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WELCOME TO A NEW AFFILIATE...THE BELLEVILLE CHESS CLUB

Downstate Chess will get a real boost with the addition of the Belleville Chess Club as an ICA affiliate. Belleville is near Alton, across the river from St Louis. Randall D Lewis is the organizer in charge of club activities at the Nicholas Community center. The club meets every Thursday from 6 PM to 9:45 PM at 515 "D" Street in Belleville. For additional information, contact Randall Lewis at 112 S 59th St., Belleville, IL 62223. Phone is 235-7360. We wish Randall and Belleville much success!

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from the editor

PRESIDENT'S PAGE

Helen Warren

March is great month for creating a chess magazine. I began working on copy for this issue on March 1, Pent Larsen's Birthday. A good way to start, I'd say. Had Tarrasch decided to be truly immortal, he would have been 119 years old on the 5th. On March 8 the great Soviet grandmaster Geller turned 56; the same date had an unhappy remembrance, though; Capa died 39 years ago. March 9 had to be a banner day: Bobby turned 38 and I wondered where he was and what he was doing to celebrate. Wouldn't we all like to know! When March 22 came, I knew I was home again: Larry Evans celebrated his 49th. This great American Champion starts steady contribution to the ICB with this issue. Is it possible that Korchnoi is fifty? Yes, March 23, 1931--and on the 24th ten years earlier World Champion Vassily Smyslov entered the scene.

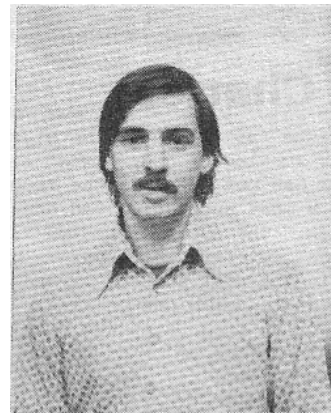
It was time for me to go to the printer on the 28th, and my old Dover Chess Calendar told me that nothing much happened on this day in the past. Aha! I remembered that Lone Pine was just beginning; matter of fact, Kashdan was probably grousing at the microphone right about now...There is always something happening in the chess world.

wanted: an ICB editor for 1982

Last October I notified the ICA Board of Directors of my desire to step down as ICB editor. At that time I had served in this volunteer position for three years. At the urging of individuals on the ICA Board I agreed to remain for another year, through 1981, with the clear understanding that measures be taken with dispatch to find a replacement in order to assure a smooth transition and uninterrupted publication.

An ICA search committee was formed composed of President Chris Musgrave, Associate Editor John Tomas, ICA Directors Richard Verber and Harold Winston, and the present editor. We are now actively soliciting volunteers from among whom a final selection will be made. If you feel you would like to become the editor of the ILLINOIS CHESS BULLETIN, we invite your inquiry and application. You should write or call President Musgrave or the present editor to discuss duties and technical requirements. You should be prepared to give a summary of your background and credentials. We shall have available for you a full and detailed job description outlining all aspects of the position.

The search committee has established a target date of August 1 by which time we would like a firm commitment for this post. I will continue to edit the ICB through the last (DECEMBER) issue of 1981, after which the new editor will have sole editorial control. It is hoped that the period between August and year's end can be used constructively to guarantee continuity.



ICA President Chris Musgrave

I would like to talk about two things in my first column as ICA President. The first is my appreciation for the outgoing officers, and the second concerns my plans for the future of the ICA.

First of all, my thanks to outgoing ICA President Tim Redman. Under his leadership the ICA went from about a thousand dollars in the red to a thousand dollars in the black, membership increased from 500 to 700, and a new and constructive spirit of unity was achieved. Thanks are also due to ICB Editor Helen Warren, for her award-winning magazine and the work that it represents. Finally, thanks to the other ICA officers and directors, who made the last year our best year ever.

As for the future of the ICA under the new administration, I look forward to increased membership growth through the upgrading of ICA activities. I think that this growth will occur as the natural result of an increase in ICA sponsored chess activity. The Illinois Chess League, which I hope to make into a truly state-wide league, the new Illinois Postal Championship, the planned chess picnic and chess banquet, and the ICA sponsored U.S. Amateur Championship, are all examples of increased activities which lead to increased ICA membership. The U.S. Amateur Championship, the brainchild of past ICA President Tim Redman, will be sponsored by the ICA and held May 23-25, the Memorial Day Weekend, at the Palmer House. I urge everyone to attend.

Finally, we can look forward to other benefits for ICA members. One thing that I would like to initiate is a directory of chess organizers, masters, tournament directors and journalists in Illinois, for the use of the affiliates and members. I will talk about this and other plans in the next issue of the ICB.

Boost chess in Illinois! Play in a tournament at your club this month! Play in an Illinois tournament, an ICA sponsored event, like the U.S. Amateur. Chess needs you!

The editor extends thanks to the many Illinois and out of state readers who expressed compliments on our last issue in general and our feature article commemorating Paul Tautvaisas. We are indeed appreciative of your cards and letters--and "in person" comments.

What's New

at St Charles

Chess made the front page in the St. Charles Chronicle,s supplement "Our Towns" last March 4. Frv Sedlock has put chess in the front row in organizing a most successful 2nd Annual St. Charles Open. The event attracted 73 players and the local coverage was super--a great boost for chess in the west suburbs beyond the range of the immediate collar communities. Sedlock enriched the prize fund which was originally based on forty entries and added a 2nd and 3rd place award in each class.

Tied for first were veteran expert Dan Vasto, Paul Cripe, and Wayne Christensen. In Class A John Marconnet, Ray Satterlee, Jim Condron, and Phil Jarrett tied for top honors. Class B champs were V Medenis and Walter Henry. Chris Pop took top honors in Class C followed by Gary Ervin. The Class D prize was taken by Jeff Colwell, while eight others clustered for 2nd spot. First in Class E was Rick Diaz, tied by Tim Varga, Dick Fields, Dan Stewart, Joe Gold, and Jim Travis. Three players shared the Unrated prize: Dave Olsson, Jim Retych, and Dick Gillman.

This tournament is a result of solid club organization by Sedlock. His efforts have started to yield results: this year the site at the Baker Community Center is attracting weekly crowds each Thursday night. The nucleus at the club provides the basis for successful open tournaments. The next one at St. Charles will be on Aug. 29-30, the Fox Valley Open.

Coming in our next issue...full coverage of the Illinois Chess League Playoffs, with Hillside A, Homewood-Flossmoor C, Chessmates, and Hillside D competing in a three round playoff for the ICL Championship.

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A record 133 players competed in the 6th Hyde Park Open, Scholastic, and Ground Hog Swiss at the U of Chicago in February. Nine experts in the 45 player Open section made it the strongest HPO ever. Ed Friedman swept through his schedule with a clean 4-0 score; Albert Chow followed closely with 3½, granting a draw to Greg Fischer. Rahcom Ali took the B prize with 3-1.

Six sections and 43 players composed the Swiss; winners were Doyle Satterlee, Vic Swanson, Brenda Lawrence, and William Maloney.

The Scholastic drew 45 players and six teams. Adam Lief of Glencoe Central and Peter Klasek and Michael Giacobbe of Komarek were all rated over 1500, but the first place trophy went to Carl Walasek of Gower with 4-0; he edged Lief on tiebreak. Klasek took 3rd with 3½. Bornadette Reddick scored 3½ and took the trophy for top 6th grade. Team prizes went to Komarek (1st), Eisenhower (2nd), Carver (3rd) and Flinn (4th). Harold Winston organized all the events for the U of C Chess Club, assisted by Todd

Barro, Randy Facetti, and Rick Heyn. Finally, in the U of C Winter tourney Bill White, Ray Sinquefield, Jim Didinsky, and J Ramanathan all scored 3-1.

Chessmates Evanston

Tom Kirke reports a spectacular turnout at the Feb. '81 CHESSMATES tournament. So big was it, in fact, that the field had to be split, with some going to Northwestern University to hold a separate tourney. So many players turned up that extra tables and chairs from the Salvation Army (!) were borrowed and pressed into service to accomodate the crowd. Pete Stein served as TD for the overflow.

In Section I, held at Chessmates, 1st place was won by John Sullivan and John Buky. Both had 4-0 scores. Following with 2½ were Harold Winston, Todd Barre, Rahcom Ali. 35 players competed in this group.

Meanwhile, at Northwestern in Section II, 22 more players saw a deadheat between Ken Mohr and Al Chow, both with clear 3-0 scores. Ken Wallach and David Yuen followed closely with 2½.

Chessmates format of three rounds in one day is proving to be a great success. Consult your calendar for the over 1600 and under 1600 events which the Evanston club will host under the direction of Tom Kirke.

Lakeshore CC

Another indication that chess is on the upswing in the Chicago area is the formation of a new chess club at the Hotel Belmont on Chicago's northside. (See back page for ad.) Moving force behind this enterprise is Tom Howell. The club will meet on Wednesday evenings from 6 PM to midnight. We wish Tom Howell every success!

Peoria

Peoria has always been an active chess spot, but all indications are that tournament activity is increasing even more. The Peoria Chess League has just completed the first half of its league activity with Peoria Data leading the pack ahead of seven other teams. A season's end banquet is being planned.

The Peoria Winter Tornado attracted 42 players and ended in a tie between Chicagoans Alan Kornfeld and Mario Spinosa. A cluster of seven players tied for 3-9th with 3-1. Jack Kerr, a Washington newcomer, won the under 1500 prize. The event was directed by Bill Wilkinson.

Peoria tornados feature a guaranteed prize fund of \$175 and the Greater Peoria Open, scheduled for THIS MONTH, April 25-26, will have a guaranteed prize fund of \$1000. Peoria events are always well organized; they deserve state-wide support!

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Twenty-four players formed three octagons at Oak Park last month. Chuck Kramer and Tim Esposito paced the field with 3½ in the first group, while Catalino Reyes took top honors in Section B. In Section C Mike Lough finished on top with 4-0 Chris Musgrave directed.

CICL

The CICL heads into the home stretch in this, its 24th season of play. Division leaders are as follows: In the Near West Division The Western Electric Chargers hold a slim half point lead on second place Bell Telephone. The North Division top team is Teletype Knights; they boast a clean 8-0 score. The Excaliburs follow in 2nd. A tough race is developing in the Paw West Division, with Argonne Labs Rooks, Argonne Pawns, and Bell Telephone Royals neck and neck in first. Sears dominates the East Division, in first ahead of Alumni Central. A playoff schedule will follow the regular season's play. Interested in CICL activity for your industrial or commercial team? Call Gee Leong at Kemper Insurance (540-2233) for details. New teams are welcomed into the CICL each year. Gee will detail requirements for you.

Radio chess

WMCA Radio in NYC has come up with a unique chess promotion. GM Arthur Bisguier will face off against New York chessplayers on April 13 and every weekday thereafter over the airwaves. Listeners will call into the station and play Bisguier, giving him "only seconds to make his move". The program will continue for 20-30 days and air from 7 to 8 AM. Postcards will be solicited from chess fans who want to play against the GM. WMCA has issued a nationwide press release to promote the event.

K-K

The wire services carried brief announcements last month about the forthcoming Karpov-Korchnoi world championship match. The city of Merano, Italy will host the contest, sometime in September. The purse will be something short of \$500,000. More on this is expected soon.

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2 Nana's+1 Maya

Nana Toseliani and Nana Alexandria will play in the Women's Candidates Finals to determine the challenger to Maya Chiburdanidze, reigning world women's champion. Toseliani staged a dramatic comeback in her match with former champion Nona Gaprindashvili and Alexandria did the same versus Marta Litinskaya.

Put the Fun back into CHESS



"It was lots of work, cost me \$1500, but I had more fun than anyone--wait 'til next year!" The words of organizer Fred Gruenberg summed it all up for 127 players from Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, Michigan, and Missouri who came to the Morgan Park Methodist Church in March to play in a unique kind of chess tournament. It was an encore for Put the Fun Back into Chess, an event that won a lot of hearts, a lot of applause, and a lot of players eager for more of the same.

Last year Put Fun Back into Chess was a kind of experiment for organizer Fred Gruenberg. It worked. This year, in spite of a large scholastic tournament in Hillside which must have cost twenty or more players for PFBIC, the tournament was bigger and better than last year. A new kind of chess tournament has established itself as a mainstay in Chicago. Call it a "Volksturnier", if you will--a peoples' tournament. It is not master chess, although the games are hardfought and deadly serious, true. What it is, is--well, it's festive and joyful--and something that chess often isn't--FUN.

