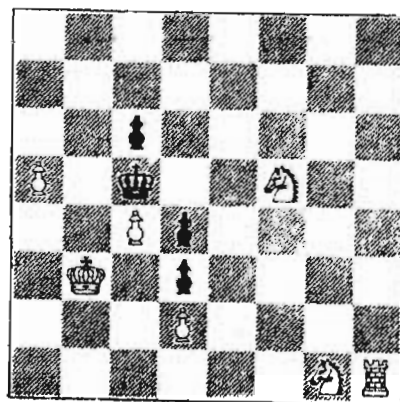
"I get lost in obfuscations of master chess, but here goes with my latest hallucination, -

1. P-R8/Qch Thompson takes the bull by horns.  
QxQ Serves White right.
2. B-K5 Reckless Thompson.  
QxB Thank you.
3. R-N8ch Oh! Oh!  
KxP Of course.
4. B-QB4ch  
K-B3 So what?
5. R-N6ch  
KxP Quit kidding.
6. B-Q3ch  
K-B5 Nuts to you.
7. R-N4ch Merrily we roll along.  
KxP Huh?
8. B-K2 mate Gosh, how I worked on this."

The solution to the problem is 1. N-R4.



WHITE TO PLAY, MATE IN 3



WHITE TO PLAY, MATE IN 4

## THIS MONTH

In response to the invitation in the November issue, Frank Fillery, Canadian chess editor, and winner of international competitions in the composition of chess problems, has sent the two problems pictured. They are original and not previously published. Mr. Fillery says that neither is very complex, but believes they are sound and may interest our solvers.

Little did we know when we first started the printing of chess positions that we were fooling around with an art form. It was maybe a year before we discovered the distinction between problem and ending. Mr. Fillery's descriptions of his 3-er and 4-er are quite technical and we would dearly love to roll off the phraseology just to impress you, but it might tip off the cognoscente, of whom we have a few, as to the line of solution.

If they really are easy they will merely provide a lull in the storm. Next month we will try to knock out the hard-core followers with a four-carburetor super-doozie deluxe special Fleetwood-Premier model -----

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3p1N2  
3p4  
3p2P1  
The 4k3  
3-er 4P3  
B1P2K2  
7R

8  
8  
2p5  
The Plk2N2  
4-er 2Pp4  
1K1p4  
3P4  
6NR

# LETTERS TO YE ED.

DICK VANDENBURG of Boise, Idaho writes a few paragraphs regarding the recent Oregon Open Tournament in Portland.

Dear Dan, After reading your writeup in the December W. C. L. I don't think I can contribute much. Three pages of good information.

DON JOHNSON was the main man responsible for the success of the tournament. However, he was ably assisted by DUANE MEADOR of Vancouver, Washington. Also, Johnson attributed much of the tournament's success to the publicity it received in the W.C.L. and the Idaho Chess Quarterly--particularly the W.C.L. I believe. However, six recipients of the Quarterly were there.

The Oregonian article said something regarding C. H. STEWART who came from Boise. He is older than mentioned--80 to be exact. Stewart did very well losing only to DALBERGS and drawing HUGHART. You may remember that he also placed 3rd at Montana last year. It was also mentioned that he had no one to play with at home but he has. We meet at our club once a week and Stewart and I often get together more often.

Hughart, who placed 5th, surprised us all as he came from Idaho and I don't believe he's that strong there. He must be getting in some good practice.

DR. DAVE GROENIG, who placed 25th, should not be taken too lightly. He comes from near Boise and is very good. He lives in Spokane & should provide a new spark for that good club. He is also always ready to play in a tournament anywhere as evidenced by his appearance in Portland. We hated to lose him.

While at the tournament, I talked to PUPOLS about our IDAHO OPEN which will be held next Memorial Day weekend, May 31-June 1st in Boise. Pupols said he would like to attend & add another knot to his victory string. All Northwest players are cordially invited.

Incidentally, the Portland Club --- with Don Johnson leading --- did a beautiful job on the tournament. All matches went smoothly and it seemed that he anticipated every problem & prevented any before they started.

