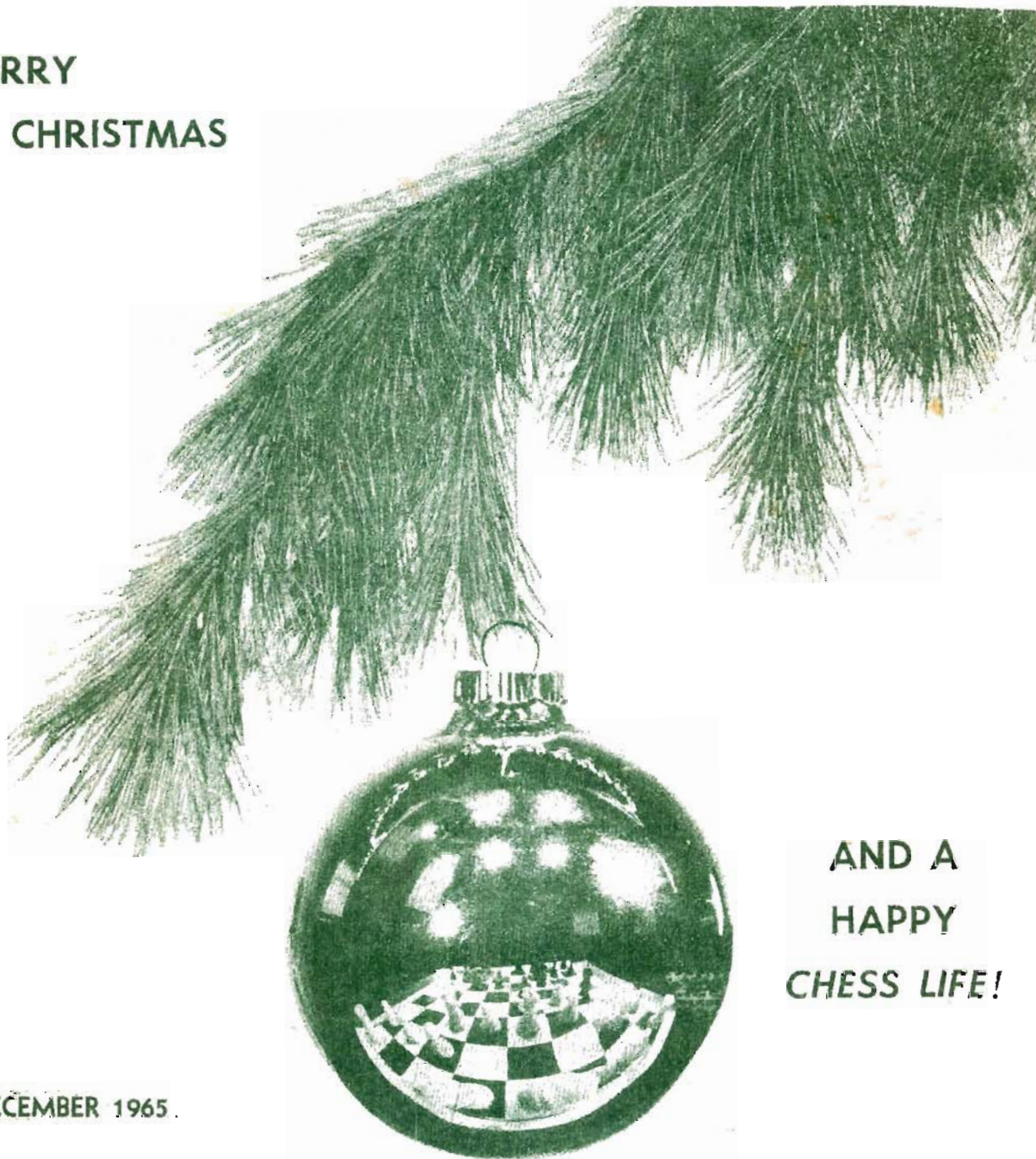


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TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Dec 4 Western Idaho Open
Dec 27-28 Northwest Junior
Dec 31 to Jan 2 N.W. Invitational !!!!!
Jan 8-9 Washington Open (Seattle)
Jan 22-23 March of Dimes (Camas)
Feb 5-6 Portland Open (Portland)
Feb 19-21 Washington Closed (Seattle)
Mar 5-6
Mar 19-20
Apr 2-3
Apr 16-17 Inland Empire Open (Spokane)
Apr 30 to May 1 Central Washington Open
May 14-15
May 28-30
June 11-12
June 25-26
July 9-10
July 23-24
Aug 6-7
Aug 14-26 ???
Sept 3-5 Oregon Open (Portland)
Sept 17-18 Ruse De Guerre Open (Camas)
Oct 1-2 NW 30/30 & Seattle Cyclone
Oct 15-16 Peace Arch Open (Bellingham)
Oct 29-30 Washington Woodpushers

GRAB YOUR SPOT WHILE THERE ARE STILL
SOME OPENINGS!!

WESTERN IDAHO OPEN

When? Saturday December 4, 1965

Where? Boise, Idaho YMCA Bldg.
1104 Idaho Street

Registration: 8:30 AM to 9:15 AM
Play starts at 9:30 AM

Round 1	9:30 AM
Round 2	1:00 PM
Round 3	4:30 PM
Round 4	8:00 PM

Entry Fee: \$1.75 with prizes of trophies
to 1st 2nd Class B Class C and in
addition upset awards.

Open to anyone who is a member or who joins
the United States Chess Federations. USCF
rated tournament.

One section for all players with a time limit
of 40 moves in 1½ hours. Dick Vandenburg -
2316 Regan Avenue, Boise Idaho is director and
will answer correspondence on the tournament.
The Boise Chess Club will serve coffee and
donuts during the play. This is a short tour-
ament that is easy to make. Lets see you !!!!!

TOURNAMENT NORTHWEST BY BUZ EDDY

After discussing the possibilities of Seattle's bid for the U.S. Open being accepted with USCF President Edmondson at the recent Klamath Falls Open, we can report the following. At that time our bid was the only one that had been received by the USCF, but two additional bids were expected. One from Santa Monica, California is dependent upon the success of the American Open held there over Thanksgiving. The other, from Philadelphia, Pa. depends on their ability to iron out an organizational hassle regarding sponsorship. A decision will be reached in New York during the US Championship tournament based upon available bids, with one further aspect considered. This is an election yr. for the USCF, and therefore the present officers would like to see the U.S. Open held close to the major population centers to insure a quorum turnout of state directors. This factor probably gives Pa. the inside track if they can get together in time. This also gives California the advantage over the northwest. Even considering these factors, however, Seattle still appears the best bet.

We will announce the USCF decision at the WASHINGTON OPEN in January. As we mention in the Klamath Falls story, USCF President Edmondson is hoping to attend the Open, and the impression this leaves with him will effect the northwest - USCF relations in the years to come. We need to demonstrate our capability in supporting big time USCF chess.

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It occurred to your tournament director at the recent Washington Woodpushers that perhaps the present system of awarding byes was not the best that could be developed. The rule that we employ now is to award the bye to the lowest rated player in the lowest score group. It seems to us that this system has at least three distinct drawbacks. First it seriously disrupts the tournament results in the

lower score groups. Second it catapults a bye recipient into a score group above his ability for several rounds. Third under the present system the same players are deprived of a full schedule in tournament after tournament. This last objection was pointed out to us as early as 1958 by KEN DART, but it had to wait until we had a broader grasp of general pairing theory before we might attempt to effect a solution.

Most swiss system pairing theory is based on a knock-out or elimination seeding system. The practices of opponent selection, and of shifts between score groups are based upon this idea. Yet we find the practice of issuing byes is not.

Our idea in this matter is to adopt the seeding system method, and to issue a bye to the lowest ranking theoretical winner. In application this would see the middle rated player draw the first round bye, and the middle player of the 0 - 1 group receive the bye in round two.

In checking with the USCF manifesto (Blue Book) we find that in their opinion the "bye to the lowest rated player" idea is necessary to avoid having the byes influence the award of top prize money, particularly as a tie-breaking factor. This objection might be met by changing from a practice of awarding only $\frac{1}{2}$ tie-breaking point for a bye to a full point. Although this suggests further problems, we feel the over-all tournament result will benefit.

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The intended organizational meeting of the Southern Oregon Chess Association was held on the Friday night prior to the recent Klamath Falls Open. The organization was not formed as many of the club representatives felt that they first needed ratification from the general membership of their respective clubs. They will meet again in early January, after the proposed constitution has been presented to the various clubs.

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The WASHINGTON CHESS FEDERATION would like to wish every chess player a MERRY CHRISTMAS, and hopes you have a winning prosperous, and HAPPY NEW YEAR. Your T.D. enjoyed serving you in 1965, travelling over 5000 miles and directing 22 tournaments. We're looking forward to 1966.

HARMON WINS 1965 KLAMATH FALLS OPEN

CLARK HARMON, of Portland, swept the 1965 KLAMATH FALLS OPEN with a perfect 5-0 record. The WCF President posted his five wins over BILL RIGHTMIER, of Grants Pass, M. ZWITZER, of Medford, LEIF KARELL, of Portland (Karell defeated Harmon at the Oregon Open in September) GARRY WILSON, of Reno, and USCF President Lt. Col. EDMUND B. EDMONDSON, of Matier A.F.B., California.

JEFF KURTZ, of Eugene, ROBERT A. MITCHELL, of Klamath Falls, MIKE SCHEMM, of Corvallis, along with Edmondson finished the event with 4-1 scores to place second to fifth. Mitchell selected the Klamath County Championship trophy, leaving Schemm to take home the third place hardware.

BEN HORN, of Klamath Falls, recovering from his recent tournament disaster at the Ruse De Guerre, posted a 3-2 result winning the second place Klamath County award.

The top junior trophy was won by DENNIS WATERMAN, of Myrtle Point, Ore., with a $3\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$ record. Waterman was second rated before the event, but was upset in the third round by Ben Horn, and dropped another half point in an end-game blunder against RAFAEL CHODOS, of Eugene.

LEIF KARELL won the top class "B" trophy with a $3\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$ result. In his fourth rd. game with ART EVERETT, Karell found himself in a lost endgame; but Everett could not find the winning line. The class "C" award was won by GENE CYRUS, of Klamath Falls.

MARY KURTZ, of Eugene, wife of second finishing Jeff Kurtz, won the trophy as top scoring woman player.

