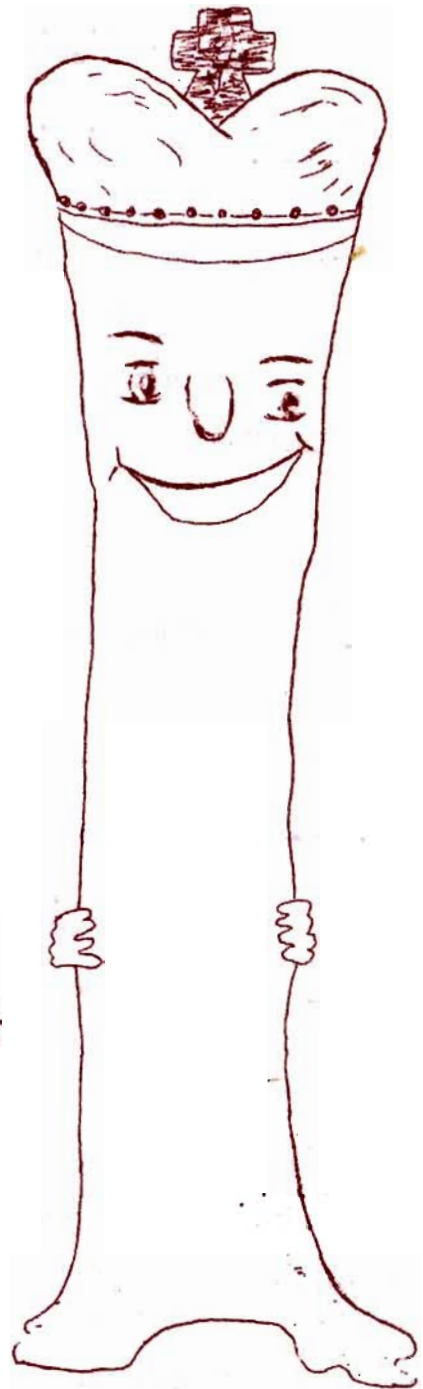


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Mr. Friedman Pres. of the Portland C. C.
regretfully informs us that James Mac-
Kenzie was lost to the club on April 14.
A continuous member from 1911 to 1965.

THANK YOU MR. WEAVER

Your editor wishes to use this space
to thank Mr. Weaver for his extensive help
with the publication of the recent issues
of the LETTER. He has helped especially
with the duties of Mr. Merk while the lat-
ter is in the hospital.

Also thanks to Mrs. P. for her work
with the covers. She will be giving some
rather original covers in the future.

GET A RENEWAL OF THE CHESS LETTER NOW
FOR \$2 BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 1965 WHEN
THE PRICE INCREASE WILL BE TO \$3. ed.

We hope to be able to give the readers
a much better bargain in the future with
the additional increase in revenue. For
instance we hope to be able to increase
the pages from 20 to 30 which, however,
will cost an additional 50% increase in
both paper and postage costs. This may
seem insignificant until you multiply 500
times \$0.06 for postage only! We are mak-
ing plans for more well annotated games by
players of established ability. See the
games section of this issue for an example.
We plan on providing events for the read-
ers on a more general basis and not ex-
clusively for the tournament player. Also
a possibility of off-set printing is in
the air in a year or two.

PUBLICATION DEADLINES!

July issue will be accepting material* for
its publication not later than....

JULY 2nd!!

August issue	July 23
September issue	August 20
October issue	September 17
November issue	October 22
December issue	November 19
January issue 1966	December 10
February issue "	January 21
March issue "	February 18
April issue "	March 18

The above is the deadline date for the
acceptance of material for publication. I
know that someone will try to get some-
thing in at a latter date, but be for-
warned! If you send in on these dates you
will be getting space as available. If you
are after a good spot get it in sooner!!!!

COMING

EVENTS

THIRD ANNUAL EVERGREEN EMPIRE OPEN

June 26 - 27

Fircrest Community Center
555 Contra Costa Blvd. Fircrest, Wash.)

Registration
8:30 to 9:30 - Saturday June 26th.

Six Rounds

Sections

USCF - Open to all; \$ 5.00 plus USCF and WCF memberships.

RESERVE - under 1800, \$3.00 plus WCF membership.

PRIZES

USCF Section:

1st - \$ 50.00 plus excess above expenses.

2nd - \$ 30.00

3rd - \$ 20.00

Reserve Section:

1st - Trophy

2nd - Trophy

Class "C" Trophy

Tournament Director:

Buz Eddy

When five or more members of any one club attend the tournament, a rebate of \$1.00 per member will be made to their respective club's treasury.

The cafeteria will be open Saturday and possibly Sunday.

For further information and/or advance registration write:

JOHN R. WARD
3909 N. 34th St.
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1965 SEATTLE OPEN

This will be a one section five round event, held at the Roosevelt Hotel in Seattle on July 10th and 11th.

Registration 8:30 AM and 1st round at 9:30 Saturday. Entry fee will be \$ 5 with WCF membership required.

Tournament Director - Buz Eddy

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

June 26-27	Evergreen Empire Open
July 10-11	Seattle Open
July 24-25	Medford
Aug. 7-8	Seattle Seafair Open
Aug. 21-22	Ashland, Oregon Open
Sept 4-6	Oregon Open
Sept 6	Treasure Valley Open
Sept 18-19	Northwest 30/30 Open
Oct. 2-3	Russe de Guere Open
Oct. 16-17	Peace Arch Open
Oct. 30-31	Washington Woodpushers
Nov. 13-14	Klamath Falls Open
Nov. 27-28	Northwest Open
Dec. 27-28	Northwest Junior

CANADIAN CLOSED

The 56th CANADIAN CLOSED will be held in Vancouver from June 21st to July 4th at the International House on the University of B. C. campus. This will determine Canada's representative in the 1966 Interzonal as well as our own national championship. Playing sessions will be from 5 to 10 in the evenings, with adjournments in the mornings. Spectators will be welcome and we hope to see some visiting kibitzers up here from Wash and Oregon.

Aykroyd

SEAFAIR OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT

August 7 - 8

Will start Saturday at 9 AM and Sunday at 8 AM (Expected to end Sunday 11 PM)

Seattle Center (Former Food Circus) on the balcony.

Group I: \$ 5.00 plus USCF and WCF memberships.

Group II: \$ 3.00 WCF membership req.

PRIZES

Group I guaranteed \$ 100 for 1st.

Results of the B.C. tourney and other Northwest Tournament news will be given in the next issue of the LETTER upon the return of TOURNAMENT NORTHWEST by Buz .

B. C. OPEN

The crosstable of the tournament will be published in the next LETTER. There was a tie for first place between Duncan Suttles and Mascasy of British Columbia. James McCormick came in a solid third.

1-2 Suttles	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$
1-2 Mascasy	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$
3 McCormick	4-1

McCormick was squarely beaten as he put it, with a draw between the two B.C. players to decide the top spots.

The results above were obtained from Jim McCormick upon his return, the full results have not been received of yet.

See page 17 for an enterprising game by Suttles from the tourney.

According to McCormick Mr. Suttles has become a giant in the art of quick play, which up to now has been McCormicks own personal forte. An advanced indication of this would be Suttle's own report on page 15 where he states he recently won the California State Speed Title.

Now to find out who will be the winner of the CANADIAN CLOSED June 21 - July 4. This would be a fine way to spend the 4th if you get a chance to visit the U of BC during this holiday.

Your editor has written to Dalbergs to see if he didn't have an extra game or two around with notes, but he informs us that he will be real busy during the Latvian Song Festival July 4, 5 and 6th.

He did, however, send along the following suggestions for the LETTER.

"..the CHESS LETTER could set up a column entitled, for example, My Favorite Game and invite all NW masters, experts and Class A players (or for that matter, any player who has an interesting game to contribute) to appear in it from time to time. It should feature interesting, but not necessarily flawless chess and include a little background material to make it more personal - perhaps the circumstances under which the game was played explaining why it is somebody's favorite. Another idea: a column devoted to "fighting draws"; there may be few of these, given the placid temperament of NW players, (notably a couple of Latvians) but enough to fill a quarterly or semi-annual column." Ivars.

