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BUZ EDDY NEW "LETTER" EDITOR

We have been Editor of the Washington Chess Letter the greater part of the past seven years since June, 1952. Our first real work for the "Letter" was away back in April of 1952. Nothing can last forever so we are happy to announce that a new editor, BUZ EDDY, takes over this magazine next issue. Give him your support. Send your news, games, and letters to him.

Write Buz Eddy, 5903 36th S. W. Seattle, Washington or phone WE 2-4851. Your cooperation is necessary.

We are not leaving chess. In fact, the contrary. We plan on playing a lot more now that we have been relieved of a job that took us 40-50 hours per month.

COMING EVENTS

WASHINGTON VS. BRITISH COLUMBIA INTERNATIONAL MATCH - Sunday, July 26th at the border under the Peace Arch. One p.m. Pacific Standard Time. Bring equipment. We get the white pieces on the odd numbered boards as we are the visiting team. We need a minimum of 45 players and hope for more. Entry fee is \$1 per player.

SEATTLE SEAFAIR OPEN - Sat. and Sun. August 1st and 2nd. Starts at 9 a.m. Site will probably be at the Seattle U. Student Union Building. The location will be confirmed in the June issue.

LABOR DAY WEEKEND - Annual Oregon Open in Portland. Details anon.

NAJDORF, PACHMAN TIE IN ARGENTINA

Miguel Najdorf of Buenos Aires and Ludek Pachman of Czechoslovakia finished tied for first with $10\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$ in the international master tournament at Mar del Plata, Argentina. Najdorf emerged as the only undefeated player while Pachman won his last three games to equal Najdorf's score.

Two early round defeats prevented U. S. champion BOBBY FISCHER from finishing higher than a tie for third with Yugoslavia's Boris Ivkov. They scored 10-4, only $\frac{1}{2}$ point out of first. Fischer lost to Pachman and Chile's Rene Letelier. Fischer had a draw with Letelier but wanted more and ended up by losing. Fifteen masters participated.

IN SPOKANE IT'S DR. GROENIG

Two months ago we reported that Dr. Dave Groenig and Gordon Cornelius tied for the Spokane City championship with 5-1 in a 11 player six round tmt. Now one of our spies has discovered an amazing thing! After all these years Spokane has a new champion. Dr. Groenig defeated Cornelius in the playoff & is Spokane champion for 1959. We do not know how many games were played. Just who won.

POSTAL SECTION 58A-7A and 7B.

Only flood, fire, or famine can save Howard Weaver from defeat in the only remaining game in this section. George Bishop has an elementary win, however at this writing Weaver overlooks the only remedy for his trouble - resignation. When the game is finished, the final standings will be: Wado 6-2, Bishop and Weaver tied with $5\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$ each, Coubrough 3-5, and Karch with 0-8. Bishop lost only one game. That was on an oversight to Wado. Two draws with Coubrough and one against Weaver hurt his chances just a little bit too much. This was one of closest finishes of all time in Washington postal chess. Join a section or play a match. Only 50¢. Last month 77 players were listed as participating in WCF postal chess.

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual Washington Chess Federation business meeting was held Sunday, April 19, 1959 in the Colman room in the Seattle "Y". The meeting got underway at 1:30 p.m. Only eleven officers and members were present.

Due to the absence of DR. GRIFF PARKER whose membership in the W.C.F. has lapsed, vice-president MAX MAGE took over the gavel at the meeting. Others present were MAX BADER, W. H. RALEIGH, RICHARD SCHULTZ, KEN MULFORD, AL LIVINGSTON, CHARLES JOACHIM, D. WADE, DEANE MOORE, BUZ EDDY and PEDER HUSBY. Non-member MAURICE HENION was a part-time observer.

The lateness of the April Chess Letter was blamed for the small attendance. It was decided that future secretaries shall send notice to all officers and club leaders in March each year notifying them of time and place of future meetings.

After much discussion during which it was decided the next Seattle Seafair Open, August 1-2, would be a single tournament instead of a multiple event, and that more information would be needed to bring the U.S. Open to Seattle in 1961, voting on the annual "Oscar" award followed. BUZ EDDY, FRED HOWARD, and AL LIVINGSTON were nominated. After a close vote, FRED HOWARD won. Fred was in California on vacation so could not attend the meeting. It was voted that W.H. RALEIGH would purchase suitable trophies to be given to Howard and also to last year's winner, ROBERT KARCH, who is in California.

Election of officers followed. MAX MAGE was unanimously elected president. DAN WADE was unanimously elected vice-president. W.H. RALEIGH was unanimously elected treasurer. Also unopposed were BUZ EDDY who was elected Wash. Chess Letter editor, FRED HOWARD, Publicity director, AL LIVINGSTON, tournament director, and R. R. MERK, circulation and postal director. ROBERT KARCH was re-elected Ratings director unopposed. PEDER HUSBY, after many years service as secretary, declined to again run for the office. DR. A.A. MURRAY and CHARLES JOACHIM received nominations and JOACHIM was elected. The important office of publisher of the Washington Chess Letter remains unfilled as F. H. WEAVER, elected in absentia, declined to accept the job he was able to do only five months out of twelve last year.

WADE WINS MATCH

After an uphill battle, DAN WADE defeated DR. A. A. MURRAY $5\frac{1}{2}$ to $2\frac{1}{2}$ in a 10 game match terminated after 8 games. Dr. Murray was fortunate to get an opening game draw, won easily in the second game and practically "stole" the third game. This put him ahead $2\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ with Wade feeling that the score should have been very different. Wade did a little stealing of his own in the 4th game with Murray in a bit of time trouble giving away a rook. Murray should have won otherwise. Wade should have won the 5th easily but after booting away his chances, finally won it anyway to tie up the match. The next 3 also went to Wade with Murray missing a lot of chances and having much clock difficulty.

At one time DR. MURRAY jinxed Wade, but now the shoe seems on the other foot. Including the last played N. E. Seattle tourney game and the State Championship tournament game, Wade has now won seven in a row. But the writer is far from being satisfied as he feels Dr. Murray has a curious way of beating himself making Wade's wins rather hollow. Match games were played at the rate of 35 moves per hour.

N.W. WASHINGTON

The Skagit County Chess Club's 10th tournament is underway. It is a 32 game sudden death ladder affair. Games are played every other Thursday evening at the Mount Vernon YMCA. The winner of each tourney gets to keep the traveling perpetual trophy.

For players who desire to play every week, the Anacortes Chess Club meets on second and fourth Thursdays at the Anacortes public library. These meetings are on alternate Thursdays of the Skagit Club in Mount Vernon.

The Everett Chess Club meets every Monday night at 7:30 at the Everett Y. The Everett Club would welcome a 4 player team struggle. Clubs interested may write KEN DART, 9020 Highway 99, South, Everett, Washington.

Everyone says they would like to do things but no one ever does anything.