Fred Gruenberg began talking about the 1981 Put Fun Back into Chess tournament when the last game of last year's tournament was over. His plans included more than free lunch this time. His efforts concentrated on stimulating the interest of local businesses and merchants; he asked for--and got--their support in the form of donations of gifts which in turn were raffled to chessplayers before each round--everything from carving sets, cheese trays, books, desk sets, wallets, records, and ah yes! black gold--gasoline certificates for a free fill-up! Not too strangely, the winner of this choice item was a player who had traveled from Davenport, Iowa. More than seventy gift-prizes were raffled--and the crowd loved it.

The big winner in this year's PFBIC tournament was Soviet emigre Leonid Kaushansky. This marks the second important event Kaushansky has won in recent months, and it looks like the young man is

ready to provide a serious challenge to Senior Master Leonid Bass for Chicago area supremacy. Kaushansky won over C Underwood, A Silverberg, Bob Bain, L Dripps, and Dave Rubin. For his efforts he took home \$300 first prize. In second was tournament favorite Leonid Bass. He took a draw on the chin in round one in an exciting game versus A Bolda. Tied with Bass were C Enriquez and J Sage, each of whom earned \$109

It was not a successful weekend for some hefties--Dick Verber took it on the chin in round 3 when W Christensen pressed home for the point. Expert Al Chow saw some of his hard earned rating points slip away when he suffered losses to Paul Segegin (1822), J Peterson (1561) and J Dotson (1853). Master Ken Mohr ceded a point to Class A player H Hoisington.

The Class A prize went to Pete Stein, A Silverberg, H Hoisington, and M Flynn--a four way tie. N Balleza and M Johnson split the Class B prize, while in Class C a

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D Mele, M Holmes, P Steele, and D Shun Wing Yuen shared top honors. The Class D Prize went to D DePen and M Nisevich while Class E/Umr. went to M Tucibat.

In the playing field of 127 were twenty experts and masters, including top Illinois woman player Lucy Guysinsky. Lucy was especially lucky in winning the first prize item in the raffle, a three piece indoor-outdoor patio set of table and chairs valued at \$125 and donated by the manufacturer from Goshen, Indiana.

Fred Gruenberg set out to present a tournament that would be unique in more ways than one. No byes, for example! A cadre of volunteers (including this editor who was pressed into service in round 2!) were on hand to provide a game should an uneven number develop. Fred, his son and assistant Guy were on the scene for this purpose, and it proved workable. "The biggest problem was that some 60 pounds of corned beef was delivered to the church uncooked. We spent until midnight Friday cooking corned beef. The church smelled like a kosher deli....," said Fred.

It turned out that the understanding minister was impressed with the crowd, nevertheless. "Especially quiet and cordial players," minister Martin Deppe was heard to say...And that's good news, especially in light of some past sad occurrences.

So 60 pounds of corned beef later--as well as 35 pounds of potato salad, fourteen loafs of bread, six dozen rolls, eight jello molds, ten pounds of cheese, and 750 cups of coffee...the Longwood Methodist Church in Chicago's south side Morgan Park neighborhood would get back to normal. Fred Gruenberg, RAE Products and Chemical Corp., Fred's son Guy, TD Bob Lauson, and helpers galore had put together a remarkably successful and colorful event.

Fred already has the drawing board in motion for the 1982 version of PTFNIC. Improved lighting in the main room, more excitement than ever, and lots of chess.

Gruenberg has brought a "Volksturnier" to Chicago!

POSTAL CHESS NEWS

Helen Warren

We run crosstables this issue for Sections ICA-2, 3, and 5; no results have yet come in for sections 1, 4, and 6. We remind you to report in timely fashion. In Section 6 LaRose replaces Smith.

The following game is from HO ICA-3 with notes by the winner.

D TAYLOR-BENDER Smith-Morra

1 P-K4 P-K4 2 P-Q4 PXP 3 P-QB3 PXP 4 NXP N-QB3 5 N-B3 P-G B-QB4 P-K4 7 O-O B-K2 8 O-E2 N-B3 9 P-B1 P-K4 10 R-K3 11 QR-B1 P-N5 (All back so far; this is a common position in the Smith-Morra.) 12 P-KR3 B-K3? (If Black intended this move he should have made it on move 11.) 13 P-QN4 NKNP?!! (The main book line is 15...Bd8 14 Qd8 B-N1 15 Q-B8. This move, combined with the next two, was apparently an attempt to liquidate the tension in the center and then try to win with the extra pawn.) 14 NXP Q-R4 15 R-B3 P-Q4 (Don't plan an immediate note.) 16 PXP N/5xP 17 B-Q2! This is apparently the only way to hold on an advantage. White capitalizes on the pin of the White Queen on the Black King Bishop.) 17...NxB 18 BxN Q-R6 (Another possible line is 18...Bd8 18 Qd8 and White has the advantage.) 19 BxB PxB 20 QxP+ K-R1 21 N-K5 (Not 21 N-B2? P-KR3 defends for Black.) 21...B-B4 (A good try; the line is good for a draw unless White finds the correct continuation.) 22 N-R7+ K-N1 23 K-N5+ K-R1 24 Q-B5! (A difficult move to find, moving the Queen to the same file as the Black Rook. The threat of mate on P7, however, pins Black's Knight.) 24...P-KR3 (24...Bd8 would be a good try for Black, but White just plays 25 K-R1! P-KR3 26 Bd8 Nd7 Bd1+ and wins.) 25 BxN PxB (Again, if 25...Bd8 26 K-R1) 26 BxP+ KxB 27 QxP+ K-R1 28 BxB R-B2 29 Q-R6+ Resigns (The follow-up would have been: 29...R-R8 30 Q-B6+ R-N8 31 R-Q7.)

PLAYERS	80 ICA 2	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1 MUSGRAVE					1		1/2	1
2 HAUMANN								
3 K TAYLOR					1			
4 LADD	0		0			0		
5 FAWBUSI					1			
6 TOMAS	1/2							
7 LEGG	0							

PLAYERS	80 ICA-3	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1 SWANSON						1/2		1
2 D TAYLOR				1	1/2	1		
3 EILENWOOD			0			0		
4 BERRY			1/2					
5 BENDER	1/2	0	1					1
6 O'HEARN								
7 ZACATE	0					0		

EARLY BIRD ANNOUNCEMENT...The ICA will sponsor its 2nd Annual Postal Championship with same format as the 1980 version, and will announce details in our next issue. Starting date is expected to be October 15, 1981.

PLAYERS	80 ICA-5	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1 O'KEEFE				0			1	0
2 NOMURA							1	
3 SOGIN		1				1/2	1	0
4 HARRIS							1	
5 BARNACH			1/2				1	
6 STEIN	0	0	0	0	0			0
7 JUST	1		1				1	

USCF commentary

TIM REDMAN



It's the season for USCF elections again, that triennial event which pumps adrenalin into federation pundits throughout the country. Five of seven policy board seats are contested this year, so the outcome of these elections will determine to a large extent the course taken by the USCF for the next three years. A new President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Member-At-Large will be chosen in July; they will take office at the close of the August meeting of the USCF Delegates. Over the next three months the federation electorate, the approximately 340 Voting Members appointed by state associations and apportioned according to the number of USCF members in each state, will be inundated with campaign material from the various hopefuls, and will make a choice which will have a profound impact upon the future of our federation. I'll talk about the candidates shortly, but first some recent news.

The policy board met in Tempe, Arizona a few weeks ago. Among the items discussed was the ever controversial topic of selection criteria for USCF invitational championships and international team events. The following proposals received unanimous approval. That selection criteria be based solely upon published information available four months prior to the event, be applied uniformly for all national and international events for which the USCF offers invitations, and be based upon a ranking of players determined by the arithmetic mean of the player's peak published USCF rating and his or her most recently published rating (at the time of selection). It was agreed further that the order of selection would imply board order for international events, except where changed by unanimous consent of the players involved, and that invitations would be offered only to players who have played at least ten games spanning two USCF rated events in the calendar year preceding the selection date. The latter criterion was designed to encourage activity on the part of our strongest players. Although some might find these regulations technical and boring (as I do), we can all recognize the need for a constant, uniform, and predictable standard, known well in advance (they will go into effect January 1, 1982). Credit for this work must go to the selection criteria committee, composed of George Cunningham, Jerry Hanken, and Myron Lieberman.

George Koltanowski reported on the work of the Chess Hall of Fame committee, chaired by David Wolford, to which he is the policy board liaison. A great deal of progress has been realized by the committee and the board allocated \$1,000 to begin putting its plans into operation. The Hall of Fame, a brainchild of Koltv, will be located at the Business Office in New Windsor, NY, and will consist of a museum with memorabilia, exhibits, etc. Eventually, we hope that it will move into its own permanent building.

George Cunningham presented the financial report, reviewed by our accountants. The half-year statement, for the period July 1 to December 31, 1980, showed the federation to be in good financial health. We recently decided to pay the outstanding balance of \$35,000 on the computer loan, saving the federation thousands in interest charges. Compared with the statement ending one year previously (December 31, 1979) the federation under this administration has realized an improvement in working capital, considered by most accountants to be the most significant measure of financial position, of almost \$100,000 in the last year.

The U.S. Junior Championship was awarded to the Arizona Chess Association, to be held July 12-21 at the Scottsdale Mall Doubletree Inn. The first U.S. Senior Championship for players fifty and over has also been awarded to Arizona. It will be held June 8-12 in Sun City, in metropolitan Phoenix, and will be co-sponsored by the USCF and Del Webb Development Corporation (DevCo). Congratulations to Myron Lieberman for his initiative in these important areas of chess promotion.

The Board created a Rulebook Revision Committee for the purpose of drafting a new rulebook. Bill Abbott was named chairman. Larry Paxton was named as the new chairman of the Tournament Direction Committee, after the resignation of Denis Barry due to ill health. I will now return to federation politics, which some have anticipated and some dreaded.

It appears that two groups will be running against each other for the four federation officers' positions. As is classically the case in USCF politics, these two groups can be described as the "ins" versus the "outs", or the incumbents vs the non-incumbents. The incumbents will be running on their records, for a continuation of the current progress of the USCF. The "outs" will run a negative campaign, to change the course of the federation.

Let anyone mistake me for an uninterested commentator, let me hasten to state that I decided to run for USCF President, as an incumbent. Also running as incumbents will be George Cunningham for USCF Vice-President, Susan Benoit for USCF Secretary, and Myron Lieberman for USCF Treasurer. Whatever disagreements we have had and may continue to have about some details of federation policy, the incumbents are running as a group that has worked well together in the past, and will do so in the future.

Running together as the "outs" appear to be Tony Cottell of Woodridge, NJ for President, Joe Lux of Ridgewood, NY for Secretary, and Fred Townsend of Weathersfield, Connecticut for Treasurer. They are reportedly still seeking someone to run against George Cunningham for Vice-President.

Three candidates are running for the Member-at-Large post: Thad Rogers of Georgia, Bob Tanner of Utah, and Phil Chase of California. Also running for Secretary is Bob Karch of Washington state. At the time of this writing all are running as independents. Since these various races are important to the future course of the federation, I will try to keep you informed of them in the forthcoming issues of the Illinois Chess Bulletin.

FROM THE GRAPEVINE...TIGRAN PETROSIAN will be in the U.S. for approximately six months starting in July, touring... GERRY DULLEA reports that with the help of USCF member RUDOLPH NEUSS of Newburgh he has raised \$25,000 from FIDELITY ELECTRONICS for the next U.S. Championship. FVV FIDELITY is all I can say. ROBERT BYRNE will cover the next world championship match between Karpov and Korchnoi for Chess Life reports editor FAIRFIELD HORAN, a coup for those of us who believe Bob to be one of the finest chess writers ever. Unfortunately the New York Times has cut his column from three to two appearances per week, a loss both to the Times and the chess world.

SCHOLASTIC CHESS

William Harris

Proviso West convincingly demonstrated their superiority over the other teams at the 1st Aurora Invitational, a four round high school team tournament held on February 14. Demolishing three of the four teams that tied for second (closest score: 17½-7½!), Proviso coasted to a well-deserved first place with a perfect score of 4-0.