TO FIGHT

OR RUN

Your editor has the audacity to go and challenge the Arizona postal chess players to a postal match, and now they have gone and accepted! So as you will quickly be able to detect, this is a call for more than moral support!! If you are a postal player, please decide to quickly write your friendly editor and tell him that you are willing to back him up with your MCO or what have you.

I wrote asking them for 6 to 10 of their finest guns to meet us at the NW corral. I am not about to play a rerun of HIGH NOON!

If you have any interest in playing a match with the Southern Ombreys, then drop along a hint. We are now in the negotiation stage, and maybe I'll be able to fix it so that we can draw ~~um~~ first.

They currently have 61 active postal guns and they have sent a scout out to round up a few of their finest. I have decided to start a small recruiting job of my own.

Here are a few of the Queensbury rules that we have decided on so far, or at least have brought up for discussion.

1) To be restricted to players from one state, or even from a certain area or club within a state. (for the sake of speed and convenience.)

2) Players to be arranged in order of their known playing strength.

3) No player should offer or accept a draw with out first consulting his own team captain.

4) In case of unresolved questions, or adjudications some one like George Koltanowski be solicited to rule on the point, both teams to share any fee in such a case.

We are planing on forming an A and B team and maybe a woman player to give it some more flavor. If you have any interest whatsoever, please drop along a card and we will form a pool for prospective players. We hope to make this a match which will be interesting and of benefit to both clubs. Your ed.

U.W. NEWS & COMMENT

The elected officers for the spring & summer quarters of 1965 are:

President- Dick Hayek
Vice Pres- Jim Campbell
Secretary- Guy Ransibrahmanakul
Treasurer- Bob Nowak

The elections are held twice a year, during spring and autumn quarters.

The second annual University of Wash. Chess Tournament was held on Saturday April 10 at the campus student union building. It consisted of 14 entrants of which 6 were class A players and 1 was an expert by WCF ratings. Clark Harmon took first prize of \$14.00, Kent Pullen second \$7.00, with a three way tie between Willy Brandal, Don Corey & Tony Marsland for third prize of \$3.50 each. Frank J. Alexandro the faculty advisor won the prize given to the highest finisher who was rated below class A or unrated.

Following are the results of 4 speed tournaments held in early April.

4/2/65

1.Hartmut B. Gottschau	4-1
2.Don Corey	4-1
3.David Harrison	4-1
4.Richard Shagrin	2-3
5.Leroy Jones	1-4
6.Larry Swanson	0-5

4/2/65

1.Guy Ransibrahmanakul	5-0
2.Mike Syvanen	3½-1½
3.Ron Johnson	2-3
4.Helmut Geldsetzer	2-3
5.Leroy Jones	1½-3½
6.Dick Hayek	1-4

4/5/65

1.Clark Harmon	5-0
2.Clark Harmon	4-1
3.Louis Guizzetti	3-2
4.Ron Johnson	2-3
5.Dick Hayek	1-4
6.Guy Ransibrahmanakul	0-5

4/12/65

1.Guy Ransibrahmanakul	4-1
2.Louis Guizzetti	3-2
3.Dick Hayek	3-2
4.Larry Swanson	2-3
5.Darrell Smallbeck	2-3
6.Bob Nowak	1-5

Note that in the 4/5/65 tournament Clark Harmon played two opponents simultaneously in four of the five rounds. He won all his games and averaged about two minutes on each clock. The time limit for each game was five minutes.

We have tentatively lined up a match with Centralia College for sometime next month and are hoping to line up a match with the top ten winners of the Seattle H.S. tournament being held at Edmonds High School on May 8.

I would like to suggest that one or more of the major state tournaments be held at the University of Washington next year. There is probably more chess activity on and around the UofW campus than any place else in the state. Also excellent facilities are available in the student union building for holding a tournament.

I would also like to see the voting system for electing WCF officers changed. When I attended the WCF annual meeting I was surprised to find out that only representatives of chess clubs and WCF officers were allowed to vote and that everyone did not receive the same number of votes. The absurdity of this voting system was pointed out when Russell Miller was able to increase his number of votes from zero to two by paying \$ 2.00 at the meeting to obtain membership for his club in the WCF. This implies that anyone may obtain an extra two votes at the meeting merely by paying \$2.00. Clark Harmon was considering forming a one-man Renton Chess Club, and paying \$2.00 to join it to the WCF so that he would have an extra two votes to insure his election to the WCF presidency. Under the present voting system-a one-man club has the same voting representation as a 55 member club and a WCF member who is not a member of a chess club has no representation at all. Present officers have an extra vote which gives them an unfair voting advantage.

The argument against changing the system is that it would allow some club which sent a large number of people to the meeting to determine the outcome of the election. This is a valid argument because it is easier for some people to make it to the meeting than for others. As a constructive alternative to the present voting system and one which, I believe, satisfies the

argument stated above, I would suggest that the agenda of the annual meeting be changed so that only nominations are made at that time. The next issue of the Chess Letter could then have one or two pages devoted to the platforms and qualifications of the candidates along with a ballot for voting. Any WCF member would then be able to cast one vote for each office by cutting out and mailing in the ballot to some designated election official who was not running for an office in that election. Anyone who did not send in a ballot would automatically lose his vote in that election. All ballots received after a certain would not be counted. This system would give every WCF member a fair chance to exercise a fair vote. It would also get more members involved in the affairs of the WCF.

(Your editor thinks that this is an idea that certainly deserves more than a casual observation. It will be given to the WCF president Clark Harmon for more mature thought.)

Match played at the UofW May 8th, Tied.
UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON vs

PORTLAND STATE COLLEGE		5-5
Clark Harmon	2	Ruben Saez 0
Peter O'Gorman	1	Frank Nettleton 1
Kent Pullen	2	Tim Nettleton 0
Ron Johnson	0	James A. Mitchell 2
Stan Wilson	0	Larry Scott 1
Stan Wilson	0	Lewis Richardson 1

The UofW was forced to put in substitute players at the last minute, but they do admit the Portland players are good if not the best in Oregon State.

This match was sort of a warm-up for our matches in the N.W. Intercollegiate Chess League, which will begin in Oct. The N.W. League was just organized during the last two months and will begin its first season next year. The current members besides the UofW and PSC are Reed College, Centralia College, Seattle Pacific College and Western Washington State College. If any other schools are interested in joining the league they should contact me at the address below. We are planning on having one match each month starting in October and continuing until each school has played every other school.

For rating purposes Larry Scott is from Gladstone Ore. L. Richardson, Camas Wash.

The UofW chess team played a match against the Fort Lewis Chess League team at the Cascadian Service Club at Fort Lewis on Sunday May 16, 1965 at 1 p.m. There were four boards and one game played on each board with a 50 in 2 time control. The results follow.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON		VS	FORT LEWIS	
1. Peter O'Gorman	0	Bruce Alberston	1	
2. Kent Pullen	1	Joseph Yee	0	
3. Jim Campbell	1	Darby Monahan	0	
4. Larry Brandt	1	Gary Price	0	

We may play a match with Seattle Pacific College on May 22. If we do I will send along the results.

Dick Hayek, President
University of Wash C.C.
Box 183
Student Union Bldg.
University of Washington
Seattle, Washington

Kent Pullen sends along the following UW information.

On April 30 Viktors Pupols played five players simultaneously blindfolded at the UofW Chess Club. He performed well, winning four and losing only one. This marks the third time in the past year that he has given a simultaneous exhibition at our club, but the first time that he has played blindfolded. Pupols vs L. Brandt
1. P-Q4 P-Q4 2. P-QB4 P-K3 3. N-QB3 N-KB3 4. B-N5 B-K2 5. P-K3 O-O 6. PXP PXP 7. Q-B2 P-B3 8. B-Q3 QN-Q2 9. N-B3 R-K1 10. O-O N-B1 11. QR-N1 N-R4 (The Black knight will prove to be misplaced on the edge of the board) 12. BxB QxB 13. P-QN4 P-QN4 14. P-QR4 P-QR3 15. P-R5! (White has an advantage in space and mobility. Black's backward queen bishop pawn will soon be subject to attack.) 15... N-N3 16. N-K2 Q-Q3 17. KR-B1 B-Q2 18. R-N2 P-R3 19. N-K1 QR-B1 20. N-N3 NxN 21. BxN N-K5 22. BxN RxB 23. N-Q3 R-R5 (White's King position is quite safe.) 24. P-N3 B-R6 25. N-B4! (Not 25. PXR?? on account of 25... Q-N3ch) 25... P-N4 26. NxB!! (White avoids the risky 26. PXR and instead transposes into an easily won endgame.) 26... Rxn 27. Q-B5! Q-K3 28. QxQ PxQ 29. R(2)-B2 Resigns. The notes to this creditable game are by Kent Pullen. If the reader thinks that it is difficult playing one game blindfolded he will be able to imagine the work that is required to play five! And good too!

