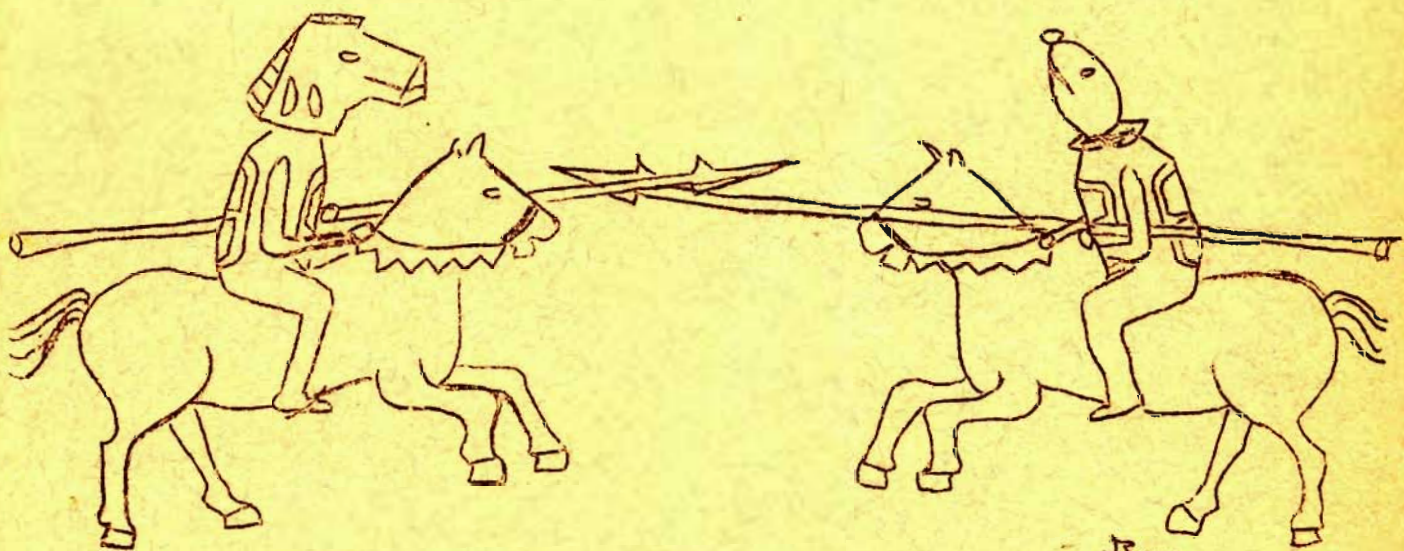


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ANNUAL MEETING APRIL 19.

The annual Washington Chess Federation
business meeting is scheduled for the YMCA
at 1 p.m. on Sunday, April 19th. Election
of officers heads the agenda with the off-
ices of President, Secretary, Editor & Pub-
lisher now known to be open.

INTERNATIONAL JULY 26.

First notice of the annual B. C. versus
Washington International! It will be held
at the Peace Arch on the border on Sunday,
July 26th at 1 p.m. Standard Time. It was
British Columbia's turn to set the time and
place and they did it early this year. (Sub-
mitted by PEDER HUSBY, WCF Secretary.)

ABBOTT TOPS SKAGIT NO. NINE

CHARLES ABBOTT won Skagit County Chess
Club tournament number 9. Number 10 gets
underway on April 2nd. It was the 2nd win
for Mr. Abbott.

GORDON WINS IN HOLLYWOOD

HYMAN GORDON drew his brother Morris in
the first round and then won 9 in a row to
finish with $9\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$ in the strong master's tmt.
at the Herman Steiner Chess Club. IRVING RI-
VISE won his last 5 games to take 2nd $7\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$.

Consolation prize for all those who
suffered the insufferable last season: A
determined Latvian team, six men strong,
invaded the double-knockout Vanderbilt
Cup play at the recent national bridge
championships at the Olympic. They were
eliminated in three rounds.

A. J. THOMPSON, RT. 3 GRANT CITY
MISSOURI

HORTON THOMPSON'S brother has several
chess items for sale. Copies of Chess Re-
view 1946-49, bound year book of Chess Re-
view for 1936, U. S. C. F. tournaments of
1941, 42, 43 in one volume, and many other
items. Write A. J. THOMPSON, RT. 3, GRANT
CITY MO.

MONTANA OPEN MAY 2-3.

Five rounds, two Saturday and three
Sunday. At Florence Hotel in Missoula.
Trophies to top three in each of three di-
visions - Senior, Class A, and Junior.

AT THE EAGLE'S ROOST

The months of February and March fea-
tured some interesting matches at SHORTY
CURRIT'S Eagles Roost Cafe in Ferndale just
north of Bellingham. Chess matches play-
ed from 7 to 10 each Wednesday night. Cal-
iber of chess here is steadily improving &
all players are welcome to attend. The reg-
ular players and their scores for the months
of February and March: FRANK BUTLER $11\frac{1}{2}-3\frac{1}{2}$,
PETER FULTON 12-4, SHORTY CURRIT $6\frac{1}{2}-8\frac{1}{2}$, FRED
ENSMAN 5-13, HINES FAY $2\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$, GARY BELLINGER
 $1\frac{1}{2}-7\frac{1}{2}$. (Submitted by PETER FULTON.)

WALLACE H. S. 9 KELLOGG H. S. 3

Friendly "grudge" match held on March
23rd at Wallace High School. Kellogg hoped
they could make up for the 12-0 slaughter a
Wallace team handed them earlier.

WALLACE HIGH SCHOOL		KELLOGG HIGH SCHOOL
Donald Britt	2	Jim Ashford
Stephen Sala	2	Aaron Spurway
Fred Pettit	1	Richard Beck
Jim Williams	0	Bob Corder
Frank Albertini	0	Bob Corder
Cliff Barney	1	Charles Spaburg
Loren Solum	1	Charles Spaburg
Mercidith Stone	0	Richard Beck
Sharon Winterowd	1	Jim Appleberg
Bob Kottkey	1	Jim Appleberg

INLAND EMPIRE OPEN ON APRIL 25-26

The annual INLAND EMPIRE OPEN chess tournament is scheduled for April 25 -26 at the Desert Hotel in Spokane.

Registration opens at 12 noon Saturday, April 25th, and the first round is scheduled for 1 p.m. This is a six round Swiss with two rounds Saturday afternoon and one Saturday evening. Three more rounds are scheduled for Sunday.

All previous rules will be used including a $2\frac{1}{2}$ hour time limit for completion of games. All adjourned games must be finished on the player's own time after other rounds are completed that day. No player will be allowed to have more than one unfinished game at a time. If a second game is unfinished, it will be adjudicated.

Entry fee is \$3 for seniors and \$2 for juniors 18 or under. Junior money collected in entry fees will be kept separate for junior prize winners. 1st prize for seniors is a guaranteed \$25. Loving cups will also be given to the winners.

Since this has always been a tournament designed for the average player, the policy of giving prize money to the leaders of the second half of the standings will be continued.

The highest ranking eastern Washington player will be declared eastern Washington champion and the highest junior is Inland Empire Open junior champion.

Because of the increase in interest in junior circles, a record-breaking entry list is confidently expected.

As usual, there will be a banquet on Saturday evening for a moderate price.

IR. DAVID GROENIG will direct the event assisted by ROBERT KITTEDGE, GEORGE PRIEBE and DR. GRIFFITH PARKER.

(by Dr. Parker)

PUGET SOUND OPEN MAY 9-10

The 1959 PUGET SOUND OPEN will be held in the spacious Seattle University Student Union Building on Saturday and Sunday, May 9th and 10th.

Round one is scheduled to start at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, May 9th. Round two will start at 2 p.m. and round three at 7 p.m.

Sunday's play gets underway at 8 a.m. and round five starts at 12:30 p.m. The sixth and final round is scheduled to begin at 5 p.m.

The Solkoff tie-breaking system will be used with a secondary Median tie-breaking system to be used whenever needed.

Thirty moves per hour with adjudication after four hours. Since a game would have to exceed 60 moves, it is unlikely we will have to adjudicate many games.

Harkness pairings will be used keeping the "luck of the draw" within reason.