SEATTLE HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE *by Eddy*

STANDINGS

	Won	Lost	Games Won
1. Lincoln	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	25
2. W. Seattle	5	1	43
3. Highline	3	3	26 $\frac{1}{2}$
4. Prep/O'Dea	3	3	10
5. Garfield	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$
6. Queen Anne	1	3	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
7. Roosevelt	0	5	5
8. Sealth	0	5	2 $\frac{1}{2}$

The league is moving along fairly smoothly with only nine matches remaining to be reported. Lincoln looks like the probable champion but West Seattle or Garfield could still win if the Lynx lose the last match to Garfield.

3rd Round

Roosevelt - Garfield --- Not Reported

<u>W. Seattle</u>	<u>9$\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$</u>	<u>Sealth</u>
1. Willy Brandal	2 - 0	R. Woodcock
2. Al Bender	2 - 0	Darlene Cook
3. Bill Willenberg	2 - 0	Eva Parpart
4. John Schroedel	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$	Bob Colwell
5. Pat Wilson	1 - 0	C. Hillsinger
5. Val Kleper	1 - 0	C. Hillsinger

<u>Lincoln</u>	<u>5 - 5</u>	<u>Highline</u>
1. Dave Grannis	1 - 1	Gordan Gray
2. Peter O'Gorman	1 - 1	Bill Chapman
3. Don Elliott	1 - 1	Terry Roggers
4. Charles Greenup	2 - 0	B. Herbage
5. forfeit	0 - 2	Berry Lewis

Prep/O'dea 10 Queen Anne 0 (forfeit)

4th Round

Garfield - Sealth - - - Not Reported

<u>Lincoln</u>	<u>8 - 2</u>	<u>Queen Anne</u>
1. Dave Grannis	1 - 1	Jim Lawrence
2. Peter O'Gorman	2 - 0	Norm Castillo
3. Charles Greenup	1 - 1	Hypse
4. Dave Campbell	2 - 0	Soderquist
5. Wally Green	2 - 0	Cozu

Prep/O'dea 10 Highline 0 (forfeit)

<u>West Seattle</u>	<u>9 - 0</u>	<u>Roosevelt</u>
1. Willy Brandal	2 - 0	Brian Pearson
2. Al Bender	1 - 0	George Ordell
3. John Schroedel	2 - 0	Gunar Sundgren
4. Pat Wilson	2 - 0	Dan Davis
5. Val Kleper	1 - 0	Jim Peterson
5. Val Kleper	1 - 0	forfeit

5th Round

Roosevelt - Sealth - - - Not Reported

<u>Lincoln</u>	<u>6 - 4</u>	<u>Prep/O'Dea</u>
1. Dave Grannis	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$	Mike Franett
2. Peter O'Gorman	$\frac{1}{2}$ - 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	John Brailey
3. Don Elliott	1 - 1	Jim Blair
4. Charles Greenup	1 - 1	Henderson
5. Dave Campbell	2 - 0	forfeit

<u>Garfield</u>	<u>5 - 5</u>	<u>Highline</u>
1. Robert Allen	1 - 1	Gordan Gray
2. Carl Cravens	2 - 0	Bill Chapman
3. Teddy Iwata	2 - 0	Terry Roggers
4. forfeit	0 - 2	B. Herbage
5. forfeit	0 - 2	Berry Lewis

<u>West Seattle</u>	<u>8 - 2</u>	<u>Queen Anne</u>
1. Willy Brandal	2 - 0	Jim Lawrence
2. Al Bender	1 - 1	Doug Marquard
3. Bill Willenberg	1 - 1	Don Trentoll
4. John Schroedel	2 - 0	Dennis Helmick
5. Pat Wilson	2 - 0	Doug Reynolds

6th Round

Lincoln - Garfield ---- Not Reported

Sealth - Queen Anne --- Not Reported

<u>West Seattle</u>	<u>6$\frac{1}{2}$ - 3$\frac{1}{2}$</u>	<u>Prep/O'Dea</u>
1. Willy Brandal	1 - 1	Mike Franett
2. Al Bender	1 - 1*	John Brailey
3. Bill Willenberg	2 - 0	Jim Blair
4. John Schroedel	2 - 0	Bob Anderson
5. John Pete	$\frac{1}{2}$ - 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	Byant Tempelton

* Two Draws

<u>Highline</u>	<u>7$\frac{1}{2}$ - 2$\frac{1}{2}$</u>	<u>Roosevelt</u>
1. Gordan Gray	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$	George Ordell
2. Terry Roggers	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$	Bob Street
3. Berry Lewis	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$	Jack McLeish
4. Jim Tierman	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$	Jim Peterson
5. Mike Moucky	1 - 0	Gunar Sungren
5. Debora Marks	$\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$	Gunar Sungren

MORE SEATTLE HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE MATCH RESULTS NEXT ISSUE!

PLAY IN TOURNAMENTS OR MATCHES AND ESTABLISH A NORTHWEST RATING!

PORTLAND CHESS

by Moore

DEANE MOORE will be Oregon editor for the Wash. Chess Letter. He will prepare a stencil each month. It will be up to our new editor, Eddy, to mail him tools.

Twenty players are playing for the 1959 Portland Chess Club championship. It is a round-robin so each player must play 19 games. Among those participating are DALBERGS, STRONG, FEUERBERG, BELL, FRIEDMAN, HARMON, MEADOR, HARDIN, MOORE, BAUER and many lesser known players.

Among these is AL BENSON, Portland's chess club president, who knocked off HARMON and forced DALBERGS to resort to a swindle before losing.

Using the ratio of wins to losses multiplied by the sums of wins and losses of your opponents is the basis for the rating board invented and perfected by Mr. SHORT, secretary of the Portland C.C. for many years. This rating system was revised in 1915-16 and is now in use at the Portland, Seattle, San Francisco, and Los Angeles chess clubs.

PORTLAND CLUB LADDER LEADERS, MARCH 24.

Dalbergs	1014
Short	847
Burnham	741
Meador	710
Dunaway	705
Harmon	660
Bell	611
McNeese	564

PORTLAND HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE

At the end of the first half of the Portland High School Chess League play, individual honors were captured by the following five players:

Board 1 - JOHN BELL, Roosevelt (8½-1½)
 Board 2 - F. NETTLETON, Clackamas (9-1)
 Board 3 - JERRY UYEDA, Roosevelt (9-1)
 Board 4 - JOHN DAVIS, Clackamas (8½-1½)
 Board 5 - DAVE PAPKOFF, Roosevelt (6-4)

Standings - Roosevelt 4½-½, Clackamas 3½-½, Grant 3-2, Cleveland 2-3, Oswego 1-4, and Lincoln 1-4.

A tournament for all northwest junior players 20 years old and under is set for MAY 23 - 24.

THE OREGON JUNIOR OPEN

PORTLAND YMCA, S. W. 5TH & TAYLOR ST.

A 5 ROUND SWISS STARTING AT 11 A. M. ON SATURDAY, MAY 23RD.