Four teams tied for second with three points. Bradley-Bourbonnais got the luck of the tiebreaks and took home the second place trophy. Although they did not demolish their opponents like Proviso did, they kept up with Proviso until their disastrous 19-6 last round loss to the eventual champs.

Rantoul took third place, and like Bradley, their only defeat came at the hands of Proviso. Although they fared better against Proviso than the other teams, better was not enough, as they lost 17½-7½. Lincoln Way was fourth and Evanston was fifth.

Bradley-Bourbonnais took first place honors in the Rock Island Boulder Dash, a four round event held on Feb. 28. Bradley took solo possession of first as early as round two and finished a point and a half ahead of a four team tie for second. Bradley scored 18½ out of a possible 20 points, but since this was hardly a strong event, this tourney was not a serious test of Bradley's strength.

The struggle for second was a lot more exciting than the fight for first. West Aurora and Bettendorf were tied after the third round, a point ahead of Sherrard, North Boone, and Rock Island "A". But West Aurora lost to Bradley and Bettendorf bowed to Sherrard, while Rock Island was taking North Boone. Tiebreaks broke the resulting four-team tie in Sherrard's favor. West Aurora was third, Bettendorf came in fourth, and Rock Island A was fifth.

Individual winners:

- Board 1: Dennis DeCoste (Bradley, 4; Tim Welsh (Bettendorf) and Bozorg Safrang (ElPaso) with 3.
 Board 2: John Hansa (Bradley); Scott Johnson (Bettendorf) with 3½ and Rich Yeater (Rock Island "A") with 3
 Board 3: Paul Ruby (West Aurora), 3½; Will Parks (Ottawa) and Dan Magro (Bradley) with 3.
 Board 4: Delmar Fuhrman (Bradley), 4; Jack Carran (Sherrard) and Jon Tweet (Rock Island "B"), 3
 Board 5: Rich McClain (Bradley), 4; Greg Stamp (Amboy) and Dennis Mann (Sherrard) with 3

Bradley also won the J-V section with a 4-0 score. Rock Island was second on t/b over West Aurora, both with 2½. J-V individual winners were Mike McClain (Bradley), Keith Taylor (Bradley), Rob Grossman (W Aurora), R Anderson (No. Boone) and Keith Mauer (Bradley), on first through fifth boards respectively.

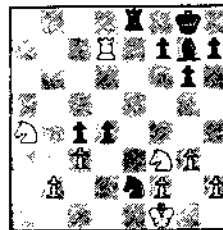
The following upset was played at the 6th Hyde Park Open on Feb. 8. The winner J W Smith, commented, "My best game in the tournament."

SMITH (1635) AOURRI (1900) Colle System

1 d4 Nf6 2 Nf3 g6 3 e3 (The introductory move of the Colle System. Although it looks passive, a well-timed e4 followed by a K-side attack can break havoc on an unprepared Black position. If Black is prepared for e4, however, he should be able to come out of the opening with a good position.) 3...Bg7 4 Bd3 O-O 5 O-O d5 (...d6 and ...e5 is another system of defence which tries to negate the effects of e4 entirely.) 6 Nbd2 Nbd7 7 c3 e5 8 Qe2 c4?! (...c4 in Colle-type openings needs to be considered

very carefully. Sometimes it turns out to be the spearhead of a powerful Q-side attack. More often it simply relieves the pressure on White's center and becomes a weakness itself.) 9 Bc2 b5 10 e4 Nb6 11 Rc1 Nh5 12 exd5?! (Although this move activates the Knight and exposes the pawn on e4, it gives Black a beautiful Knight outpost on d5.) 12...Nxd5 13 Ne4 Re8? (Black should have played Rh8 or a6 to avoid the following awkward Bishop move.) 14 a4 Ba6 15 Nc5 Qd6 16 axb5?! (This exchange should have been delayed. 16 Bd2, for example, does not prevent White from playing axb5 in the future, and keeps Black wondering about White's plan.) 16...Bxb5 17 Bd2 Nh4 18 Bxf4 Kxf4 19 Qd1 Bc6 (Trying for...e5 which if played immediately is countered by Ne4.) 20 Ba4 Nxa4 21 Rxa4 Rab8? (This should lose material.) 22 Qc2 Qd5 23 Rxa7 e5 24 Rd7? (84 Naf, with the double threat of Nxb8 and Ne7, wins another pawn; 24 Naf Nhd8 25 Ne7 Qd7 26 Qa1 Qxa4 27 Naa4 Re7 28 Rcc7 Re8 29 Nf5!) 24...Qc6 (And now White cannot retain the extra pawn due to the dangling Knight and Rook.) 25 Qa4 Qxa4 26 Nxa4 exd4 27 Rxe8+ Rxc8 28 g3 Ne2+ 29 Kf1

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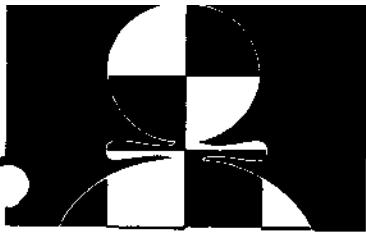
SMITH

Position after 29 Kf1

29...d3? (With 29...dxc4 30 hxc3 Ncc3 31 Nnc3 Bcc3 32 Pe7 Ne4 33 Ng6 White regains material equality and a draw is likely. Black was obviously playing for a win.) 30 Nd2! (And now Black is lost. The advanced pawns that looked so wonderful just a move ago say the strength from his position. The e-pawn is lost. The d-pawn, which looked like a strong protected passed pawn, is securely blockaded and under constant attack.) 30...Ra8 31 Nb6 Ra1+ 32 Kq2 Rd1 33 Nbx4 Ne1 (And Black's rook maneuver has not helped. Now both his Knight and Rook are immobilized.) 34 Rd8+ Bf8 35 Nf1 f6 36 Ncd2 Kf7 37 b4 (Decisive. Black can't stop the pawns without losing more material.) 37...Rh6 38 f4 g5 39 Kf3 gxh4 40 gxf4 Kq6 41 Rd5 Bf8 42 b5 Ba3 (The last desperate attempt.) 43 b6 Re1 44 Ne3 (Not even allowing Black to sacrifice a piece for the pawn.) 44...Re2 45 b7 Rd2 46 b8(Q) Rxb2 47 Qg8+ Kh6 and Black resigned.

Summary of ICA Officers Meeting, 2/1/81 submitted by ICA Secretary, Tom Kirke

Results of the last ICA election were submitted by Mike Zacate and Walter Brown. Results were: President: Chris Musgrave 30, with three votes cast for Bill Wilkinson, Harold Winston, and Tim Redman (one each); V-P: Helen Warren: 31 votes, with two write-ins, one for Newton Berry and one for Harold Winston; Downstate V-P: Bill Wilkinson: 31 votes, with write-ins for Newton Berry and H Winston; Secretary: Tom Kirke received 32 votes with one write-in for Bill Smythe; Treasurer: Jim Warren received 31 votes, with one write-in for David Sprenkle. The treasurer reported bank and checking balances and expressed interest into converting some funds into a NOW account. Discussion on the US Amateur followed. The TD made a report of ICA Postal tournament with plans for the 1981 event. Discussion on the ICA picnic and banquet followed. The editor submitted her budget for 1981 which was approved. A search committee to secure a new editor for 1982 was appointed composed of Musgrave, Thomas, Verber, Winston, and H Warren. The secretary was asked to design and implement a form for ICA membership/subscriptions. Discussion on a proposed ICA questionnaire followed. Next Board of Directors meeting was set for April 12, 1 PM at the Palmer House with an officers' meeting to be held at noon.



THE KING'S INDIAN

by John Watson, IM

MAIN LINE WITH: 7...Nbd7

The King's Indian Defence becomes more exciting every year. It also becomes harder to cover; Geller's recent two-volume survey of 4 e4 and g3 systems, for example, has huge gaps and woefully inadequate coverage of even major systems. If one of the true fathers of the King's Indian has such difficulties, the subject must be getting out of hand!

Increasingly, then, theoreticians must turn to specialized treatments. In this article, I propose to examine a key variation of the "Main line" 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nc3 Bg7 4 e4 d6 5 Be2 O-O 6 Nf3 e5 7 O-O, namely 7...Nbd7.



This used to be the most popular choice for Black, before the "modern" 7...Nc6 captured the imaginations of leading players. That line, after years of vicissitudes, remains unresolved, but a number of lengthy, forcing lines have been analyzed to such depth that games with 7...Nc6 are becoming more and more a matter of home preparation. Consequently, interest in the ...Nbd7 system has been revived, owing in part to the example of several East German players, notably Knaak, Vogt, and Mohring.

What are the advantages of 7...Nbd7 over 7...Nc6? In the first place, Black 'saves' a tempo, since the Knight must not move again after 8 d5. Moreover, if that advance occurs, Black obtains the natural post c5 for his Knight, overlooking the center. If White refuses to push his d-pawn, the second player can often create pressure by ...e4 and ...Nc5, coupled with ...Re8, ...a5, and perhaps ...c6 and ...d5.

The disadvantages stem from the same considerations. 7...Nbd7 does not attack d4 as 7...Nc6 does; hence White can profitably delay or even forego advancing in the center. Often, the method by which Black 'forces' White into playing d5 (e.g. ...Re8) results in his pieces being cramped and ineffective thereafter. I will note in advance that recent ideas for Black tend to be based on sharp tactical strokes rather than slow positional play; in this way White's space advantage is directly challenged.

There is material for a 300-page book on 7...Nbd7, so I am writing primarily (but not entirely) from the Black point of view, i.e. recommending a repertoire for the defender. Most of the references can be found in the Encyclopedia E or Informants, but I have added some little-known games and have emphasized independent analysis as the salvation from unrelieved game comparison.

From the diagram, White has these approaches:

- A 8 b3
- B 8 Rb1
- C 8 h3
- D 8 Qc2
- E 8 Be3
- F 8 d5
- G 8 Re1

A 8 b3

Seldom seen, as White not only fails to develop, but forfeits the possibility of b4 in one jump.

8... Re8

To compel 9 d5, but Pachman's 8...c6!? is also attractive, e.g. 9 Ba3 Re8! and 10 Bxd6? ed 11 Nxd4 Nxc4 or 10 d5 c5= (e.g. 11 b4 b6 12 Qd4 cb 13 Bxb4 Nc5 14 Bxc5 dc).

9 d5 Nc5
10 Qc2

Simplest on 10 Nd2 is 10...Bh6, a standard idea to rid Black of his bad bishop in anticipation of a simplified struggle (11 Qc2 a5 12 Nb3 Bxc1=) Alternatively, 10...a5 and 11...c6 should also suffice.

10... a5

"-" (Encyclopedia). 11 11 Rb1??, 11...Nfxe4! 12 Nxe4 Nxe4 13 Qxe4 Bf5 etc.

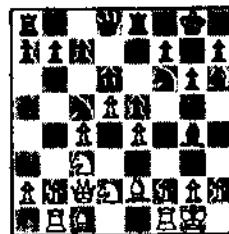
B 8 Rb1 Re8

8...a5 is a more interesting reply, leading after 9 Re1 c6 to G below. But 8.. ed?! 9 Nxd4 Re8 10 f3 c6 11 Bg5 of Furman-Vasykov, USSR Ch 1959 favors White slightly.

9 d5 Nc5
10 Nd2

Again, not 10 Qc2?? Nfxe4!

10... Bh6
11 Qc2 Bg4!?



11...a5= is simpler, but the text has the tactical point that 12 f3 Bc3ch 13 Kh1 Bd7 is very nice for Black, e.g. 14 b4? Nh5! 15 g3 (15 bc? Qh4) 15...Qg5! 16 g4 (16 bc Nxc3ch) 16.. Qh4 17 gxh5 Bf4 etc. Instead, Najdorf-Schweber, Buenos Aires 1958 saw 12 Bxg4 Nxg4 with approximate equality.

C 8 h3 ed

Simplest. White's h3 is often an encouragement for Black to exchange on d4, since ...Nc5, ...Re8 etc. will force either f3, when White's K-side has holes (...Nh5), or Bf3, when White blocks his own f-pawn. 8...c6 9 Be3 ed 10 Bxd4 Re8 is likewise equal.

9 Nxd4 Nc5

Or 9...Re8 10 Bf3 Nc5 = Rabazza-Ivkov, Lima 1959.