Entry fee is \$3 for seniors and \$2 for juniors (under 21). All players compete for the same prizes. First prize is a guaranteed \$35 minimum. The last Washington Open produced a \$55 1st and a \$35 2nd prize so this tournament should do at least as well.

Location: 11th Ave. & East Spring St. in Seattle, Washington.

The Seattle U. restaurant is 1 floor down from the tournament room with good food and low prices. Truly the perfect setup for a big chess tournament!

AL LIVINGSTON will direct. Special Puget Sound Open score booklets will be furnished each contestant.

For further information, phone FRED M. HOWARD, Publicity Dir., WE 2-7784 or write him at 5940 36th S.W. Seattle, Wash.

(by D. Wade)

BRING BOARDS, MEN, AND IF POSSIBLE, CLOCKS.

HOLZINGER NEW JUNIOR CHAMP *by Wade*

The king is dead, long live the king! CHARLES GRIFFITHS, 1957 and 1958 junior chess king of Washington was dethroned by BOB HOLZINGER in the 1959 Washington Junior Championship tournament. The event was held at the University of Washington on the weekend of March 21-22.

HOLZINGER and GRIFFITHS went into the 4th round of this 20 player, 5 round event deadlocked for first each with 3-0. To the surprise of all, Holzinger emerged winner breaking Griffith's stranglehold on the state's top junior chess honors.

WILLY BRANDAL and MIKE FRANETT, another pair of Seattle players, equaled Griffith's 4-1 score to finish 3rd and 4th respectively on Solkoff points. Holzinger had to have only $\frac{1}{2}$ point to win the tourney going into the final round. This he got by drawing with Franett. Franett drew with Yakima's RIC JEROME in the second round. If he could have won from Holzinger in the finale, Franett would now be junior champ.

This was strictly a Seattle-Yakima affair. Ten from Yakima, brought over by Everett Rude and Oliver LaFreniere, and ten from Seattle. Eight of the top ten players were Seattleites with RIC JEROME in 6th place being the highest placing Yakima contestant. The twenty entered equaled last year's high for a Washington State Junior.

BUZ EDDY of Seattle directed.

		-1-	-2-	-3-	-4-	-5-	Score	Solk.	Mod.
1.	Bob Holzinger (Seattle)	W15	W11	W7	W2	D1	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$	----	----
2.	Charles Griffiths (Seattle)	W14	W3	W10	L1	W8	4 -1	16.5	----
3.	Willy Brandal (Seattle)	W8	L2	W20	W7	W6	4 -1	14.5	----
4.	Mike Franett (Seattle)	W13	D6	W15	W11	D1	4 -1	13.5	----
5.	Dave Grannis (Seattle)	W9	L7	W13	D6	W14	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 $\frac{1}{2}$	----	----
6.	Ric Jerome (Yakima)	W16	D4	W12	D5	L3	3 -2	15.0	9.5 *
7.	John Brailley (Seattle)	W17	W5	L1	L3	W12	3 -2	15.0	9.5
8.	Peter O'Gorman (Seattle)	L3	W14	W19	W10	L2	3 -2	13.5	----
9.	Mark Hayden (Yakima)	L5	L12	W18	W13	W11	3 -2	10.0	6.0
10.	Pat Hickey (Seattle)	W18	W19	L2	L8	W15	3 -2	10.0	5.5
11.	Larry Rude (Yakima)	W12	L1	W17	L4	L9	2 -3	14.5	----
12.	Edleo Quesnoll (Yakima)	L11	W9	L6	W17	L7	2 -3	13.0	8.0*
13.	Gordan Gray (Seattle)	L4	W16	L5	L9	W17	2 -3	13.0	8.0
14.	Doug Guenther (Yakima)	L2	L8	W16	W18	L5	2 -3	12.5	8.0
15.	Gary Foulkes (Yakima)	L1	W18	L4	W19	L10	2 -3	12.5	7.5
16.	Gary Quesnoll (Yakima)	L6	L13	L14	Byo	W19	2 -3	7.5	----
17.	Merroll Quesnoll (Yakima)	L7	W20	L11	L12	L13	1 -4	10.5	----
18.	David King (Yakima)	L10	L15	L9	L14	Bye	1 -4	10.0	7.0 @
19.	Rick Taylor (Yakima)	Byo	L10	L8	L15	L16	1 -4	10.0	7.0 @
20.	Lawrence Henry (Seattle)	F	L17	L3	F	F	0 -5	----	----

* Jerome was ahead of Brailley on S. B. points, 7.0 to 6.5. Edleo Quesnoll was ahead of Gray on S. B. points, 4.0 to 2.5.

@ An unbreakable tie between King and Taylor for 18th place.

The remarkable turnout of Yakima juniors shames all other cities and towns in the state! Enough said. (The Editor)

SCHULTZ WINS PACIFIC N. W. OPEN — by Wade

RICHARD SCHULTZ of Seattle was the surprise winner of Don W. Johnson's First Annual USCF Pacific Northwest Open Chess Tournament. The tourney was held at the University of Portland Pilot House on March 28-29. 34 players entered this event, including IVARS DALBERGS of Portland, winner of numerous northwest tournaments. After four rounds, Dalbergs led with 4-0 while Schultz had 3½-½, drawing DUANE MEADOR in the 4th round. Then Schultz upset Dalbergs in the 5th and protected his lead in the final round with a win over CHARLES T. GEARY to finish with a 5½-½ score. Dalbergs had 5-1, Meador 4½-1½ (3 draws), and DEANE MOORE, also 4½-1½, took 4th.

The tourney director, Don W. Johnson, claimed many "firsts". By adding USCF to the title, this was the First USCF Pacific N. W. Open. ROBERT WALKER won last year's tourney but it was not a USCF event. It was not the first tourney where Californians participated in the northwest as JOHN ALEXANDER of San Diego & PETER LAPIKEN, formerly of San Francisco, have played up here. POULSEN of Fresno played in an Oregon Open a few years ago. Women players have also entered previous N. W. events. A girl played in last years Inland Empire Open while MARY EILMES and another woman played in an earlier Inland Empire Open. MRS. BOB EDBERG played in a Seafair Open and a Washington Woodpushers so we can debunk Johnson's claim that this was the first Pacific Northwest tournament in which women took part.