40 moves in 1½ hours for the first three rounds.

The last two rounds will be 50 moves in two hours.

ENTRY FEE \$2.

CASH PRIZES.

PORTLAND HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Portland's Franklin high school has been more active recently than all other Portland area high schools put together. Franklin has not entered the league.

<u>FRANKLIN H. S.</u>	8	<u>BEAVERTON H. S.</u>	2
Bob Wightman	2	Steve Knutson	0
Dave Fischer	1½	George Tait	½
Jim Scovil	1	Jim Murray	1
Russel Cook	2	Don Adkins	0
Robert Smith	1½	Marolyn Sattler	½

<u>FRANKLIN H. S.</u>	8	<u>BEAVERTON H. S.</u>	2
Bob Wightman	2	George Tait	0
Dave Fischer	1½	Jim Murray	½
Jim Scovil	1	Bob Larson	1
Walt Matson	2	Don Adkins	0
Russel Cook	1½	Marolyn Sattler	½

<u>FRANKLIN H. S.</u>	3½	<u>GRANT H. S.</u>	6½
Bob Wightman	1	Gary Feuerberg	1
Dave Fischer	1	Bob Hardin	1
Jim Scovil	1	Cyril Penn	1
Russel Cook	0	Nick Jones	2
Walt Matson	½	Roger Putnam	1½

<u>FRANKLIN H. S.</u>	8	<u>BENSON H. S.</u>	2
Bob Wightman	2	Roger McGee	0
Dave Fischer	2	Ed Gnau	0
Jim Scovil	2	Wes Richardson	0
Russel Cook	0	Len Roland	2
Robert Smith	2	Bill Mankin	0

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The Portland high school chess league is holding a meeting to consider the possibility of abandoning the second half of league play. The league is way behind their schedule and school will be out soon. Two matches have been played.

<u>LINCOLN H. S.</u>	3	<u>CLEVELAND H. S.</u>	5	<u>CLACKAMAS H. S.</u>	8	<u>LAKE OSWEGO H. S.</u>	2
Don Bree	0	Ken Gilson	2	Clark Harmon	2	Larry Finley	0
Dave Holden	0	Bob McNeill	2	Frank Nettleton	2	Mike Furey	0
Bob White	1	Steve Neptune	1	Dean Casperson	1	Alan Berdict	1
Nick Givas	2	Terry Gilson	0	John Davis	1	Joe Potter	1
(Forfeit)	0	(Forfeit)	0	Glyde Nordgren	2	John Harwood	0

PORTLAND CLUB DEFEATS EUGENE

The Portland Chess Club played the first in a planned series of matches on April 12th, defeating the Eugene Chess Club $7\frac{1}{2}$ to $4\frac{1}{2}$. The match was played in the Erb Memorial Building on the University of Oregon campus.

<u>PORTLAND CLUB</u>	$7\frac{1}{2}$	<u>EUGENE CLUB</u>	$4\frac{1}{2}$
Clark Harmon	2	Charles Geary	0
John Bell	$1\frac{1}{2}$	Vince Bricher	$\frac{1}{2}$
Deane Moore	$\frac{1}{2}$	Ervin Antons	$1\frac{1}{2}$
Garry Singer	$\frac{1}{2}$	Joe Bricher	$1\frac{1}{2}$
Frank Nettleton	2	George Chrones	0
Wayne Bauer	1	Stan Radhuber	1

In WCF postal section 58A-11B RUSSELL VELLIAS demonstrated recently to MAX MAGE what can happen if you do not develop properly. Vellias loves nothing more than to sacrifice pieces, and in this game he really had himself a ball. Notes by Vellias.

MAX MAGE

RUSSELL VELLIAS

Budapest Def.

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| 1. P-Q4 | N-KB3 |
| 2. P-QB4 | P-K4 |
| 3. PXP | N-N5 |
| 4. Q-Q4 | P-Q3 |
| 5. PXP | BXP |
| 6. Q-K4ch. | B-K3 |
| 7. P-KR3 | N-KB3 |
| 8. QxNP | QN-Q2 |
| 9. P-K3 | O-O |
| 10. Q-N3 | ---- |

White has wasted too much time with his Queen and is far behind in developing his men.

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| 10. ---- | N-K5! |
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A good positional move taking advantage of White's 7th move.

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| 11. Q-B2 | B-KB4 |
| 12. Q-Q1 | ---- |

A unique position. White's pieces are all back on their own squares.

If instead 12. B-Q3?, QN-B4 wins at least a piece as it threatens 13---, Nx B; 14. QxN, B-N5ch.

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| 12. ---- | KN-N6! |
| 13. PxN | BxPch. |
| 14. K-K2 | Q-B3 |

Makes way for the Rooks on the Queen file and avoids exchanges.

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| 15. N-QB3 | ---- |
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Looks strong. Threatens N-Q5 closing the Queen file and attacking the Black Queen. 15. N-KB3 also has its merits but after 15.---, QR-Q1 White's Queen has no good square. White now seems able to consolidate.

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| 15. ---- | B-QB7! |
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Bolt from the blue. If the Bishop is not taken then Q-B7 mate, and if it is a forced mate follows.

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| 16. QxB | Q-B7ch. |
| 17. K-Q3 | ---- |

If 17. K-Q1, QxBch.; 18. K-Q2, B-K8ch. 19. K-Q1, BxN dis. ch. mate.

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| 17. ---- | N-B4ch. |
| 18. K-Q4 | Q-B3ch. |
| 19. KxN | Q-Q3ch. |

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| 20. Resigns. |
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Because 20. K-N5, QR-N1ch.; 21. K-R5, Q-N5ch.; 22. K-R6, Q-N3 mate.

Vellias has sacrificed a pawn, bishop and two knights to force the win. (Ed.)

MAX BADER GOES TO HOSPITAL

Max Bader, well known Seattle player, came home with the flu, blacked out, fell, and broke some ribs. This happened in the last part of April and he was taken to Seattle General Hospital, just a block up the hill from the Seattle Y.

EDDY WINS PANHANDLE JR.

	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	Score
1. Buz Eddy (Seattle)	X	1	1	1	X	0	1	1	5 - 1
2. Bruce Fredstrom (Sandpoint)	0	X	1	1	1	X	0	1	4 - 2
3. Carl Quass (Seagle)	0	0	X	1	0	1	X	1	3 - 3
4. Kathy Cantrell (Sandpoint)	0	0	0	X	0	0	0	X	0 - 6

On April 11 and 12 the Idaho Panhandle Junior was held at Sandpoint, Idaho. Although the promoters, BRUCE FREDSTROM and BUZ EDDY, notified all active juniors in the northwest this tourney was a smashing flop. Three of the four players in the tourney were from Sandpoint or the immediate vicinity.

BUZ EDDY won the tourney losing only BRUCE FREDSTROM. Fredstrom said that the tourney would be held again next year.