Following are the results of our match with McNeil Island Federal Penitentiary which was played on Saturday May 29. The match was a five board with a forty in one time control. Don Corey, Larry Brandt and Eric Therkelsen missed the boat over to the island and because of this time problem all games that were uncompleted at the end of the match were called draws and all assigned draws came as a result of uncompleted games.

MCNEIL ISLAND vs UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

1. George Ney	0	Clark Harmon	2
2. Carl Flood	$\frac{1}{2}$	Don Corey	$1\frac{1}{2}$
3. Jack Bayless	$\frac{1}{2}$	Larry Brandt	$\frac{1}{2}$
4. Bernie Mack	0	Eric Therkelsen	1
5. Lawrence Lanza	0	Ron Johnson	1

From talking to members of the team that went to McNeil Island I understand that the men there are very hungry for chess competition, in case some other group wants to schedule a match with them.

(editor. As a result of further suggestions by Mr. Hayek the LETTER will be sending a free subscription to the McNeil players each month. They have also been invited to play free in our postal sections. I feel confident that if they experience postal fund difficulties a place will be found to secure these funds.)

TACOMA CHESS CLUB REPORT

John R. Ward-Director TCC

During the month of April 1965, 32 players attended the Tacoma Chess Club and played a total of 220 games.

Following is a list of the leaders as of April 30th, both in ratings and April game records.

RATINGS		W	L	D
1. Holmes	2085	15	4	2
2. Walloch	1985	6	3	1
3. Rasmussen	1985	33	10	3
4. Brock	1970	19	7	2
5. Williams	1937			
6. Carlson	1894	16	3	0
7. Sund	1892			
8. Haugen	1877	14	8	2
9. Knapp	1827	3	1	0
10. Fulton	1815			
Gruenstein		11	3	0
Ward		21	17	1
Pericich		4	4	2

RUSSELL'S CHESS-CHATS

As reported last month in the Candidates matches, Boris Spassky took measure of Paul Keres 6-4 and Yefim Geller won from former World Champion Vassily Smyslov. I quote from the June BCM, "In a sense the result of this match marks the end of an era in chess history, for with Keres already eliminated and Botvinnik retired from the world chess title arean, no player remains in the current series from the famous 1948 Championship which filled the then vacant chess throne."

Geller who didn't qualify for the Interzonal got to play because Botvinnik elected not to, scored a surprising victory over Smyslov. Smyslov won no games and was not up to par in his opening play. Could be that too much chess, he scored well in the Interzonal and Olympiad at Tel-Aviv, was a part of it. He is 44 and will probably be back for the next Interzonal.

In the Spassky-Geller match Spassky leads 5-2 with one game adjourned. Looks like my pick of Spassky as the Challenger to Petrosian may come true.

Miguel Najdorf won the 1965 Mar del Plata by $1\frac{1}{2}$ PTS! ahead of Stein(USSR)11; Averbach (USSR)10 $\frac{1}{2}$; Pal Benko, Bolbochan and Panno 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ plus 10 others.

Medina, Spanish master won an international tourney at Malaga with 8 $\frac{1}{2}$. Olaf Ulvestad who use to play in the N.W. scored 4 from 12.

The Eight International Sarajevo Tourney was won by Alexander Suetin(USSR) with 10 $\frac{1}{2}$. He was awarded the FIDE grandmaster title for his fine performance. Matalovic (Yogo-Champ) and Polugaievsky(USSR) 10 were next Uhlmann(E.Germany) scored 9 $\frac{1}{2}$.

In the Zagreb International tournament, there were 15 grandmasters! and 4 international masters which made it one of the strongest and toughest tournaments of the last few years. Porislav Ivkov(Yugoslavia) and Uhlmann tied for first a full point ahead of World Champion Tigran Petrosian, who scored 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ (he had too many early draws Parma and Lajos Portisch 12, (Tal better be on the watch out, here is another fine performance by his opponent in the candidates match. Portisch won from Ivkov, Uhlmann and Petrosian (his only loss and with White!) and Larsen too. Bronstein(USSR) 11 $\frac{1}{2}$, Bent Larsen(Denmark) 10 $\frac{1}{2}$, Filip, Matanovic, and Padevsky 9 $\frac{1}{2}$. Antoshin, Karovic and Minic 9 Arthur Bisquier, Damjanovic, Gipslis, Glorigic 8 $\frac{1}{2}$! Bisquier mated Larsen in 19 moves.

READERS FORUM

With this article we are starting what we hope will be a series of discussions on the subject of chess that will be of value to the average player. For the more skillful player there are various excellent treatises on the more advanced aspects. The readers are encouraged to send their comments or questions on any subject of chess that they feel would help them. We will endeavor to give replies that will satisfy the reader's curiosity.

First we will break the chess moves down into four categories, and then use these to analyze a game to expose some obviously incorrect play.

The four elements are (D) Defend, (C) Capture, (T) Threaten and (M) Mobilize. This will be the order in which the player should analyze his moves. Whenever possible a move with as many of these four elements as possible should be chosen. Now for an example we will use a 1964 postal game won by Mr. Webb against an 800 point opponent.

1.P-K4 (M)

P-K4 (M)

Both of these moves execute the element of (M) by developing both the Queen and the King's Bishop.

2.N-KB3 (M)(T)

P-Q3 (D)

This move is open to question as it performs only one of the four elements previously outlined, and the least aggressive one at that. Mobility being excluded as the new line opened for the QB is counterbalanced by the closing of the line held by the KB as a result of 1...P-K4. Both 2...N-QB3 (D)(M) and 2...N-KB3 (T)(M) accomplish more.

3.P-Q4 (T)(M)

N-QB3 (D)(M)

4.B-QB4 (T)(M)

The threat being 5.PxP PxP 6.QxQch or 5...NxP 6.NxN PxN 7.QxQch in both cases. Winning a pawn.

4.

P-KR3??

This move accomplishes nothing but a weakening of the pawn structure. The threat of White is completely ignored. Obviously, both 4...B-K2 (D)(M) defending the Queen and developing the KB or 4...N-B3 (T)(M) threatening the opponent's KP and developing another piece would have been superior. The explanation of the move in the text is a fear on the part of Black that he will be attacked by 5.N-K5, but as pointed out 4...B-K2 was a more productive type of defense.

5.C-C? (M)

Objectively good as it continues with the plan of general development, but 5.PxP (C)(T) accomplishes more according to our method of evaluation and should have been given preference. One must always be alert to opportunities that are presented by weak moves of the opponent.

5.

N-B3? (M)

Now this move is not so good because it no longer threatens the KP. This pawn is protected indirectly by R-K1 with threats by the rook against the Black King. 5...B-K2 (D)(M) was again the best.

6.N-B3? (M)

Again 6.PxP (C)(T) was indicated. After you have found the move you think will give the opponent the most trouble, look again and see if there isn't one that executes more of the four possibilities than the one you had originally chosen.

6.

B-N5 (D)(M)(T)

Now the Queen is defended and the pressure to the KP removed by the pin.

7.Q-Q3? (M)

White should have taken some action to defend the threatened QP.

7.

BxN (C)(T)

8.P-Q5 (T)

BxNP (C)

A more important pawn to capture would have been the KP as it has a far greater influence upon the central squares.

9.KxB (C) Q-Q2(M)??


Defense has a much greater value than mobilization, unless the (M) can be coupled with a (T). Therefore a defensive move with the N was compulsory.

10.PxN(C)(T) QxP?(C)

This move should have been rejected for more reasons than just its refutation by White's reply. It executes only a capture. The other possibility 10.PxP (C)(M) not only executes the same function (C), but it also mobilizes by opening the QN file for the QR and strengthens the center by advancing the QNP to the QB file covering a more influential part of the center.