10 Bf3

10 f3 Nh5+, intending ...Ng3 (11 Kh2 Qh4).

11 Re1 a5
12 Bf4 Nfd7

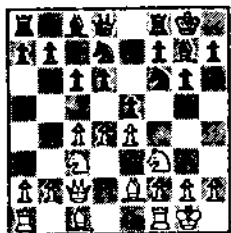
With full equality, since ...Ne5 is next, Heinicke-Engels, Aachen 1934.

D 8 Qc2

As opposed to 8 b3, 8 Rb1, and 8 h3, 8 Qc2 is an extremely popular continuation which can lead to great complications. Defending the e-pawn, White anticipates either Be3 or Rd1, as well as preparing a timely d5.

8... c6

Rest, I think. White has a fine position after 8...ed 9 Nxd4 Re8 (9...Nc5 10 Nb3±) 10 Rdl (the same as 8... Re8 9 Rdl ed 10 Nxd4) 10...Nc5 11 Nb3 Nfd7 12 Be3, and 8...a5 9 Rdl! is awkward.



Here two moves are critical:

D1 9 Be3
D2 9 Rdl

9 d5! led to advantage for White in one game after 9...c5! 10 Rbl Nh5 (10...Nc8!?) 11 g3 Nb6! 12 b4 cb 13 Rxb4±. One reasonable reply is 9...a5 intending 10 Be3 Ng4 or 10 Rdl Qc7 (see D2: 9 Rdl Qc7!?). Another is the immediate 9...Qc7(!), e.g. 10 b3? cd 11 Nb5 (11 cd Nxe4) 11...Qb6 12 cd Nc5 13 Nd2 Rd7 and ...Rfc8. On 9...Qc7 10 Rbl Nh5 11 Be3 (11 b4? Nxe4!) 11...Ng4 12 Bxc5 dc is equal.

D1 9 Be3 Ng4

The standard idea; else comes Rad1, Rfel, h3 etc...

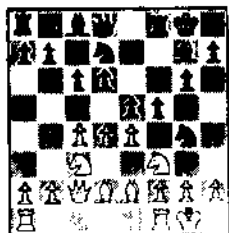
10 Bg5 f6
11 Bd2

After 11 Bh4, Black should protect the Q-side with 11...a5!, transposing to E2 below, rather than acquiesce by 11...Nh6 12 del de 13 b4 Qc7 14 a3 Nf7 15 c5 Rc8 16 Nd2± Ivkov-Janosevic, Wijk aan Zee 1970.

11... f5(!)

Black tries to solve all his problems in one thrust, and indeed, this seems possible. Another, untried solution might be simply 11...ed 12 Nxd4 Nc5, e.g. 13 b4 f5! (or 13...Ne6) 14 Bxg4 Bxd4 15 ef Qh4 16 Bh3 Rxf5! or 13 Nb3 Qe7.

The text is sharper.



12 ef?!

The alternatives are crucial:

(a) 12 de Ndx5 13 Nxe5 (13 h3 Nxf3ch 14 Bxf3 Ne5 15 Be2 f4 ±) 13...Bxe5 14 Bxg4 (14 h3 Qh4!) 14...fg± (Plachotka). Black has two Bishops and attacking chances along the f-file.
(b) 12 Bg5 Bf6 13 Bxf6 Qxf6 and Plachotka gives 14 de Ndx5 15 Nxe5 Qxc5 16 Bxg4 fg±. 14 ef!? is also interesting: 14...gf (14...ed? 15 Ne4) 15 de de 16 Rad1 (intending b4 and c5) 16...Kh8 = with ...Rg8 and perhaps...e4 to come.
(c) 12 Ng5! has the idea 12...Qe7? 13 gf gf 14 Bxg4, so Black should play 12...Ndf6! 13 de (13 ef Bxf5) 13...de 14 ef ef, e.g. 15 h3 Nh6 16 f4 Qb6ch 17 Kh1 e4 18 Na4 Qc7 19 c5 Nd5.

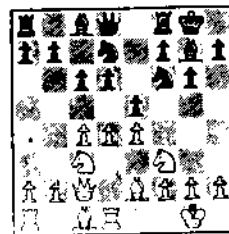
12... ed!
13 Nxd4

13 Ne4 gf 14 Nxd6 Nc5!± (Plachotka)

13... Bxd4
14 Bxg4 Ne5
15 Bh3 Qh4!

With a powerful K-side attack. Mohring-Plachotka, Trnava 1979 continued 16 Nc2 Bb6 17 Bf4 (protecting c4) 17...Bxf5 18 Bxf5 Rxf5 19 Qb3 Bc5!± threatening ...Raf8 with decisive effect. Ironically, Mohring has been a powerful advocate of Black's system...At any rate, it seems that 11 Bd2 f5 is sufficient for Black, so 11 Bh4 a5 (see E2) should be investigated.

D2 9 Rdl



This Rook transfer is steadily gaining in popularity. Since, as we shall see, the traditional remedies to 7...Nbd7 have lost much of their force in the past few years, someone looking for a White system might do well to pause here.

9... Qe7

Played almost exclusively, but I'm not convinced it's best. True, 9...Qb6? 10 h3 (intending 11 Be3) is not attractive, but there are two alternatives:

9...Re8!± tries to commit White. Then 10 de de 11 Na4 Bg1? 12 b4 gave White a slight edge in Garcia-Petrosian, Banja Luka 1979, but 11...Qc7 12 c5 Nf8 intending ...Bg4 and/or ...Ne6 seems better. Probably 10 d5 gives the best chances, since 10...c5 11 a3 leaves the rook misplaced on e8, and 10...Qc7 11 Be3!± may be ± (11...cd? 12 cd Nc5 13 Nb5! 11...Ng4 12 Rd2; 11...a5 12 Nd2).

With these ideas in mind, I tried 9...Qc7!± versus Ivanov (New York, 1981). Now on 10 d5, 10...a5 looks good: 11 Bb1 (11 h3 Nc5) 11...cd 12 cd Nc5 13 Nd2 (13 Nb5 Qe7 14 Nd2 Nfxe4!± 15 Nxe4 Nxe4 16 Qxe4 Rf5) 13...a4 or 13...Bd7 with a fine game. And 10 h3!± can be answered simply 10...Re8 11 d5 (else ...cd) 11...cd 12 cd Nc5 13 Nd2 Bd7, whereas the slow 10 h3 runs into 10...Re8 11 Ba3 (11 d5 cd 12 Nb5 Qb8 13 cd Nc5 14 b4 Nxe5 15 Ne7 Bf5 16 Nxe8 Qxe8 gave Black obvious compensation in Lange-Lieb, 1962) 11...cd 12 Nxd4 Nc5= (13 Nbd5? cb 14 Nxb5 Qc6!).

So Ivanov tried (9...Qc7:) 10 Rbl(!) a5 (I feared 10...Re8 11 b4, but there is room for investigation here) 11 b3?! (11 de de 12 Na4 seems slightly better for White) 11...Rc8 12 d5? (12 de, but now Black has 12...de 13 Na4 b6 intending ...Bf8) 12...cd 13 Nb5 (13 cd? Nxe4) 13...Qb8 14 Ba3 (14 cd Nc5 15 Nd2 Nfxe4!±--or 15...Bd7, intending ...Rec8, ...Bh6 etc.--16 Nxe4 Nxe4 17 Ne7 Nc5!) 14...Nxe4 15 Rxd5 Nd6! 16 Nxd6 Nxd6 17 Bxd6 Bf5 18 Bd3 Nxd5! (18...Qd8 19 Bxf5 Nxd5 20 Be4!± is more difficult) 19 Bxb8 Nb4 20 Qx1 Bxd3 21 Bd6 (21 Rcl Raxb8 22 a3 Na2) 21...e4(±) 22 Ne1 Nxa2 23 Nxd3 Nc3 and Black was winning.

So there is plenty to think about aside from 9...Qe7.

10 d5!

This is critical. Theory has preferred 10 Rbl, but in Reykjavik 1978 Olafsson discovered an improvement versus Smejkal which fully justifies Black's play: 10 Rbl ed! (10...Re8 11 d5 c5 compares very poorly with the text after 12 a3 or 12 Nel Nh5 13 g3!) 11 Nxd4 Nc5 12 f3 Nh5! (12...a5? 13 Be3± or 13 Bf1±) 13 Bf1 (13 g4 Be5!--or 13...Nf6 intending ..h5--14 gxh5 Bxh2ch 15 Kxh2 Qh4ch=; 13 b4 Ne6 14 Be3 f5! or 14 Nxe6 Bxe6 15 f4 f5! analysis based on that by Krnice) 13...f5! 14 b4 (14 ef? Bxd4ch 15 Rxd4 Bxf5±) 14...fe! 15 bxc5 dxc5 16 Nde2 ef 17 qf Rxf3 18 Qe4 (18 Ng2 Bf5=) 18...Qf8 19 Bg5? (19 Rb2 Krnice) 19...Rxc3! 20 Be7 (20 Rb8 Bf5±) 20...Nf6! with a winning position.

10... c5

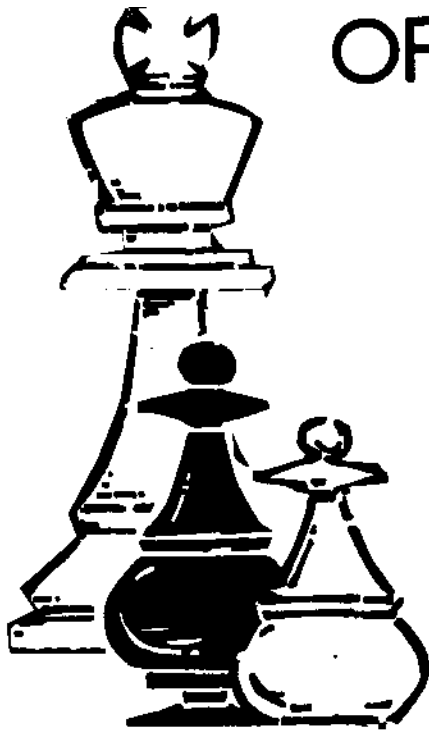
Probably best. After e.g. 10...a5 11 Rbl cd (11...Nc5 12 Be3!) 12 cd Nc5 13 Be3 (threatening Bxc5 in many lines) 13...b6 14 Nd2, White is better, as a3 and b4 follows.

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Musgrave: etching a record of achievement

Chris Musgrave's ascendancy to the presidency of the Illinois Chess Association has been remarkably quiet and swift. In a state organization where targets, attacks, pins, sacrifices, threats and counterattacks are not always limited to the chess board, Chris has engraved an amazingly uncontroversial record. And he's done it quickly. For up until four years ago, he wasn't even involved with organized chess.

Taught the game by his father at age six, Chris was content to roll unsuspecting patzers till 1977. That's when he decided to seek stronger competition. A native of Oak Park for 28 of his 29 years, Musgrave naturally checked out the local club. It was small. With the Fischer boom past, the Oak Park Chess Club had dwindled to a membership of five or six by '77. Today thanks in large measure to Musgrave's industrious efforts, that club is the state's largest, with a membership of 78.

In addition to building up the Oak Park Chess Club Chris authored a local chess column (for six months) and taught chess--to adults at the Lighted Schoolhouse, and to children at Longfellow Grammar School.

He also helped organize and direct 16 tournaments, including Master Challenge (I and II), the '79 U.S. Open, the 1980 Heraldica Imports, the '80 Illinois Class Championships, the '80 Industrial Chess League Tornado, and a number of Oak Park events. The Master Challenge, a Musgrave brainchild, has already established itself as one of Illinois' most significant tournaments. It drew 119 contestants in '79 and 122 in '80, not to mention many of the Midwest's top masters.

Chris has also staged some impressive simultaneous exhibitions, featuring such masters and GM's as Arthur Bisquier, George Koltanowski, Richard Verber, Sheldon Gelbart, and Andrew Karklins.

In his rapid rise through the ranks, Musgrave served as an alternate voting member (USCF) in 1978, attaining full voting status a year later. During the 1979-80 season, the Oak Park engraver served as director of the Illinois Chess League. In '80, he was voted vice-president of the ICA and also took on tournament clearinghouse duties for the Chicago area. And in '81, he has become ICA president and a delegate to the USCF.