BRANDAL TOO STRONG

WILLY BRANDAL took on all comers to defend his West Seattle High School Club championship. Finishing with nine wins and no losses he swept the tourney with a perfect score. AL BENDER took second losing only to Brandal. The rest of the field were at least two games behind the leaders. Of the six tournaments held at the club in the past two years Brandal has won three.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Score	S.B.
1. Willy Brandal	X	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9 - 0	
2. Al Bender	0	X	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8 - 1	
3. Bill Willenberg	0	0	X	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	6 - 3	
4. John Schroedel	0	0	1	X	0	F	1	1	F	1	4 - 5	
5. John Pete	0	0	0	1	X	0	0	1	0	1	3 - 6	8.0
6. Darryl Matson	0	0	0	F	1	X	0	1	1	F	3 - 6	6.0
7. Pat Wilson	0	0	0	0	1	1	X	$\frac{1}{2}$	F	F	$2\frac{1}{2}$ - $6\frac{1}{2}$	7.25
8. Tom Emerson	0	0	0	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	X	1	1	$2\frac{1}{2}$ - $6\frac{1}{2}$	3.75
9. Angus Coghill	0	0	0	F	1	0	F	0	X	1	2 - 7	
10. Dave Conn	0	0	0	0	0	F	F	0	0	X	0 - 9	

BRITT WINS

On April 28th, four members of the Wallace, Idaho Chess Club and their sponsor, DAVE SHARRATT, played the 1st Wa-Hi Invitational. DON BRITT won it with a perfect 4=0 score.

	1	2	3	4	5	SCORE
1. Don Britt	XX	1	1	1	1	4 - 0
2. Stephon Sala	0	XX	1	1	1	3 - 1
3. Davo Sharratt	0	0	XX	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$1\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$
4. Barbara Myers	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	XX	$\frac{1}{2}$	1 - 3
5. Pat Gaffncy	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	XX	$\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$

Sent in by Stephon Sala

SALA WINS AGAIN

STEPHEN SALA with 11-2 won the second Wallace High School of Idaho chess tournament. This was a 14 player round-robin. Sala also won the first Wallace school tournament which was a five round Swiss.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	W	L	D	Score
1. Stephen Sala	X	0	1	1	1	1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	10	1	2	11 -2
2. Donald Britt	1	X	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	10	3	0	10 -3
3. Fred Pettit	0	0	X	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1F	9	4	0	9 -4 *
4. Loron Solum	0	0	1	X	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	9	4	0	9 -4 *
5. Jim Williams	0	1	0	0	X	1	0	1	1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	1F	1	1F	8	4	1	$8\frac{1}{2}$ - $4\frac{1}{2}$
6. Moreidth Stone	0	0	0	0	0	X	1	1	1	1	0	1F	1	1F	7	6	0	7 -6
7. Bob Kottkey	0	0	0	0	1	0	X	1	0	1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1F	6	6	1	$6\frac{1}{2}$ - $6\frac{1}{2}$
8. Sharon Winterowd	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	0	0	0	0	X	1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	1F	1	1F	5	6	2	6 -7
9. David Sharratt	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	X	0	0	1	1	1F	6	7	0	6 -7	
10. Clifford Barney	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	X	1	0	0	1	5	8	0	5 -8 *
11. Frank Albertini	0	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	0	X	1	0	1	4	7	2	5 -8 *
12. Pat Gaffney	0	0	0	0	OF	OF	$\frac{1}{2}$	OF	0	1	0	X	1	1	3	9	1	$3\frac{1}{2}$ - $9\frac{1}{2}$
13. Bob Henry	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	X	OF	3	10	0	3 -10
14. Ernest Christman	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	OF	OF	OF	OF	OF	OF	OF	0	0	0	OF	X	0	12	1	$\frac{1}{2}$ - $12\frac{1}{2}$

* Playoff games not completed.

RADIO CHESS

The Yakima Chess Club has amateur radio station W7DBD available for radio matches with other clubs.

This station is operated by club secretary Richard Jerome, and transmits on all amateur bands by voice. Equipment consists of a Ranger transmitter and Collins receiver.

Chess clubs having similar facilities available can correspond with Richard Jerome whose address is 1508 W. Yakima Ave., Yakima, Washington. The first letter to set up a tentative schedule (date, time & frequency) for a first contact to discuss arrangements for a match.

U.S. OPEN & U.S. JUNIOR

For the first time in American chess history the annual U. S. open championship and the junior championship will be held in the same city, Omaha, Nebraska, in successive weeks. The 60th annual open tournament of the U. S. Chess Federation will be held at Hotel Sheraton-Fontenelle from July 20 to August 1. It will be a twelve round Swiss. The 14th annual junior championship of the USCF is scheduled for the Hotel Rome in Omaha from July 13 to 18. It will be an 8 or 10 round Swiss.

For details or advance registration, write JACK SPENCE, Omaha Chess Club, 540 Security Building, Omaha, Nebraska.

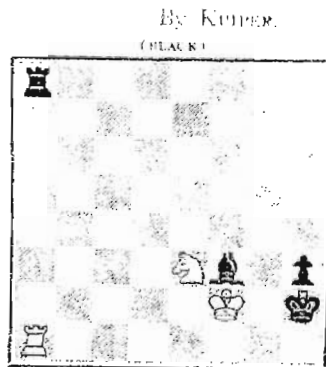
SEGLINS WINS SEATTLE CLUB TITLE

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VIESTURS SEGLINS, 1958 State Champion, won the 1959 Seattle Chess Club Championship with an 8-1 score, losing no games but drawing with MAX BADER and ED DIEDRICH. Seglins won six over the board and received a forfeit win from LYMAN JOHNSTON who forfeited the majority of his games.

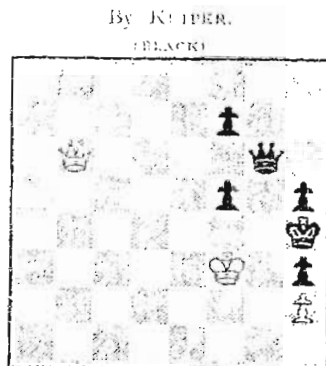
RICHARD SCHULTZ, with $7\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$, finished second while ED DIEDRICH was third with 7-2. Diedrich drew with both Seglins and Schultz but was upset by 6th ranked ARCHIE FREDRICKSON. MAX BADER, last year's chess club champion, finished 4th with $6\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$, drawing Seglins but losing to both Schultz and Diedrich. ALAN PETIT finished fifth with 5-4, losing to all above him and winning from those below, to close out the "haves" while the "have nots" included FREDRICKSON, WILLIAM GILLETTE, JOHN GELL, LYMAN JOHNSTON and a Mr. RAICHE.

This tournament was run on a weekly basis with each player having to play at least one game per week. Co-directors VIESTURS SEGLINS and RICHARD SCHULTZ did a fine job on this ten player round-robin event with fewer forfeits than last year's club championship.