11.B-QN5 Resigns

It should be apparent from this game that whenever possible a move that executes as many of the four elements DCTM as possible should be employed. As this series progresses we will be using more and more complex struggles, but the same four elements will be broken down and analyzed as above. It is hoped that the average player will be helped in making moves in his games that will bring him better results. The editor

SWAP SHOP


Someone having a used chess clock to sell, contact Larry Square at 2312- 227 Pl. S.W. Alderwood Manor.

Jim Montgomery 1101 N.E. Campus Parkway, Seattle 98105 was offering two of the plastic German type chess clocks in the February Letter at \$9.50 each.

In the last Letter the Twin City club in Centralia was on the lookout for any running or repairable chess clocks. Give condition and price to Norman Stough at 1204 So. Gold St., Centralia, Washington

This column is open to the WCF members to advertise any new or used equipment or books that they wish to sell trade or exchange with other N.W. members. I am

sure that there are members who are on the lookout for certain equipment, books etc. but have not been able to find any other players that could help them.

PROBLEM CORNER

Forgive please if this doesn't turn out as hoped, we are experimenting now as is painfully obvious. But, we expect a good product to turn up eventually. (W)K on QR4 P's on Q3 and KN3 -(B)K on KB2 P's on KB3 Q6 and KN6 if the diagram is unreadable.

White is on the move and he is to draw with the aid of some perfect timing. The solution takes 6 moves, so don't get too carried away with side variations. I will publish the solution in the next Letter.

Good Luck ! The editor

1965 N.W. INVITATION

Should one be extended to the top men in this area? Gregory Kern thinks so, and he is willing to do the work to extend an invitation to the top players and to see that they all get together for the first N.W. Invitational Tournament, to be held in Portland later this year. Already \$75 has been gathered for the initiation of a big prize fund. The selection of entrants is to be mostly on the basis of achievement and participation in N.W. events. He plans on holding it on a three day weekend with the following as possible entrants. Dake Lapiken, Zemgalis, Sobczyk, Dalbergs, Suttles, Pupols, Schoona, McCormick, Macskasy.

NORTHWEST CHESSBOARD

by DAVID FULTON

AGAIN! The Seattle Chess Club Has Moved

It was Friday night and no date, but I had to do something. For once I would visit the Seattle Chess Club. In fact I had a strange desire to play chess, since I had not played a game of chess for at least a day. I donned my dirty jacket, and the phone rang. It was Gussy Palore. She wanted to go out but I said I was busy. She wanted to know who the other female was. Boy, some females are sure dumb. Girls do not like to be taken to chess clubs.

Anyway, it was 7:00 o'clock, as I left picking up the latest issue of the NORTHWEST CHESS LETTER — the one with the new column by Dave Fulton. (I thought maybe someone had not read it.) I reached the Seattle Center by 7:30. I headed past the Space Needle—so high, and the Monorail passed me by. The Food Circus was just in front of me. And I recalled an earlier visit to the Seattle Chess Club. It was about a month ago, I think. The Food Circus has been closed. By the time I had found the only open door, I had been a little on the angry side. But when that guard had almost shot me, for not having a Seattle Chess Club card, I had really gotten mad. But luckily he had not shot me and I had persuaded him to let me pass.

I'm glad the club has moved. In fact they used to be in the YMCA until about a year ago. My how things do change. I headed past the Coliseum and out the other side of the center. The club now was in a nice place, perhaps a little cramped. If they ever had over twenty participants in one of their six round tournaments, it would take twelve weeks before they could fit everybody into there to play all their games. It even has a kitchen and bathroom, besides the usual chess sets, boards, and players. What more does anyone want? Got to sleep in?

I reached Room 3 and went to open the door. It was locked! That's strange I said. It's Friday night and 8:00, and if there is no one here playing chess.. no, no, that is crazy, there must be someone in there. I tried to open the door again and then I knocked. But I noticed a sign waving in the wind. It

read:

The Seattle Chess Club Has Moved To
~~YMCA-620B~~
~~Food Circus, Room-317A~~
~~158-Thomas-Street, Room-3~~
766 Thomas Street

I stood there starry-eyed; after all I was there just last week.

I started my walk back through the center to find 766 Thomas Street. Again I headed past the Food Circus. I heard a shot and someone yelled, "It's true. It's true! I tell you. It is true. I'm looking for the Seattle Chess Club." Then another shot rang out. That was all I heard. I was beginning to lose my strange desire for chess. I started to pick up my normal brisk pace when someone yelled, "Dave, over here!" I turned around. It was Gussy, flying high as usual. She was with another couple I had never seen before. We talked for a few minutes and I left.

I had a hard time crossing Aurora and had a hard time outrunning the fuzz that watched me jaywalk. I became lost. For some reason the lake was to the west, or was that the Puget Sound?

I never found 766 Thomas Street. I don't even know if it exists. But I figure if I keep trying, I'll find it. And when I do, they better be prepared for the Fulton Attack.

WELL, Mr. Joachim and Mr. Harmon

Chess in the great Pacific Northwest is in an upswing. And it is the job of the WCF, BCCF, and ICA to make sure the swing continues upward. The Ashland Chess Club is a fine example of a club with interest and vitality and ideas. They also have the interest of the local merchants who have chipped in (so far) \$170. To a lesser extent Bellingham, Spokane, Vancouver B.C., Camas, Grays Harbor, and other areas are doing their share. Also some areas like Seattle and Tacoma need improvement. But it is the WCF's job to do something. The WCF has lain dormant long enough. And that something should be in the way of publicity and promotion, not just to other chess publications but to the general public and to the high schools.

WELL, Mr. Joachim and Mr. Harmon.

NW GAMES - pupols

Lockhart - Erickson
Postal

Because of the many tournament games in which my friend Scott Lockhart abused me with the utmost callousness the following postal game was a long awaited retribution.

- 1.P-K4 P-QB4
White is in immediate trouble!
2.N-KB3 N-QB3
3.P-Q4 PXP
4.NxP P-K4
5.N-N5 P-QR3
6.N-Q6ch BxN
7.QxB Q-B3
8.Q-Q1 . . .

Along with this move Scott commented "At last! Out of the book." Little did he suspect that I had just received an issue of CHESS ARCHIVES which dealt with this very move! Dr. Euwe gives the following continuation as having good chances for Black: 8...KN-K2 9.N-B3 Q-N3 10.P-KR4 P-KR4 11.B-KN5 P-Q4 12.PxP N-Q5 13.B-Q3 B-B4 14.BxB N(K2)xB 15.Q-Q3.

8. . . . KN-K2
9.N-B3 Q-N3!
10.B-K3? . . .
The trouble with this move is that it makes the following sacrifice even better than the line given above.
10. . . . P-Q4!
11.NxP . . .

With this capture White's queen is effectively removed

from active play. 11 PxP N-N5 12.R-B1 B-B4! is another line.
11. . . . NxN
12.QxN . . .
12.PxP N-N5! 13.K-Q2 B-B4 14.P-QB4 P-QN4!
15.P-QN3 PxP 16. PxF O-O with Black plus.
12. . . . B-K3
13.Q-B5 . . .
13.Q-Q3 simply R-Q1
13. . . . QxKP
14.P-KB3 . . .
14.O-O-O R-QB1 15.B-Q3 Q-QR5 16.P-QR3 N-Q5 17.Q-N4 RxP wins.
14. . . . Q-N5ch
15.K-B2 . . .
The queen exchange would lose as the pawns at QR2 and QB2 are attacked. 15.QxQ NxQ 16.B-Q3! e.g. NxRP?? 17.P-B3 and 18.B-QN1 and 16...NxB gives opposite colored bishops, but 16..BxP 17.RxB NxR 18.P-B3 NxP is interesting.
15. . . . QR-B1
16.B-Q3 . . .
Still the exchange cannot be made because of: 16.QxQ NxQ 17.P-QB3 N-B7 18.R-B1 NxB 19.KxN BxP etc.
16. . . . Q-R5ch
Loosening up the king side.
17.P-N3 Q-B3
18.B-K4 B-N5
19.P-KB4? . . .
Better 19.K-N2!
19. . . . P-KN4
20.K-N2 NPxP
21.KR-KB1 Q-K3
22.B-Q5 B-R6ch
23.K-R1 Q-K2
24.R-B3 . . .
If 24.QxQ then NxQ wins all the marbles.