Editor's comment: It appears that the chess story in the Oregonian was not only misleading concerning certain facts but it was quite malicious too. What price chess publicity? We quit sending in chess news to the papers long ago. Even when they do not make fun of the game or its players, a newspaper usually garbles the story making it a piece of misinformation. In view of this, one should take with a grain of salt everything read in a newspaper.

From ROBERT KITTREDGE of Spokane:

Dear Dan, Just a few comments by Kittredge for Christmas. Couldn't find name in Solvers Contest this month. Upon reflection came the dawn that I hadn't sent them in, as I had not worked the White to Win one. Will take more time on December Solvers as I've finished casing Oregon. No puns, please --- I KNOW the Oregon Open's over! Casing Oregon is one of my jobs as a Railway Mail Clerk.

Canyon County's loss is Spokane's big gain as Dr. Groenig takes his place in the top echelon of Spokane chess.

Sure enjoy the Olympia system rating points. It appears as though everyone's rating goes up, never down --- I like that.

We'll be looking for the Seattle men to come over to our Inland Empire Open in April. We'll try to come up with a secret weapon to make the results slightly different than last year. All that we have to do is to beat Pupols and crew and we've got it made! Anyway, that gives us something to work on.

I would like to express my appreciation of Mr. Koltanowski's interest in Northwest Chess. I enjoyed his chess test even though I missed the 8 pointer move 12. I considered it though.

Want to wish the staff of the Chess Letter and the officers of the Federation a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Interpretation: In the last Letter, we stated "Dan Wade enjoyed himself in a pair of games with Martin Fass." No, we didn't slaughter or walk all over him. We enjoyed the games because (1) we won, and (2) because they were both close and very interesting, at least to us. The Editor.

# GAMES *by Wade*

JIM MCCORMICK writes from New York City where he now lives - "I played like a fish in the Long Island Amateur with a 4-2 score. Probably 9th or 10th place finish in the 61 player event. E. T. MCCORMICK clobbered me in the last round. After the game the players told me that he has spent the last 20 years on the opening he played against me.

I played in the second Morphy Memorial Tournament last weekend and scored  $3\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$ . In the last round I BEAT JAMES SHERWIN!! Jimmy S. got into severe time trouble against me and lost the ending. WALTER SHIPMAN won the tourney with  $4\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$ . There were at least seven masters in the 46 man tournament.

W. Shipman (M)	$4\frac{1}{2}$	J. McCormick (Ex)	$3\frac{1}{2}$
A. Fuerstein (M)	4	Crittenden (Ex)	$3\frac{1}{2}$
D. Menarini (M)	4	Avram (Ex)	$3\frac{1}{2}$
Dr. Marchand (Ex)	4	Weinstein (Ex)	$3\frac{1}{2}$
Sullivan (Ex)	4	Yarmak (M)	3
Ratcliffe (B!)	4	Sherwin (M)	3
Weinberger (Ex?)	4	Eliot Hearst (M)	$2\frac{1}{2}$

DICK PARSONS stayed at my place a few days prior to leaving for Europe. He promised to send me some Russian analysis.

How are things in Seattle? Who won the Oregon Open? Has Ulvestad shot Edberg? Or vice-versa? Toll Makens I met Crittenden, a sharp character. (Crittenden and Makens are both from North Carolina. - The Editor)

## JIM MCCORMICK

## JIM SHERWIN

1. P-Q4	N-KB3
2. P-QB4	P-KN3
3. N-QB3	B-N2
4. P-K4	P-Q3
5. B-K2	O-O
6. B-KN5	P-B4
7. P-Q5	Q-R4
8. Q-Q2	P-K3
9. N-B3	PxP
10. KPxP	P-QR3
11. O-O	Q-B2
12. B-R6	B-N5
13. BxB	KxB
14. P-KR3	BxN
15. BxB	QN-Q2
16. KR-K1	QR-N1
17. P-QR4	KR-K1
18. P-QN3	Q-R4
19. P-KN4	P-KR3

(Next column)

20. B-N2	Q-N5
21. Q-B2	RxR
22. RxR	R-K1??

Black should have played P-QN4! 23 PxP, PxP; 24 PxP, RxP; if 25 NxR, QxRch. 26 K-R2, Q-K4ch. followed by NxP.