(WHITE)

White to play and mate in four moves.



(WHITE)

White to play and win (mate in five)

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Score	S. B.
1. Viesturs Seglins	X	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1	1F	1	8 -1	----
2. Richard Schultz	0	X	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1F	1	1F	1	1F	$7\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$	----
3. Ed Diedrich	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	X	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	7 -2	----
4. Max Bador	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	X	1	1	1	1	1F	1F	$6\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$	----
5. Alan Petit	0	0	0	0	X	1	1	1	1F	1F	5 -4	----
6. Archie Fredrickson	0	OF	1	0	0	X	OF	OF	1	1F	3 -6	8.0
7. William Gillette	0	0	0	0	0	1F	X	1	1F	1F	3 -6	2.0
8. John Gell	0	OF	0	0	0	0	0	X	1F	1F	2 -7	----
9. Lyman Johnston	OF	0	0	OF	OF	0	OF	OF	X	1F	1 -8	----
10. (N.N.) Raiche	0	OF	0	OF	OF	OF	OF	OF	OF	X	0 -9	----

OLAF ULVESTAD WINS PUGET SOUND OPEN

OLAF ULVESTAD, Seattle master, won the 35 player Puget Sound Open held at Seattle U. with $5\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$, drawing with DAN WADE in the final round. JIM MCCORNICK was 2nd with 5-1 and 23 Solkoff points and CLARK HARMON, also 5-1, was in 3rd with 21 Solkoff points. Both lost only to Ulvestad. WADE took 4th with $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$ and 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ Solkoff winning 3 and drawing 3 while DR. A. A. MURRAY had $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$ & 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ Solkoff. He was upset by BUZ EDDY in the 1st round. Sixth to tenth all with 4-2 were MIKE FRANETT, RICHARD SCHULTZ, ED DIEDRICH, DENNIS G. NAYLIN, & DON CRAWFORD. Except for prize distribution, tourney was run very well. Story in next issue of Chess Letter. Also Boise and Spokane events (we hope). wade 8

NORTHWEST RATINGS *by Karch*

Ratings of all northwest players who have played in at least one tournament or five league games since the last published ratings. If your name does not appear in this list, it is considered unchanged from the last published list. This list takes care of performances through March 1959 Washington Chess Letter.

Senior Master	-----	2300	-	2399
Master	-----	2200	-	2299
Expert	-----	2000	-	2199
Class A	-----	1800	-	1999
Class B	-----	1600	-	1799
Class C	-----	1100	-	1599

Abrahamson, Norman (Bellingham)	- -	1918
Aldape, Dr. Hector (Spokane)	- - -	-1817
Allred, Jack (Murtaugh, Idaho)	- -	-1583
Andrews, Arthur (Portland)	- - - -	-1375
Andrews, Edgar (Portland)	- - - -	-1465
Andrews, Roger (Wendell, Idaho)	-	-1612
Barclay, Kenneth (Jerome, Idaho)	-	-1638
Barney, Cliff (Wallace, Idaho)	- -	-1302
Bauer, Wayne (Gladstone, Oregon)	-	-1705
Bell, John (Portland)	- - - - -	-1961
Benson, Albert (Portland)	- - - - -	1826
Blair, Jim G. (Seattle)	- - - - -	1481
Braley, John (Seattle)	- - - - -	1779
Brandal, Willy (Seattle)	- - - - -	-1806
Bray, Gary (Nampa, Idaho)	- - - - -	1723
Bricher, Joe (Cottage Grove, Ore.)	-	1653
Bricher, Vince (Cottage Grove)	- -	-1820
Britt, Don (Wallace, Idaho)	- - - -	1533
Brown, Robert (Newberg, Oregon)	- -	1567
Buckendorf, Glen (Buhl, Idaho)	- -	-2035
Bussy, Father G. (Seattle)	- - - -	-1651
Cairncross, R. W. (Portland)	- - -	-1677
Calloway, Lewis (McNeil Island)	- -	1690
Carlson, Carl E. (Tacoma)	- - - - -	1435
Carlson, Leonard (Idaho Falls)	- -	-1493
Casperson, Dean (Portland)	- - - -	-1401
Comisky, Clifford V. (Portland)	- -	1767
Corenbaum, John (Portland)	- - - -	-1317
Cornelius, Gordon (Spokane)	- - - -	2050
Cosho, John (Boise, Idaho)	- - - -	-1776
Cowan, Eugene L. (Driggs, Idaho)	-	-1898
Crawford, Donald C. (Olympia)	- - -	1830
Dalbergs, Ivars (Portland)	- - - -	-2165
Dalley, Darrell (Idaho)	- - - - -	1528
Dart, Ken (Everett, Wash.)	- - - -	-1545
Davis, John (Portland)	- - - - -	-1501
De Lananty, James (Spokane)	- - - -	1733
Deubrow, Leon (Seattle)	- - - - -	1439
Diedrich, Edward C. (Seattle)	- - -	1951
Dolph, Phil (Boise, Idaho)	- - - -	-1773
Eddy, Buz (Seattle)	- - - - -	1762

Edwards, Dwight (Seattle)	- - - - -	1568
Ellis, A. B. (Nampa, Idaho)	- - - - -	1795
Ellsworth, Dr. Wavely (Spokane)	- -	1688
Erickson, David (Seattle)	- - - - -	1862
Everest, Gary (Newberg, Oregon)	- -	1496
Eydal, A. (Seattle)	- - - - -	1837
Feuerberg, Gary (Portland)	- - - - -	-1851
Fournier, James (Lake Grove, Ore.)	-	-1435
Franett, Mike (Seattle)	- - - - -	1859
Fredrickson, Archie (Bothell, Wash.)		1886
Fredstrom, Bruce (Sandpoint, Idaho)		1592
Friedman, Cyrus (Portland)	- - - - -	-1768
Gaffney, Pat (Wallace, Idaho)	- - -	1495
Geary, Charles T. (Eugene, Oregon)		1794
Gemar, Joseph R. (Kelso, Wash.)	- -	1460
Graff, Barney (Murtaugh, Idaho)	- -	1534
Graff, Ken (Murtaugh, Idaho)	- - -	1377
Graff, Steve (Murtaugh, Idaho)	- -	1315
Grannis, Dave (Seattle)	- - - - -	1852
Gray, Gordon (Seattle)	- - - - -	1650
Grinhagens, Valdemars (Seattle)	- -	1825
Groenig, Dr. David (Spokane)	- - -	2046
Guenther, Douglas (Yakima)	- - - -	1425
Hanson, Bryant (Blackfoot, Idaho)	-	1703
Hardin, Robert (Portland)	- - - - -	1768
Harle, Albert L. (Boise, Idaho)	- -	1789
Harmon, Clark R. (Portland)	- - - -	1933
Hart, R. Kay (Pocatello, Idaho)	- -	1814
Hartwell, Ted (Twin Falls, Idaho)	-	1914
Henry, Bob (Wallace, Idaho)	- - - -	1170
Hickey, Pat (Seattle)	- - - - -	1787
Holzinger, Robert (Seattle)	- - - -	1885
Howard, Fred M. (Seattle)	- - - - -	1816
Hughart, Harold (Albany, Oregon)	- -	1895
Hunt, Elmer E. (Vancouver, Wash.)	-	1633
Hunt, Elmer E. (Hoquiam, Wash.) (Jr)		1550
Iwata, Teddy (Seattle)	- - - - -	1530
Jerome, Richard (Yakima)	- - - - -	1816
Johnston, Lyman T. (Seattle)	- - -	1523
Kaffenberger, Henry (Gig Harbor, Wn.)		1619
Kaggic, Clark (Twin Falls, Idaho)	-	1315
Kalnins, Margers (Olympia)	- - - -	1893
Karch, Robert A. (San Lorenzo, Cal.)		1834
Kendall, Donald (Tacoma)	- - - - -	1888
Kimpton, Lloyd E. (Twin Falls, Ida.)		1910
Kittredge, Robert F. (Spokane)	- -	1899
Knapp, Earl E. (Gig Harbor, Wash.)		1731
Krogh, Fred T. (Sweet Home, Oregon)		1850
Kunz, Alma (Idaho)	- - - - -	1728
LaFroniere, Oliver W. (Yakima)	- -	2006
Lambert, Larry (Everett, Wash.)	- -	1606
Larson, Dorian (Pocatello, Idaho)	-	1493
Lauritzen, Carlos (Victor, Idaho)	-	1608
Lee, Norman (Boise, Idaho)	- - - -	1663
Livingston, Alfred (Olympia)	- - - -	1572
MCCORMICK, JAMES H. (Seattle)	- - -	2217
McNcese, James (Portland)	- - - - -	1928