24. . . . N-N5!
White must lose material.
25.Q-R5 . . .
25.QxQch KxQ 26.BxNP RxP!
25. . . . NxB
26.FxP Q-K3
27.P-B5 . . .
27.RxB QxR 28.QxN QxB
27. . . . Q-QB3!
If White grabs the bishop, mate follows in four.
28.P-B4 N-K2!
and mates.

The following is an interesting postal encounter between our new Games Editor and a previous editor of the LETTER. The ending caused Pupols to make extensive use of my reference library.
V.Pupols - A.Schultz
Postal

- 1.P-Q4 N-KB3
2.P-QB4 P-K3
3.N-QB3 B-N5
4.P-QR3 BxNch
5.PxB P-B4
6.P-B3 P-Q4
7.PxQP NxP
8.Q-Q3 PxP
9.FxP P-QN3
10.P-K4 B-R3
11.Q-B2 BxB
12.KxB N-K2
13.P-N2 O-O
14.N-K2 N-Q2
15.K-B2 P-QN4
16.KR-Q1 N-QN3
17.Q-N3 P-QR3
18.B-B3 N-N3
19.B-N4 R-K1
20.P-N3 N-QB5
21.P-QR4 Q-Q2
22.N-D3 P-K4
23.B-B5 Q-R6
24.K-N1 FxQP
25.BxP N(N3)-K4

- 26.N-Q5 QR-N1
27.QR-N1 Q-R4
28.K-N2 Q-R3
29.BxN NxB
30.PxP RxB
31.Q-B3 Q-QB3
32.N-K7ch RxB
33.R-Q8ch R-K1
34.QxQ R(1)xR
35.Q-B7 R-Q7ch
36.K-R3 N-N3
37.RxR FxR
38.Q-N8ch N-B1
39.QxP P-N3
40.Q-K8 K-N2
41.Q-K5ch K-N1
42.P-B4 N-K3
43.P-B5 N-Q5
44.Q-N8ch K-N2
45.P-B6ch Resigns
"A lot of work for 20 points."

John Reh-Paul Becker
Postal

- 1.P-Q4 P-Q4
2.P-K4!! FxP
3.N-QB3 N-KB3
4.P-B3 FxP
5.QxP P-B3
6.D-Q3 P-KN3
7.KN-K2 B-N2
8.B-KB4 O-O
9.O-O-O QN-Q2
10.P-KN4 N-K1
11.P-N5 P-K4
12.FxP BxP
13.P-KR4 N-N2
14.P-R5 BxBch
15.QxB NxP
16.RxN! Q-K2
17.R-R6 K-N2
18.RxRPch! KxR
19.Q-R4ch K-N1
20.R-R1 and won.
"Don't tell anybody, Dick, but Black has no good move after my second move." For opening comments see April 65 LETTER. Now guess who has a book on this opening...??

Pupols - Morris
2064 2130

The postal champion takes on his most dangerous rival, the #2 man and puts him back a few points with a well played ending.

- 1.P-Q4 N-KB3
- 2.P-QB4 P-K3
- 3.N-QB3 B-N5
- 4.P-K3 O-O
- 5.B-Q3 P-Q4
- 6.N-B3 P-QN3
- 7.O-O BxN

A poor exchange for Black, making him weak on the black squares. The doubled pawns are quickly dissolved by White.

- 8.FxB QN-Q2
- 9.FxP FxP
- 10.P-B4 P-B3

It seemed to black that holding a pawn at Q4 imperative. He feared P-K4.

- 11.FxP FxP
- 12.B-N2 B-N2
- 13.N-K5 R-K1
- 14.Q-K2 N-B1
- 15.B-N5 R-K2
- 16.N-B6 BxN
- 17.BxB R-B1

White has accomplished his purpose and has the two bishops vs two knights.

- 18.B-N5 R/2-B2
- 19.QR-B1 Q-K2
- 20.B-R6 . . .

Thus forcing black to trade off the rooks. Anything else gives the open file to white e.g. 20...R-K1 21.RxR QxR 22.R-QB1

- 20. . . RxR
- 21.RxR RxRch
- 22.BxR Q-N5
- 23.P-B3 N-K3
- 24.Q-Q2 Q-R5
- 25.B-K2 Q-B3

Black must now exchange queens, for White wants the open

file for his queen.

- 26.B-R3 P-QR4
- 27.Q-B1 QxQ
- 28.BxQ K-B1
- White has his two bishops. Black two vulnerable pawns on the queenside.
- 29.B-R3ch K-K1
- 30.B-N5ch K-Q1
- 31.K-B2 N-K1
- Black can just barely defend himself.
- 32.B-B6 N/1-B2
- 33.P-N4 P-QN4
- 34.B-Q6 P-N5
- 35.P-B4 . . .

A serious error, for now black shakes loose a knight at K5, and his queen side pawns become most important

- 35. . . N-K1
- 36.B-N8 N-B3
- 37.K-B3 K-B1
- 38.B-K5 N-Q1
- 39.B-R4 . . .

Not 39.BxN NxB 40BxP P-R5! breaking thru.

39. . . N-K5
White is blinded by the prospect of picking up two king-side pawns.

- 40.BxP N-B6
- 41.B-B2 NxB
- 42.BxP N-B6
- 43.B-B8 N-K3
- 44.B-KB5 K-Q1
- 45.BxN FxB
- 46.P-B5 FxP

Resigns.
For 47.FxP P-N6 48B-R3 N-N8 49.B-N2 P-R5 50.P-R4 P-R6 51.P-R5 FxB 52.P-R6 N-Q7ch 53 K-K2 P-N8 (Q). or 50 K-K2 P-R6 51.BxP NxB 52.K-Q2 P-N7

Notes by the winner.

Mr. Morris is making it a habit to remain in 1st place on the postal ladder. Anyone wanting a shot at him should enter the try given on page 16.

Spassky - Keres
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- 1.P-Q4 N-KB3
- 2.P-QB4 P-K3
- 3.N-QB3 B-N5
- 4.B-N5 P-KR3
- 5.B-R4 P-B4
- 6.P-Q5 P-Q3
- 7.P-K3 P-K4
- 8.N-K2 QN-Q2
- 9.P-QR3 B-R4
- 10.Q-B2 O-O
- 11.N-B1 R-K1
- 12.N-R2 Q-K2
- 13.P-B3 P-K5
- 14.P-B4 P-KN4
- 15.B-N3 N-R4
- 16.B-K2 N-N2
- 17.O-O N-B4
- 18.Q-Q2 N-B3
- 19.FxP FxP
- 20.B-K1 N-N2
- 21.F-QN4 B-N3
- 22.N-R4 N-Q2
- 23.N/2-B3 B-Q1
- 24.FxP NxB
- 25.NxB FxN
- 26.P-Q6 Q-K3
- 27.R-Q1 B-Q2
- 28.B-N3 P-B4
- 29.N-N5 R-KB1
- 30.Q-B1 Q-B3
- 31.N-B7 R-B1
- 32.N-Q5 Q-K3
- 33.Q-N2 B-R5
- 34.R-B1 R-KB2
- 35.B-K5 Q-R3
- 36.P-N4 B-QB3
- 37.FxP NxB
- 38.B-N4 B-Q2
- 39.QxP B-K3
- 40.Q-N1 NxB/3
- 41.BxB QxB
- 42.BxN QxB
- 43.QxP R-N1
- 44.RxR KxR
- 45.Q-R7ch K-K1
- 46.R-B1 Q-K3
- 47.P-KR3 R-B1
- 48.Q-KN7 B-K2
- 49.R-B5 B-Q3
- 50.R-B6 Resigns

Spassky - Keres
(5)

- 1.P-K4 P-K4
- 2.N-KB3 N-QB3
- 3.B-N5 P-QR3

- 4.B-R4 N-B3
- 5.O-O B-K2
- 6.R-K1 P-QN4
- 7.B-N3 P-Q3
- 8.P-B3 O-O
- 9.P-KR3 N-QR4
- 10.B-B2 P-B4
- 11.P-Q4 Q-B2
- 12.QN-Q2 B-Q2
- 13.N-B1 BFPxP
- 14.FxP QR-B1
- 15.N-K3 KR-K1
- 16.P-QN3 FxP
- 17.NxB B-B1
- 18.B-N2 Q-Q1
- 19.N/Q-B5 BxN
- 20.NxB P-N3
- 21.N-K3 B-N2
- 22.Q-Q2 N-N2
- 23.P-QN4 Q-K2
- 24.P-B3 Q-B1
- 25.B-N3 N-Q1
- 26.QR-Q1 R-B3
- 27.R-QB1 Q-K2
- 28.K-R2 Q-Q2
- 29.N-Q5 NxB
- 30.BxN RxR
- 31.RxR Q-K2
- 32.BxB KxB
- 33.Q-B3ch K-N1
- 34.P-B4 N-K3
- 35.P-N3 N-N2
- 36.Q-B7 Q-B3
- 37.R-B2 R-KB1
- 38.Q-N6 P-N4
- 39.FxP QxP
- 40.QxRP Q-K4
- 41.QxNP N-K3
- 42.Q-B1 K-N2
- 43.Q-B5 Resigns.