23. RxR	NxR
24. P-R4	Q-R6
25. P-B4!	Q-R8ch.
26. K-B2	N/2-B3
27. B-B3	P-KR4
28. PxP	PxP
29. N-K2!	K-B1
30. Q-B1	Q-R7
31. Q-B3	Q-N8
32. N-N3	Q-N3
33. P-B5	Q-N2
34. Q-Q2	N-N5ch.
35. K-N2	N/1-B3
36. Q-R5	Q-R3
37. Q-B3	Q-B5
38. BxN	NxB
39. Q-R8ch!	K-K2
40. QxP	Q-B7ch.
41. K-R3	N-K6?

Haven't analysed the game yet but I think Black is lost after the exchanging of Queens. (McCormick)

42. Q-K2!	QxQ
43. NxQ	NxKBP
44. K-N4	K-B3
45. P-KR5!	P-R4
46. K-B4	P-N3
47. N-B3!	N-Q5
48. N-K4ch.	K-N2
49. NxQP	NxP
50. N-B5ch.	K-B3

Adjudicated a win for White by Hans Kmock. 51 P-R6, K-N3; 52 P-Q6 and easy win.

McCormick's address is 38 Jefferson Street, Apt. 6, New York City.

## ENTERTAINMENT AT SEATTLE CHESS CENTER !

### JOHN O'BRIEN

### ROBERT KARCH

1. N-KB3	N-KB3	15. N-Q3	N-Q3
2. P-KN3	P-KN3	16. N-B4	Q-B1?
3. B-N2	B-N2	17. N/4-Q5	Q-Q2
4. O-O	O-O	18. N-N5	N/N3xP
5. P-B4	P-Q3	19. R-N1	N-K4
6. P-Q4	QN-Q2	20. Q-N2	K-R1
7. N-B3	P-B4	21. NxKP	QxN
8. P-K3	N-N3	22. RxN?	P-QR3
9. Q-K2	B-Q2	23. R-N6	PxN
10. PxP	PxP	24. RxNP/7	Q-Q3
11. R-Q1	Q-B1	25. Q-B1	N-B6ch.
12. N-K5	B-R6	26. K-N2	Q-Q4
13. BxB	QxB	27. QxNP?	N-Q5 ch.
14. Q-B3	N-K1	28. Resigns.	



# CHESS AROUND THE WORLD

## SWEDEN

The hit of a Stockholm industrial fair was a U.S. electronic computer. It was geared to invincibility on a nine square miniature chess board. People lined up for hours to test it.

## PERRY, MAINE

Fred M. Wren will replace Montgomery Major as editor of Chess Life, the newspaper of the United States Chess Federation, on January 1, 1958. Wren has been a long-time contributor to leading chess publications in the United States, England, and Canada. He retired last year after 34 years with the U.S. State Department, during which time he served in many countries and made lasting friendships with most of the leaders of international chess activities.

## MONTREAL, CANADA

Montreal now has a full-time chess center, consisting of two large rooms for play, a lounge, and a library of 200 books donated by M. Guze.

## DALLAS, TEXAS

The Dallas International Chess Tournament ended in a tie between Samuel Reshevsky of New York and Svetozar Gligoric of Yugoslavia. Both scored 8½-5½ and split \$3,500 first and second-place combined in prize money.

Eight world famous masters who competed were so closely matched that Evans, who finished last, had a creditable 5 points.

The winners both started poorly and made up ground in later rounds. Resnevsky lost to Olafsson in an early round, and Gligoric lost to Szabo and had five draws in his first six games.

Third place was also a tie between Larsen of Denmark and Szabo, both with 7½-6½. Yanofsky scored 7 points, Olafsson 6½, and Najdorf 5½.

## OUTER MONGOLIA

In the first international tourney held in Outer Mongolia, the winner was Heinz Liebert of East Germany, followed by Kolarov, Bulgaria, and Antoshin, USSR. Chinese and Mongolian competitors followed.

Jim Cross is the new California champion, winning four games and losing only to Gilbert Ramirez, last year's champion. The event had only six players as four northern California qualifiers did not attend the finals. Ramirez and Henry Gross, both from San Francisco, took second and third places. Cross, Rubin, and Yarmack were the other finalists

## NEW YORK

Bobby Fischer defeated Arthur Feuerstein in the first game to be completed in the U.S. Championship, with which is combined the Rosenwald Trophy Tournament, at Manhattan Chess Club.