Place	Name	Home	-1-	-2-	-3-	-4-	-5-	-6-	Score	Mod.	Solk.
1.	Richard Schultz	Seattle	W19	W5	W8	D3	W2	W6	5½-½	----	----
2.	Ivars Dalbergs	Portland	W29	W11	W13	W16	L1	W5	5-1	----	----
3.	Duane Meador	Vancouver, Wn.	D22	W14	W12	D1	D4	W9	4½-1½	15.0	----
4.	Deane Moore	Portland	D17	W22	D9	W18	D3	W10	4½-1½	13.0	----
5.	Jack Strong	Gresham	W26	L1	W28	W7	W16	L2	4-2	15.5	----
6.	Charles Geary	Eugene	W27	W10	L16	W12	W19	L1	4-2	13.0	----
7.	Gary Feuerberg	Portland	W25	L13	W20	L5	W18	W19	4-2	11.5	----
8.	Richard E. Fauber	Albany, Cal.	W28	W21	L1	LF19	W11	W15	4-2	9.5	----
9.	Clark R. Harmon	Portland	W31	D12	D4	W17	D10	L3	3½-2½	14.5	----
10.	Gregory Kern	Paramount, Cal.	W15	L6	W23	W13	D9	L4	3½-2½	13.5	----
11.	John Bell	Portland	W20	L2	D15	W22	L8	W17	3½-2½	13.0	----
12.	Harold Hughart	Albany, Ore.	W23	D9	L3	L6	W22	W25	3½-2½	12.0	----
13.	Garry Singer	Tigard	WF34	W7	L2	L10	W20	D14	3½-2½	11.0	----
14.	Visvaldis Smits	Seattle	D24	L3	W33	D15	W21	D13	3½-2½	10.0	----
15.	Robert Hardin	Portland	L10	W27	D11	D14	W24	L8	3-3	12.0	17.5
16.	Fred T. Krogh	Sweet Home	W33	W18	W6	L2	L5	OUT	3-3	12.0	17.0
17.	Clifford Comisky	Portland	D4	D24	W21	L9	W23	L11	3-3	11.5	17.5
19.	R. W. Cairncross	Portland	L1	W26	W25	WF8	L6	L7	3-3	10.0	----
18.	Elmer E. Hunt	Vancouver, Wn.	W30	L16	W32	L4	L7	W23	3-3	11.5	17.0
20.	Lyman T. Johnston	Seattle	L11	W29	L7	W26	L13	W24	3-3	9.5	----
21.	Dr. Ray J. Pinson	Salem	W32	L8	L17	WF31	L14	W27	3-3	8.5	----
22.	Avery MacNeill	Brisbane, Cal.	D3	L4	W24	L11	L12	W26	2½-3½	----	----
23.	Joseph Gemar	Kelso	L12	W30	L10	W25	L17	L18	2-4	11.5	----
24.	Mal Skarsten	Forest Grove	D14	D17	L22	WF32	L15	L20	2-4	9.0	15.0
25.	Elmer E. Hunt Jr.	Hoquiam	L7	W33	L19	L23	W29	L12	2-4	9.0	14.0
26.	Mrs. Marjorie Makepeace	'Frisco	L5	L19	W30	L20	BYE	L22	2-4	9.0	13.0
27.	William Makepeace	San Francisco	L6	L15	W29	L28	WF30	L21	2-4	8.5	----
28.	Ora P. Gifford	Grandview	L8	W31	L5	W27	WITHDRAWN		2-4	7.5	----
29.	Joe Bricher	Cottage Grove	L2	L20	L27	WF33	L25	BYE	2-4	6.5	----
30.	Rudy A. Mariman	Estacada	L18	L23	L26	BYE	LF27	OUT	1-5	3.5	----
31.	Leonard H. Reese	Ariel, Wash.	L9	L28	BYE	LF21	DROPPED		1-5	3.0	----
32.	Willard E. Reese	Ariel, Wash.	L21	BYE	L18	LF24	DROPPED		1-5	2.5	----
33.	J. Gregory Martin	Cincinnati	L16	L25	L14	LF29	DROPPED		0-6	5.5	----
34.	Clifford R. Dolph	Maryhill	LF13			DROPPED			0-6	0.0	----

PORTLAND CHESS NEWS

The brief squabble the high school teams got into has been smoothed over and Grant has rejoined the league.

Fourth Round

<u>LINCOLN H. S.</u>	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	<u>LAKE OSWEGO H. S.</u>	3 $\frac{1}{2}$
Martin Vidgoff	1	Larry Finley	1
Don Bree	2	Jim Goddard	0
Dave Holden	1	Joe Reynolds	1
Ron Holden	1	Alan Berdict	1
Bob White	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	Bill Plotner	1 $\frac{1}{2}$

<u>GRANT H. S.</u>	4	<u>CLEVELAND H. S.</u>	6
Gary Feuerberg	0	Ken Gilson	2*
Cliff Comisky	1	Bob McNeill	1*
Cyril Penn	1	Steve Neptune	1*
Les Shearer	1	Jerry McDermott	1*
Roger Putnam	1	Robert Ellstrom	1*

* In actual games played Grant won 4-1 with only Gilson of Cleveland winning 1-0. Cleveland won the five first round games by forfeit because the Grant team was late for the match.

<u>CLACKAMAS H. S.</u>	5	<u>ROOSEVELT H. S.</u>	5
Clark Harmon	1*	John Bell	1*
Frank Nettleton	2	Dennis Slade	0
Dean Casperson	0	Jerry Uyeda	2
John Davis	1	Dan Wong	1
Clyde Nordgren	1	David Papkoff	1

* Harmon and Bell played two draws.

Fifth Round

<u>ROOSEVELT H. S.</u>	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	<u>CLEVELAND H. S.</u>	2 $\frac{1}{2}$
John Bell	2	Ken Gilson	0
Dennis Slade	2	Bob McNeill *	0
Jerry Uyeda	2	Jerry McDermott	0
Dan Wong	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	Steve Neptune	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
David Papkoff	1	Terry Gilson	1

* Spelled "McNeill", not "McNeil" as previously submitted.

<u>GRANT H. S.</u>	10	<u>LINCOLN H. S.</u>	0
Gary Feuerberg	2	Bob White	0
Cliff Comisky	2	Dave Wirtschafter	0
Robert Hardin	2	Don Bree	0
Cyril Penn	2	Dave Holden	0
Los Shearer	1	Ron Holden	0
Les Shearer	1	Nick Givas	0

Grant must be "mad" or something. (Ed.)

<u>CLACKAMAS H. S.</u>	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	<u>LAKE OSWEGO H. S.</u>	3
Clark Harmon	1*	Larry Finley	1
Frank Nettleton	2	Mike Furey	0
Dean Casperson	1	Joe Reynolds	1
John Davis	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	Alan Berdict	1
Clyde Nordgren	2	Bill Plotner	1

This ends the first half of Portland High School Chess League play. Roosevelt High is first half champion. The six high schools will now start over and play another round-robin. The winner of the second half will play Roosevelt in a playoff for the league championship.

Three other schools are playing chess matches, but because of scheduling cannot come into the league this year. They are Jefferson, Franklin, and Beaverton.

FIRST HALF LEAGUE STANDINGS

	MATCH	INDIVIDUAL
1. Roosevelt	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	35 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 14 $\frac{1}{2}$
2. Clackamas	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	36 - 14
3. Grant	3 - 2	33 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 16 $\frac{1}{2}$
4. Cleveland	2 - 3	21 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 28 $\frac{1}{2}$
5. Lake Oswego	1 - 4	13 - 37
6. Lincoln	1 - 4	10 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 39 $\frac{1}{2}$

The Portland Chess Club is now affiliated with the Washington Chess Federation becoming the first out of state club to do so!

There is activity among Oregon colleges also.

<u>LEWIS & CLARK</u>	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	<u>PORTLAND STATE</u>	3
Ken Peterson	1	Jaan-Heinsoo	1
Roger Purcell	1	Bob Hubbard	1
Horb Starr	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	Don Silverman	1
Norm Bailey	2	Larry Holmes	0

PORTLAND C.C. SONG!

"From Arthur down to Joseph Doakes"
 2. Seattle Chess Club must be bald
 we scalp them every year
 we furnish them a crying towel
 for weeping in their beer.

There is a lot more but the above is a challenge to somebody!

by Moore

U. of WASHINGTON CHESS by Eddy

The University of Washington Chess Club has just completed another successful quarter, including a swiss system tournament, two matches, and an active ladder tournament.

FINAL LADDER STANDING

1. Tony Elezovic *	1155
2. Boyd Walther	1141
3. A. Eydal	1073
4. Visvaldis Smits	1055
5. Robert Douglas	1042
6. U. Kahn	1033
7. William O'Brien	1032
8. Harold Poncin	1018
9. Gary Franklin	1017
10. Frank Camilleri	1017
11. John Bruk	996
12. Buz Eddy	994
13. Dick Anderson	990
14. Jack Utting	987
15. Don Miller	984
16. Warren Wisner	977
17. Gerald Gunderson	976
18. R. Charles Cary	959

19. John Lupien	957
20. Milton Case	956
21. Clifford Hodgkins	951
22. John Agner	942
23. Mike Peterson	935
24. Terry Nelson	931
25. John Umino	896

* Also listed as "Elezonic"

Three prizes were awarded on ladder competition. One to TONY ELEZOVIC for the most points, one to MIKE PETERSON for the most games played, and one to JOHN BRUK for the most points gained in this quarter.