Musgrave's progress over the board has also been noteworthy. Entering his first tournament in '77, he took the top unrated award at a Chess Center event. In '79 Chris placed second in an Oak Park Tuesday Swiss, going 5-1. He tied for second in the 1980 and '81

Groundhog Swiss at the University of Chicago, a result he matched in the 1980 Oak Park Club Championship. That same year he scored 4½-4 to finish first at a Gompers Park tourney. This year he has already pushed his USCF rating past the magical 2000 mark, posting a strong 5-0 to finish ahead of Steve Tennant, Greg Bungo, and John Marconnet in Hillside's 1981 Winter Tournament.

Here's a quiet Sicilian crush Chris authored at the expense of Leonard Jasiuwienas (1962) in the 1980 Illinois Class Championships:

MUSGRAVE-JASIUWIENAS 1 P-K4 P-QR4 2 P-QR3 P-Q4
3 PXP QXP 4 P-Q4 R-Q2 5 PXP QXP 6 B-K3 Q-R2 7 N-QR3
N-KB3 R-N5 BxN 9 BxB+ N-B3 10 Q-R4 P-K3 11 N-KB3 B-Q3
12 N-Q4 QR-B1 13 QXP O-O 14 BxN PxB 15 QxQ RxR 16 O-O
N-N5 17 P-KR3 B-R7+ 18 K-R1 NxB 19 PxN B-K4 20 P-QR4
R-QN1 21 R-R2 R2-R1 22 P-QR5 P-QB4 23 N-B3 B-Q3 24 R-Q1
R-B3 25 P-R6 K-B1 26 K-N1 K-K2 27 N-Q2 R-QR1 28 R1-QR1
K-Q2 29 N-B4 P-B3 30 K-B2 K-B2 31 K-K2 R-R2 32 R-R4
B-K2 33 K-Q3 K-N1 34 P-K4 R-Q2+ 35 K-K2 K-R2 36 N-R3
R-N3 37 N-B4 R-B3 38 R1-R2 R-B1 39 N-R3 K-N3 40 P-B4
K-R2 41 N-N5+ K-R1 42 P-R7 P-K4 43 R-R6 RxR 44 RxR B-K2
45 R-B6 R-Q1 46 R-B7 B-B1 47 P-KR4 P-KR4 48 R-KB7 and
Black resigns.

Musgrave reports he is now working on Master Challenge III which promises to be even bigger than its predecessors. Chris is also chairman of the U.S. Amateur Committee, a national event which will be co-sponsored by the USCF and the ICA.

WATSON, cont'd.

11 a3

Other moves seem similar, e.g. 11 Rb1 Nh5?! 12 g3 and now Informant suggests 12...Nhf6 and 13...Ne8 intending ...f5, but White is much better. 11 Rb1 Kh8! 12 a3 would transpose to the text, and here 11...Ne8! 12 Ne1 f5 13 f3 Bf6!? is interesting, e.g. 14 Bh6 Rf7 15 Qd2 (versus ...Bg5) 15...Bg7!? 16 Be3 f4 17 Bf2 h5 with the idea ...g5, probably + anyway. Finally, 11 Ne1 will very likely transpose, but should not be worse than 11 a3 or 11 Rb1.

11... Kh8!?

11...Ne8 12 Ne1 is the last note.

12 a3 Ng8
13 Ne1 f5
14 b4

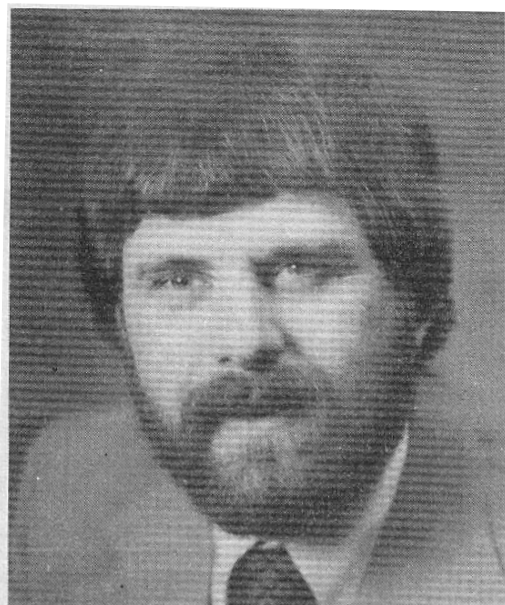
14 f3 Bh6 gives Black more chances on the dark squares with a timely ...Qg5.

14... Bh6
15 Nd3 Bxcl
16 Rdxcl b6

White is probably better, but it's not simple, e.g. 17 f3?! Qg5 or 17 bc Nxc5 = or 17 Qa4 Ndf6.

8 Qc2 c6 9 Rd1 needs more tests. I recommend looking into 9...Qc7 for double-edged play.

Part Two in this two-part series will appear in our next issue and will discuss F 8 Be3, F 8 Bc3, and G 8 Pe1



'Miracles' are generally predictable results of hard work. Executive Director Gerard Dullea is one of the significant reasons for the change in direction at USCF. His imagination, determination, and just plain hard work have made the difference in the way New Windsor looks at its membership. And that's one of the reasons why we, the membership, should welcome at long last the purchase of the building at USCF headquarters: it represents an investment in chess in this country for the future--and you and I as USCF members will bring this project to fruition with our support.

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Dear ICA Member,

Your editor, Helen Warren, has asked me to share with you some of my excitement about the way 1981 has started for American chess and what lies ahead for us. Naturally, I'm delighted to do so.

- The U.S. Championship has received major corporate support for the first time—from Fidelity Electronics.
- USCF's sales and inventory functions are being computerized to keep costs down for the future.
- Karpov and Korchnoi will meet in a rematch—almost certainly with TV coverage.
- We will host our first-ever FIDE Congress this July in Atlanta.
- The Chess in the Schools program has been revived and should be up to speed by the fall.
- Another national tournament goes to Illinois—the U.S. Amateur at Chicago's Palmer House over Memorial Day Weekend.
- USCF is buying its office building in New Windsor.

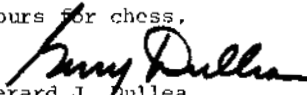
This last item might be the most important of all, because it has implications for the entire future of American chess. Now we make monthly payments in our own future instead of in someone else's.

To make the down payment and closing costs, we borrowed from capital and operating funds. This \$38,000 should be replaced if our various programs—and others on the drawing board—are to do all they should for American chess.

As a member of ICA and USCF, you're already a part of all this good news, but our Building Fund drive offers an excellent opportunity for you to become an even bigger, more meaningful part.

I hope you'll find a way to make a contribution and to urge your chess friends to join with us in this effort. Your fullest cooperation in this project will make 1981 the beginning of a great new era in American chess.

Yours for chess,


Gerard J. Dullea
Executive Director

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Election time

Three years ago at this time an oddsmaker might have hedged his bet on the future of the USCF. Indeed, even after the election of the current Policy Board, the discovery in Phoenix of a huge financial deficit and thereafter the mass resignation of the New Windsor office staff hardly combined to encourage members. The Policy Board of 1978 was elected to restore fiscal responsibility, services to the membership, and confidence in the future of the federation as a viable organization. Nobody was talking about growth three years ago; they were talking about "getting out of the woods", "making it over the IRS hurdle", "cutting cents here to save dollars there". That's behind us now. Firm action by the USCF delegates and equally firm implementation by the Policy Board combined to take USCF to the high road again.

Three of the individuals who made this dramatic change possible are running for re-election to the USCF Policy Board. Their names are familiar to you by now. Some 340 delegates and voting members will cast ballots this July to determine the direction USCF will take for the next three years.

TIM REDMAN is seeking the post of USCF president. He has served a valuable internship in his role as USCF vice-president. We in Illinois know Tim as an experienced TD; he has gained a national reputation as the "TD's TD" and is a FIDE arbiter. His voting record on the current PB is positive and constructive. He is pledged to membership growth for USCF—a MUST for the coming three years. The graphic improvements in Chess Life can be attributed to his input; it is the hope of this editor that he will continue his interest in improving the quality of content as well. There is much to do in this area. Redman has a capacity for hard work and the imagination to match the job. His administrative skills were tested and proven in the tough job of ICA president. He deserves the support of voting members.

GEORGE CUNNINGHAM has worked for the USCF during a difficult period of transition and financial pressure is well known by now. He served without pay for several months in the job of interim executive director at New Windsor. Under his aegis the federation moved to purchase the building at New Windsor, an investment for the future and a palpable testimony of our membership's commitment to chess. His experience will be invaluable for the next three years as vice-president.

MYRON LIEBERMAN has performed well in a job requiring command of detail and wide knowledge of the internal mechanism of the federation. He served in the workhorse position of USCF Secretary. He now seeks the office of USCF treasurer. He will bring a keen understanding of the financial requirements for present USCF projects and commitments and continuity in an area that is complex and critical. As secretary Lieberman included financial information and quarterly reports in each Policy Board Newsletter. No one has worked harder for the federation.

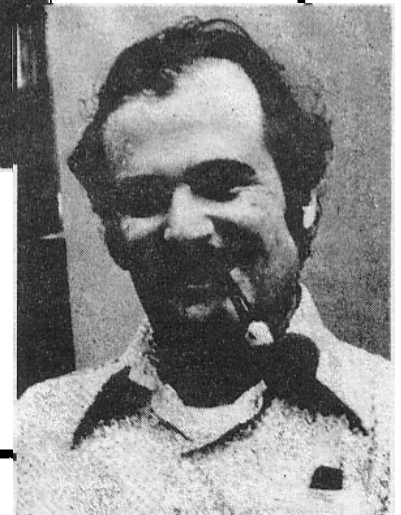
Two other positions will be filled by election this July: the Member-At-Large seat and the office of USCF Secretary. At the time of this writing, in the closing days of March, three candidates have entered petitions for the at-large seat, but only one of the three, Thad Rogers of Atlanta, has announced his candidacy to delegates. Others seeking the post (we hear) are Phil Chase of California and Robert Tanner of Salt Lake City. This race should be no contest; Rogers has the credentials and has actively sought the post. The post of USCF Secretary will be sought by several candidates, but none has yet sent announcement or position papers on issues to the voters: Robert Karch of Seattle, Susan Benoit (the current at-large PB member), and Joe Lux of New York. Contesting for the



Tim Redman



George Cunningham



Myron Lieberman

president's post in addition to Tim Redman is Tony Cottel of NJ; Fred Townsend of CT is seeking the treasurer's spot against Myron Lieberman, and to date, no one has expressed formal interest in opposing George Cunningham for vice-president.

Ballots will be sent to USCF voting members in early July and will be counted at the USCF business meeting in Palo Alto, California in August.

MARTINOVSKY



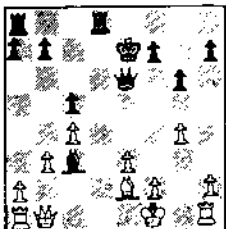
Dr. Eugene Martinovsky has been one of Chicago's steadiest and strongest players for the better part of ten years. He has just returned from a strong California Masters' Tournament at Berkeley where he performed in great style, finishing tied for 8th-11th place in a "field" of forty plus--all masters.

This impressive event, directed by Alan Benson, was won by Grandmaster James Tanjan with 7-2, followed by Timman and Lobo each with 6. In 4th-8th were former Chicago resident Jeremy Slinar, MacArthuridge, Sijtsma, Winslow, and Balcewinski, all with 6. With 5 points and tied for 8th-12 places were Chicagoan IM Edward Tormanz, Iwan Walter Morris (also an IM), Powell, and Eugene Martinovsky.

Gene has sent us several of his efforts from this event, but we start off with an older game against IM William Martz of Wisconsin. This game is from the Hammond (IL) Labor Day Open. Notes by the author.

MARTZ MARTINOVSKY English

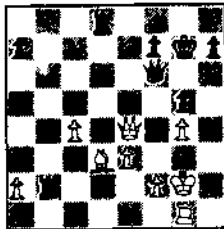
- 1 c4 c5
- 2 Nc3 Nc6
- 3 e3 g6
- 4 d4 d6 (a)
- 5 Nf3 Bg7
- 6 b3 Nge7
- 7 Nb2 exd4
- 8 Nb5! (b) Nf5
- 9 Nbxd4 (c) Ncxd4
- 10 Nxd4? (d) c5! (e)
- 11 Nxf5 Bxb2
- 12 Nxd6+ Ke7
- 13 Nxc8+ (f) Qxc8! (g)
- 14 Re2! (h) Rd8
- 15 Qb1 Bc3+
- 16 Kf1 Qe6
- 17 g4! (i)



Position after
17 g4!