Blage, Max (Seattle) - - - - -	1890	Schroedel, John (Seattle)- - - - -	1548
Makepeace, Marjorie (San Francisco)	1380	Schubert, Mel (Pocatello, Idaho) -	1772
Makepeace, William (San Francisco)	1650	Schultz, Richard (Seattle)- - - - -	2059
Marshall, H. (Twin Falls, Idaho) -	1187	Seglins, Viesturs (Seattle) - - - -	2180
Meador, Duane (Vancouver, Wash.) -	2013	Sharratt, David (Wallace, Idaho)- -	1382
Mersereau, Bill (Portland) - - - -	1185	Shearer, Les (Portland)- - - - -	1613
Mersereau, Brad (Portland) - - - -	1499	Singer, Gary (Tigard, Oregon) - - -	1792
Moore, Charles (Portland) - - - -	1528	Skarsten, Mal (Forest Grove, Ore.)-	1717
Moore, Deane B. (Portland) - - - -	1918	Skirmants, Nick (Boise, Idaho)- - -	1828
Morris, Oliver Scott (Seattle) - -	2018	Smits, Visvaldis (Seattle)- - - - -	1835
Moshier, Charles (Seattle) - - - -	1450	Solum, Loren (Wallace, Idaho) - - -	1510
Murray, Dr. Arthur A. (Seattle)- -	2090	Stenerson, Steve (Spokane)- - - - -	1545
Myers, Barbara (Wallace, Idaho) -	1464	Stewart, Charles H. (Boise, Idaho)-	1866
Neuman, Ron (Kennewick, Wash.) - -	1674	Stone, Meridith (Wallace, Idaho)- -	1521
Osterman, George (Rupert, Idaho) -	1760	Strong, Jack (Gresham, Oregon)- - -	2014
Parker, Dr. Griffiths (Spokane)- -	1772	Teske, Tony (Wallace, Idaho)- - - -	1334
Parker, Roy S. (Nampa, Idaho)- - -	1755	Thompson, Horton F. (Kendrick, Ida.)	1781
Patterson, G. S. G. (Seattle)- - -	2075	Towne, Danny (Prosser, Wash.)- - -	1819
Pawley, Richard (Olympia)- - - - -	1831	Trout, Lewis (Twin Falls, Idaho) -	1645
Peck, Glen (Pocatello, Idaho)- - -	1513	Tuggle, Sgt. Jess (Spokane)- - - -	1921
Pete, John (Seattle) - - - - -	1397	ULVESTAD, OLA F. I. (Seattle)- - - -	2306
Peterson, Ed (Portland)- - - - -	1539	Uyeda, Jerry (Portland)- - - - -	1642
Petit, Alan (Seattle)- - - - -	1822	Vandenburg, Richard S. (Boise, Ida.)	1910
Pettit, Fred (Wallace, Idaho)- - -	1636	Vaughn, Sterling (Twin Falls, Ida.)	1772
Pinson, Dr. Ray J. (Salem, Oregon)	1705	Vukonich, Eugene (Seattle)- - - - -	1771
Power, Neil F. (Snohomish, Wash.)-	1932	Wade, Daniel E. (Seattle)- - - - -	1997
Priebe, George W. (Spokane)- - - -	1689	Walker, Robert (Berkeley, Cal.) - -	1970
Pupols, Viktors (Seattle)- - - - -	2185	Walther, Boyd (Seattle)- - - - -	1916
Radford, Ronald (Yakima) - - - - -	1714	Waugh, James (Spokane)- - - - -	1389
Rambo, Clarence (Murtaugh, Idaho)-	1647	Weaver, James (Portland) - - - - -	1689
Rambo, Gene (Murtaugh, Idaho)- - -	1377	Weisscher, Ben (Seattle)- - - - -	1771
Ranson, Armstead (U. S. Army)- - -	1541	Willenborg, Bill (Seattle) - - - -	1455
Razor, George (Boise, Idaho) - - -	1727	Williams, Fred (Portland) - - - -	1418
Robertson, Dick (Seattle)- - - - -	1749	Williams, Jim (Wallace, Idaho) - -	1395
Robinson, Nigel (Idaho Falls)- - -	1703	Winterowd, Sharon (Wallace, Idaho)-	1295
Sala, Stephen (Osburn, Idaho)- - -	1701	Wong, Dan (Portland)- - - - -	1522
Schiess, Ed (Idaho)- - - - -	1628	Wright, M. W. (Boise, Idaho)- - - -	1803
SCHMITT, JAMES N. (San Francisco) -	2235	ZENGALIS, ELMARS (Seattle)- - - - -	2317

This list contains 174 names of northwest players plus a few California players connected with the northwest who have competed in at least one tournament or 5 league games since the last published rating list. Since April 1957 when these ratings first appeared in the Washington Chess Letter, they have come out like clockwork every three months. It must be stressed that these ratings do not necessarily measure a player's knowledge of the game but they do measure a player's performance. As more tournaments are played, the ratings should become more meaningful each quarter.