In the tournament below, prizes were awarded for the top three places. The tournament worked out fairly well as no one was without a game at any meeting. However, the number of forfeits was too high for any serious tournament. It is interesting to note how TERRY NELSON, a very strong player, finished on the ladder and in the tournament.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON TOURNAMENT

Place	Name	-1-	-2-	-3-	-4-	-5-	-6-	-7-	Score	Solk.
1.	Boyd Walther	W19	W7	W2	W3	W6	F	W4	6 -1	----
2.	A. Eydal	W6	D3	L1	W17	W4	W8	W5	5½-1½	----
3.	Visvaldis Smits	W5	D2	W4	L1	F	W7	W6	4½-2½	----
4.	U. Kahn	W13	W9	L3	D5	L2	W6	L1	3½-3½	26.5
5.	John Bruk	L3	W17	W7	D4	W8	F	L2	3½-3½	20.5
6.	Mike Peterson	L2	W18	W9	W19	L1	L4	L3	3 -4	24.5
7.	Buz Eddy	W16	L1	L5	L10	W11	L3	W19	3 -4	19.0
8.	John Alexander	F	W11	W19	L12	L5	L2	W9	3 -4	14.5
9.	R. Charles Cary	W17	L4	L6	W11	F	W12	L8	3 -4	10.5
10.	Tony Elezovic	F	F	L14	W7	L12	W17	W11	3 -4	8.0
11.	Jack Utting	F	L8	W17	L9	L7	W15	L10	2 -5	12.0
12.	Frank Camilleri	F	F	F	W8	W10	L9	F	2 -5	7.0
13.	Kathy Costoff	L4	F	F	F	F	F	W20	1 -6	3.5
14.	Don Miller	F	F	W10	F	F	F	F	1 -6	3.0
15.	Neal King	F	F	F	F	W17	L11	F	1 -6	2.0
16.	M. Bright	L7	F	F	F	F	F	F	0 -7	3.0
17.	John Umino	L9	L5	L11	L2	L15	L10	F	0 -7	8.0
18.	Milton Case	F	L6	F	F	F	F	F	0 -7	3.0
19.	Dick Anderson	L1	F	L8	L6	F	F	L7	0 -7	8.0
20.	Terry Nelson	F	F	F	F	F	F	L13	0 -7	1.0

Only four players played out their full seven rounds without forfeiting. It is interesting to note no player won a game by forfeit.

Directed by BUZ EDDY.

INLAND EMPIRE JUNIOR CHESS - Fredstrom

1959 IDAHO PANHANDLE JUNIOR OPEN

The 1959 Idaho Panhandle Junior Open will be held in Sandpoint on April 11-12. The event is sponsored by the Sandpoint H. S. Chess Club. This is a brand-new tournament and the first all-junior tourney to be held in this area! BUZ EDDY is to be Director and prizes of 40%, 30%, and 20% of the total entry fees will be offered as well as a trophy for first and Class A and B prizes. Open to anyone under 21. \$2.50 entry fee. Five round Swiss - will be played at the Sandpoint Community Hall with registration at 9:30 A.M., April 11.

INLAND EMPIRE JUNIOR CHESS LEAGUE PLAY

Inland Empire Junior Chess League is now nearly at the halfway point.

SANDPOINT TRIUMPHS!

The Sandpoint High School Chess Club met Coeur d' Alene High School on February 25th to take their first league match of the year by a decisive $6\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$ margin. Coeur d' Alene jumped to an early lead, but couldn't hold on to it as the top 3 boards made the difference for Sandpoint.

SANDPOINT H. S.		COEUR D' ALENE	
Bruce A. Fredstrom	2	Barry Nelson	0
Carl R. Quass	2	George Crumb	0
Loren Evenson	2	Chester Adkins	0
Suzan Cantrell	0	Joe Chapman	2
Melvin Church	$\frac{1}{2}$	Stan Hughes	$1\frac{1}{2}$

"PAWN PUSHERS" -- PUSHED

Wallace sent their wins to two in a row as they gunned down the Lewis & Clark "Pawn-Pushers", $6\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$, in a match at Spokane on February 25th.

WALLACE H. S.		LEWIS & CLARK	
Stephen L. Sala	2	Charles Kimbrough	0
Donald Britt	1	Steve Redfield	1
Fred Pettit	$1\frac{1}{2}$	Bill Heacox	$\frac{1}{2}$
Cliff Barney	0	Mike Vcnar	2
Frank Albertini	2	Jim Templeton	0

COEUR D' ALENE GAINS REVENGE

Coeur d' Alene H. S. won their first match in the IEJCL, at Spirit Lake's ex-

pense, on March 9th. Played at Spirit Lake.

COEUR D' ALENE H. S.		7	SPIRIT LAKE		3
Barry Nelson	0		Richard Simmons		2
George Crumb	2		Richard Lewis		0
Dick Jurvelin	2		Doug Hyde		0
Bob Peterson	1		Doug Venn		1
Stan Hughes	2		Lanny Olson		0

COEUR D' ALENE SUFFERS LOSS IN 2ND MATCH WITH WALLACE

Coeur d' Alene again met defeat at the hands of the unbeaten (in league play) Wallace quint in their second match, played at Wallace. Played on March 17th.

WALLACE H. S.		$8\frac{1}{2}$	COEUR D' ALENE		$1\frac{1}{2}$
Donald Britt	2		Barry Nelson		0
Stephen L. Sala	2		George Crumb		0
Fred Pettit	$1\frac{1}{2}$		Bob Peterson		$\frac{1}{2}$
Jim Williams	2		Stan Hughes		0
Frank Albertini	1		Bill Chapman		1

WALLACE ROLLS ON!

Wallace rolled on to its fourth in a row victory handing Spirit Lake a 7 to 3 loss March 18th on home ground.

WALLACE H. S.		7	SPIRIT LAKE H. S.		3
Stephen L. Sala	2		Richard Simmons		0
Donald Britt	2		Richard Lewis		0
Fred Pettit	0		Al Olston		2
Jim Williams	2		Doug Venn		0
Frank Albertini	1		Doug Hyde		1

CURRENT IEJCL STANDINGS

	W	L	D	PLAYED	POINTS*
1. Wallace	4	0	0	4	8
2. Sandpoint	1	0	0	1	2
3. Coeur d' Alene	1	3	0	4	2
4. Lewis & Clark	0	1	0	1	0
5. Spirit Lake	0	2	0	2	0

* Standings in the Inland Empire Junior Chess League are based upon the system of 2 points for a win, 1 point for a draw and 0 points for a loss.

Individual points will only be used in the event of ties in the final standings.

MORRIS WINS AGAIN

N.E. SEATTLE
CHESS — *by Wade*

OLIVER MORRIS won the 9th N. E. Seattle Invitational, turning in an exact duplicate of his winning record in tournament number 8. He opened by losing to DAN WADE, scored 2-0 over DAVID ERICKSON, gained revenge in his second game with Wade, and made a $1\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$ score against DR. A. A. MURRAY. This makes two tournaments for Morris. Erickson and Wade have each won three while Eilmes won the other.

Dan Wade had two chances to win this tourney. After beating Morris, he won $1\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$ over both Dr. Murray and Erickson. In his second Erickson game, Erickson wanted to resign as he was two pawns down. However, Wade wanted to see how he could force the win so the game was continued and a Wade sacrifice went awry and the contest ended drawn. Wade, by retaining his queen, and later by taking a pawn en passant, and later by not trading off bishops, could have drawn Morris in their second encounter. However, Morris still had a game remaining with Murray and he might win it forcing a playoff so Wade tried to win and lost. Morris then played Dr. Murray and it was a draw.

With Morris scoring $4\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$ and Wade 4-2, there weren't many points left for Erickson and Dr. Murray. Erickson surprised Dr. Murray in the first round and then lost 3 and drew one. Murray could get only 2 draws. The second Murray-Erickson game was canceled by mutual consent.

	W	L	D	Score							
1. Oliver S. Morris	L2	W3	W4	--	W3	W2	D4	4	1	1	$4\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$
2. Daniel E. Wade	W1	D4	W3	D3	W4	L1	--	3	1	2	4 -2
3. David Erickson	W4	L1	L2	D2	L1	--	--	1	3	1	$1\frac{1}{2}-3\frac{1}{2}$
4. Dr. A. A. Murray	L3	D2	L1	--	L2	--	D1	0	3	2	1 -4

N. E. Seattle Tournament Winners & Scores:

	W	L	D	Reported.
1st. David Erickson	5	1	0	Jan. 1958
2nd. David Erickson	4	2	0	Feb. 1958
3rd. Donald Eilmes	4	2	0	April, 1958
4th. Daniel Wade	3	1	2	June, 1958
5th. Daniel Wade	6	2	2	July, 1958
6th. David Erickson	3	1	1	Aug. 1958
7th. Daniel Wade	6	2	2	Oct. 1958
8th. Oliver Morris	4	1	1	Feb. 1959
9th. Oliver Morris	4	1	1	April, 1959

Wade, Erickson, and Morris have played in all nine. Eilmes played in the first seven. Dr. Murray has played in the last three. MARY EILMES played in two tournaments and TOM MAKENS and ROBERT KARCH each played in one tournament.