(see diagram)

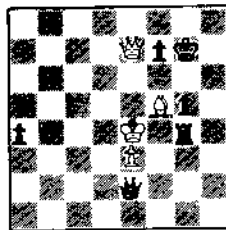
- 17... Bxa1 (j)
- 18 Qxa1 Qe4
- 19 Rg1 g5 (k)
- 20 Qg7 Rq8
- 21 Qc3 Rad8
- 22 b4 cxb4 (l)
- 23 Qxb4+ Kf6
- 24 Rg3 (m) Qh1+
- 25 Rg1 Qxh2
- 26 Qxb7 Rh8
- 27 Qf3+ Kq7
- 28 Qf5 Qh6
- 29 Bd3 Rgd8
- 30 Kg2 Qg6
- 31 Qe5+ Qf6
- 32 Qe4 (n) Rb2! (o)



Position after
32...Rb2

(see diagram)

- 33 Qxh7+ Kf8
- 34 Rf1 Rxa2
- 35 Bf5? (p) Rfd2!
- 36 Kg1 a5
- 37 Rb1 Ral (q)
- 38 Rxa1 Qxal+
- 39 Kg2 Qf6
- 40 Qh2 (r) a4
- 41 Qb8+ Kq7 (s)
- 42 Qa7 Qb2!
- 43 Qe7! (t) Rxf2+
- 44 Kg3 Rg2+
- 45 Kf3 Qe2+
- 46 Ke4 Qxc4+
- 47 Kf3 Qe2+
- 48 Ke4 Rxf4+ (u) (see diagram)
- 49 Bxg4 Qxg4+
- 50 Kd3 Qe6
- 51 Qa7 (v) Qd6+
- 52 Ke4 a3
- 53 Kf5 Qd5+
- 54 Kg4 a2 0-1



Position after
48...Rxf4+

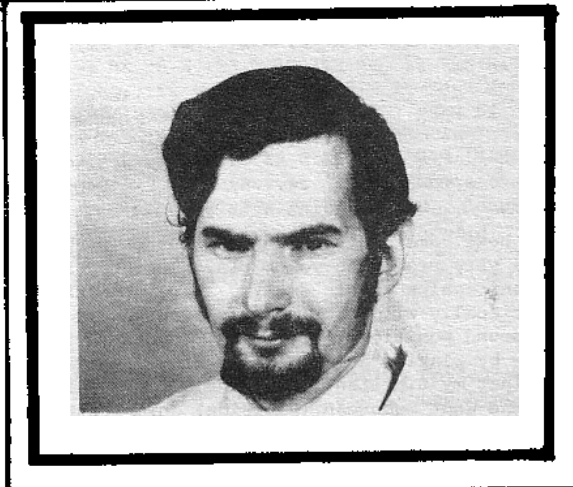
Resigns (w)

- (a) Martz' system with 3 e3 requires correct play for Black to equalize. Here, of course I was not worried about a possible 5 dxe5 and the Queen exchange. I was quite content to draw with such a powerful opponent.
- (b) A complicating, but good, move. If 8 exd4, then d5 follows with a good position for Black.
- (c) At this point Martz did not expect the future developments. A good alternative here for White was 9 e4 and if Qe7 then 10 Qe2 with complications.
- (d) This move looks logical and consistent with White's original strategy. Surprisingly for Martz and for me it leads to material losses for White. Correct was 10 exd4.
- (e) This antipositional move at the end of all the tactics leads to a bad and perhaps lost position for White. Martz told me after the game that he didn't see my 13... Qxc8. It also took me some time before I noticed it.
- (f) Possible here as well was 13 Ne4. In that case Black should play 13... Qa5+ 14 Ke2 Rd8 15 Qb1 Bxa1 16 Qxa1 Re6 17 Qf6+ Kd7 and White has sufficient compensation for his material loss.
- (g) This Queen capture escaped Martz' attention when he played 10 Nxd4.
- (h) Now if 14 Rb1 Bc3+ 15 Ke2 Rd8 16 Qe1 Rd2+ 17 Qxd2 Bxd2 18 Kxd2 Qf5 and Black wins more material--and the game. Or if here 17 Kf3 Qf5+ 18 Kq3 Qxf2+ 19 Kh3 Qf5+ 20 g4 Qf3+ 21 Kh4 Bf6+ and White will soon be mated. So White's move here is the best defense.
- (i) Again the best. White makes an escape hole for his King, but later, after Rc3 is exchanged for Ral, White will play g5 and threaten the Black King on the Black squares.
- (j) I spent a lot of time here trying to find a definite and clear cut win. I did not find it. White's position is more defensible than it looks. There are a number of tactical considerations. Frustrated at a lack of a clear plan, I decided to take the exchange immediately. This was not the best. I should have played 17... Qe5 18 Kq2 Rd2 19 Bf3 Rad8 with a greater advantage and more pressure than in the game.
- (k) I wanted to prevent g5 and Qf6+. But now the White Queen gets very active around my weak K-side.
- (l) Martz skillfully jars my position, opening my King to attack and weakening my pawns. I decided to escape with my King via f6 to the somewhat safer K-side. I was quite upset to see my position, once so confident and aggressive, deteriorate as time trouble loomed ahead.
- (m) The position is getting dangerous and double edged. I decided to play the position as is not remembering how much better I had it some 15 moves ago! The position is probably even now, but not a draw.
- (n) 32 Qxf6+ Kxf6 33 Bxh7 Rd2 would lead to a probable lost ending.
- (o) Allowing 33 Qxh7+. White's Queen at h7 would be misplaced and could do no great harm because of the K-side set-up with the pawn at g5, Q at f6, and pawn at f7. This is actually a familiar defensive set-up against attacks on the white squares. On the other hand, Black will have a very active rook on the second rank with strong pressure on f2.
- (p) This cuts off Black's attack on f2, but also locks up the White Queen on h7 and wastes time. Black can now double his rooks on the second rank. Both of us were short of time at this point.
- (q) I could not allow additional attacks on my King with the white Rook.

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Games Editor

Master Sheldon Gelbart

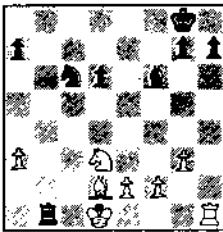


Chris Musgrave, TCA President, is a rapidly improving player who will soon break into the expert (master candidate) ranks. Here is his game from the expert section of the Illinois Class Championships. He outplays his opponent in a sharp tactical game arriving at last into a tricky, but probably drawable, ending. Spinosa, short on time, does not find a defense and falls apart, losing a piece. In all, a fine game by Musgrave.

SPINOSA-MUSGRAVE English

1 P-QB4 P-K4 2 N-QB3 P-KB4 3 P-Q4? (White enters new territory early. Usual is either P-B3 or P-KB3 with a Closed Sicilian (Cologno-Tenopala.) 3...PxP 4 QxP N-QB3 5 Q-K3+ Q-K2 6 N-O5 QxQ 7 BxQ B-Q3 (I prefer B-G4+. The position is very sharp, requiring exact calculation, but this doesn't seem to bother Musgrave.) 8 P-B5 N1-K2! (Notice how Black meets threats by completing his development.) 9 O-O-O Nxn 10 Rxn P-B5! (If B-Q4 11 P-B3 wins a pawn.) 11 B-Q2 (Fxf Bxf 12 Fxf Bxf 13 P-B3 B-B1 14 P-K4 P-Q3 15 Fxf Bxf 16 Fxf B-B1 17 B-N1 Bxf 18 K-Q1 B-Q2 is in my opinion better for White, but Black may hold up the skin of his teeth.) 11...B-K4 12 P-KN3 (no castling. P-B3 P-Q3 13 Kxf Pxf and White obtains the two bishops and consequently the better chances.) 12...PxP 13 RfxP P-Q3 14 Pxf (P-B4 B-Q3 15 F-Q3 B-B3+) 14...PxP (More solid is BxfP, but Chris takes the isolant to create further tactical possibilities.) 15 B-B3 (P-B4 B-Q3 16 P-Q3 B-B3 as before.) 15...BxB 16 NxB QF-B1 (Obtaining play on the open file adjacent to the isolant, an important positional consideration. Black's threat ...N-N5+.) 17 K-Q1 (I prefer K-M1. This is only asking for trouble because the King's Rook becomes awkwardly placed.) 17...BxONP 18 R-QN5? (Simply Rxf K-K2 19 F-Q3 threatening P-B3 is safer. Now Black will get a strong initiative.) 18...B-B3 19 Kxf O-O (Now Black has an edge because his rooks are doubled.) 20 N-B4 R-N1 21 KxR? (P-QR? with counterplay!) 21...Pxr 22 N-Q3 (The position is now very tricky. After B-B1 R-NR 23 F-FR F-R6 24 P-R3 N-O5+ decides. Superior mobility is the key factor.) 22...R-N8+

Musgrave



Spinosa

Position after 22...R-N8+

23 B-N1?? (P-B1! holds. For example, 23 N-B1 P-F2? 24 K-B2 BxN 25 BxQ or 23...N-O5 24 B-R5 (Not P-B3 Fxf+! etc.) or 23...R-R8 24 K-B2 intending R-F5) 23...R-R8! 24 P-R3 (This pawn is lost, and so better, but still losing, is R-F5.) 24...N-N3 25 Threatening N-N6 and BxB to allow BxfP 25 K-Q2 (R-P5 N-N6 26 N-O5 NxB 27 Nxf B-N? wins a piece.) 25...R-R7! 26 B-N2 Nxp 27 R-QN1? 28 R-QB1 N-R5 29 R-B7 NxB 30 N-N4 N-B5+ 31 23 RxfP+ 32 K-K4 (If KxN? N-B5+) 32...N-N3 33 K-B5 K-R4+ 34 K-K6 R-K4+ 35 Kxf R-QN4 36 N-R3 B-K4+ and white resigned. A very good performance by our leader.

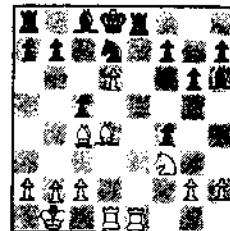
Next is another game from the Illinois Class Championship, this time from Section 4, players rated below

1400. J Linthicum from Aurora is a relative newcomer to the chess scene and as a consequence is greatly underrated. He is a good tactician, but needs more tournament experience to polish his positional skills. Although he finished tied for second place, he destroyed the tournament winner. Following is the game in question.

J LINTHICUM-R STRICKER Modern Def.

1 P-K4 P-KN3 2 P-Q4 B-N2 3 P-KB4 P-Q3 4 N-QB3 P-K4 (Not recommended. Black has a difficult time holding a draw after 4...Fxf principally because of his difficulty in connecting rooks.) 5 B-K3? N-K2? (Now, however, P-QB3 gives Black a fine game.) 6 OxfP Pxf 7 QxQ+ KxQ 8 O-O-O K-K1 9 B-B4 B-R3? (It may be that Black is already lost, but if survival is possible he must develop his force as rapidly as possible. P-QB3 or B1-B3 was mandatory.) 10 N-B3! Pxf 11 B-Q4 R-N1 12 N-O5! (Open lines are coupled with lead in development and result in a quick kill.) 12...Nxn 13 Pxn N-Q2 14 KR-K1+ K-Q1 15 K-N1 R-K1 16 P-Q6!! (Crushing! The threat is simply Pxf+ and if 16...Pxf 17 Bxf R-K2 18 Fxf Kxf 19 B-F2 N-B1 20 F-K1+ K-Q1 21 B-B6+ etc. Notice how difficult it is to get Black's B8 into the game.) 16...P-QB4

Stricker



Linthicum

Position after 16...P-QB4

17 N-K5!! Nxn (PxB allows Nxf mate!) 18 Bxn B-K3 19 B-B6+ K-B1 20 BxB PxB 21 P-Q7+ and after losing the Rook, Black resigned.

In the next game Zlatko Koprivec completely outplays Fred Rhine, adding another expert to his list of victims. The game is from the Illinois Chess League match between Chess Mates of Evanston and Oak Park-Forest Park Chess Club.