The tournament upset award was won by Arthur Everett, of Ashland, for his first round win from DEANE MOORE, of Portland. Everett informed your director after some six moves had been made, that his king and queen had been set up wrong. The game was started again with the pieces set correctly. This was the first time (and we hope the last) we have encountered this in a tourney.

At the end of four rounds only Harmon and Edmondson had perfect scores. Before the start of the fifth round your TD and Edmondson were going over the second Spasky-Tal game in which Spasky played a fairly new line as the white side of a Sicilian developing his bishops to K3 and Q3. Edmondson drew white against Harmon and against Harmon's Sicilian your writer was not surprised to see Edmondson's bishops develop to K3 and Q3. Like Spasky in the match game, Edmondson also lost.

After Edmondson had lost the tourney deciding game to prey Harmon, he walked over to your director and announced, "This hasn't helped Seattle's chances in getting the U.S. Open." Then as the tie-breaking was being posted, Bob Mitchell remarked "Hey! I finished ahead of you. That's as good as playing you." "Safer too!" shot back Edmondson. Edmondson also informed us that he will be at the Washington Open if Uncle Sam can spare him.

42 players turned out for the five round event, held November 13-14 at the Winema Motor Hotel in Klamath Falls. 32 of these played in the USCF section.

J.C. POWELL, of Klamath Falls, won the reserve section with a $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ record. He yielded his only $\frac{1}{2}$ point to second place Nathan Parrish, of Medford. JERRY WEIKEL, of Ashland took third place honors, and ROBERT DAVIES, of Klamath Falls in fourth spot took the reserve section Klamath Co. trophy after Powell selected the first award. Mrs. Chapin won the high scoring woman award for the reserve section. Mrs. Mitchell graciously agreed to participate in the tourney to even out the field. Although she was blanked in this event she played well, and we hope we will see her in future tournaments.

The Klamath Falls Chess Club is to be congratulated for a very well prepared, successful chess event. Time control was 50 in 2 (Sat) and 40 in 2 (Sun). Tourney Director was Buz Eddy.

Summary of
1965 KLAMATH FALLS OPEN

Player	Home	-1-	-2-	-3-	-4-	-5-	Score	Med.	Solk
1. Clark Harmon	Portland	W27	W17	W7	W9	W5	5 - 0		
2. Jeff Kurtz	Eugene	W28	D8	W16	D3	W12	4 - 1	8½	
3. Robert A. Mitchell	Klamath Falls	D19	W29	W13	D2	W10	4 - 1	8	
4. Mike Schemm	Corvallis	W18	L19	W11	W25	W9	4 - 1	7½	
5. Lt. Col. Edmund B. Edmondson	Mather AFB, Cal.	W29	W26	W15	W8	L1	4 - 1	7	
6. Dennis Waterman	Myrtle Point	W14	D16	L8	W19	W15	3½-1½	7½	
7. Leif Karell	Portland	W30	W20	L1	D15	W18	3½-1½	7	
8. Rueben V. Horn	Klamath Falls	W11	D2	W6	L5	D17	3 - 2	10½	
9. Garry Wilson	Reno, Nev.	W31	W21	W19	L1	L4	3 - 2	8	
10. Jim Baker	Eugene	W23	L15	W20	L17	L3	3 - 2	7	13
11. Gene Cyrus	Klamath Falls	L8	W23	L4	W21	W25	3 - 2	7	12½
12. Deane Moore	Portland	L15	W28	W26	W22	L2	3 - 2	6	
13. Wesley McKaig	Klamath Falls	L16	W30	L3	W29	W20	3 - 2	5½	
14. William Graeff	Oakridge, Ore.	L6	L25	W30	W26	W22	3 - 2	5	
15. Arthur Everett	Ashland	W12	W10	L5	D7	L6	2½-2½	10	
16. Rafael Chodos	Eugene	W13	D6	L2	L18	W27	2½-2½	9	
17. Martin Zwitter	Medford	W32	L1	W21	L10	D8	2½-2½	8	14½
18. Frank Freeburger	Medford	L4	W24	D25	W16	L7	2½-2½	8	13½
19. Richard Cavin	Medford	D3	W4	L9	L6	D23	2 - 3	10½	
20. Fred Crofut	Point City, Ore.	W22	L7	L10	W31	L13	2 - 3	8	
21. Joe Bricher	Eugene	W25	L9	L17	L11	W31	2 - 3	7	
22. Ray Wheeler	Sparks, Nev.	L20	W31	W27	L12	L14	2 - 3	6½	
23. Dan Cillis	Beatty, Ore.	L10	L11	W28	D27	D19	2 - 3	6	
24. Jim Dyer	Klamath Falls	L26	L18	L31	W30	W29	2 - 3	3½	
25. James Rousey	Chemult, Ore.	L21	W14	D18	L4	L11	1½-3½	8½	
26. Mary Kurtz	Eugene	W24	L5	L12	L14	D28	1½-3½	8	
27. Bill Rightmier	Grants Pass, Ore.	L1	W32	L22	D23	L16	1½-3½	6½	12
28. Charles Glidden	Medford	L2	L12	L23	W32	D26	1½-3½	6½	11
29. Raymond Labos	Klamath Falls	L5	L3	W32	L13	L24	1 - 4	8	13½
30. Scott Rice	Klamath Falls	L7	L13	L14	L24	Bye	1 - 4	8	11½
31. Lewis Hill	Roseburg	L9	L22	W24	L20	L21	1 - 4	6	
32. Harry Glidden	Medford	L17	L27	L29	L28	F	0 - 5		

Reserve Section

Player	Home	-1-	-2-	-3-	-4-	-5-	Score	Med.
1. J. C. Powell	Klamath Falls	W4	W7	D2	W5	W3	4½-½	
2. Nathen Parrish	Medford	Bye	W5	D1	L3	W7	3½-1½	
3. Jerry Weikel	Ashland	W6	L4	W8	W2	L1	3 - 2	8½
4. Robert V. Davies	Klamath Falls	L1	W3	W6	L7	W9	3 - 2	7½
5. Malcolm Crawford	Tulelake, Calif.	W9	L2	W7	L1	W10	3 - 2	6½
6. William McAdoo	Kingsley Field	L3	D9	L4	W10	W8	2½-2½	
7. Ned L. Chapin	Grants Pass	W8	L1	L5	W4	L2	2 - 3	9
8. Stephen Crawford	Tulelake, Calif.	L7	W10	L3	W9	L6	2 - 3	6
9. Mrs. Ned L. Chapin	Grants Pass	L5	D6	W10	L8	L4	1½-3½	
10. Mrs. Robert A. Mitchell	Klamath Falls	F	L8	L9	L6	L5	0 - 5	

HICKEY WINS JOHNSTON-HOLZINGER-BRANDAL

PAT HICKEY, of Seattle, posted a $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ record to win the upset marked 1965 WASHINGTON WOODPUSHER tournament. Hickey won his four games against RON BUCK, of Seattle, newcomer BOB LUDWICK, of Everett, EDDIE SONIER and NORM ABRAHAMSON, both from Seattle. He yielded a first round draw to MARVIN LASSEN, of Seattle.

Hickey found himself in a completely lost position in his third round game with Sonier, but moving quickly he shot a piece to the seventh rank which Sonier snapped up without looking. "I don't believe it," hollered Hickey, in a voice that would have drowned the engines on Boeing field across the highway, and slid his rook to the back rank for mate.

Going into the the final round Hickey and Norm Abrahamson were the only remaining first place contenders. Hickey drew white and played the wing gambit against Abrahamson's Sicilian. Hickey capitalized on his quicker development and won the deciding game handily.

LYMAN JOHNSTON, of Tacoma, ROBERT HOLZINGER, NORMAN ABRAHAMSON, and WILLY BRANDAL, all of Seattle, finished tied with a 4 - 1 record to take second through fifth places. Johnston lost his fourth round encounter with Abrahamson, Holzinger was removed from contention in the second round by Johnston, and pre-tournament favorite W. Brandal was upset in the first round by W. C.F. Treasurer, Stephen Christopher.

Of the three co-winners of last year KENT PULLEN, TERRY NELSON, and WILLIAM BLACKMORE, only Blackmore returned to defend his title. Blackmore lost in the 3rd round to Abrahamson and again in the final round to Johnston to post a 3 - 2 record and finish in sixth place. In the fourth round Blackmore trounced Stephen Christopher in some seven moves.

Twenty-three players attended the two day event held October 30 -31 at the plant

two Boeing cafeteria. The dates Oct. 31-Nov. 1 appeared in the tournament announcement in the "Letter", and one player ALAN LONG, of Renton, appeared Sunday morning. We sincerely apologize to Mr. Long for our error.

Three players shared top class B honors with 3 - 2 records. They were ERNEST PRENTICE, of Tacoma, RANDY DEAN, of Olympia and PETER J. OLSON, of Seattle.

STEVE HUESTON, of Bellingham, took the top class C award with a $2\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$ result. The money for the second place class C award was shared equally by LAUREN OWENS, of Seattle, KEN DART, of Everett, and DICK DORWIN, of Seattle.

Only two players were competing for the unrated prize of a year's U.S.C.F. membership, and CHRIS CORWIN, of Seattle, won with a $2\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$ record. Corwin won his first round game from Randy Dean, and played well against both Johnston and Holzinger though he eventually lost both. He shows promise of developing into a very strong competitor.

RON SMITH, of Hoquiam, winner of the recent Ruse De Guerre tournament could only break even in this event. After winning his first two games, he was held to a draw by Eddie Sonier then lost to Randy Dean and Willy Brandal. Smith may have been somewhat distracted as his lovely wife sat beside him through most of the event. But if Smith wasn't distracted your tournament director was!

ERNST RASMUSSEN returning from a summer of fishing reported that the season had not been particularly fruitful. He did not find the "fish" any more co-operative in this event, as "fish?" Willy Brandal and Eddie Sonier handed him defeats leaving him with a 3 - 2 record. Rasmussen, in the Puget Sound League Seattle C.C. - Tacoma C. C. match the week before, had taken $1\frac{1}{2}$ pts. from 4th finishing Norm Abrahamson.

WOODPUSHERS

ABRAHAMSON TIE FOR 2ND

Time control for the tournament was 45 moves in two hours. There were surprisingly few time-pressure scrambles, and only one game was taken to adjournment.

For winner Pat Hickey, this is the 1st tournament victory in some eight years in organized chess. Hickey is one of the better "booked" players in the northwest, and served notice of somewhat improved strength this year at Fircrest where he had VIK POLS on the ropes, but lost in the melee at time-control. Hickey also gained the dubious distinction of "master-maker" earlier this year, in losing a three game match to JOHN BRALEY. with this Braley gained the magic 2200 level.