Over the long haul, no one player has dominated all of his playmates thus far. Wade, against the regulars, has a slight lead over Murray, Morris, and Erickson and has broken even with Eilmes. Erickson, the early leader, has slipped behind Morris, Wade, and Murray, but still has a lead over Eilmes. Counting wins as 1 and draws $\frac{1}{2}$, the players now stand as follows:

Wade over Erickson 10-7, Morris over Erickson 9-8, Wade over Morris $10\frac{1}{2}-8\frac{1}{2}$, Morris over Eilmes $7\frac{1}{2}-5\frac{1}{2}$, Erickson over Eilmes

8-5, and Eilmes and Wade have broken even $6\frac{1}{2}-6\frac{1}{2}$.

Against late-comer Dr. Murray, Wade leads him $3\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$, Morris leads him 4 - 2, Eilmes and Murray are even 1 - 1, and Dr. Murray is ahead of Erickson 4 - 1.

Play has been better in the last 3 tournaments than in the first 6. We used to play an opponent 2 games in an evening but now we rarely have time for more than one. Erickson would like a more informal skittles type of play about two times a month. The others seem to prefer a more serious, formal type of play. The evenness of the above records among the contestants is probably the principal reason why we have had so many tournaments. If one player had slaughtered all others, it is possible interest may have waned. Then again it may not have.

CHARLES JOACHIM, once again living in N. E. Seattle, has consented to play. DON EILMES, dropping out of school this spring quarter, also wants to play in the next. Erickson is dropping out. O. W. MANNEY & VIESTURS SEGLINS have been mentioned. But all who enter must be really interested & be willing to play at least one game per week. Entry fees and prize money are next.

GAMES *by Wade*

From the State Championship - annotated by
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Scotch Game

After rather tame opening play, White loses the initiative. Recognizing that a draw is all he can hope for, White leaves the path of the theory and strives for simplifications through exchanges. White's 14th and 16th moves are somewhat inferior and Black obtains a very definite advantage. In a difficult position White finds the relatively best defense. The endgame has many delightful variations and illustrates the power of the strong bishop. The winning requires very exact handling because of the reduced material. The annotations are deliberately somewhat lengthy and involved for the benefit of the loss advanced reader.

1. P-K4	P-K4
2. N-KB3	N-QB3
3. N-QB3	N-KB3
4. P-Q4	-----

With this move White transposes the 4 Knight's opening into the Scotch game.

4. ----	PxP
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Adequate also is 4----, B-N5, as the following two main variations will show:

a) 5. P-Q5, N-K2; 6. NxP, P-Q3; (weaker is 6---, NxKP because of 7. Q-Q4) 7. N-Q3 (after 7. B-N5ch., P-QB3; 8. PxP, O-O; Black has a dangerous attack; on the other hand equality results from 7. N-KB3, NxKP; 8. Q-Q4, BxN ch.; 9. PxB, N-KB3) 7----, BxNch.; 8. PxP, NxKP and Black has a satisfactory game.

b) 4---, B-N5; 5. N-KP, NxKP! (if 5---, Q-K2; then 6. Q-Q3!, NxN; 7. PxN, QxP; 8. B-Q2 with some advantage for White.) 6. Q-N4!, N/K5xN; 7. QxNP, KR-B1; 8. P-QR3, B-QR4 (if 8---, NxQP; then according to Dr. Krause White has the advantage after 9. PxP, NxBPch.; 10. K-Q2, NxR; 11. KxN) 9. NxN, QPxN; 10. Q-K5ch. Q-K2; 11. QxQch., KxQ; 12. B-Q2, B-B4; 13. BxN, BxBch.; 14. PxP, BxP; 15. K-Q2. Some analysts now believe that White has the better game; the majority agrees with Bogoljubow in thinking the chances are about even.

5. NxP	-----
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Interesting, although unsatisfactory, is 5. N-Q5!?, NxP!; 6. Q-K2, P-KB4; 7. N-KN5,

P-Q6!; with a definite advantage for Black in all variations. (if 8. PxP, N-Q5 etc.)

5. ----	B-N5
6. NxN	NPxN
7. B-Q3	P-Q4
8. PxP	PxP

The alternative 8.----, Q-K2ch.; 9. Q-K2, NxP!; 10. QxQ, KxQ; 11. P-QR3, B-QR4; 12. B-Q2, NxN; 13. BxN, BxB; 14. PxP, B-K3 is good enough to equalize (Spielmann-Rubinstein, 1922) The text move is more ambitious, however.

9. Q-K2ch.	-----
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The usual continuation here is 9. O-O, O-O; 10. B-KN5, B-K3! 11. Q-B3, B-K2; 12. QR-K1, R-N1; with a somewhat better game for Black (Keres). One therefore cannot blame White's decision to try something different. The fact is that the Scotch game poses more problems for White than Black. Evidently White was unaware of this when he elected to play 4. P-Q4.

9. ----	B-K2
10 B-N5ch.	B-Q2
11 BxBch.	QxB
12 O-O	O-O
13 B-N5	-----

Consistent with White's plan started on the 9th move: to force simplification through a series of exchanges and obtain equality.

13 ----	KR-K1
14 Q-Q2	-----

Could not be termed a mistake, although 14. Q-Q3 was more accurate.

14 ----	P-Q5!
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A difficult decision to make which required careful consideration. One does not close a diagonal for his bishop unless he is forced to do so or else expects ample compensation.

15 BxN	BxB
16 N-K2	-----

In retrospect, the losing move. Inadequate also was 16. KR-K1, Q-B3; 17. N-K2 (17. RxR, RxR; 18. N-K2, Q-N4!; 19. NxP?, QxP; 20. R-Q1, QxN loses a piece because of the threat R-K8 mate) 17.----, Q-N4; 18. P-QB3, B-N4; 19. P-KB4, PxP; 20. PxP (20. NxB, Q-B4ch.; 21. K-R1, KR-Q1; 22. Q-B1, B-R3) a definite advantage for Black. Motivation sooner or later White will be forced into playing P-KN3, after which his king will become exposed to a devastating attack along the diagonals) 20.----, B-B3; and White's all too many weaknesses become clearly fixed after Black plays Q-QB5!

The best move, however, was 16. QR-K1, Q-B3; 17. N-K2, Q-Q4; 18. P-QN3, P-QB4; and although Black has the better game, he will have some difficulties increasing his advantage because of the reduced material.

16 ---- Q-N4!
 17 NxP QxP
 18 N-N3 Q-R6!

Reveals the winning plan: advance of the QR pawn.

19 QR-K1 ----

Inadequate was 19. P-QB3, QR-Q1; 20. Q-E2, Q-R5! followed by Q-QB5 and White has the unpleasant choice of either losing his QB pawn for nothing or allowing the penetration of Black's rook via K7. In either case, his game would be lost.

19 ---- KR-Q1!

This "Zwischonzug" is important, because it strengthens Black's defense along the first rank. Black's connected rooks also deprive White of a real counter-attack.

20 Q-B4 ----

The complications after 20. Q-R5, QxQ; 21. NxQ, B-B6; 22. N-B6, R-Q7; are clearly in Black's favor.

20 ---- QxP
 21 R-K2! ----

The best defense with some subtle points. The strategic justification is over-protection of the square QR2 as manifested by the 25th move made by White.

21 ---- P-QR4
 22 QxP P-R5

Convincing enough, however, 22. ---, R/Q-B1; might have been stronger, provided, of course, that after 23. Q-KB4, P-KR3! and not 23. ---, RxBP? which loses after 25. Q-K4! The reader should check the resulting variations.

23 KR-K1 P-KR3
 24 N-B1 ----

The alternatives:

24. N-B5, Q-B4! or 24. N-R5, Q-Q5 would lose rapidly.

24 ---- Q-Q4
 25 P-QB4! Q-Q3

An invitation to disaster: 26. R-K8ch., RxR; 27. RxR, RxR; 28. QxQ, R-K8 mate!