The ratings listed are only a part of the West Coast Chess Ratings and ROBERT A. KARCH (16025 Paseo del Campo, San Lorenzo, Calif.) does all of the work. He gets his information from the Wash. Chess Letter, Pacific Coast Chess Herald, California Chess Reporter, and the Idaho Chess Quarterly. Incidentally, your editor thought the latter magazine had ceased publication after he ceased receiving the Quarterly and DICK VANDENBURG started subscribing to the Wash. Chess Letter. Now we know we were sabotaged. Only recently we noticed that neither Chess Life or Chess Review were carrying news of the northwest regularly. Then we discovered that they too were cut off our list of exchanges. Once we received the California Chess Reporter too. Mr. Merk, our circulation director is blameless as the "Letter" passed through other hands before reaching the readers and neither the editor or circulation director could stop any meddling.

Editor ROBERT STORK established these exchanges and the editor has every right to do this. We hope our new editor can reestablish these exchanges. We also hope any misunderstanding has been cleared up. Honestly we were not captain of our own ship!

LETTERS

AL LIVINGSTON writes from Olympia - "FRED BYRON showed up at our last two meetings here and gave us some interesting demonstrations. He managed to beat just about everybody and showed us a few tricks including his money making scheme. After he sets up his problem, he allows his opponent to take either color. KILMINS & CRAMFORD donated a few dimes each and were unable to beat Fred."

Skagit County Chess Club card states-"Semi-finals of the spring tournament will be played at the April 30th meeting. HANS WOLD faces SELMER AUSENHUS, JERRY FADER meets HARVIN WILBUR, CHARLIE ABBOTT plays "MOOSE" FADER, and (at long last) BOB BROWN & BOB MCNARY will be forced to play. HANS WOLD will bring refreshments."

GEORGE BISHOP writes - "I would like to see you again & some of those others of the land of peculiar people who have X - cess masters. I've received the big razz in San Francisco. Down here comes funny people from Seattle. Some were the limit, but please keep XX home! In fact, people I didn't know asked me about him!" (George is just kidding of course.-Ed.)

JOHN NOURSE writes from Guadalajara, Mexico. - "It's with great pleasure that I write to you of my stay in Mexico and of the cordial welcome accorded me in all of the chess clubs I have visited. An American tourist who plays chess is sure of a much richer experience than the tourist in Mexico just for sightseeing. I strongly recommend a trip to Mexico for any & all chess fans."

In Guadalajara I was welcomed as a friend and was accorded the same status with all other players that I met from the other towns. In Guadalajara I found that I could make it interesting for their top players, not being able to win all of my games, but happy to say was able to keep them from winning all of their games from me. Through their help I was invited to participate in the Mexican National Chess Tournament held in Tepic, 150 miles from Guadalajara. 74 players representing the best of Mexico's clubs entered. It was a Swiss system event, most players had chess clocks, and most of the players were better players than I am. They all seemed to have a flair for brilliancy and many of

the games terminate on this note. Because I won and lost alternately, I did not meet any of the top 16 so was lucky to escape with a 4-3 score. 9 players finished with this score so on Solkoff I finished between 21st and 30th.

I also had the pleasure of meeting the old master, CARLOS TORRE, who lives in Mexico City. People here are very friendly & helpful making the hurdling of the language barrier much easier. I hope some day I may be able to return the favors by helping a Mexican visitor in the northwest.

If you wish to play chess in Mexico:
Mexico City - Club de Ajedrez. Ask for Lt. Col. J.J. Araiza (Morelos 22) or Carlos Torre (Tacuba 15).

Monterrey - Circulo Mercantil. 3rd floor. Ask for either Mexican champion A. Iglesias or Mexican runner-up Roberto Trevino.

Guadalajara - Guadalajara Hotel on Colon, two blocks off Juarez. Play is in restaurant below the hotel. Ask for Carlos Escalona or Senor Loreto.

Morelia - Senor Gilberto Vargas L. Antonio Alzate 347.

Durango - Club de Ajedrez "Carlos Torre" Florida 1111 P.

In conclusion, I would like to organize a safari of Washington players to tour these cities in a period of 1 month or less. Cost would be nominal for the fun involved.

I wish to thank all the Mexican players for their helpful treatment and particularly the following who contributed so much to my enjoyment while a tourist in their beautiful country:

Senors Carlos, Laguno, Osvaldo Flores Carlos Escalona, I. Loreto all of Guadalajara, and A. Iglesias and Roberto Trevino of Monterrey. There are many others too numerous to mention."

This is being typed on May 4th & we have yet to receive the story on the INLAND EMPIRE OPEN. ULVESTAD won. 26 entered. We hope we got the story soon. (Ed.)

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 * FUNDAMENTAL *
 * CHESS STRATEGY AND TACTICS *
 * by *
 * Richard P. Allen *
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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 call 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 the 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 vice versa 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 the possibility of a 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 or 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.)

This will end the reprint of Dick Allen's lessons.

10 YEARS AGO IN WASHINGTON CHESS

by Merk

The Masters-Experts tournament held at the Tacoma Chess Club on April 2nd and 3rd, the first event of its kind ever held on the Pacific Coast, was won by Arthur Dake with a score of 5-0. Olaf Ulvestad placed second with $3\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$. 3rd place was tied by Charles Joachim and Carrol Crain. Joachim at that time was Washington State Champ and Crain was Tacoma city champion. Besides winning first place, Dake won the brilliancy prize for his game vs Jim Schmitt. The game is shown below in the column to the left.

Glen Muller won a furious speed tournament held at the Seattle Chess Club on March 27th, 1949 against a field of 14 players with a score of 11-2. This was the first annual Washington State Speed Tournament. Second place went to Richard P. Allen with a score of 10-3.

This State speed tournament turned out to be so much fun that the following Saturday evening 10 of the players got together for another speed tournament. This tournament was held in the Seattle Chess Club and was directed by Clarence Bushnell. To prove that his winning the State Speed Tournament was no accident, Glen Muller won this contest also with a score of $8\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$, with Weissenborn and Amidon tying for 2nd.

Apparently these speed tournaments set off a series of such tournaments, in other clubs. The Kitsap club held one in which 5 class "A" players competed with first place going to Nourse and a class "B" tournament of 13 contestants with first place going to Doubleday.

Plans were being formulated for holding a Pacific Coast Masters tournament in Portland, Oregon on the Labor Day week end. The tournament was to be conducted under the auspices of the Portland Chess Club and the Wash. Chess Federation. Arthur W. Dake and Olaf Ulvestad were definitely committed to attend.

A short biography of Arthur Dake was given by Jim Schmitt as follows: Arthur Dake of Portland, recent winner of the Tacoma Masters and Experts tour-

namment, is one of America's few outstanding Masters. He is past champion of the Marshall c.c. of New York, present Pacific Coast match champion, and has established numerous rapid transit and simultaneous records. He has represented this country in four international team tournaments.