The following postal game was sent in by Mr. Lyberger of Spokane. It would be so nice to win as easily in the NW Postal Championship!!!

J.Nourse-Lyberger

- 1.P-K4 P-K4
- 2.N-KB3 N-QB3
- 3.B-N5 P-Q3
- 4.P-Q4 B-Q2
- 5.N-B3 P-QR3
- 6.BxN BxB
- 7.FxP Q-Q2
- 8.FxP Q-N5
- 9.O-O O-O-O
- 10.N-K5! Q-R5
- 11.NxB Resigns

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EXCLUSIVE

Dear Readers,

I'm pleased to send this game from the Tel Aviv tournament. I feel it's the best one I played there. I hope I can contribute to your magazine in the future, perhaps regularly in the fall.

My recent results have not been the best. In the Stamer Memorial in San Francisco I was forced to swindle my way out of two lost positions against Experts to score 4-1 for a tie for second place. Earl Pruner of San Francisco won the tournament. My most recent play was in Fresno, where I won the California State Speed Championship and a 30-30 six-round Swiss tournament, but lost a game in the North-South California match, to Irving Rivise.

I hope to see you at the B.C. Open.

Yours truly,
Duncan Suttles

TEL AVIV WORLD CHESS OLYMPIAD

Hungary: Forintos-Canada: Suttles

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| 1. P-Q4 | P-KN3 |
| 2. N-KB3 | B-N2 |
| 3. P-KN3 | P-Q3 |
| 4. B-N2 | N-QB3 |
| 5. P-Q5 | N-K4 |

Apparently gaining time and space in the center. However, the pawn at Q5 impedes White's mobility.

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| 6. N-Q4 | P-KR4 |
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Inhibits the advance of all of white's king's side pawns, and annoys white with the possible threat P-R5.

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| 7. P-KR3 | ... |
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White intends to meet P-R5 with P-N4 to drive the black knight out of play to QN3.

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| 7. . . . | B-Q2! |
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This move changes the character of the opening by preparing to meet white's P-KB4 tactically.

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| 8. P-KB4 | P-QB4 |
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| 9. PxB | ... |
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If (a) 9. PxB e.p., NxB would leave black with an easy game.

(b) 9. N-KB3 would be inconsistent with white's opening play.

(c) 9. N-N3 N-B5 would leave black with a powerful queen's side initiative.

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| 9. . . . | PxB |
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10. P-K6!

White has seakened his king side and his pawn roller is destroyed. This inviting offers an apparently strong attack at no cost in material; however, black obtains other compensation.

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| 10. . . . | PxB |
| 11. Q-Q3 | P-K4! |
| 12. QxPch | K-B1 |
| 13. O-Och | N-B3 |

Now black's compensation is apparent. White's attack is dwindling and white is faced with a menacing pawn configuration in the center, which cramps his play.

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| 14. N-Q2 | Q-K1 |
| 15. Q-Q3 | B-N4 |
| 16. Q-KB3 | R-B1 |

Black has mobilized his forces by taking advantage of white's reluctance to exchange queens.

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| 17. P-B3 | PxB |
| 18. PxB | K-N1 |
| 19. P-B4? | ... |

White is clearly demoralized by his failure to obtain a winning attack on moves 12 and 13 and sacrifices a pawn. However, R-QN1 is far more prudent.

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| 19. . . . | BxB |
| 20. NxB | RxB |
| 21. B-K3 | Q-N3 |
| 22. BxB | K-R2 |
| 23. QR-N1 | P-K5! |
| 24. Q-B5 | QxQ |

Black's king's side activity has forced white to seek a queen exchange as now white's king's side is in jeopardy.

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| 25. RxQ | K-N3 |
| 26. R/5-B1 | R-R1! |
| 27. RxB | R-R5 |

Black has returned the pawn and an extra one besides, but with two of white's pawns hanging and a powerful initiative, black is assured of the advantage.

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| 28. B-B2 | NxB |
| 29. K-R2 | B-B3 |

30. P-KR4 to get play for his inactive bishop N-B6

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| 31. B-K1 NxB | 32. B-N4! |
| 33. BxB R/1-R3 | 34. B-KR3 |
| 35. BxB RxBch | 36. B-N2 RxB |
| 37. R-Q1 R/3-B7 | 38. RxN RxBch |
| 39. K-R1 R/N-Q7 | the simplest. |
| 40. RxR RxB | Resigns. |

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PRESIDENT'S MEMO

I wish to express my gratitude to those who made my election possible. It is an honor to serve an organization that has done so much for northwest chess. Again, I thank you.

Chess in America and particularly in the NW has come a long way since I first walked into the Portland Chess Club back in 1957. Then, if you wanted to play in a major tournament, you played in the US Open. If you wanted to read about chess every month, you subscribed to "Chess Review". Good, inexpensive chess books were not published in the U.S.; nor were good, expensive chess books. There were no regularly held international tournaments in the U.S., either. Chess was simply small time. In 1957 chess in the NW was small time too. If you lived in one of the four major metropolitan areas of the NW you could play in organized chess; if you didn't you were out of luck.

It's different now. You want to play in a big tournament? Take your pick--there's four of them: the U. S. Open, National Open, Eastern Open, and Western Open. Let's see..there's "Chess Review", "Chess Life", Fischer and Evan's "Chess Quarterly", and "Chess World". If you want good, inexpensive chess books, take note of those put out by Dover and Spartan. Down in Los Angeles every other year 8 of the world's finest players compete for the Piatigorsky Cup. I don't remember having a nationally syndicated chess column in the papers in 1957, nor do I remember seeing chess in popular magazines or in advertisements. Do you? We've got 22 tournaments with over 500 competing right here in the NW. Add to this 30 or so clubs and you can see why WCF membership has doubled since 1957.

The officers of the WCF feel NW chess can be even bigger and better. That is why we're attempting to upgrade our services to you. Our main areas of attention, as in the past, are the NWCL and the tournament scene. In both cases, I feel we've got good men; Dick Parsons and Buz Eddy. Other areas that we will improve are postal chess, club news and publicity.

Any improvements, however, are predicated on two things; the membership's increased interest and participation and

the officers. Therefore, I ask a favor. If you have any suggestions, criticisms, or help to offer, write or buttonhole me or any of the officers. We want to see chess grow in the Northwest!