26 QxQ ----

It is difficult to suggest something better. On 26. Q-N7, Q-B4! is strong.

26 ---- RxQ
 27 N-R2 QR-B1
 28 R-B2 R/Q-B3
 29 R-K4 ----

Not 29. KR-B1 because of 29. ---, B-N4. Now Black's winning plan is quite apparent: the powerful QR pawn in combination with the strong bishop, the mobile rooks & the pressure on White's weak pawn will tie up

the defender and make him defenseless against the many threats.

29 ---- R-N1
 30 P-KN3 ----

Mr. Diedrich castigated this move after the game. However, there is no defense as the following variations show:

a) 30. K-B1, P-R6; 31. K-K2, R-N7; 32. K-Q2, R-Q3ch.; 33. K-B1, B-N4ch.; 34. P-B4, P-B4 and wins material.

b) 30. K-B1, P-R6; 31. P-B3, R-N7; 32. R/K-K2, B-Q5; 33. K-K1, R/B-N3; 34. K-Q2, R/3-N6 and the threat of B-K6ch. is decisive.

c) 30. P-B4, P-R6; 31. K-B2, R-N7; 32. R/K-K2, B-Q5ch.; 33. K-K1, R/B-N3; 34. K-Q2, R/3-N6 and wins with the threat B-K6ch.

d) 30. K-B1, P-R6; 31. K-K1, R-N7; 32. R/4-K2, R-N8ch.; 33. K-Q2, R-Q3ch.; 34. K-K3, R-N6ch.; 35. K-K4, R-Q5ch.; 36. K-B5, R-N3; 37. R-K4, R-N7; 38. R/4-K2, RxBP and wins.

Although there are many variations, the following idea prevails: unless White surrenders his QB pawn, facing a totally lost endgame, he cannot cope with the many threats.

30 ---- P-R6
 31 K-B1 R-N7
 32 R/4-K2 R-Q3!
 33 P-R3 ----

White was already in time-pressure. 33. K-K1 would lose as follows: 33. ---, R-N8ch.; 34. R-B1, B-B6ch.; 35. K-B1, RxR; 36. NxR, R-Q8ch. winning a piece.

33 ---- R-Q8ch.
 34 K-N2 R/8-QR8
 35 P-QB5 ----

In mounting time shortage, White overlooks his best remedy: resignation.

35 ---- R/8xN
 36 RxR RxR
 37 R-K8ch. K-R2
 38 R-R8 P-R7
 39 P-B6 R-B7
 40 White resigned.

Ed. note: In editing we missed a few spots where Mr. Zomgalis scored in the European system. Thus at points in notes a), b), etc. above he had R/B-N3 meaning R at B file or QN file.

At the bottom of last month's Wado-Zomgalis game under @ we were 'way off base!

4 games from the state closed

MCCORMICK

1. N-KB3
2. P-KN3
3. B-N2
4. O-O
5. P-Q3
6. QN-Q2
7. P-QB3

Better is P-B4, thus steering the game into one of Reti's favorite variations during his later years.

7. ---
8. P-K4
9. Q-B2
- 10 R-K1
- 11 N-B1
- 12 N-K3
- 13 BxB
- 14 N-N4
- 15 BxN
- 16 P-QB4 ?
- 17 Q-K2
- 18 P-QR3
- 19 P-QN4
- 20 P-B5
- 21 B-Q2
- 22 PxRP
- 23 B-B3
- 24 R-KB1
- 25 QR-B1
- 26 P-KN4

Played in attempt to fix the pawn position but creating new weaknesses and allowing Black's Queen to penetrate. White has a lost position and a good move is hard to find.

- 26.---
- 27 KR-K1
- 28 Q-B1
- 29 Q-N2
- 30 K-B1
- 31 PxP
- 32 K-K2
- 33 Q-R1
- 34 R-B1
- 35 B-N2
- 36 BxP
- 37 QR-K1
- 38 RxR
- 39 K-Q1
- 40 BxP
- 41 Resigns

ZEMGALIS

- N-KB3
- P-KN3
- B-N2
- O-O
- P-Q4
- N-QB3
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- P-K4
- R-K1
- P-QR4
- P-KR3
- B-KN5
- BxN
- P-Q5
- NxN
- Q-Q3
- N-N5
- R-K2
- N-R3
- R-KB1
- Q-Q1
- P-QB3
- P-KB4
- R/2-KB2
- P-B5
- N-B2
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- Q-R5
- N-K3
- N-N4
- B-B3
- P-R4
- PxP
- R-N2
- N-R6
- K-R1
- P-B6ch
- R/1-KN1
- R-N8
- QxPch
- NxR
- R-N7

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1. P-QB4
2. P-Q4
3. N-KB3
4. B-N5
5. BxN
6. Q-N3
7. N-B3
8. P-K4
9. NxP
- 10 B-Q3

White has achieved nearly complete development plus control of the center

- 11 O-O
- 12 KR-K1
- 13 N-K5

Black is forced to seek counterplay on the flanks, as White retains a firm hold in the center. As will be seen, White pieces can quickly be deployed to either side of the board.

- 14 QR-Q1
- 15 B-N1
- 16 BxN
- 17 P-B5
- 18 P-KN3

Black's play is limited due to his pieces being held undeveloped in the back rank

- 19 P-R4
- 20 P-B4
- 21 Q-KB3
- 22 PxP
- 23 K-N2
- 24 P-KN4
- 25 P-N5
- 26 R-K3
- 27 R-QN3 ?
- 28 PxP
- 29 Q-N4
- 30 R-N3
- 31 R-R1

There is no saving the game. If 31... 32 R-R7 Q-N1 33 RxBch or 31...Q-B2 32 B-R7ch K-N2 33 Q-R3 with mate to follow at R6

- 32 R-R7
- 33 RxQch
- 34 NxN
- 35 Q-R5ch
- 36 Q-R6ch

SEGLINS

- N-KB3
- P-K3
- P-Q4
- P-KR3
- QxB
- P-B3
- N-Q2
- PxKP
- Q-B5
- B-K2

- O-O
- N-B3
- P-KR4

- Q-R3
- NxN
- B-B3
- P-R5
- P-R4

- P-KN3
- R-Q1
- PxP
- R-N1
- B-Q2
- Q-N2
- B-K2
- B-K1
- P-KB3
- BxKBP
- B-B2
- P-KN4
- RxP

- RxB
- KxR
- KxN
- K-B1
- Resigns

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ZEMGALIS DR. A. MURRAY

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| 1. P-Q4 | N-KB3 |
| 2. P-QB4 | P-K3 |
| 3. N-KB3 | P-QN3 |
| 4. P-KN3 | B-N2 |
| 5. B-N2 | B-K2 |
| 6. O-O | O-O |
| 7. N-B3 | N-K5 |
| 8. NxN | BxN |
| 9. N-K1 | BxB |
| 10 NxB | P-Q4 |

With this move Black has achieved an equal game.

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| 11 PxB | PxP |
| 12 N-B4 | --- |

Preventing 12....P-B4 as then 13 PxP PxP (or BxB) 14 QxP

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| 12 --- | Q-Q2 |
| 13 B-K3 | P-QR4 ? |

Possibly better was 13....B-B3 then if 14 B-K3 P-B4 15 PxP can be answered by P-Q5! (or 15 R-B1 P-B5!)

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| 14 QR-B1 | N-R3 |
| 15 P-QR3 | QR-B1 |
| 16 Q-Q3 | N-N1 |
| 17 Q-N3 | KR-Q1 |
| 18 K-N2 | P-R5 |
| 19 Q-B2 | R-K1 |
| 20 KR-Q1 | P-N3 |
| 21 R-Q3 | P-QN4 |
| 22 P-QN4 | P-KN4 |
| 23 N-R3 | P-KR3 |
| 24 R-B3 | P-QB3 |
| 25 N-N1 | K-N2 |
| 26 N-B3 | P-KB3 |
| 27 P-KR4 | Q-N5 |
| 28 R-KR1 | R-KR1 |
| 29 P-R5 | Q-K5 |
| 30 QxQ | PxQ |
| 31 N-Q2 | P-KB4 |
| 32 P-B3 | PxPch |
| 33 NxP | KR-Q1 |
| 34 KR-QB1 | R-Q4 |
| 35 B-B2 | B-Q3 |
| 36 N-K1 | R-K1 |
| 37 N-B2 | RxKP ? |

Overlooking his trapped rook. Better was 37.... P-B5.