Tournament Director for the event was BUZ EDDY. Buz holds a sentimental feeling toward this event for it was his first introduction to organized chess in 1957, and a year later was his first effort at directing.

The five round event was conducted at the Boeing plant #2 cafeteria. The WASHINGTON CHESS FEDERATION again thanks the Boeing Chess Club and the Boeing Company for their invaluable assistance in the provision of space for our tournaments.

In the twenty-three player field, 13 were from Seattle, and all were from the state of Washington.

Summary of the 1965 WASHINGTON WOODPUSHERS

Player	Home	-1-	-2-	-3-	-4-	-5-	Score	Med.	Solk	S.B.
1. Pat Hickey	Seattle	D14	W20	W21	W12	W4	4½- ½			
2. Lyman Johnston	Tacoma	W17	W3	W11	L4	W6	4 - 1	9½		
3. Robert Holzinger	Seattle	W10	L2	W7	W11	W9	4 - 1	9	15½	11½
4. Norman Abrahamson	Seattle	W19	W16	W6	W2	L1	4 - 1	9	15½	11
5. Willy Brandal	Seattle	L16	W22	W17	W8	W13	4 - 1	6½		
6. William Blackmore	Bellingham	W22	W7	L4	W16	L2	3 - 2	9		
7. Ernest Prentice	Tacoma	W21	L6	L3	W19	W12	3 - 2	7½		
8. Ernst Rasmussen	Tacoma	W20	L12	W14	L5	W17	3 - 2	7		
9. Randy Dean	Olympia	L11	W15	W23	W13	L3	3 - 2	6½		
10. Peter J. Olson	Seattle	L3	L17	W20	W23	W16	3 - 2	4½		
11. Chris Corwin	Seattle	W9	W23	L2	L3	D15	2½-2½	9½		
12. Eddie Sonier	Seattle	W18	W8	D13	L1	L7	2½-2½	8½		
13. Ronald G. Smith	Hoquiam	W15	W14	D12	L9	L5	2½-2½	8		
14. Marvin Lassen	Seattle	D1	L13	L8	W20	W22	2½-2½	6	11	
15. Steve Hueston	Bellingham	L13	L9	Bye	W21	D11	2½-2½	6	9	
16. Stephen J. Christopher	Bothell	W5	L4	W12	L6	L10	2 - 3	10	15½	5½
17. Lauren Owens	Seattle	L2	W10	L5	W18	L8	2 - 3	10	15½	5½
18. Dick Dorwin	Seattle	L12	Bye	L16	L17	W21	2 - 3	5		
19. Ken Dart	Everett	L4	L21	W22	L7	W23	2 - 3	4½		
20. Ron Buck	Seattle	L8	L1	L10	L14	Bye	1 - 4	8½		
21. Bob Ludwick	Everett	L7	W19	L1	L15	L18	1 - 4	7½	13½	
22. Edward Bosse	Tacoma	L6	L5	L19	Bye	L14	1 - 4	7½	11½	
23. Eric Molson	Des Moines	Bye	L11	L9	L10	L19	1 - 4	7½	10½	

PUGGET SOUND

ROUND #2

LEAGUE STANDINGS

Team	Won	Lost	Games won	Games lost
1. Univ. of Wash.	2	0	17	3
2. Golden Horde	2	0	12	7
3. Bellingham C.C.	1½	2½	15	5
4. Boeing C.C.	2½	1½	11½	8½
5. Tacoma C.C.	1	1	7½	12½
6. W. Seattle C.C.	0	2	7½	12½
7. Seattle C.C.	0	2	5½	14½
8. Kitsap C.C.	0	2	3	16

BELLINGHAM - 10 TACOMA - 0. Three days after the scheduled match your league director received a match report from Bellingham claiming the match via forfeit as no Tacoma team appeared. 2½ weeks later, along with their report of their third round match, Tacoma team captain, DAVE FULTON sent a request for postponement, along with the explanation that it had been Tacoma's understanding that all Tacoma-Bellingham matches would be played at some in-between point. Your league director was unaware of any agreement of this nature, and in drawing up the 1964 schedule, set the match for Tacoma. At no time during the 1964-65 season did either team mention any previous in-between arrangement. So, in setting up the 1965 schedule we assigned the reciprocal match site, Bellingham. Whereas Bellingham did travel to Tacoma for their 1964 match, (and has traveled 420 miles for Tacoma-Bellingham matches in the past two years, to Tacoma's 60); whereas Bellingham did have a team at the match site at the scheduled time, and whereas Tacoma did not inform the league director of their objection until some two and a half weeks after the scheduled date; we feel we have no choice but to uphold the claim from Bellingham.

U. of W. - 7 SEATTLE C.C. - 3. The host University club swept four of the five 1st round games against the Seattle C.C. SVEND MONRAD put the visiting team on the scoreboard with his win over JOHN WALKER. In the second round Seattle picked up two additional points as GEORGE KENNY won from K. PULLEN on first board; STEPHEN CHRISTOPHER held DAVE GRANNIS to a draw on board two; and FRANK ALEXANDRO drew his game with EUGENE

FOMIN on board three. It seems that third board was reversed, for Alexandro is the University Club's faculty advisor, and Fomin is an officer of the Seattle Club.

UNIV. of WASHINGTON 7 - 3 SEATTLE C. C.

1. Kent Pullen	1	1	George Kenny
2. Dave Grannis	1½	½	S. J. Christopher
3. Eugene Fomin	1½	½	Frank Alexandro
4. John Walker	1	1	Svend Monrad
5. Dave Williams	1	0	John Chance
5. Dave Williams	1	0	Chris Corwin

GOLDEN HORDE - 6 KITSAP - 3. The Horde slipped past another close match by a 6-3 margin. With the addition of Com. Sobczyk the Kitsap team becomes a power to be reckoned with, and we predict they will not repeat their last place finish of a year ago. On first board RICHARD PARSONS and GENE SOBCZYK played some 80 moves in their 1st and at its conclusion found that board 4 and 5 had finished, and that board 2 and 3 were approaching time control in their 2nd games. Since the match outcome was already decided they agreed to forego their 2nd encounter.

GOLDEN HORDE 6 - 3 KITSAP C. C.

1. Richard Parsons	0	1	Gene Sobczyk
2. George Kajanoff	2	0	C. L. Miller
3. Robert Holzinger	0	2	Dr. John Almond
4. Eddie Sonier	2	0	Art Wick
5. Robert Lundin	1	0	Don Olson
5. Robert Lundin	1	0	Ed Arnold

BOEING - 6½ WEST SEATTLE - 3½ As the results of the first round began to come in it appeared that Boeing was walking away with the match. Posting 4½ points in the first round, the home team yielded the only ½ point on second board, where MAX MAGE and SEID IBRAHAM agreed to the first of their two draws. The second round saw the visitors recover posting three of a possible five points. On boards one and three PAT HICKEY and GEORGE SUMMERS evened their scores with ALAN CLARK and H. NEIL HARMON, while on board five PETER J. OLSON held ARNOLD RUDZITIS to a draw.

RUPERT DORN posted the only perfect result of the match, 2-0 from G. STYLES.

LEAGUE

BOEING CHESS CLUB 6½-3½ WEST SEATTLE C.C.

1. Alan Clark	1	1	Pat Hickey
2. Sied Ibrahim	1	1	Max Mage
3. Niel Harmon	1	1	George Summers
4. Rupert Dorn	2	0	Gerald Styles
5. Arnold Rudzitis	1	0	Charles Joannes
5. Arnold Rudzitis	½	½	Pete Olson

REMAINING SCHEDULE

Sunday Dec. 5, 1965

University of Washington	at	Tacoma C. C.
Golden Horde	at	Boeing C. C.
West Seattle C. C.	at	Kitsap C. C.
Bellingham C. C.	at	Seattle C.C.

Sunday Jan. 16, 1966

Univ. of Washington	at	Bellingham C. C.
Kitsap Chess Club	at	Boeing C. C.
Tacoma Chess Club	at	West Seattle C.C.
Golden Horde	at	Seattle C. C.

Sunday Jan. 30, 1966

West Seattle C. C.	at	Seattle C. C.
Bellingham C. C.	at	Kitsap C. C.
Golden Horde	at	Tacoma C. C.
Univ. of Washington	at	Boeing C. C.

Sunday Feb. 13, 1966

Bellingham C. C.	at	West Seattle C.C.
Boeing C. C.	at	Tacoma C. C.
Golden Horde	at	Univ. of Wash.
Kitsap C. C.	at	Seattle C. C.

Round 3

U. of W. - 8 West Seattle - 2
 Golden Horde - 7 Bellingham - 3
 Tacoma - 6 Kitsap - 4
 Seattle - Boeing -- No report.

PULLEN WINS U. OF W. TOURNAMENT

Player	1	2	3	4	5	Score
1. Kent Pullen	X	½	½	1	1	3 - 1
2. Dave Grannis	½	X	½	½	½	2 - 2
3. Robert Holzinger	½	½	X	½	½	2 - 2
4. Jim Campbell	0	½	½	X	1	2 - 2
5. Dave Williams	0	½	½	0	X	1 - 3

(story next month)

The WASHINGTON CHESS FEDERATION will present:

1966 WASHINGTON OPEN

JAN. '8 - 9

A six round tournament, 100% USCF rated. Held at the Boeing plant #2 cafeteria.

Registration - 8 AM to 9 AM Saturday Jan. 8

Entry Fee - \$10.00 with USCF and WCF membership required.

Guarenteed Prizes

1st - \$ 125.00 & trophy	
2nd - 75.00	
3rd - 50.00	1st "A" - \$15.00 & trophy
4th - 25.00	2nd "A" - \$10.00
5th - 15.00	1st "B" - \$15.00 & trophy
6th - 10.00	2nd "B" - \$10.00
	1st "C" - \$15.00 & trophy
	2nd "C" - \$10.00

1st Junior - trophy 1st Unrated - trophy

Plus a special award for the biggest upset of the tournament.

The seven highest finishing WASHINGTON residents, along with the defending state champion will be invited to the state championship tournament to be held in February.

This event will be patterned after the major chess tournaments of the country, with substancial prizes at all levels of competition. Board assignments will be made each round. The site of the U.S. Open will be made prior to round five of the tourney.

TWIN TORNADOS

In response to requests for one day tournaments the WCF will conduct the following two events.