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B. C. OPEN RESULT

Suttles	vs	Akroyd
1. P-K4		P-K4
2. P-KB4		PxP
3. Q-B3		. . .
Breyer continuation.		
3. . . .		N-QB3
4. N-K2		. . .
Duncan's Preferred! (McCormick)		
4. . . .		P-Q4
5. PxP		N-N5
6. NxP		NxPch?
6...N-KB3 is better, Suttles.		
7. K-Q1		NxR
8. B-N5ch		B-Q2
9. R-K1ch		B-K2
10. N-K6!		PxN
11. PxP		N-KB3
12. BxBch		K-B1
13. P-KN4		P-KN4
14. P-QN3		K-N2
15. B-N2		R-KB1
16. Q-B5		Resigns

BENONI - PART 1

by
Parsons

1.P-Q4 N-KB3 2.P-QB4 P-B4 3.P-Q5
P-K3 4.N-QB3 PxP(A) 5.PxP P-Q3

1	2	3	4	5
6.N-B3 P-KN3 (B)			P-K4 P-KN3	
7.N-Q2(C) B-N2	P-KN3?! B-N2	P-K4 B-N2(I)	P-B4(O) B-N2?!(P)	
8.N-B4(D) O-O	B-N2 O-O	B-K2(J) O-O	N-B3 O-O	B-N5!(R) KN-Q2(S)
9.B-B4(E) N-K1	O-O P-QR3(G)	O-O(K) R-K1(L)	B-K2 KR-K1	B-Q3!(T) O-O
10.Q-Q2 P-N3!(F)	P-QR4 QN-Q2(H)	Q-B2?!(M) N-R3(N)	P-K5 PxP(Q)	N-B3 N-R3?!(U)

- A) Knoch rises the question of whether it might not be better to postpone this until after White has moved his KB, thus eliminating B-N5ch. For instance 4...P-Q3 5.P-K4 P-KN3 6.P-B4 B-N2 7.N-B3 O-O 8.B-Q3 PxP 9.BPxP Q-N3! as in Saemisch-Euwe, Wiesbaden 1925. See PAWN POWER IN CHESS by Knoch pgs 138 & 252.
- B) A plausible continuation would be 6...B-K2, Reshevsky.
- C) 7.B-N5 was tried in the Botvinnik-Tal matches.
- D) 8.P-K4 O-O 9.B-K2 P-QR3 10.P-QR4 R-K1 11.O-O QN-Q2 12.Q-B2 R-N1 gave an equal position in a game Hastings 1955-56.
- E) 9.P-K3 P-N3 10.B-K2 B-QR3 11.P-QR4 BxN 12.BxB gave an equal game in the XXIII USSR Championship.
- F) 11.P-K3 B-QR3 12.P-QR4 BxN 13.BxB P-QR3 14.O-O N-Q2 15.R-N1 P-D4 16.B-KN3 Q-B3 17.P-B4 N-B2 with P-QN4 to follow.
- G) (i) 9...N-R3? 10.P-KR3 N-B2 11.P-K4 N-Q2 12.R-K1 N-K1 is Korchnoy-Tal. (ii) 9...QN-Q2 10.N-Q2
 (A) 10...Q-K2 and a later P-QR3 is better, Barden.
 (B) 10...R-K1 11.P-QR4 N-K4 12.P-R3 P-KN4! 13.N/2-K4 NxN 14.NxN Uhlmann-Larsen, Beverwijk 61. Black has at least an equal game.
 (C) 10...R-N1 11.P-QR4 P-QR3 12.P-R5 (12.N-B4 N-K1 to stop NxP! 13.P-R5 N-K4 14.N-N6 N-B2 with an equal game, Donner-Keres.) 12...P-QN4 13.PxP e.p. NxNP 14.P-K4 R-K1 15.R-K1 Q-K2 and Black has good play. Donner-Filip, Amsterdam 1954.
- H) Romani-Tal, match with Italy 1957.
- I) Not 7...B-N5? 8.Q-N3 Q-K2 (Relatively best, 8...Q-Q2 is out of the question because of 9.B-QN5, 8...Q-B2 is inadvisable because of the possible N-QN5 attacking the Q and the QP. 8...Q-B1 is unattractive on account of 9.P-K5 BxN ((9...PxP 10.NxP gaining valuable time for attack with B-N5ch)) 10.PxN B-N5 11.B-N5ch followed by O-O with a terrific position. Finally, 8...P-N3 is quite unappetizing after 9.B-N5ch QN-Q2 10.N-Q2 with the unpleasant threat of P-B3 followed by P-KN4 winning the bishop. Reshevsky in HOW CHESS GAMES ARE WON.) 9.N-Q2 B-N2 10.Q-N5 ch K-B1 (10...Q-Q2? 11.P-B3) Reshevsky - Rossetto, Buenos Aires 1960. Now best was 11.Q-N3 P-QR3 12.P-QR4 (preventing the freeing ...P-QN4) 12...B-B1 13.B-K2 QN-Q2 14.O-O, Reshevsky.
- J) 8.B-Q3 O-O 9.O-O P-QR3 10.P-QR4 B-N5 11.P-R3 BxN 12.QxB QN-Q2 13.B-KB4 (13.Q-Q1 Q-B2 14.B-KB4 KR-K1 15.Q-Q2 with equal play, Mititelu-Tal) 13...Q-B2 14.Q-K2 KR-K1 15.B-R2 QR-B1 16.B-QB4 N-K4 17.P-B4 NxB 18.QxN N-Q2 19.KR-K1 Q-N3 20.QR-N1 Q-N5 21.Q-B1 P-B5 with a great advantage for Black. Donner-Tal, Zurich 1959.
- K) (i) 9.P-B4 is column 4. (ii) 9.N-Q2 Q-K2 10.O-O QN-Q2 11.P-KR3 P-KN4 12.N-B4 N-K1, 13.P-B4 PxP 14.BxB N-K4 with equal chances.
- L) (i) 9...P-N3?! was played in Hastings 55-56. (ii) 9...B-N5 10.P-R3 BxN 11.BxB P-QR3 12.B-KB4 N-K1 13.P-QR4 QN-Q2 14.B-K2 Q-B2 15.R-QB1 R-N1 16.P-QN3 N/1-B3 with a little better play for White. Smyslov - Filip.

ROUGE VALLEY CHAMPIONSHIP

DOUG ADAMS WRITES

The tournament was held on May 15 - 16 in Medford, Oregon, drawing 44 participants and making the tourney a very big success. The only ill note was the unbreachable tie for the championship.

The tournament was designed to judge the chess strength of the valley players, and may of these players who took part , play only social chess and this was their first tournament.

The main group was divided into four divisions, A, B, C, and D. There were trophies awarded in each group plus women's and junior's awards.

The top three in each division were -

"A"

Dana Sudbourogh - Champion
Phil Dolph - Co-Champion
Barry Grant - third

"B"

Cliff Gingrich - first
Mark Petrich - second
Albert Mariono - third

"C"

Dave Huffman - first
Charles Glidden - second
Jerry Worth - third

"D"

Harry Glidden - first
Steve Schroder - second
Dwight Wilson - third

The Trophy Awards in the Special Ladies Division were;

Kitty Bearden - first
Hazel Dolph - second
Billy Chapin - third

The Trophy Awards in the Special Jr.s Division were:

Bill Rightmur - first
Miles Evrette - second
Mike Beale - third

Credit due:

Those who organized and did all the hard work to make this tournament a success, were:

David Barney
Cliff Gingrich
Art Everette
Margie Gingrich
Sudene Huffman
Yvonne Cavin (our correspondent!)
Dick Cavin
((see page 20 for late cross-tables))

I was under the impression that only one player could win a chess tournament.

If the score of two or more contestants happened to come out the same then various tie breaking systems would be used to find a winner.

But, alas, I must have been under a haze of clouded thinking, as when I read the May "65" edition of the NWCL I found an article titled Adams, Freling, Abrahamson win I.E. Open.

Roger Freling and Norm Abrahamson are both fine chess players and real swell guys, but they didn't win the I.E. Open, Adams did, as the tie breaking points verify. Please don't think I'm getting big-headed or conceited tho it may seem that way. I only feel credit should be placed where credit is due. Ernie (your editor heartily agrees, it takes a lot of sweat to win a tournament and it is only natural that the winner, even if on tie-breaking points, should want to receive proper credit. I'm sure that your tournament director Buz Eddy will take the proper action to rectify or explain his reason for so stating the results of the tourney.)

I attended the Central Washington O. which proved to be a y strong but poorly attended event. Russell Miller suffered quite a loss because he stuck his neck out to supoort a chess tournament. When we try to find a reason for the disappointing attendance at Chelan we don't have to look far, for a possible answer. Seattle is holding a great number of tournaments every year which is competing with smaller cities for attendance. Why go to an out-of-town chess tourney when there will be one in town next week-end? One would think the Seattle players would become tired of playing each other so oftern. I hope you push for a little more support of smaller local chess tourneys who need a big attendance to offer substantial prizes like Russell Miller did in Chelan.

Even after all I've said I really do enjoy the chess LETTER, and I hope the new officers will keep up the good work as I know they will.