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| 38 N-K3 | RxN |
| 39 BxR | P-B5 |
| 40 B-B2 | PxP |
| 41 BxP | BxB |

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| 42 KxB | RxP |
| 43 R-K1 | R-Q3 |
| 44 R-B3 | N-Q2 |
| 45 R-K7ch | K-N1 |
| 46 R/B3-K3 | N-B3 |
| 47 R/7-K6 | NxPch |
| 48 K-N4 | |

Here the game was adjourned and Black resigned without resuming play.

ZEMGALIS KENDALL

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| 1. P-Q4 | P-K3 |
| 2. P-K4 | P-Q4 |
| 3. N-Q2 | P-QB4 |
| 4. PxBP | --- |

Stronger here is PxQP leading into many well known lines of the Tarrasch Variation

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| 4.--- | BxP |
| 5. B-Q3 | Q-N3 ? |

Better was 5....N-QB3 6. PxP PxP
7. N-N3 B-N3 8. N-B3 N-K2 9. O-O O-O
10 P-B3 Q-Q3 Spielmann-Alekhine 1927

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| 6. Q-K2 | KN-K2 |
| 7. KN-B3 | QN-B3 |
| 8. P-QB3 | O-O |
| 9. P-K5 | N-N3 |
| 10 N-N3 | B-K2 |
| 11 P-KR4 | P-KB3 |
| 12 B-K3 | Q-B2 |
| 13 BxN | PxB |
| 14 B-B4 | Q-Q1 |
| 15 O-O-O | PxP ? |
| 16 BxP | B-B3 |
| 17 QN-Q4 | NxB |
| 18 NxN | BxP ? |

Black's fatal error, allows an overwhelming attack by opening new avenues of attack by the White pieces. 18....BxN was the only move offering resistance.

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| 19 P-KN3 | B-N4ch |
| 20 P-B4 | B-R3 |
| 21 NxNP | R-B3 |
| 22 N-K5 | B-Q2 |
| 23 R-R2 | K-B1 |
| 24 QR-R1 | K-K2 |
| 25 N-N4 | BxPch ?? |
| 26 PxB | RxP |
| 27 Q-K5 | Q-KB1 |
| 28 N-K3 | R-B2 |
| 29 NxPch | Black resigned shortly. |

Open — May 9 — 10

Rarely do you find a game with more sacrifices than this one. Wade, at one time behind $2\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ in his ten game match with Dr. Murray, evens the score at $2\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$ with this wild win.

DAN WADE (White) DR. MURRAY (Black)

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| 1. P-K4 | P-K3 |
| 2. P-Q4 | P-Q4 |
| 3. N-QB3 | B-N5 |
| 4. P-K5 | P-QB4 |
| 5. P-QR3 | BxNch. |
| 6. Px B | N-K2 |
| 7. Q-N4 | N-B4 |
| 8. B-Q3 | P-KR4 |
| 9. Q-B4 | ---- |

9. Q-R3 probably best as the text enables Black to play 9. ----, Q-R5.

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| 9. ---- | N-B3 |
| 10 N-B3 | QN-K2 |
| 11 N-R4 | NxN |
| 12 QxN | Q-R4 |
| Leads to trouble for Black. | |
| 13 B-Q2 | P-B5 |
| 14 B-K2 | B-Q2 |
| 15 O-O | R-QB1 |

Black's strength is hemmed in on the Queen-side.

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| 16 Q-N5 | P-R5? |
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Sacrifice number one! True, it is often fatal to open up the Knight file in front of your castled King but not in the present position.

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| 17 QxNP | R-KN1 |
| 18 Q-R7 | B-R5 |
| 19 B-R5 | K-Q2 |
| 20 BxP | R-KR1 |
| 21 Q-N7 | Q-R3 |
| 22 P-B4? | ---- |

Sacrifice no. 2! 22 B-N5 was the best move here. 22 ----, BxP; 23 BxN, R-R2 (not KxB; 24 B-N8ch.) 24 Q-B6 and Black has lost a Bishop. If 22 B-N5 is answered with N-B4; 23 BxPch., KxB; 24 Q-B6ch., 25 QxNch. giving White a 3 pawn edge with 2 of them passed! White was also able to win Rook for Bishop here.

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| 22 ---- | BxP |
| 23 P-B5 | ---- |

Sacrifice no. 3! Kicking himself, White wants no part of a draw and so gives up the pawn for an attack.

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| 23 ---- | BxP |
| 24 Rx B! | ---- |

Sacrifice no. 4! If 24 ----, Px R; 25 BxP and White has a fine game. If 24 ----, NxR; 25 B-K8ch., KxB; 26 QxRch., K-Q2; 27 Q-R7ch. & a better game.

(27----, K-B3; 28 Q-B7 wins. 27----, N-K2; 28 QxP should win.)

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| 24 ---- | KR-N1! |
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Sacrifice no. 5! Black does not care for White's Rook.

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| 25 BxR | RxB |
| (25 BxPch. loses. 25----, QxB; etc.) | |
| 26 QxR! | ---- |

Sacrifice no. 6. White, remembering his once fine game, figures a 2 rooks vs Queen ending may salvage the game.

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| 26 ---- | NxQ |
| 27 R-B7ch. | K-K1 |
| 28 QR-KB1 | QxP! |
| 29 RxP | N-K2 |
| 30 R-N8ch. | K-Q2 |
| 31 R/1-B8 | ---- |

31 R/1-N1 leads nowhere.

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| 31 ---- | K-B2 |
| 32 R/N8-K8 | N-B4 |
| 33 R-B8ch. | K-N3 |
| 34 R-N8ch. | K-R3 |

Black is playing for a win so goes where White wants him to go.

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| 35 R-B6 | Q-R8ch. |
| 36 K-B2 | NxP!? |

Sacrifice no. 7. Black now gets 3 pawns for his Knight. It looks good, but 36---, Q-Q8 is better although the following play is not clear.

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| 37 PxN | QxPch. |
| 37 ----, P-B6 doesn't work. | |

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| 38 B-K3 | QxP |
| 39 R/6-B8 | P-Q5 |

White is in black despair now and Black is smiling for the first time!

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| 40 B-B4 | Q-K5 |
| 41 R-N2 | P-B6 |

Analysis showed Black actually had no saving move at this stage!

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| 42 R-K2! | ---- |
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A neat in between move chasing the Queen away from the Bishop.

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| 42 ---- | Q-N3 |
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Other Queen moves also led to loss.

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| 43 R-QN8 | P-B7 |
| 44 R-K1 | Q-B4 |
| 45 R-R1ch. | Q-R4 |
| 46 RxQch. | KxR |
| 47 B-Q2ch. | K-R5 |
| 48 K-B3 | Black resigns. |

If 42----, Q-B3; 43 R-QN8, Q-R5; 44 RxPch. wins. If 42----, Q-N8; 43 RxPch., K-R4; 44 B-B7ch. wins.

Isn't chess a wonderful game! Then only two days later your editor loses a game to Morris in a badly played ending and we aren't so certain about chess being such a wonderful game!

' FUNDAMENTAL '
' CHESS STRATEGY AND TACTICS '
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Part 111

MIDDLE GAME

B. Tactics.

Continued from last month.