RHINE (Chess Mates)-KOPRIVEC (Oak Park-Forest Park)

English

1 P-QB4 2 N-KB3 2 N-QB3 P-Q4 3 PXP NXP 4 P-KN3 P-QB4 5 B-N2 N-B2 6 N-KB3 N-QB3 7 P-Q3 P-K4 8 N-Q2 B-K3 9 O-O (Here, or one the next few moves, White should play Fxf!) 9...B-K2 10 N-B4 P-B3 11 P-B4 (BxN! Fxf 12 O-R4 B-Q2 13 N-K4 favors White. It is the only way to maintain an edge.) 11...PxP 12 PXP Q-Q2 13 N-K4 N-Q4 14 P-B5? (A cheap shot which only further weakens the White K-side.) 14...B-B2 (Of course, not Bxf 15 Fxf QxR 16 F either) 15 Q-Q1 O-O-O 16 B-Q2 P-KN3 (Black exploits the weakened pawn to obtain a strong K-side attack. If Bxf Pxf the open rook file becomes devastating.) 17 Q-R2 N-Q5 18 P-N4 (White's position is crumbling so he sacrifices a pawn seeking counterplay.) 18...NxnP 19 Bxn PxB

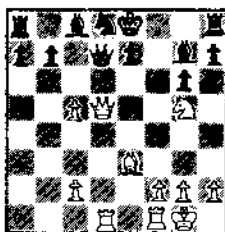
20 P-QR3 P-N6 21 KR-N1 N-B7! 22 QxP (If KR-N1 BxP 23 BxP BxP 24 QxP BxP 25 Q-B2+ K-B2 26 Q-N5+ K-N1 27 BxP P-N7 28 P-B1 Q-R8! etc.) 22...Q-Q5! 23 QxQ RxC 24 Pxp? (This loses immediately, but White is still lost after N-N2 K-N1 25 QR-N1 BxP 26 P-B1 N-B7 27 QP-N1 BxP 28 N-N3 B-N3 intending E-N1 and N-N2 with a strong bind.) 24...BxN 25 BxR P-N7 and White resigned. He is losing a full Rook.

The next game features John Marconnet of Woodridge. He is a very promising young player with at least four master scalps to his credit. His trademark is exceptionally wild tactical play, but he is also capable of sound positional play. He recently held me to a draw by playing an absolutely risk-free variation against my Sicilian, obtaining a tie for first place in the West Suburban (Hillside) Championship. He was very lucky in that tournament, twice escaping lost positions. To demonstrate his style, I present his win over expert Greg Bungo. Because of the recent FIDE ruling mandating algebraic for all of its events, I have chosen to present this game in algebraic. I firmly recommend that players familiarize themselves with this notation and use it to record their own games.

MARCONNET-BUNGO Pirc

1 e4 d6 2 d4 Nf6 3 Nc3 g6 4 Bc4 Nxe4! 5 Nxe4 d5 (I hesitate to comment on this theoretical novelty. White could have played 5 Bxf7+ Kxf7 6 Bxe4, but Black will play h6 and Kh7 eventually and then his King is safe. He will then have the two Bishops. I'll leave it to the opening theoreticians to decide.) 6 Bd3 (White insists on preserving his bishop pair.) 6...dxe4 7 Bxe4 Bg7 8 Be3 c5! (Black delays his development and instead puts pressure on the white center pawn. White could safely play c3, but John is not known for safe play.) 9 Nf3? Qb6! (Wrecking the White center pawns.) 10 O-O Nc6 (Qxb2 11 Rd1 Qxa2 12 Bxb7 Bxb7 13 Bxb7 gives White excellent compensation for the pawn.) 11 dxc5 Qxb2 12 Rb1 Qxa2 (But now White cannot penetrate the Black position. He gets very little for his sacrificed pawn.) 13 Nd5 Qa4 (Qa5 intending O-O and Qc7 looks safer, but this is ok.) 14 Bxf7? (This is clearly unsound. I append the exclamation mark only because White won. Had he allowed Black to castle, he would have been lost and probably would have lost the game.) 14...Kxf7 15 Qd5+ Ke8 (d6? 16 Ng5+ Ke7 [Not Kf6 17 Qf3+ etc.] 17 Qd6+ Ke8 18 Nxe6 Bxe6 19 Qxe6+ etc.) 16 Ng5 Nd8 17 Rbd1 Qd7? (Bd7! and White is simply a piece down, e.g., 17...Bd7! 18 Rfe1 Bc6 19 Qd3 Qg4 20 f3 Qf5 etc.) See diagram.

Bungo



Marconnet

Position after 17...Qd7

18 Qb3! Qf5 19 Rd5 Qf8 (If Qg4 20 h3 Qh5 21 Rfd1 Nc6 22 Rd8 mate via Qf7 mate!) 20 Rfd1 Nc6 21 Qb5! (The threat of Rb5 mate wins the Queen.) 21...e6 (Bd7 22 h4! wins quickly, e.g. 22...Qf5 [Rb2 23 Bxb7 Kxb7 24 Qxa8 mate] 23 Qxb7 Bb3 24 Qxb4+!) 22 Rd4+ Kc7 23 Rxf8 Kxf8 24 Qd3 (White has a Queen for Rook and Bishop, but Black can't abandon his rooks at once his P.) 24...Be5 25 Nf3 Bf6 (If Bg7 26 Bb6+ Kg8 27 Nf5 with mate shortly.) 26 Bh6+ Ke8 27 Ng5 Ne5 28 Qd6 Ng4 29 Nxe6 Nxe6 30 Nc7+ and after Nxa8 Black resigned. I told you John was lucky, but in all fairness he played brilliantly after the unsound sacrifice.

The Hillside Friday Championship saw some upsets and among them was this early victory by Bud Radonich over Master Steve Tennant.

RADONICH-TENNANT

1 e4 c5 2 f4 Nf6 3 Nc3 d5 4 Bb5+ Bd7 5 Bxb Qxb 6 ed (if 6 e6 Tennant intended Qg8!?) 6...Nxf7 7 BxN QxN 8 Qf3 (This line was tried before with a different move order in Palan-Loh-Gelbart and in Marovich-Vasto--Hillside-Homewood-Flossmoor.) 8...Qd7 (I played 8...Qe6 and could only draw after 9 Qxe6 Nxe6 10 c3 O-O-O 11 Bf3 e6 12 Ke2. Vasto played 8...Qf5 9 h4! and White could have had an early draw, but in fact blundered and lost.) 9 Ne2 Nc6 10 c3 (With Queens on the board, this is risky. Safer is a3, but best is simply O-O and if Nf4 11 Qf3.) 10...Qe6 11 O-O Bg7 12 Ng3 O-O 13 Ne4 b6 14 h4 (I look overly optimistic to attack without first developing on the O-side, but h4 proclaims serious weaknesses. The threat is h5 or f5.) 14...f5 (But the cure is worse than the disease! This leaves Black with very weak Black squares, i.e. g6.) 15 Oh3 Rad8 16 Ng5 h5 (Necessary to stop h5 which would really give Black problems. Possible is h6 16 Nf3 h5 17 Na6 and Black has gained a tempo over the game continuation.) 17 Re1 e5 18 d3 Rfe8 19 Re3 Qd6 20 Qf3 Re7 (If here, or on the preceding move, f, Bc8+ and Bxf4.) 21 g3 ef 22 Rxx Nxx 23 Bxf Qxp (White has won a pawn, but White has compensation as will soon become apparent.) 24 Qb7 Qd7 25 Qf3 Nc6 (The first serious inaccuracy. Qb5 26 Qc3 Qd7 27 Re1 Bf8. These positions require patience.) 26 Re1 Bf6? 27 Qe3? (Here 28 Rb1 Bxb1--or he loses a piece--28 Rxx+ Kf7 29 Rxx5 wins!) 27...Nd4! (This is based on a fatal miscalculation. 27...Bb6 about 1/2 win, e.g., 27...Qd5 28 Qe6+ Kg7 [Qxe6 Kxe6 etc.] 29 e4 Qd7! [Qd4+ 30 Qxb Qd7 31 Bf1 Qb7 32 Rd6] But the win is a long way off.) 28 Qf2 (Of course not ad Bxd4 which wins the Queen.) 28...Re8 (It's still not too late to back out with h6, but Black continued his combination.) 29 Rd1 BxN 30 Bxh Re2 31 Rxd4!! (The fatal flims that Black has overlooked. White wins a piece. The rest requires no comment.) 31...Qe6 32 Rd4+ Rf7 33 Qf3 Re1 34 Kf2 Re4 35 Qd3 c4 36 Qd7 QxQ 37 Rxx Ke6 38 Rxx Kd5 39 Rd7+ Kc6 40 Rd8 Re6 41 Be3 Kb5 42 Bf4 Kc6 43 a4 b5 44 ab Kxp 45 Rd3 Rxx 46 Bxx Kc6 47 Bf8 Kd5 48 Ke3 Ke5 49 Bg7 Kd5 50 Kf4 Ke6 51 Bh8 and Black resigned.

In the next issue I will feature Kevin Bachler's wins over IM Walter Morris and Curt Brasket.

Sheldon welcomes your better names for this column. Send them to your editor or directly to him.

MARTINOVSKY, cont'd.

- (r) This is the only way to get the White Rook into play.
- (s) The defensive system on the K-side works remarkably well in this game.
- (t) This threatens Qxg5+ with a perpetual or worse. Black, however, has no mate in the offing.
- (u) This exchange sacrifice (after preliminary checks and taking the white pawn on c4) is necessary and the only

- way to win the game. Otherwise White would have a perpetual!
- (v) If 51 Qxg5+ Qg6+ wins.
- (w) White resigns because Black will eventually give a check on e5 and make a new Queen.

Games

Two from the Heraldica... Notes by John Tomas

J Tomas- L Bass (2478) English

1 c4 Nf6 2 Nc3 c5 3 g3 d5 4 cd5 Nd5 5 Bg2 Nc7 6 Nf3 Nc6 7 O-O g6 (A good, relatively unexplored method of taking White out of the well known positions that occur after 7...e5.) 8 d3 Bg7 9 Be3 Nd4 10 Ne4 (A mistake, giving Black a very good game. Instead 10 Na4 keeps the KB diagonal open. Black must play...Qd6 when 11 Re1 Ne8 12 Ng5! leaves White with a good game.) 10...b6 11 Rb1 a5 12 Bd4 (It's remarkably difficult to find a good move here. White gives up the two bishops in the hope that they won't mean much in the resulting rather symmetrical position.) 12...cd4 13 Qb3 Rb8 14 Rbc1 The wrong rook! 14 Rfb1 with the idea of 15 a4, Qa3, b4 gives White better chances to equalise.) 14...O-O 15 Qc4 Ne8! 16 a4 h6! 17 Qb3 Be6 18 Qa3 (Black has chased White's Queen to a relatively useless square, kept his K-side pawn structure flexible, and activated both bishops. He has a winning advantage.) 18...f5 19 Ncd2 Nd6 20 Nb3 Ne8 21 Rc6 Bf7 (21...Bd5? allows White to turn the tables with 22 Rg6! Kh7 23 Kg7+ Kg7 24 Nbd4!.) 22 Rfc1 Kh7 23 Nfd2 (22...Nd5 would still fail to 23 Rg6 but White must not try for too much with 23 Nbd4 Bd4 23 Nd4 b6? 24 Ne8 Qd5 26 Nf4 Qe6! -+.) 23...Nd6 24 Rc7(White is short of useful moves. I hoped he would play 24...e6 when 25 Rf6 Ne8 26 Ra7 gives me excellent play, but...) 24...Rc8! 25 Rc8 Nc8 26 Nf3 Re8! 27 Nbd2 e5 28 Ne1 Bf8 ((The point of 26...Re8! Now White's Queen has no decent squares and Black's Bishop will develop enormous activity from e5.) 29 Qa1 Nc5 30 Qb1 Nd6 31 b3 Re7 32 Nc4 Nc4 33 bc4 Qe8 34 Qb5 e4 35 f3 ed3 36 Qe8 Be8 37 Nd3 Re2 38 Nc5 bc5 39 Bf1 Bb2 40 Rcl Ra4 41 Re7+ Kq8 42 Rc7 Rc2 43 Rc5 a4 (One pawn must run through. A wonderful positional play.) 0-1

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J Tomas-C Van Buskirk (2315) Leningrad Dutch