DECEMBER 11 (Saturday)

Four rounds - 9AM, 12N, 3:30PM, 6:30PM
 Seattle Chess Club - Registration 8AM
 Time control - 40 in 1hr. & 20 minutes (fastest ratable speed).

DECEMBER 12 (Sunday)

Tournament same as the above.
 Entry Fee - \$ 3.00 for each \$5.00 for both.
 USCF and WCF memberships. USCF rated.

NORTHWEST JUNIOR CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

Place: Portland State College
Date: December 27-28

Registrations: 9:00 AM Monday Dec. 27 with
play starting at 10:00 AM at the Port-
land State College Student Center

Type: Six round swiss

Entry Fees: \$2.00 over High School Age
\$1.50 for High School Age
\$1.00 under High School Age

Sponsored by the Portland State College
Chess Club and the Oregon Chess Committee.

Tournament Director: Deane Moore and
Greg Kern

DECEMBER 10, 1965 DEADLINE FOR JANUARY NWCL

The Spokane Chess Club is thinking about holding the Inland Empire Open with a \$ 150 prize fund next April 16-17. This could put the Inland Empire back as one of the great Northwest Tournaments of the year.

Russell Miller also reports that the Central California Open ended in a 4-way tie David Blohm, Frank Thornally, William Haines and Arthur Wang an old friend of the N.W. players.

THE SOUTHWEST CORNER: Being a Progress Report On The Southwest Washington League, And Stuff Like That, by Norm Stough.

Well, it seems to have been done. Except for a few minor problems, such as schedules, rules, locations, and final acceptance of our invitation from two clubs, the Southwest Washington League is ready to get under way. With any sort of luck (except bad), the first round will be played the middle of December. There are now four teams ready to go, and word is expected momentarily from the other two. A six team league may seem rather small, but better to start small than not at all. In fact, if it should become necessary, we will be in operation with four teams. In one respect a six team league will be an advantage, since we would come to the end of our schedule at about the same time as the Puget Sound League. This would present the possibility of a match between the respective winners for the title of Washington team Champion. Or some such. By next year the SWWL

should have a full eight teams, if it means enticing one or two teams from the PSL with promises of candy and six move mates. At any rate, the next issue of the NWCL should carry the results of first round play. Assuming I can get together with Buz Eddy and develop a schedule. I would like to say that the officers of the Washington Chess Federation have shown themselves most willing to assist with the formation of the league, whether from an interest in the game or because of that \$3.00 entry fee I don't know. Anyway, my thanks to them all for the help.

Club news is scarce again this month. Apparently this is a slow period for chess activity in this area. The Centralia College Club reports they are presently engaged in establishing a club ladder on the challenge system, and standings should be forthcoming in the near future. The club has received an appropriation from the college for the purpose of purchasing clocks and equipment, and the officers are now suffering under the burden of spending the money. We should all have such problems. At their regular meeting on Nov 16, I presented myself and invited the club to enter two or three teams in the SW league, however, they decided to settle for one this year, with the possibility of entering two next year. The Twin Cities Club of Centralia, after nearly two years of existence, finally adopted a constitution and by-laws last month, and now has an activities committee in operation. At present plans are afoot for the second annual club championship, a round robin affair to be played through December and January. Last year a Swiss system was used, and found to be less than satisfactory, and it is felt an elimination tournament is unfair, leaving only the round robin. Also under consideration is the possibility of a tournament for the Centralia-Chehalis area. The location, halfway between Portland and Seattle, should be perfect. At the meeting on Nov. 16, the possibility of inviting Samuel Reshevsky to the area during his tour of the US was discussed briefly, and referred to committee. Anyone having any interest in this is invited to drop me a line. Perhaps we can get enough interest in a Reshevsky simultaneous to invite him up, if there are 40 chess players in the NW who have \$5. News from the Grays Harbor Club is being sent to the Letter by their Secretary this month, since he had to write anyway, and didn't want to use another stamp. We have received a report that the Aberdeen HS formed a chess club, and are interested in the SW league. Music to my ears. If things keep up we may have to split the league to accomodate all the teams. Norm Stough.

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SPOKANE OPEN

COUNTY CHAMP

1. Dr. David Groenig	W9 W3 D2 W7 W5	4½ - ½	
2. Doug Adams	W14 W4 D1 D5 D3	3½ - 1½	9½
3. Gordon Cornelius	W12 L1 W10 W4 D2	3½ - 1½	8½
4. Robert Kittredge	W6 L2 W13 L3 W8	3 - 2	9
5. Norman Abrahamson	W11 D7 W8 D2 L1	3 - 2	8½
6. Mel Leonard	L4 D8 W14 W10 D7	3 - 2	7
7. Kelly O'Keefe	W10 D5 D9 L1 D6	2½ - 2½	8½ 15
8. Ray Trainer	W13 D6 L5 W9 L4	2½ - 2½	8½ 12½
9. Stu Pearson	L1 W12 D7 L8 W11	2½ - 2½	6½
10. Dave Engelhard	L7 W11 L3 L6 W14	2 - 3	7½
11. Egon Jaensch	L5 L10 W12 W13 L9	2 - 3	6½
12. Pat Herbers	L3 L9 L11 W14 W13	2 - 3	5½
13. Ed Stansbury	L8 W14 L4 L11 L12	1 - 4	
14. Jack Potter	L2 L13 L6 L12 L10	0 - 5	

A tip of the hat to Jack Potter, who even though he lost every game, finished his schedule. No major upsets, although Herbers losing his first three games and Jack Potter failing to win any were surprises.

When the smoke of battle at the Spokane County Open had cleared, Dr. David Groenig had emerged victorious with a full point lead over 2nd place winner, Doug Adams, and 3rd place winner, Gordon Cornelius. The Class B Trophy was won by Mel Leonard, a student at Eastern Washington State College at Cheney. Dr. Groenig's road to the title was not an easy one as he had to face Gordon Cornelius in the 2nd round and Doug Adams in the 3rd round, and Norman Abrahamson in the last round.

Doug Adams and Kelly O'Keefe were the drawing masters as they each drew three games. In the first round all the favorites won their games, but the second round saw some clashing. Groenig defeated Cornelius, and Adams defeated the correspondent when the latter missed a drawing line in the end game and eventually lost on time. Adams and Groenig ran headlong into each other in the third round and neither was able to make any headway. In the fourth round the pressure was on Adams as he and Abrahamson clashed and finally drew. Cornelius won over Kittredge in a long end game with a N and 4 pawns vs B and 3 pawns. Groenig meanwhile, was eliminating O'Keefe. In the last round Groenig won over Abrahamson rather quickly when the latter erred in the opening. Cornelius was not able to turn a pawn advantage into a win and so drew with Adams.

The tournament was played at the Spokane Community College and was directed jointly by Robert Kittredge and Doug Adams, who pinch hit in the absence of the scheduled director, George Priebe. However, the tournament committee wishes to extend its thanks to George who made all the arrangements and made it easier for the others to carry on. R.F. Kittredge.

ASHLAND CHESS CLUB 30/30 TOURNEY

1. Dana Sudborough	W16	W4	W12	3-0	30
2. Chapin, Ned	W8	W17	W7	3-0	29
3. Fugmire	W5	W19	W15	3-0	28
4. Switzer	W13	L1	W16	2-1	21
5. Everett, Miles	L3	W6	W14	2-1	20
6. Booth	W18	L5	W17	2-1	19'
7. Welch	W13	W11	L2	2-1	19
8. Dickson	L2	W26	W9	2-1	18'
9. Cavin	W22	W10	L8	2-1	18
10. Bearden, Kitty	W19	L9	W21	2-1	17
11. Everett, Art	W15	L7	W20	2-1	16'
12. Freeburger	W24	W20	L1	2-1	16
13. Sandburg	L4	W22	W23	2-1	15
14. Schroeder	W27	W21	L5	2-1	14
15. Stamper	L11	W28	W25	2-1	13
16. Bearden, Tracy	L1	W24	L4	1-2	11 $\frac{1}{2}$
17. Gingrich	W23	L2	L6	1-2	11'
18. Glidden, Charles	L6	W25	L3	1-2	11
19. Chapin (Billie) Mrs.	L10	L3	W26	1-2	10
20. Stothers	W26	L12	L11	1-2	9 $\frac{1}{2}$
21. Padelford	W28	L14	L10	1-2	9'
22. Mann	L9	L13	W27	1-2	9
23. Zboralski	L17	W27	L13	1-2	8'
24. Pittman	L12	L16	W28	1-2	8
25. Kees	L7	L18	L15	0-3	5
26. Robbins	L20	L8	L19	0-3	4'
27. Wood	L14	L23	L22	0-3	4'
28. Henney	L21	L15	L24	0-3	4

Ashland Chess Club held a 30/30 tournament as a sort of chess promotion. Awards were given for the first three places. First place is a rotating trophy the winner gets to keep it till the next 30/30 tournament December 17. Second and third place were nice inexpensive trophies. A low cost 50¢ entry fee netted the club a few cents over cost. It was decided before hand that the rotating trophy could not be won by points, drawing or coin-flipping in the case of ties. This was to be settled by 30/30 play-off; sudden death, not round robin. This was a three round type tourney set up for completion in one evening, 6:30 to mid night, with the writer doing the directing. Pairings were made with the idea of giving lower ranked players a shot at one of the placings: first round better players against each other and try to balance out with the same idea in the second round, and of course strict elimination in the third round. Twenty-eight players showed up, fifteen of whom were new faces or only rare visitors to our weekly chess meetings. See if you get something they like they will come. Three people tied for first place with three wins and no losses each. It was just past mid night when this point arrived. Two of the fel-

lows played off right then finishing up about 2:30 AM October 30. Because of other activities interfering the final play-off round was accomplished November 19, 7:30PM. Keeping in mind the idea of lower rated players having a chance it should be noted that the highest rated player in our area won first but a 1400 plus player came in second and an unrated newcomer achieved third. A 1700 plus player placed fourth while three high school students, one rated, the other two unrated, placed 5th, 6th, and 7th out of 28 players competing. With only three rounds and this type of pairing plus some simple but extended arithmetic I was able to complete all placings by points without a single tie. If interested I'll write up the math part for another issue. (Your editor is interested and will have it published in a future issue for other clubs to use.) Two ladies; Mrs. Ned Chapin and Mrs. Kitty Bearden were among the 28 competitors. Players participating came from Grants Pass Medford, Phoenix, Talent and Ashland. Medford Phoenix and Ashland High Schools were represented as was Southern Oregon College. Medford High School had the largest school representation. Harry Glidden

IVARS THE TERRIBLE OR DALBERGS SIMULTANEOUS

Ivars Dalbergs mowed his way through a tough field in his Nov. 6 exhibition at Portland State College. He won 16 of the 27 games, allowed 7 draws and lost four against Bill Kirk, Mike Lilly, Dennis Metcalf, and Deane Moore.