8. Don't give checks to the opponent King unless by such tactics he is forced to move and forfeit the right to castle. (A series of checks and even the sacrifice of a piece is justified if the King can be forced out into the middle of the board where he is vulnerable to attack on all sides.)
9. When castled on the King's side, avoid the posting of an adverse Knight on KB 4. (Vice-versa, develop QN to KN3 via K2 and KB3, threatening posting at KB 5.)
10. The Knight can attack a non-knight without being "en prise" and a man cannot interpose. (This usually means stability and a gain in time if the threat is material and relevant to a combination.)
11. Quite often a piece or pawn is left "en prise" by the Queen to enable a fatal attack combination in her absence.
12. Never attack or defend a point with the Queen if the same work can be done by a subordinate.
13. When possession of an open file is threatened by an adverse rook, back up the defending rook with its mate. (The rook works best in the middle game when open files can be taken, and connected rooks work at highest efficiency.)
14. Avoid doubled, isolated, and backward pawns--worst when doubled in rook file, best on King's file.)
15. Exchange pawns toward the center except to support an isolated pawn. (Strong center.)
16. When two pawns are abreast, the King and Queen's for example, and one is being attacked by a pawn, it is usually better to advance past the attacking pawn or to support with another pawn instead of capturing.
17. Pawns become increasingly weak as they approach the eighth rank and paradoxically more valuable or dangerous according to point of view.
18. As a general rule, do not advance the Knight pawns as it invites the Queens Bishop to your KR 3, a dangerous flank attack on the castled King on the one hand and the powerful King Bishop's fianchetto on the other.
19. In a diagonal line of pawns, preserve the one at the head, by a piece if necessary, to avoid isolated pawns. (Usually defend pieces and especially pawns with pawns.)
20. The pawn's attack like the Knight's can not be interposed.

This concludes the section on the Middle Game. Next month we will discuss the End Game.

10 YEARS AGO IN WASHINGTON CHESS

by Merk

Taken from April 1949 Washington Chess Letter

Jack Finnigan takes over as Editor-in-Chief of the Washington Chess Letter with April 1949 issue, succeeding Larry Taro, who for personal reasons found it necessary to resign. Finnigan starts his tenure of office with the following declaration: "Well, here I am, your new editor....Finnigan's the name, I believe that I will enjoy this new job of mine more than anything I have ever done in chess and I sincerely hope that I can do as fine a job as our former editor."

Finnigan was Editor until June 1950, during which time he not only furnished editorial material but contributed a new and refreshing cartoon on chess for the cover each month as well as many cartoons used elsewhere in the publication. Following his leaving the position of editor he continued to furnish many cover cartoons for several months. This particular ability of his has never been replaced adequately.

Olaf Ulvestad gave a simultaneous exhibition on March 4, 1949 in which 29 players participated. Olaf polished off 26 of them and resigned three games. The proud winners were Charles Joachim, Dick Allen and Dean Bollman. Olaf donated the board fees for this simultaneous exhibition to the expense fund of the Northwest Masters and Experts Tournament that was to be held in Tacoma April 2nd and 3rd.

Chess players in and around Seattle were saddened to learn of the death of their old friend, W. D. Brewster who had been a long time member of the Seattle Chess Club and until his last illness, was playing on the Queen Anne Chess Club team. He was 89 years of age.

The Kitsap Chess Club concluded a very successful Class "B" tourney for players who had not played in major competition. There were thirty entries and the finish was very close. C. S. Krehbiel emerged as winner with a score of 11 to 1. Geo. Christey directed the tournament in a very admirable way as it was reported there were no delays. Another similiar tournament was being planned as many of the players were sure they could do better the next time. (A condition often referred to as "Chess Fever").

South Tacoma Chess Club was organized at a meeting held by 14 persons in the South Tacoma Community Center on March 2nd, 1949. These fourteen signed up as charter members and elected Carrol Crain as President with Ray Hiscox as Sec., Treasurer. A class for beginners was organized with the first session to be held March 9th.

The following game is the one won by Charles Joachim vs Olaf Ulvestad in the simultaneous exhibition on March 4th as mentioned above:

Ulvestad	Joachim				
White	Black	9. BxP	QN-Q2	16. NxN	19. ... B-Q5
1. P-Q4	P-Q4	10. B-N2	B-Q3	If the B is taken	20. Q-N5 Q-N3
2. N-KB3	P-QB3	11. R-B	P-QR3	16.NxN ch wins	21. N-R4 BxP±
3. P-K3	P-K3	12. P-K4	B-B5	the Q.	22. K-R Q-N5
4. P-QB4	N-B3	13. R-B2	P-K4	16. BxN	White resigns
5. N-B3	B-K2	14. P-KN3	PxP	17. Q-K3 B-R6	as there is no
6. B-Q3	O-O	15. QxP	N-K4	18. R-K QR-Q	protection ag-
7. O-O	Q-B2			19. B-K2	ainst the doub-
8. P-QN3	PxP			To prevent N-KN5	le mate threat
					QxR or QxKP.

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		Points				Points			
2/22	58B-5B	Dart, K.	1 Allen	C 36	3/14	58A-7B	Coubrough	1 Karch	0 22
2/27	58A-4B	Knapp	1 Skarsten	O 42		58A-7A	Wade	1 Karch	0 10
3/2	57A-5A	Merk	1 Howard	O 64	3/16	58B-6A	Dart, E.	1 Kuvvara	0 70
3/3	58B-3A	Adkisson	1 Lee	C 64		58B-6B	Dart, E.	1 Kuvvara	0 70
	58B-3B	Adkisson	1 Lee	O 64		58B-6A	Abrahamson	1 Kuvvara	0 30
	58B-7A	Benson	1 Henry	C 34		58B-6B	Abrahamson	1 Kuvvara	C 30
	58B-7A	Zombro	1 Gifford	C 54		58B-6A	Sala	1 Kuvvara	C 58
3/5	58B-9B	Tuggle	1 Sala	C 38		58B-6B	Sala	1 Kuvvara	0 58
	58B-9A	Dart, K.	1 Hallibaugh	O 28		58B-6A	Raleigh	1 Kuvvara	0 62
	58B-9B	Dart, K.	1 Hallibaugh	O 28		58B-6B	Raleigh	1 Kuvvara	C 62
	58B-9A	Sala	1 Hallibaugh	O 40	3/17	58B-7B	Benson	1 Henry	0 18
	58B-9B	Sala	1 Hallibaugh	O 40		58B-7B	Benson	1/2 Gifford	1/2 14
	58B-9A	Tuggle	1 Hallibaugh	O 22		58A-9A	Lyberger	1 Phillips	0 68
	58B-9B	Tuggle	1 Hallibaugh	O 22		58A-4A	Lyberger	1 Skarsten	C 36
	58B-9A	Laine	1 Hallibaugh	O 46	3/18	58A-11B	Vellias	1 Mage	0 50
	58B-9B	Laine	1 Hallibaugh	O 46		58B-8A	Raymond	1 McCord, D.	56
3/6	58A-1CB	Carter	1 Cairncross	C 10	3/21*	Private	Benson	1 Skarsten	0 70
3/7	57B-6A	Hall	1 Kuvvara	O 50	3/23	58A-7B	Bishop	1 Wade	C 76
3/9	58B-9A	Tuggle	1 Sala	O 38	3/24	58A-9B	Scripps	1 Gemar	0 20
3/10	58B-5A	Skoglund	1 Allen	C 34	3/27*	Private	Benson	1 Skarsten	0 56
	58B-5B	Allen	1 Skoglund	O 66	3/28	58B-8A	McCord, D.	1 Cox	0 50
3/11	58B-9A	Laine	1 Sala	O 56		59B-1A	Tuggle	1 Rogers	C 14
	58A-9A	Dolph	1 Phillips	O 76	3/31	58B-8B	Litke	1 McCord, D.	C 32
3/14	58A-7A	Coubrough	1 Karch	O 22		58A-7B	Weaver	1/2 Bishop	1/2 2

* Benson and Skarsten are playing a private 6 game match. Benson took the first two of the six games for a total of 126 points. Can Skarsten recover them?

	58B-6A	58B-6B		
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Mr. Cra Gifford of Grandview, Wash. is anxious to play a 6 game match with anyone of a rating of about 1200. He has paid his fee for the match. If anyone wants to take him on just send your 50¢ to the postal director and we will get the match on the way.

Al Benson of Portland also issued a challenge for a 6 game match and your Postal Director foolishly took him up. From the early results of Benson's games with Skarsten it don't look too good for Merk. Benson also says "I'd like to compliment the WCL. It's a godsend to chess in the Northwest. The Portland Chess Club forgot to renew its subscription last month, and I was heckled, cajoled, and threatened until I took my copy of WCL to the club rooms for general reading." (Ed. Thanks Al, for the kind words.)

Hollibaugh and Kuvvara find the pressure of school work makes it necessary to withdraw.

Carl E. Knapp writes, "I think you are doing a swell job at this postal chess and I hope you keep it up." (Ed. I have been at it so long now I would rather miss a meal.)

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