It is interesting to note that of the 55 postal chess players listed 10 years ago that there still are 7 of that list still playing in our Postal Tournaments, Karch, Raleigh, H. Roberts, Merk, Husby, Howard, and Cairncross.

T. Patrick Corbett had a column which was titled "Corbett's Chatter" in which he pointed out the conceit of chess players by the following:

Tchigorin is quoted "When I have the white pieces, I win because I am white; when I have the black pieces, I win because I am Tchigorin." Bogolyubov is reported as having told the following: "I had a dream last night. It seems that I had died and gone to heaven for entry but St. Peter would not let me in, saying that chess players weren't allowed behind the Gates. I had started to go away when I saw my good friend Tartakover inside. I turned and pointed it out to St. Peter, only to receive this reply: 'Oh, him, he only THINKS that he is a chess player.'

Following is the game mentioned above:

	Arthur Dake	Jim Schmitt
	White	Black
1.	F-Q4	N-KB3
2.	F-QB4	P-KN3
3.	F-KB3	F-Q4
4.	FxF	NxF
5.	F-K4	N-N3
6.	B-K3	B-N2
7.	N-B3	O-O
8.	F-B4	N-B3
9.	F-Q5	N-N
10.	N-B3	F-K3
11.	B-B5	R-K
12.	F-Q6	N(3)-Q2
13.	B-R3	FxF
14.	BxF	Q-N3
15.	Q-Q2!	P-K4?
16.	B-B4	FxF
17.	BxF ch	KxB
18.	N-N6 ch	K-B3
19.	QxP mate	

POSTAL CHESS

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Report of games completed to 4/30/59

				Pts.				Pts.					
12/15	58A-3B	Howard	1	Bever	0	30	4/15	58A-8A	Collins	1	Mills	0	40
10/1	58A-4B	Carter	1	Spatz	0	68	4/16	58B-7A	Gifford	1	Henry	0	26
6/3	58A-1A	Bever	1	Cairncross	0	74		58A-8B	Skarsten	1	Cairncross	0	24
Reports on above games were delayed													
3/16	58A-9B	Dolph	1	Phillips	0	74	4/24	58A-8B	Mills	1	Skarsten	0	62
..	58A-9B	Dolph	1	Lybenger	0	74		58A-5B	Carter	1	Parsons	0	14
4/7	58B-8B	McCord, D.R.	1	Cox	0	50	4/25	58A-10A	Cairncross	1	Carter	0	100
4/9	58A-7A	Weaver	1	Wade	0	56		58A-8B	Cairncross	1	Phillips	0	92
	58A-10B	Carter	1	Lyberger	0	42	4/26	58A-8A	Phillips	1	Cairncross	0	26
4/10	58A-5A	Eilmes	1	Merk	0	11	4/27	58A-4A	Knapp	1	Lyberger	0	44
	58A-8A	Collins	1	Skarsten	1/2	10	4/28	58A-5A	Eilmes	1	Parsons	0	22
	58A-9B	Scripps	1	Dolph	0	50	4/30	58A-4A	Skarsten	1	Roberts, D.	0	56
4/11	58A-8B	Mills	1	Cairncross	0	26		58A-4A	Knapp	1	Roberts, D.	0	16
4/13	58A-9B	Lyberger	1	Scripps	0	46		58A-4A	Lyberger	1	Roberts, D.	0	31
	58A-7A	Wade	1	Coubrough	0	46		58A-4B	Skarsten	1	Roberts, D.	0	56
4/15	58B-7A	Zombro	1	Henry	0	22		58A-4B	Knapp	1	Roberts, D.	0	16
	58A-8B	Collins	1	Mills	0	40		58A-4B	Lyberger	1	Roberts, D.	0	31

	57A-4A	57A-4B	Pts.
Spatz	x 1 1 1 0	x 0 1 1 1	6
Carter	0 x 0 1 1	1 x 1 0 0	4
Roberts, H.H.	0 1 x 1 1	0 0 x 0 1	3 1/2
Husby	0 0 1/2 x 1/2	0 1 1 x 1/2	3 1/2
Howard	1 0 0 1/2 x	0 1 0 1/2 x	3

	58A-3A	58A-3B	Pts.
Eilmes	x 1 1/2 1 1	x 1/2 1 1 1	7
Howard	0 x 1/2 1 1/2	1/2 x 1 0 1	4 1/2
Bever	1/2 1/2 x 1 1/2	0 0 x 1 1	4 1/2
Gemar	0 0 0 x 1/2	0 1 0 x 1	2 1/2
Husby	0 1/2 1/2 1/2 x	0 0 0 0 x	1 1/2

	58A-1A	58A-1B	Pts.
Vellias	x 1 1 1 1	x 1 1 1 1	8
Weaver	0 x 1 1 1	0 x 1 1 1	6
Gemar	0 0 x 1 1	0 0 x 1 1	4
Bever	0 0 0 x 1	0 0 0 x 0	1
Cairncross	0 0 0 0 x	0 0 0 1 x	1

Spatz who took top honors in Section 57A-4A & 4B has dropped out of our postal chess and from the Washington Chess Federation so no prize is awarded. Eilmes and Vellias by taking top place in their sections are awarded a 6 month extension to their membership.

Eilmes and Parsons are starting a 10 game private match. Parsons is also playing a six game match with Carter. For the purposes of these games the points awarded will be 50 for games won, deduct 50 for games lost and no points awarded or deducted for draws.

We wish to again announce that Cra Gifford of Grandview, Wash. is still waiting for his challenge to a 6 game match to be taken up by some one of about his rating of 1200.

We have a new top player in the "A" Division. Weaver just nosed out Wade by 2 points. Since Wade is not at present playing any postal games it may be some time before he can again be at the top unless Weaver should have the misfortune of losing more points than he wins from the games that he now has in progress.

Wade wants to get started in a new section and is willing to take on any of the top 10, especially Vellias, so come on with your entries and get a nice tough section going for him.

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3	Knapp	1788	3 Gemar	1280
4	Bishop	1750	4 Bowerman	1279
5	Woodward	1732	5 Zombro	1266
6	Coubrough	1699	6 Merk	1253
7	Eilmes	1686	7 McDonald	1252
8	Mage	1683	8 Raleigh	1251
9	Carter	1667	9 Robertson	1246
10	Vellias	1674	10 Laine	1234
11	Lyberger	1662	11 Adkisson	1228
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26	Parsons	1364	26 Christensen, C.R.	1050
27	Fredstrom	1350	27 Christensen, G.T.	1050
28	Dart, Ken	1335	28 Coleman	1050
29	Husby	1311	29 Corenbaum	1050
30	Howard	1302	30 Delaney	1050
			31 Fellows	1050
			32 Hazen	1050
			33 Mahoney	1050
			34 Pifley	1050
			35 Quesnell	1050
			36 Sawyer	1050
			37 Shives	1050
			38 Williams	1050
			39 Rogers	1036
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			41 McCord, R.S.	1006
			42 Cooper	1000
			43 Cox	950
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