There were several difficult, fatiguing games to be fought out, but the Oregon Champion made the most of his chances where there were any possibilities of winning. A total of \$43.00 was raised for the Invitational Tourney Fund. Many thanks to Master Dalbergs for his generous help to the cause.

DIRTY JIM MCCORMICK THE RAT OR MCCORMICK SIMULTANEOUS

Jim McCormick the Washington State Champion will try to outdo Dalbergs on Friday Dec. 3rd at the Seattle Chess Club. Bring along your \$1 contribution to the N.W. Invitational Chess Tournament and try your luck against the champion. This is your big chance to get even for all the terrible and mean things that dirty Jim has done to you in the past!!!!!!

N. W. POSTAL CHAMPIONSHIP

First Prize	\$ 50
Second	\$ 20
Third	\$ 10
Fourth	\$ 5
Fifth	1 yr. subscription, NWCL
Sixth	1/2 yr. subscription, NWCL

Class Prizes for:

CLASS A

First Prize	\$ 5
Second Prize	1 yr. subscription, NWCL
Third Prize	1/2 yr. subscription, NWCL

CLASS B

First Prize	\$ 5
Second Prize	1 yr. subscription, NWCL
Third Prize	1/2 yr. subscription, NWCL

CLASS C

First Prize	\$ 5
Second Prize	1 yr subscription, NWCL
Third Prize	1/2 yr. subscription, NWCL

Prizes will be awarded on the basis of the three round total score. If a tie for first occurs, a tie-breaking match will be played to determine the champion. Ties for other prizes will be broken by Sonneborn-Berger points.

It is a three round tournament with 5-player sections, two games with each opponent.

Assignments made as entries are received.

In the first round each win counts 10 points, each draw 5 points. Players who score 50 points in their section (out of 80 possible) advance free of charge into round two.

In the second round each win counts 15 points, each draw 7.5 points. Players who score a round one and round two total of 125 points advance free of charge into a final round.

In the third round each win counts 20 points, each draw 10 points. Highest point scorer at the end of three rounds is declared champion. Best score attainable is 360 points.

The entry fee is \$2.50. With payment of entry fee, player is entered in one section;

additional sections cost \$ 1.00 each. Subscription to NWCL is required of all participants.

No entries or additional sections accepted after Dec. 15, 1965.

RULES:

- 1) The NW Postal Championship is open to all irrespective of class or locale.
- 2) Although a player may enter more than one section (maximum of 6), only one prize is allowed per contestant.
- 3) A player who qualifies to compete in more than one section will be awarded his prize according to the highest score achieved among his multiple entries.
- 4) Players with a postal rating in class "A" at the date of their entry will be eligible for class "A" prizes, regardless of their rating at the conclusion of the tournament. Similarly, this applies to class "B" and "C" players.
- 5) Players with no postal rating will be considered eligible for class "A" prizes if their NW rating is in class "A", class "B" prizes if their NW rating is in class "B", class "C" prizes if their NW rating is in class "C" or lower.
- 6) If NW ratings are unavailable, USCF ratings will be used for class prize eligibility. Players with no rating will be eligible for class "C" prizes.
- 7) All participants are eligible for the main prizes irrespective of their rating class.

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ENTER NOW BEFORE DECEMBER 15, 1965 IF YOU WANT TO GET INTO THE FIRST BIG NW POSTAL CHAMPIONSHIP!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

PSL A NEW SOBCZYK

Recently, a few members of the local "Club" were discussing various issues concerning the Puget Sound League. One of these topics was the question of making all teams equal, on paper, by means of a handicap system of some sort. As is well known this has been done successfully in bowling. Everyone seemed to agree it would be nice..., but.. Convinced that such a system was possible, also perhaps rising to the bait, I decided to give the matter a little thought to see if I could come up with the rudiments of a practical system. This to be tossed on the table to see what sort of reaction the area chess players would give it.

Skipping over to the results, the system would be based on the following table:

<u>Point Difference Between Times</u>	<u>Norm</u>
0 - 150	5 - 5
151 - 400	$5\frac{1}{2}$ - $4\frac{1}{2}$
401 - 650	6 - 4
651 - 900	$6\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$
901 - 1150	7 - 3
1151 - 1400	$7\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$
1401 - 1650	8 - 2
1651 - 1900	$8\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$
1901 - 2150	9 - 1
2151 - 2300	$9\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$
2301 & up	10 - 0

(I think this should be modified to read 2151 & up ... $9\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$, so that it would always be possible to win with a 10-0 record. Ed.)

Application is as follows. USCF or WCF ratings to be used. Find total point difference between teams. Higher rated team must score better than the norm to win the match. Example: Team A is rated 200 points per man better than team B. Norm for 1000 points between the teams is 7-3; accordingly, $7\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$ or better is a win for team A; 7-3 is a drawn match; $6\frac{1}{2}-3\frac{1}{2}$ or less is a win for the B team.

The basis for the above is that in a team game match, between individuals who have ratings 500 points apart, the higher rated player should score 10-0; 400 points difference, 9-1; etc: 100 points difference, 6-4 and so on. I threw in a weight factor of 150 points to (hopefully) compensate for inaccuracies in ratings.

I like to think this would allow a captain to line up his team anyway he wanted. Example team C out rates team D 100 points per man

with 200 points difference between every player on their respective teams; i.e., team C rates 2000,1800,1600 etc; team D 1900,1700 1500 etc. Captain D decides to move his low man to board 1 thus presenting the following line-up: 2000-1100; 1800-1900; 1600-1700; 1400-1500; 1200-1300. Even in this extreme case, the maneuvers should lead to a victory by team C of 5.2-4.8 vice 6-4 as the 500 point team difference predicts. (This results because once the two players have a point difference exceeding 500, anything above that difference is "lost") I don't think most captains would long endure using tactics of this sort, but if it became a problem, pairings of players (in excess of 500 points difference in ratings) could be prohibited. This would still allow more latitude than team captains have at present. Usually captains want to make only minor shifts because one player is tired or feels below par, etc.

Other points:

What happens if some players are not rated? They will be judged strictly by the results. If the unrated player scores 2-0, he will be assumed to be 500 points better than his opponent; $1\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$, 250 points better; 1-1, equal. This is somewhat in favor of the team with all rated players. Conversely, it will serve to urge non-members to join the WCF, (NWCL). If neither player is rated, the difference will still be evaluated on the same basis - 500 for 2-0 and where they are located on the rating scale doesn't matter as regards determination of the "Norm". Unlike bowling, however, the unrated player never establishes his handicap by league games. He must get a rating from NWCL (or WCF).

Forfeits. Forfeited boards are counted equal (no rating difference) for rating purposes. In effect this weighs against the team that forfeits (normally for a 2-0 score the higher rated player raises the norm for his side; here the norm stays the same despite the 2-0 forfeit.) This should be an incentive to field a full team.

There are several reasons why the above system would seem to lead to more exciting matches. Can't you just see the team of patzers looking for that elusive half-point against the team of Dalbergs, Pupols, McCormick, Suttles etc.? The $\frac{1}{2}$ point that will enable them to WIN $\frac{1}{2}-9\frac{1}{2}$! It should also promote better chess on the higher rated team's part too; the masters can't afford to be careless. On

the other hand it would lend no particular advantage to a team to load up for the last match, as a couple of teams did recently.

No system is without its faults, I suppose, and for any handicap system this is perhaps doubly true. Most of the objections vanish if reasonable sportsmanship is observed. For example, suppose a visiting team arrived one man short. True enough, the home team could field its weakest team, get a "norm" advantage of $8\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$, and win with the two forfeited games. But can that be considered a reasonable objection? Would our captains do that?

While on the subject of changes, I would like to propose another. Could a rule be introduced which would allow the players to decide to play one game at twice the time limit (or thereabouts) instead of two? The result would be multiplied by two to give a total of ten points for the match. This could be by agreement of the players, or if they disagreed, left to the choice of the visiting team on boards 1,3,5, say and the home team on boards 2, 4. Color on these boards to be determined by lot.

(Also your editor would like to probe the possibility of two players, who are starting their last game well after the other players are into their second game, playing their second game at an increased time limit to be decided on by agreement. This would stop the inconvenience of one visiting player holding up the other four because his first game was too long in finishing. The situation in the past has been for the players to not play the game if one team is leading by a sufficient amount. But if it could be an important game and it would allow the other members to get home at a reasonable hour instead of twiddling their thumbs waiting for the last game to finish, it seems reasonable that the players should be allowed to play at a faster rate.)

We of the N.W.C.L. staff like to see fresh thought on old subjects. And if it is felt that new interest would be infused in the Puget Sound League by the system described above by Mr. Sobczyk, then by all means lets get going on it. In general I feel it better to try something new even if it proves a complete flop, as one can always return to the same old reliable rut. Any reader opinions??

A Dedication to Jim McCormick
"Every game that the old master(s) win brings them so much nearer defeat at the hands of youth." Emanuel Lasker

From the Little Vic's

1st NW INVITATIONAL

December 31 to January 2

Place: Council Suite (Room 316)
Portland Hilton
921 S.W. Sixth Avenue.
Portland, Oregon

Participants:

Elod Macskasy Duncan Suttles
Ivars Dalbergs Elmars Zemgalis
James McCormick Victors Pupols
!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Sponsored by the Oregon Chess Committee.

A players meeting is planned for 1:00 PM
December 31.

Schedule: Friday Dec. 31 Round 1
Saturday Jan. 1 Round 2 & 3
Sunday Jan. 2 Round 4 & 5

Trophy and Prize Presentation will be on
Sunday evening.

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JAMES MCCORMICK will be giving a simultaneous at the Seattle Chess Club on Friday December 3rd at 8:PM to raise additional funds for this tournament. Entrance fee \$1. Come down and try your luck against the Washington State Champion!

Send your contribution(s) to:

Greg Kern
12903 N.W. Multnomah
Portland Oregon 97230

There will be a tournament booklet! If you would like to receive your copy send your contribution of \$1 or more. It will have the careers of the players, opening analysis, and annotated games!!! All who send contributions will be acknowledged in the N.W.C.L. !