As always,
Doug Adams
Spokaloo Chess Club

(thank you for the constructive advice!)



S U D B O R O U G H V A L L E Y C H A M P I O N

(Story page 19)

PLAYER	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Rd5	SCORE	TIE BREAK	POINTS
1.Sudborough, Dana	W20	W5	W3	W11	D2	18	48-77-68	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 $\frac{1}{2}$
2.Dolph, Phil	W23	W12	W6	W4	D1	18	48-77-68	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 $\frac{1}{2}$
3.Grant, Barry	W9	W29	L1	W16	W10	17	42	4-1
4.Zwitzer, Martin	W27	W24	W10	L2	W9	17	39	4-1
5.Dickson, Bert	W26	L1	W29	W8	W7	17	37	4-1
6.Bearden, Tracy	W18	W33	L2	W20	W11	17	36	4-1
7.Bearden, Kitty	W35	D8	W18	W13	L5	15	38	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 $\frac{1}{2}$
8.Cavin, Richard	W28	D7	W23	L5	W22	15	35	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 $\frac{1}{2}$
9.Gingrich, Clifford	L3	W28	W19	W17	L4	14	44	3-2
10.Petrich, Mark	W22	W19	L4	W12	L3	14	42-68-36	3-2
11.Marino, Albert	W21	W32	W13	L2	L6	14	42-68-33	3-2
12.Everett, Arthur	W31	L2	W14	L10	W18	14	39-65	3-2
13.Dolph, Hazel	W15	W30	L11	L7	W20	14	39-62	3-2
14.Rightmier, Bill	L19	W21	L12	W32	W24	14	33	3-2
15.Everett, Miles	L13	W22	W33	L18	W21	14	32	3-2
16.Parrish, Stan	L30	W35	W34	L3	W19	14	29	3-2
17.Miller, Winton	L29	W36	W30	L9	W23	14	27	3-2
18.Chapin, Ned	L6	W25	L7	W15	L12	11	43	2-3
19.Huffman, Dave	W14	L10	L9	W31	L16	11	42	2-3
20.Glidden, Chas.	L1	W26	W32	L6	L13	11	40	2-3
21.Worth, Jerry	L11	L14	W24	W25	L15	11	39	2-3
22.Beale, Mike	L10	L15	W26	W34	L8	11	36	2-3
23.Freeberger, Frank	L2	W31	L8	W30	L17	11	35-61	2-3
24.Zboralski, Ed	W34	L4	L21	W29	L14	11	35-60	2-3
25.Wooley, Frank	L33	L18	W35	L21	W29	11	29	2-3
26.Lindow, Bill	L5	L29	L22	W36	W32	11	28	2-3
27.Chapin, Billie	L4	L34	L31	W35	W30	11	26	2-3
28.Hill, Bruce	L8	L9	W36	L33	W31	9		2-3
29.Glidden, Harry	W17	L3	L5	L23	L25	8	42	1-4
30.Schroeder, Steve	W16	L13	L17	L23	L27	8	39	1-4
31.Wilson, Dwight	L12	L23	W27	L19	L28	8	35	1-4
32.Gingrich, Margie	W36	L11	L20	L14	L26	8	34	1-4
33.Parrish, Nathan	W25	L6	L15	L28	L F	6	38	1-4
34.Martin, Jerry	L24	W27	L16	L22	L F	6	20	1-4
35.Martin, Cliff	L7	L16	L25	L27	L F	3	25	0-5
36.Dean, Sam	L32	L17	L28	L26	L F	3	21	0-5

BEGINNERS SECTION

This section was devised for people who had just learned to play chess and who were placed in a section all their own. Bill Johnson took first and was awarded the title of ROUGE VALLEY BEGINNERS CHAMPION.

1.Johnson, Bill	W7	W4	W5	L2	W3	17	37	4-1
2.Hazelton, Ron	Bye	L3	W8	W1	W4	17	24	4-1
3.Tedrick, Ray	L5	W2	W6	W8	L1	14	39	3-2
4.Robinson, Lonie	W8	L1	W7	W5	L2	14	35	3-2
5.Kirby, Grant	W3	W6	L1	L4	W7	14	33-62	3-2
6.Conley, Sam	W2	L5	L3	W7	W8	14	33-47	3-2
7.Cavin, Yvonne	L1	W8	L4	L6	L5	7	34	1-4
8.Rogers, John	L4	L7	L2	L3	L6	2		0-5



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EDITOR'S NOTE: To take the pressure off of Mr. Merk during his convalescence, so that he can catch up with personal and business affairs, Howard Weaver, who has helped our director in the past, has brought rating reports up to date. Any errors will be corrected in the course of time as Bob Merk picks up the reins.

Seven players are forfeited out: Stecher, Laing, Mills, Schave, Rupel, Wright, and Verber. Players who have been awarded 10 points for each game are: Dean, Henry, Uselton, Cyr, Williams, Webb, Becker, Denison, Shives, Beers, Herbers, Running, Keating, Drake, Widner, Prentice, Weaver, Schmidt, and Schrader. Claims for full points by adjudication are delayed for action by Mr. Merk.

Receipt of entry fees for sections Mr. Merk will make up soon, is acknowledged from: Collins, Vanatta, Betzer, Keating, Carroll, Kerton, and Schrader. Others waiting for assignment are: Cyr, Merk, Vanatta, Prentice, Running, Shives, Giden, Uselton, Dennison, Gavin, and Skarsten.

Here are game results for April and May in the order received:

64C-7B	Reh wins	44 pts from	Becker	64C-7A	Reh	42	Hurley
64A-12A	Kern	42	Prentice	64C-7B	Reh	42	Hurley
64A-7B	Scripps	68	H. Raymond	64B-9A	Henry	47	Uselton
64C-6A	Herbers	58	Dorwin	64B-5B	Betzer	54	Kirk
64C-8A	Denison	61	Becker	64B-9B	Uselton	62	Henry
64C-9B	Denison	42	Puz	64A-16B	Morris	0	Lyberger
65C-1B	Drake	70	Denison	63B-7A	Skarsten	34	Vanatta
64B-9B	Uselton	50	Dean	64B-5B	Kirk	60	Dart
64C-8B	Becker	37	Webb	64B-5B	Kirk	41	Betzer
64A-12A	Kern	34	Prentice	64A-12A	Kern	23	Holmes
64A-12B	Prentice	66	Kern	64A-12B	Kern	23	Holmes
64B-9A	Dean	60	Uselton	64B-9A	Dean	51	Henry
Match	Parsons	28	Collins	64A-15A	Nourse	33	Lyberger
64B-6A	Carroll	65	Reh	64B-5A	Kirk	43	Dart
64B-6B	Reh	35	Carroll	64A-15B	Morris	34	Weaver
64B-2D	Stiles	20	Baskett	64A-13A	Schmidt	25	Weaver
64A-4B	Seiter	0	J. Schrader	64A-13B	Schmidt	25	Weaver
64A-8B	Seiter	21	Prentice	64A-4B	Morris	0	Schrader
65C-1B	Drake	60	Denison	64A-15A	Morris	0	Lyberger
63A-3B	Eilmes	26	R.G. Smith	64A-15A	Weaver	9	Lyberger
65B-3A	J. Jensen	38	R. Miller	64A-13A	Schmidt	42	Prentice
64B-9A	Dean	50	Wright	65B-2B	Skarsten	43	Christey
64B-4A	Skarsten	29	Merk				
63B-7A	Vanatta	45	Merk				
63B-7B	Vanatta	45	Merk				
64A-10B	Bell	30	Wick				
64B-8A	Weikel	42	J. Reid				
64A-13B	Weaver	38	Prentice				
64B-5B	Dart	50	Betzer				
64B-3B	Dart	0	LaVergne				

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16	Walker	1326
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23	Espey	1300
24	Gideon	1300
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32	Dart	1299
33	Henry	1294
34	Dickson	1283
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38	Becker	1240
39	Carroll	1230
40	Bauman	1220
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42	Denison	1205
43	Gorton	1202
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48	Shives	1154
49	Dearing	1152
50	Pattie	1144
51	Baldwin	1134
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54	Fay	1108
55	Youngman	1101

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Keating	1074
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Puz	1048
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Webb	1038
Dorwin	1037
Williams	1052
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