'What am I offered, gentlemen, for this ancient chess trophy, complete with a Genius?'



# POSTAL GAMES

## ANNOTATED BY ULVESTAD



### Section 57A-2A

1. P-Q4 N-KB3
2. P-QB4 P-KN3
3. N-QB3 B-N2
4. P-K3

This move is good enough, but more usual is P-K4

4. ----- P-Q4  
This transposes into a form of the Gruenfeld Defense.

5. N-KB3 P-K3  
Sharper here is 5.--- P-B4 followed by 6. PxBP, Q-R4  
7. PxP, NxP, 8. QxN, BxN ch  
9. B-Q2, BxB ch, 10. NxB, O-O, threatening R-Q1 and other forms of chess mayhem  
Another variation would be 9. N-Q2, B-N2, 10. B-B4, O-O. Black can generate many threats and White is in a bind. The foregoing combination could be called a "Stock Combination" characteristic of the Gruenfeld Defense.

6. B-Q3 PxP
7. BxP O-O
8. B-Q3

Better here is O-O  
8. ----- P-N3  
9. P-K4 B-N2  
10. B-K3 N-B3  
11. Q-Q2 R-K1  
12. B-QN5 Q-K2  
13. QB-R6 BxB

Black's move here is, as the saying goes "Letting in Flynn". Better would be  
13. --- QR-Q1  
14. QxB Q-N5  
15. O-O P-QR3  
16. P-K5 N-Q2  
17. N-KN5 N-B1  
18. N(B3)-K4 ! NxQP  
Losing outright, but there

is no good defense to N-B6 ch. followed by either NxRP. White's conduct of the attack is very good.  
19. N-B6 ch K-R1  
20. NxP mate.

### Section 57A-2B

1. P-K4 P-QB4
  2. P-QN4
- Known as the Wing Gambit  
2. ----- P-K4  
If Black wants to deviate from accepted lines, he would do better here with 2.---P-QN3 with the aim of hitting White center with his QB, etc.  
3. N-KB3 PxP  
4. P-QR3

More in keeping with the gambit is to destroy Black's center with 4. NxP, Q-K2, 5. P-Q4, P-Q 3, 6. N-KB3, QxP ch, 7. B-K3 and Black's defense will be difficult.

4. ---- N-QB3
  5. PxP BxP
  6. P-QB3 B-B4
- The B is a ready reference for a time gaining White center P thrust later. Better is B-K2.  
7. B-B4 Q-N3  
8. O-O N-KB3  
9. P-Q3

Very interesting and in true gambit style is 9. P-Q4, PxP  
10. P-K5, N-N5 11. BxP ch KxB  
12. N-N5 ch (Black is in a quandry as to where to move his K). Followed by 13. QxN etc. This line is disorganizing to say the least.

9. ----- KN-N5
10. BxP ch K-K2

11. B-R3  
White's previous move was sharp, but 11. P-Q4 is more vigorous.

11. ----- P-Q3
  12. BxB PxB
- This leaves his KP too weak. QxB was necessary.

13. B-Q5 R-B1  
14. BxN QxB  
15. P-KR3 P-KR4  
Black is not sufficiently developed to sacrifice a piece. 15. -- N-B3 fighting on with a P down is better.  
16. QN-Q2  
PxN, PxP, 17. N-R2, Q-N3, 18. QN-Q2, R-R1, 19. R-K1, Q-R4, 20. QN-B1 was perfectly safe for White.

16. ---- Q-B3
17. N-QB4 P-QN4
18. N-K3 NxN
19. PxN P-QR4
20. Q-K2 B-K3

Allows an exchange of his valuable QB. 20. --- B-Q2 was indicated.  
21. N-Q4 Q-N3  
22. RxR RxR  
Losing his QRP. RxR was forced. The rest requires little comment, as White also invades on the QR file.

23. NxB QxN
24. RxP Q-QN3
25. Q-R2 R-QN1
26. R-R6 Q-Q1
27. Q-K6 ch K-B1
28. QxKP Q-B1
29. R-R7 resigns

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12/13/57	57A-1A	Skarsten	1 Edberg, R.	0 42	
	57A-1B	Skarsten	1 Edberg, R.	0 42	
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