Duncan Suttles will be coming hot off of his tournament in N.Y. to establish the new U.S. Champion. This could be your chance to see The Wash. State Champ, Oregon State Champ, possible U.S. Champion, European Champion, Canadian Champion and the Latvian all in deadly combat!!! THE CHAMPIONS IN ACTION!!!

RUSSELL'S CHESS CHATS

The Netherlands won the annual 10 man Anglo Dutch match with 11½ out of 8 ½ points.

New Argentine Champion is Sanguinett with 16 out of 21, neither Najdorf nor Panno were in this it this time.

Enrique Mecking only 13 years of age! won the Brazilian Championship losing only one game in scoring 13½ points.

Commenting on Fischer's showing in the 4th Capablanca Memorial Tournament, the British Chess Magazine says, "he still looks to be the likeliest future challenger for the World Championship honors outside of the Soviet Union.

The 39th French Championship was won by Dr. Maiezni.

Prins and Zuidema tied for first in the Dutch Championship. Donner did not play.

Zatulovskaia (USSR) and Lazarevic (Yug) tied for first in the Danlou International Women's Tournament at Emmen Holland.

The New Italian Champion is Tatai 8 - 11.

Dely (Hungary) and Vasiukov (USSR) tied for first in the International Tournament held in memory of Akiba Rubinstein at Polanica Zdroj with 9½ points Matulovic was 3rd with 9.

Korchnoj scored 9½ in a tournament at Yervan the capital of Armenia to take first. Petrosian and Stein 8½, Liberzon 8, Portisch 7, Nei 6½, Averbach, Filip, Fuchs, Matanovic & Stahlberg 6, Schmid 5½, Mnatsakanyan 4½ & Shashin.

Gilbert Ramirez won the 11th Annual Iowa Open 5-0 with 46 players entered.

Ken Smith won the 79 man S.W. Open with 6-1.

David Truesdel won the 34 player Georgia Championship with a 6-0.

Charles Powell 6½-½ took the Virginia Championship.

The second Piatigorsky Cup Tournament will be held in Santa Monica July 17 to August 11, 1966, at the Miraman Hotel. Accepting invitations are Jan H. Donner of Holland, Mighel Najdorf of Argentina, Samuel Reshevsky. Other invitations went to World Champion Petrosian. Winner of the Tal-Spassky match, Bobby Fischer, Boris Ivkov of Yugoslavia and Bent Larsen of Denmark. It will be an eight grandmaster double round robin. Travel and living expenses of the players will be paid too. Looks like quite a tournament. I hope Fischer takes part. Until next month!

ZEMGALIS RETURNS!!!!!! See Elmar Zemgalis in action in the 1st N.W. Invitational Tourney as reported elsewhere in this issue. Send in a contribution of \$1 or more and receive a book on the tournament with Pupols, Suttles, McCormick, Macskasy and Dalbergs in it!!!!!!

NORTHWEST INTERCOLLEGIATE LEAGUE

	LEAGUE	STANDINGS	
		Matches	Games
1	PORTLAND STATE	2-0	13- 3
2	GEORGE FOX	1-1	8½-7½
3	WESTERN WASHINGTON	1-1	8½-7½
4	UNIVERSITY OF WASH	1-0	8-0
5	OREGON STATE	1-0	7½-1½
6	SEATTLE PACIFIC	0-2	2½-13½
7	CONCORDIA	0-2	0-16

SCHEDULE

November 20, 1965 Round 2A
Oregon State at Concordia

December 4, 1965 Round 2
George Fox at U of W (rescheduled)

January 15, 1966 Round 3
Portland State at George Fox
Seattle Pacific at Concordia
Western Washington at U of W

January 29, 1966 Round 3A
Portland State at Oregon State

OREGON STATE - GEORGE FOX Nov 6, 1965

1	Jerry Wolfe (Troutdale)	- Sheldon Hinshaw	2-0
		(Newberg, Ore)	
2	Dick Jarvinen (Astoria)	- Del Meliza	2-0
		(Toledo)	
3	Don Murray (Lake Oswego)	- Bob Jones	2-0
		(Astoria, Ore)	
4	Barry White (Portland)	- John Slivkoff	1½-1½
		- Pete Ruchirat	1-0
		(LA, Cal & Thailand)	

PORTLAND STATE - CONCORDIA COLLEGE

1	Rueban Saez	2-0	Marv Sopko
2	Denny Jenquin	2-0	Jim Davis
3	Jim Mitchell	2-0	Jerry Haberlach
4	Tim Nettleton	2-0	Dennis Brookens

"If we're not careful down here in Portland we're likely to fool around and win the NWIL championship."

WESTERN WASHINGTON - SEATTLE PACIFIC

1	Nadav Friedman	2-0	Jay Whaley
2	William Blackmore	2-0	Bob Bollender
3	Myron Miller	1½-1½	Alan Denniston
4	Forfeit	0-2	Leroy Miles

"At one point it looked like SPC would secure the draw, but luck was with us and we rallied (to win). Nevertheless, with better luck, SPC might have gained more."

Next page more results!

PORTLAND STATE COLLEGE - CLATSOP

- 1 Denny Jenquin 2-0 Ray Cunningham
- 2 Jim Mitchell 1-0 Hundley Bergstad
- Ralph Stein 1-0 Hundley Bergstad
- 3 Don Kirkpatrick 2-0 Richard Garoutte
- 4 Barrett McMaugh 2-0 Don Henrick

This match was not a NWIL match, just a little extracurricular play, and speaking of a little extra curricular play!?

GIRLS ! GIRLS ! GIRLS ! ...The chess team challenges any four chessplaying girls to a match! Normally, chess is a man's game, of course; it calls for logical thinking and all that. But PSC is such an unusual school (we don't have any parking places, and our school newspaper The Rearguard, dosen't print the news) that perhaps we do have four girls who might be interested in accepting the men's challenge. How do the men pay off if they lose? (Would a man dare offer a lady a tip-erillo!?! Ed.) The above is from the school chess paper The Checkmate.

PSC Chess Club Membership Standings

- 1. James Mitchell 2057
- 2. Reuban Saez 1956
- 3. Denny Jenquin 1903
- 4. Bruce Betzer 1831
- 5. Tim Nettleton 1789
- 6. Ralph Stein 1783
- 7. Lewis Richardson 1559
- 8. Conrad Brown 1530
- 9. Everett Dale 1477
- 10. George Coggins 1460
- 11. Don Kirkpatrick 1425
- 12. Eric Enquist 1423
- 13. Greg Berkey 1411
- 14. William Snell 1389
- 15. Bruce Holmgren 1371
- 16. Barret McMaugh 1290
- 17. Lawrence Jubb 1239
- 18. Neil Gorter 1175
- 19. Troy Downey 1129

(as of 11-14-65)

THE BELLINGHAM CHESS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

- 1. Harold Raymond x01111 4-1-0
- 2. Peter Hashisaki 1x1/2011 3-1-1 675
- 3. William Blackmore 01/2x111 3-1-1 575
- 4. Bruce McLeod 010x11 3-2-0
- 5. Wayne Chin 0000x1 1-1-0
- 6. John Graham 00000x 0-5-0

The BCC championship started off with a round robin in February with about 20 players. This tournament was later agreed by all not to be rated. The championship tournament was held afterward with the first six in the previous

participating. The tournament was very close not only from the evidence that the top four finished within 1 point of each other, but also from the fact that not a few times were Chin and Graham in superior positions against the higher finishing opponents.

Harold Raymond, who won the previous tournament by a fairly decisive margin found the going a bit rougher the second time around when he pulled out four points in the first four rounds despite a couple close calls, but fell victim to a sacrificial attack initiated by Peter Hashisaki in his final game. However, Raymond's experience and steadiness proved him to be the superior player in the tournament. Reported by Wm. Blackmore.

KEN DART WRITES

A tournament policy which puzzles me is the way in which entry fees paid in by some players are taken to provide prizes for players in other sections. In a one-section tournament of course it is everyone for himself. A feeling seems to exist that some players are amateurs and some are pros and that the amateurs should pay the freight for the pros; whereas would it not be more accurate to say that all are professional in varying degrees? It seemed to be a good idea at one time to create a reserve section so that players of lesser ability would be competing amongst themselves. This is probably a good idea, but when a big percentage of the reserve section entry fee is taken to give the "good" guys it seems unfair. It would seem that if the hotshots take the entry fees from other sections for their own prize money, they should contribute something in return; say a quickie simultaneous, or perhaps a discussion on a display board. ... Frankly I feel chess could and should be a more popular game if there was more desire on the part of the better players to encourage the beginning and poorer players. In reply to Tournament N.W.

...Your contention that better players will endeavor to get poor ratings so they can qualify for prizes in lesser company is not well taken. Of course there is always the cheap-skate around, ... However, once a person allows his rating to drop and then wins, naturally his rating goes up again. Everyone can't be a champion and I think if we make chess popular for the unfortunate masses, the royalty will still exist. ... I don't mind too much donating to worthy causes if I have a choice, but I still don't think it is right to pay entry into a section and then find the entry fees are not being competed for by the group that paid them in. Best regards, Ken Dart.

G A M E S

Evergreen Empire Open (Fircrest)
King's Indian Defense

Viktors Pupols - Kent Pullen

Notes by the winner

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|----------|-------|----------|-------|
| 1. P-K4 | P-KN3 | 2. P-Q4 | B-N2 |
| 3. P-QB4 | P-Q3 | 4. N-QB3 | N-KB3 |
| 5. P-K4 | O-O | 6. N-B3 | P-K4 |
| 7. O-O | N-B3 | 8. P-Q5 | N-K2 |
| 9. P-QN4 | P-KR3 | | |

This move avoids the complications that could result after 9...N-R4 10.P-N3 P-KB4 11.N-KN5 N-KB3 12.P-B3 P-B5 13.P-B5 P-KR3 14.N-K6 BxN 15.PxB P-Q4. The move 9...P-KR3 loses a tempo, but in effect White has also lost a tempo, since 9.P-QN4 does not aid White in playing P-QB5.

10.N-K1 ...

Somewhat better may be 10.N-Q2 to be followed by 11.P-B5 and 12.N-B4 as occurred in Macskasy - Pullen, Sea fair 1965. Pupols also maneuvers his king knight to the QB4 square, but takes four moves instead of two to do it, e.g. N-K1-Q3-N2-B4.

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|----------|-------|----------|------|
| | | 10. ... | N-K1 |
| 11. B-K3 | P-KB4 | 12. P-B3 | P-B5 |
| 13. B-B2 | P-KN4 | 14. P-B5 | N-N3 |
| 15. R-B1 | R-B2! | | |

Black defends his second rank. If 15...N-B3 immediately, then 16.PxP PxP 17.N-N5 P-R3 18.N-B7 R-N1 19.B-R7 winning the exchange could possibly occur.

16.N-Q3 N-B3

17.N-N2 B-B1!

This move defends the base of the black pawn chain and clears the KN2 square for the black rook. Now when White plays PxP black may reply BxP! thereby keeping his queen side pawn structure intact.

18.N-B4 R-N2

The rook is placed on the king knight file which will soon be opened. If 19.N-N5 then 19...P-R3 20.N-R3 P-N5! with a strong attack (21.PxNP? NxKP!)

19.K-R1 P-KR4 20.N-N5 P-R3

White finally forces a weakening in the black pawn structure.

21.N/5-R3 P-N5 22.N-R5 P-N6!

White has lost valuable time with his many knight moves. Black's 22nd move is a pawn sacrifice designed to rip open the White king position. White's best chance is to decline the pawn sacrifice by playing 23.B-N1.

23.PxNP PxNP 24.BxNP P-R5!

After 24...P-R5 black's knights can occupy the important squares KR4 and KB5.

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|----------|--------|-----------|--------|
| 25. B-R2 | N-B5 | 26. R-KB2 | N/3-R4 |
| 27. B-B1 | N-N6ch | 28. K-N1 | P-R6 |

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|------------|------|----------|------|
| 29. BxN | RxB | 30. R-N2 | Q-R5 |
| 31. N/3-B4 | PxNP | | |

The following liquidation results in an easily won position for black.

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|----------|-------|---------|--------|
| 33. RxN | RxRch | 32. BxP | NxB |
| 35. K-R1 | B-R3 | 34. KxR | B-R6ch |

Black's king bishop and rook now help in the final attack.

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|----------|------|---------------------|-------|
| | | 36. R-B2 | K-R2 |
| 37. R-R2 | B-B5 | 38. PxP | R-KN1 |
| 39. Q-K2 | BxR | 40. White oversteps | |
- the time limit. Of course if 40.KxB B-B8 mate and if 40.QxB then 40...Q-K8ch and mate next move.

SKARSTEN WRITES

On October 2 and 3 I played in the North Dakota State University Open Chess Tournament in Fargo, North Dakota, winning three out of five games. I am sending in, herewith, one of my games; that against the man who, I was told, was the North Dakota State Champ. He is a strong player, but I happened to get the better of him in this game.

I am on an extended travel tour, and hope to end up, eventually, in the SW, for the winter. I am continuing my correspondence chess. I am currently in Fosston in northern Minnesota.

Kohut (White) - Skarsten (Black)

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|-------------|--------|-------------|---------|
| 1. P-Q4 | N-KB3 | 2. P-QB4 | P-K3 |
| 3. N-QB3 | B-N5 | 4. P-K3 | P-B4 |
| 5. B-Q3 | PxP | 6. PxP | P-Q4 |
| 7. N-K2 | PxP | 8. BxP | O-O |
| 9. O-O | B-Q2 | 10. B-KN5 | B-B3 |
| 11. P-Q5 | PxP | 12. Nxp | BxN |
| 13. BxN | QxB | 14. QxB | N-B3 |
| 15. P-QN3 | B-R4 | 16. QR-Q1 | B-N3 |
| 17. P-QR3 | QR-Q1 | 18. Q-KR5 | BxPch 1 |
| 19. K-R1 | RxR | 20. RxxR | B-N3 |
| 21. N-N3 | Q-K2 | 22. R-KB1 2 | P-N3 |
| 23. Q-Q1 | B-B2 | 24. N-K2 | Q-R5 |
| 25. P-R3 | Q-K2 | 26. P-QN4 | Q-K4 3 |
| 27. N-B4 | P-KN4 | 28. Q-N4 4 | N-K2 |
| 29. P-KR4 5 | P-KR3 | 30. B-Q3 6 | N-Q4 7 |
| 31. PxP | PxP | 32. Q-R5 8 | N-B3 9 |
| 33. Q-K2 | PxN 10 | 34. QxQ | BxQ |
| 35. P-N3 | N-R4 | 36. K-N2 | Nxp 11 |
| 37. R-B1 | R-Q1 | 38. B-B4 | K-N2 |
| 39. R-B2 | N-B4 | 40. R-B1 | N-K6ch |
| 41. K-B3 | R-QB1 | 42. R-N1 12 | K-B3 |
| 43. B-Q3 | R-B6 | 44. K-K2 | RxP 13 |
| 45. P-N5 | P-R3 | 46. PxP | PxP |
| 47. R-N1 | P-R4 | 48. R-N7 | R-R7ch |
| 49. K-B3 | P-R5 | 50. K-K4 15 | R-QN7 |
| 51. RxR | BxR | 52. KxP | P-R6 |

53. B-N1 17 N-Q4 54. K-B3 N-B6

Resigns.

1) Gains a pawn 2) Pressure on the KBP 3) Mating threat 4) Pinning the NP. 5) He tries to break the hold 6) Preparation for a mating threat. He plays well 7) Continuing the attack on the N. 8) But he stops it. 9) Attacking the Queen, and freeing the pinned pawn. 10) At last the N falls 11) Another pawn falls 12) Of course 13) Another pawn 14) A potential queen 15) The K is getting into the fight. 16) A mistake. R-R7 might have been better. 17) But this doesn't help.

CAPABLANCA

MEMORIAL

Smyslov

Donner

1. N-KB3	P-Q4	2. P-B4	P-K3
3. P-KN3	N-KB3	4. B-N2	B-K2
5. O-O	O-O	6. P-Q4	P-B4
7. PXP	NXP	8. PXP	BXP
9. Q-B2	B-K2	10. R-Q1	N-Q2
11. N-B3	NxN	12. QxN	P-QR4
13. B-K3	R-R3	14. N-Q4	P-R5
15. QR-B1	Q-R4	16. QxQ	RxQ
17. RxB!	RxR	18. BxP	Resigns.

C. Kelly

Ivkov

1. P-QB4	P-KN3	2. P-KN3	B-N2
3. B-N2	P-K4	4. N-QB3	P-Q3
5. R-N1	N-K2	6. P-Q3	O-O
7. P-KR4	P-KR3	8. P-K3	P-QB3
9. KN-K2	B-K3	10. P-N3	P-Q4
11. PXP	NXP	12. NxN	BxN
13. P-K4	D-K3	14. B-K3	Q-R4ch
15. Q-Q2	QxQch	16. KxQ	R-Q1
17. B-R3	BxB	18. RxB	N-R3
19. R-Q1	R-Q2	20. P-R5	P-KN4
21. P-KN4	B-R6	22. N-B1	B-R6
23. K-B3	P-N3	24. K-B2	QR-Q1
25. K-N1	BxN	26. BxB	N-B4

Resigns

POSTAL

CHESS

In spite of the mistakes I made it is one of my better, or at least one of my luckiest games. I still prefer to think of it as one of my better games! (The trouble with Reh is that he had the black pieces and was unable to play his beloved Blackmar Gambit! Ed)

Donnelly

Reh

1. P-K4	P-K4	2. N-KB3	N-QB3
3. B-N5	P-QR3	4. B-R4	P-Q3
5. N-B3?	B-N5	6. P-KR3	BxN
7. BxNch	PxB	8. QxB	N-K2
9. O-O	N-N3	10. P-Q3	B-K2
11. P-KN3	O-O	12. R-K1	Q-Q2
13. K-N2	P-KB4	14. PXP	RxP
15. Q-N4	QR-KB1!	16. B-K3	P-Q4
17. N-K2	P-Q5!	18. NxP	PxN
19. BxP	Q-Q4ch	20. N-K4	B-Q3

21. P-CB4	QxQch	22. PxQ	R-KN4
23. B-K3	B-B5	24. K-B1	BxB
25. RxB	N-K4	26. P-N3	R-B6??
27. RxR	NxR	28. R-Q1!!	K-B1

At last I begin to play chess.

29. K-K2	N-K4	30. R-Q8ch!	K-K2
31. R-QR8	R-N3	32. RxP	P-B4
33. R-R8	N-B3	34. P-KR4	N-Q5ch
35. K-Q3	R-Q3	36. P-K5	R-Q1?
37. RxR	KxR	38. P-R5	K-K2
39. P-B4	N-B4??	40. P-R4!	N-Q5
41. P-QN4	N-B3.	42. PXP*	K-K3
43. P-N4	P-R3.	44. K-K4	N-N5
45. P-R5	N-R3.	46. K-Q4	P-B3
47. P-B5ch	K-B2.	48. K-K4*	NxPch
49. K-B3	K-K2	50. K-N3	K-Q2
51. K-R4*	K-K2	52. P-N5!	K-B2
53. P-B6!	Resigns		

* Perhaps this could be an example of how to give a game away and then to get it back with a bit of luck and a careful endgame.

PUGET SOUND LEAGUE IN ACTION

James Knittel SCC	Ernie Prentice TCC		
1. P-K4	P-QB4	2. N-KB3	P-K3
3. P-Q4	PxP	4. NxP	P-QR3
5. N-QB3	B-N5	6. D-Q2	P-Q3
7. B-Q3	N-KB3	8. Q-K2	QN-Q2
9. N-B3	Q-B2	10. O-O	P-QN4
11. P-QR3	B-B4	12. B-K3	B-N2
13. BxB	NxB	14. KR-K1	O-O
15. QR-Q1	P-K4	16. P-R3	N-KR4
17. Q-K3	NxB	18. QxN	QR-Q1
19. R-Q2	N-B3	20. Q-K2	P-KR3
21. R-Q3	N-R4	22. P-KN3	Q-B4
23. K-R2	P-B4	24. N-Q5	PXP
25. N-K7ch	K-B2	26. N-N5ch	KxN
27. Q-N4	QxPch	28. K-R1	QxRch
29. K-R2	R-B7 mate.		

SEATTLE TELEPHONE CHESS

PAUL THOMAS (ex-senator)	Ch 3-4422
TED SCHIELDS	At 3-2120
JIM FARMER	Pa 2-1891
RALPH AND ROBERT LEONARD	Ch 4-5246
DAVE FULTON	La 2-1882
STAN MARLOW	Ea 5-1241

If any players in the Seattle or any other area are interested in taking up the idea of telephone chess then please send in your name and you will be covered in the NWGL.

N.W. POSTAL CHAMPIONSHIP NOW!!!!

The deadline for the N.W. Postal Championship is Dec. 15, 1965, if you want in you had better send your money in now. Rock Schultz our former editor has just sent in for a section.

P.S. LEAGUE PLAY

Blackmore		Leon Sage	
1.P-Q4	N-KB3	2.N-QB3	P-Q3
3.P-K4	P-KN3	4.P-B3	B-N2
5.B-K3	O-O	6.Q-Q2	QN-Q2
7.O-O-O	F-B4??	8.PxP	N-K1?
9.PxP	NxP	10.B-KR6	P-N3
11.BxB	KxB	12.P-KR4	P-KR4
13.P-KN4	PxP	14.PxP	N-K4
15.Q-B4	F-B3	16.B-K2	B-K3
17.N-B3	BxNP?	18.NxN	BxB
19.NxB	FxN	20.QxPch	R-B3
21.N-B4	K-B2	22.P-R5	P-KN4
23.QxP	Q-B2?	24.N-Q5	Q-B4
25.KR-N1	N-K1	25.Q-N8 mate	

Nadav Friedman - Ralph Stein
Western vs Portland State 3rd Board

1.P-K4	P-KN3	2.N-QB3	B-N2
3.P-B4	P-K4	4.N-B3	FxP
5.B-B4	N-QB3	6.O-O	P-Q3
7.P-Q3	P-KN4	8.NxP?!	QxN
9.BxP	Q-B4ch	10.K-R1	B-K3
11.BxB	PxB	12.P-K5	O-O
13.PxP	BxN	14.PxP	R-Q2
15.PxB	QxP	16.Q-R5	N-B3
17.Q-R6	N-Q4	18.B-Q2	QxBP
19.QR-B1	QxQP	20.R-KB3	Q-N3
21.R-B8ch	RxR	22.QxRch	KxP
23.B-R5ch	P-N3	24.Q-QR8!	K-Q3
25.QxNch	K-K2	26.B-Q2	R-D2
27.B-N4ch	K-B3	28.R-B1ch	K-N4
29.B-Q2ch	K-R4	30.Q-N5	R-B4
31.Q-K2ch	Q-N5	32.Q-K5ch	K-N3
33.P-KR3	Q-R4	34.Q-R8!	Black lost

on time, but he is soon mated in any case.

PEACE ARCH OPEN
V. Pupols - W. Blackmore

1.P-Q4	N-KB3	2.P-QB4	F-B3
3.N-QB3	P-Q4	4.N-B3	P-K3
5.B-N5	FxP	6.P-K4	P-N4
7.P-K5	P-KR3	8.B-R4	P-N4
9.PxN	PxB	10.N-K5	QxP
11.P-KN3!	N-Q2	12.Q-K2	B-QN2
13.B-N2	NxN	14.PxN	Q-K2
15.O-O-O	Q-B2		

MCO 9 gives B-N2 & R-Q1 with a better game for White.

17.N-K4	B-K2	18.Q-R5	P-R5
19.N-Q6ch	BxN	20.RxB	P-QR6?

This sack is unsound, Blackmore.

21.RxPch	K-Q1	22.R-Q1ch	K-B1
23.QxP/R3!	PxPch	24.K-N1	R-Q1
25.R/6-Q6	RxR?	26.PxR	Q-Q1
27.P-Q7ch	K-B2	28.Q-Q6ch	K-N3
29.P-N4	R-R5??		

Now the pawn cannot be stopped.

		30.R-K1	P-R6
31.B-B3	R-R6	32.QxR	QxP
33.R-K7	Q-Q5	34.Q-K3	QxQ
35.RxQ	K-B4	36.R-K7	B-B1
37.R-B7	B-K3	38.RxPch	K-N5
39.RxB	FxR	40.P-N5	K-R6
41.P-N6	P-N5	42.P-N7	P-N6
43.PxP	KxP	44.P-N8/Q	Resigns

SPECIAL COMING EVENTS!!

The REALLY BIG N.W. Invitational Tourney will be held December-31 to January 2 in Portland Oregon at the Council Suite Room 316 of the Portland Hilton.

Participants:

- Zemgalis!!!
- MacSkasy
- Suttles
- Dalbergs
- Pupols

and dirty Jim McCormick (Boo!)

If you want to help this tournament along send your contribution to:

Greg Kern
12903 N.W. Multnomah
Portland, Ore. 97230

If you send \$ 1.00 or more you will receive a tournament book with games, opening analysis and life histories of the various contestants.

Why not get out and watch!

This will be your last chance to enter the N.W. Postal Championship which is open until December 15, 1965. If you want to be an entrant in this N.W. event send your \$2.50 to Clark Harmon, address on page 2. There is other advertisement in this issue to tell what all you will get in return.

ENTER NOW!!!

Dirty Jim McCormick simultaneous

If you want your chance to get even with Dirty Jim then go to the Seattle Chess Club on December 3rd and bring along \$ 1.00 and be there at 8PM for the simultaneous.. Jim says he can conquer the world so lets turn out in mass and make him earn his money, which when collected will go toward increasing the NW Invitational Prize Fund.

P O S T A L C H E S S
R.R. Merk, Director 1026 N.E. 71, Seattle 98115

Bob Merk is in good spirits, is up every day to enjoy television, his mail, phone calls, and visitors, but has been under medication that made it difficult for him to concentrate on his postal chess games. His remaining games have been reviewed by Howard Weaver, and several are resigned or suggested as draws, as shown in the list below. Players in section 65B2 are urged to regard the games as draws, with no points changing hands, rather than trying to resume after so long an excuseable delay.

New sections are now being formed. Send your entries to the Postal Director with the entry fee of 50¢, which can be inclosed as coins attached with scotch tape, or a \$1 bill will cover one section now and one later. Our sections are made up with four players who play two games with each of the other three. Rules and instructions are sent. Ratings are published monthly on a basis of 50 points for a win plus or minus 10% of the rating difference. If you are a new player please advise if you want to start in "A" with a rating of 1600, "B" with 1300, or "C" with 1000.

George Keating won section 65C1, chose entry in a "B" section as prize.
Randy Dean wants an "A" section for winning 64B11, all six games.

November Game Reports

65B6B	Uselton	wins	24	points from	J. Running
65B5B	Hughes	"	56	"	" R. Espey
64B7B	Donnell		29		Youngman
65A4A	Schmidt		51		Prentice
64A14A	Parsons		34		Knapp
65NW	Parsons		10		P. Olson
64C7A	Reh		42		Becker
65NW	Becker		65		Reh
64A15B	Morris		10		Nourse
65B3B	J. Jensen		31		H. Glidden
65NW	L. Walker		10		J. Potter
64B8B	J. Reid		65		Weikel
65B2	Merk draws all				
64B8A & B	Merk draws Weikel				
64B8A	Reid		56		Merk
64B8B	Merk	draws	7		Reid
64B4B	Skarsten	wins	10		Merk
65C6B	Holmquist		61		Hainsworth
64B11A	Dean		35		D. Olson
65B6B	Uselton		31		Denison
65B6	Giden forfeits to Uselton, Running, and Denison				
65NW3	A&B Prentice		20		Webb
65A4B	Prentice		29		Almond
65NW	Morris		10		Hainsworth
65NW2	Parsons		10		R. Miller
65NW3	Parsons		10		Webb
65NW1	A&B Reh		20		Hainsworth
64B11B	Dean		28		D. Olson

If you like to play chess and have little opportunity to do so, or if you are somewhat bored with playing with the same old opponents, then try our postal chess tournaments. We can match you with players of equal ability, and your rating points indicate your next opponents as you improve, or show you are overmatched. Postal players have two days time limit to try out moves on the board, check publications and books for ideas, and gain playing strength by playing the best chess of which they are capable.

POSTAL CHESS RATINGS

"AA" Division
(Over 1700)

1	Morris	2315
2	Pupols	2100
3	Seiter	2035
4	Parsons	2034
5	Rudzitis	1977
6	Wick	1916
7	Kern	1908
8	Schultz	1900
9	Schmidt	1897
10	Cummins	1856
11	Eilmes	1854
12	Prentice	1853
13	Harmon	1829
14	Wilson	1813
15	Nourse	1789
16	Bell	1787
17	Knapp	1777
18	H. Raymond	1768
19	Weaver	1746
20	Mage	1745

"A" Division
(1400 to 1700)

Stratton	1696
Skarsten	1677
Stiles	1667
Erickson	1650
Sage	1645
L. Walker	1610
Dean	1608
Holmes	1607
E. Schrader	1600
Colpron	1600
Joanson	1600
Powell	1600
Stough	1600
Vinyard	1600
Wickberg	1600
J. Brown	1600
M. Schemm	1600
Almond	1581
Heathman	1554
Person	1554
Christey	1552
Collins	1550
Vanatta	1524
Peterson	1499
Fulton	1481
J. Schrader	1477
Reh	1475
Kirk	1451
W. Jones	1447
Reddig	1441
Becker	1436
Hughes	1407
Uselton	1400

"B" Division
(1100 to 1400)

Lyberger	1397
Turner	1382
Carlson	1381
Woodward	1381
D. Potter	1370
Gifford	1359
B. Espey	1358
Lader	1355
Carroll	1346
Widner	1340
Baskett	1335
D. Olson	1328
Betzer	1321
Reid	1308
Donnelly	1310
Dart	1309
Jensen	1307
McFarling	1305
W. Olson	1300
Stickle	1300
Loks	1300
Koskan	1300
Sonier	1300
Weber	1300
Borgan	1300
Scott	1300
P. Olson	1290
Dickson	1283
R. Raymond	1279
Laugen	1279
Weikel	1277
R. Miller	1269
Henry	1264
Grassham	1256
Keating	1247
Donnell	1247
Herk	1246
P. Lomasney	1239
Pattie	1237
Davis	1230
Murley	1208
Morris	1198
Williams	1190
H. Miller	1181
Benison	1153

"B" Division
Continued

Dearing	1152
Knittel	1139
Gorton	1138
Baldwin	1134
Herbers	1130
Webb	1128
Cassino	1125
Fay	1108

"C" Division

J. Jones	1098
R. Taylor	1079
McCord	1069
Running	1065
Holmquist	1061
H. Glidden	1052
Borwin	1037
Ward	1035
B. Espey	1028
Bauman	1020
Blosser	1020
Hainsworth	1017
Klein	1002
Jopko	1000
C. Glidden	1000
B. Morris	1000
Wester	1000
Dangerud	1000
J. Potter	990
Snives	987
Youngman	982
Cyr	982
Puz	974
Moore	956

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