1 c4 f5 2 Nf3 Nf6 3 g3 g6 4 Bg2 Bg7 5 O-O O-O 6 Nc3 d6 7 d4 c6 8 d5 e5 9 de6 Be6 10 Qd3 (Probably 10 b3 is best here. White is willing to sacrifice the exchange for lots of play against Black's K-side.) 10...Na6 11 Bf4 (11 Ng3 Qe7 is supposed to be the main line with very complicated play. But Black can avoid all that with 11...Be8 since 12 Rf4 Ne8 13 c5? Nc5 14 Qe4+ Kh8 15 Nf7+ Rf7 16 Qf7 Be6!) 11...Qa5 12 Nd2 (Otherwise I didn't see what I was supposed to do! 12 Bd0 offers nothing but trouble, e.g....Pfd8 13 Rfd1 Nd4 14 Ne4 fe4 15 Qe4 Rf5 16 Qh4 Bb2 7.) 12...Rad8 (1f 12...Ne5 13 Qd6 Rd8 14 Nb3! gets White out of trouble.) 13 a3 Rd7 14 Nb3 (Probably a mistake, although I spent fifteen minutes on it. The consequent 14 b4 Qd8 15 Rad1 is best. I was afraid of 15...d5 16 e5 d4!, but simply 16 ed5 Nd5 17 Nd5 Bd5 18 Bd5 Rd5 19 Qb3 is uncomfortable for Black and other 15th moves are equally so. VanBuskirk, who knows the Dutch well, was of the opinion that he had the advantage after 12 Nfd2, but I'm not so sure.) 14...Qd8 15 Rad1 Kh8 16 Nd4 Bg8 (At the time I wasn't so sure about 16...Ne5 17 Ne8 Nd3 18 Nd8 Nf4 19 Nf7+ Rf7? 20 g4 Nh5 21 e3 Be3 22 Be3, but it seems as though White's pressure on the QP gives him the advantage in spite of his messed up pawns.) 17 b4 Nh5 (White threatens 18 Nf3 followed by Bd8, but at the time, I was not fully aware of the strength of my position.) 18 Bc1 Nf6 19 c4 (19 Rf4 Nh5 is best play for both sides.) 19...fe4 20 Ne4 Nc4 21 Be4 d5 22 ed5 Bd5 23 Nd5 (I had analysed 23 Be3 Fe4 24 Qe4 Ne7 (to stop Ne6) 25 Qg4=, but Black can play 23...e6! -+ winning.) 23...Rb5 24 Be3 Qd7 25 Rd2 c5 26 bc5 Nc5 27 Qc4 Ne4 28 Rd3 b5 29 Qb4 a5 30 Qb2 Rfd8 31 Rfd1 Nc5 32 R3d2 Ne4 (Black used up almost all of his remaining time here analysing ...Ne6. I was short of time too and the only variation I could see that wasn't totally

hopeless was 33 Ne6! Bb2 34 Nd6! Rb8 35 Rb6 which White cannot lose. Now it is best to force the draw, but in trying to find a win Charley fatally lost on time.) 33 Rd3 Nc5 34 Rd2 a4 35 Qb4 Ne4 36 Rd3 Qh3? 37 Qe7! Nc5 38 Ne6 Rf8 39 Qf6+ Kq8 40 Rd5 1-0 (Time)

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From the St Charles Open, Dan Vasto sent us this game vs Doyle Satterlee from round 3. Notes are by the winner.

Vasto-Satterlee Sicilian

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd4 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 a6 6 Nd5 e6 7 f4 Qb6 8 Nb3 Nbd7 9 Qd2 Be7 10 O-O-O Bc7 11 Be2 b5 12 a3 Bd7 13 Bf3 Rc8 14 Rhel h6 15 Bxf6 Nxf6 16 Nd4 Nd7 17 Qe3 Nb6 18 Rd3! (Conveniently protects against most threats.) 18.. Nc4 19 Qe2 Qa5 20 Nd5! ed5 21 ed5 O-O 22 Qxe7 Ne5? (Complications!) 23 R3d1 Rfe8 24 Qxb7 Nd3+ 25 Rxd3 Rxe1+ 26 Bd1 R8e8 27 Nf5 Qa4? (Things look hopeless for Black anyway.) 28 Rd4 Qa5 29 Nxd6 R8e7 30 Qc8+ Kh7 31 Qf8 Qb6 32 Nf5 Qf6 33 Nxe7 Qxd4 35 Qg8 and Black is mated. 1-0

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The last round at St Charles saw the following action on Board 6.

A Schroeder (1984)-W Henry (1712)

1 P-K4 P-Q3 2 P-Q4 N-KB3 3 N-QB3 P-KN3 4 N-KB3 H-N2 5 P-KR3 P-B3 6 P-QR4 Q-B2 7 R-K3 QN-Q2 8 H-Q3 P-K4 9 PXP QNXF 10 NXN FXN 11 Q-Q2 P-KR4 12 P-R5 B-K3 13 O-O N-Q2 14 KR-Q1 P-KB4 15 PXP FXP 16 P-B3 H-R3 17 Q-R2 P-R5 18 BXRK KR-N1 19 K-R2 K-B2 20 N-K4 Q-Q1 21 B-N6 Q-KB1 22 R-B4 NxB 23 BxB+ KxB 24 R-Q6+ QXR 25 NXQ N-Q4 26 NXP N-K6 27 R-KN1 B-K2 28 Q-K2 R-N6 29 QXN PXP 30 KXR R-R2 31 P-R6 RXP 32 R-Q1 P-K7 33 R-K1 R-R2 34 RXP RXN 35 P-KB4 B-Q3 36 P-B3 K-B4 37 PXP RXP+ 38 K-R3 P-R5 39 R-Q2 R-N6 40 R-K2 R-Q2 41 R-KB R-Q7 42 R-K2 RXR 43 KXR K-K5 44 P-N4 B-B5 45 P-R4 K-Q5 46 P-N5 P-R4 47 K-Q1 KXP 48 P-N6 K-Q6 and White resigned 0-1

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TOP TWENTY-FIVE RATED IN ILLINOIS

Richard Verber.....2402	J Mihajlovic.....2198
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Abe Ellenberg.....2206	Albert Chow.....2144

EDWARD LASKER 1885-1981

Just hours before press time we learned of the death of Edward Lasker at age 96 in New York City. Although he achieved some notable tournament results in his long career, he is best known as an author. His popular works include The Adventure of Chess, Chess Secrets, and the Manual of Chess. Edward Lasker won the U.S. Open title in 1916, 1917, 1919, 1920, and 1921 and played a close match in 1923 with Frank Marshall for the U.S. Championship which he narrowly lost 8½-9½.

PROBLEM SECTION

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SOLUTIONS TO PROBLEMS #105-112:

- No. 105 Mansfield. 1 Rb5 waiting. Four promotions by the black pawn including two selfblocks on b1, three battery mates from the king.
- No. 106 Campbell. 1 Kc7 threat, 2 Kb8. 1...Kg7 2 Kb8 changing the set mate 2 Ke6. Key steps into two double checks, and the king delivers ALL the mates!
- No. 107 Wurzburg. 1 Kb3 waiting. An old favorite where the king accepts three new checks.
- No. 108 Heathcote. 1 Ke5 threat 2 Kd4. A task record of pinning four white pieces, all of which are unpinned by black defences.
- No. 109 Mansfield. a) 1 Sd2 b) 1 Rd5 c) 1 Pc6 d) 1 Ke6 e) 1 Qf1 f) 1 Pq4 g) 1 Ba5 h) 1 Qh1 Amusingly dubbed "The Lone Ranger", the black king is relieved of stalemate to visit each of his eight adjacent squares.
- No. 110 Zagoruyko. 1 Kg5 threat 2 Qf6+ 1.. Rxd5+ 2 Kh6! 1...Qxd5+ 2 Kf6! 1...Sf3+ 2 Kf4! 1..Sh3+ 2 Kf6. A bold entrance into the fray, inducing the attractive self-pin checks.
- No. 111 Paris. ! Rh2 threat 2 Sf2+. 1.. Rd5 2 Kg8. 1...Rc5 2 Kxg7 1..Rd6 2 Kg6. A more cautious king here, he waits for black interferences before opening h8-h4.
- No. 112 Kieseritzky 1 Kxc5+ Kxe5 2 Kxb6+ Kd4 3 Kxc6+ Kc3 4 Kxd7#. Though the king takes a devastating walk through black's camp, he systematically opens four lines for subordinates.

OOOOPS! To No. 88 (Taffs) in JUNE, 1980 ICR, solver Mary Lyle correctly points out "no solution" as 1...cf-any defeats intention. Mr. Taffs has amended by replacing the black rook on e5 with a black pawn. Solvers' scores will not be changed, except to credit Ms Lyle with an additional 3 points.

All readers are invited to participate in the solvers' ladder. Deadline for submission of solutions to No. 113-120: MAY12, 1981.

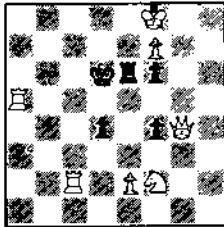
PROBLEMS IN THIS ISSUE...

The focus of Nos. 113-120 is on the humble pawn. Like so many innocent quippies in a shark tank, they form the structure of life on the chessboard and quietly dictate the pattern of behavior for all other pieces.

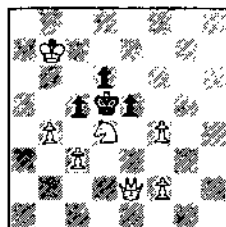
Newcomers should be aware of en passant moves/captures, and also be aware of under-promotion possibilities as in No. 117-119. Since a four-mover is necessary to show different variations to black promotions to queen, rook, bishop, and Knight, the three-mover No. 119 does not thematically include 1...Pq1R as a major line (it also produces a dual anyway). Solvers of No. 120 will want to know the reason for the cluster of white pawns - 2 points for solution.

Solvers should send only keys to each problem, not an analysis of each variation which is too time consuming.

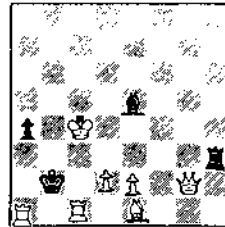
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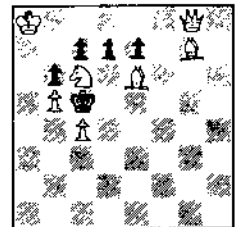
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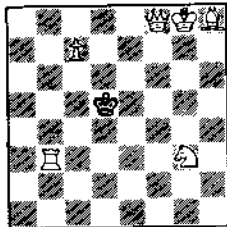


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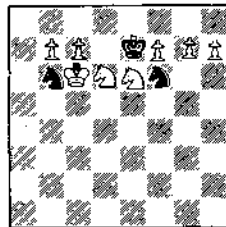
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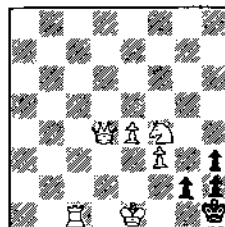
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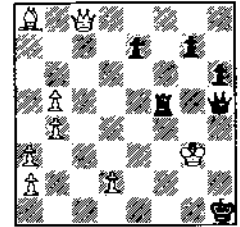
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WHAT WAS WHITE'S LAST MOVE

SCORES THROUGH PROBLEMS #97-112 (in alphabetical order)

William Barclay.....24	Chuck Barnach.....70	Mary Lyle.....72	Murray Smith.....13
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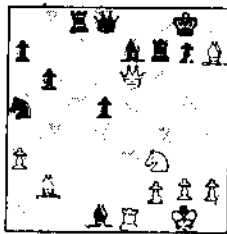
by JOHN TOMAS, Assoc.Ed.

GREAT BRITAIN: GM John Nunn defeated IM William Hartston 3½-2½ (1-0-5) to win the 1980 BCF Championship. The two had tied in last August's tournament with 8-3 scores.

HOLLAND: Jan Timman and Gennady Sosonko tied for first with identical scores of 8-4. The Soviet duo of Taimanov and Svernsnikov tied for 3-4 with 7-5, while US Co-champion Walter Browne turned in the final plus score with 6½. Sax, Gheorghiu, Andersson, and Miles were all lower on the list. Browne's win over Gheorghiu was generally considered the most brilliant of the event.

BROWNE	GHEORGHIU	Queen's Indian Def.
1 P-Q4	N-KB3	23 BxP+
2 P-QB4	P-K3	
3 N-KB3	P-QN3	
4 N-B3	B-N2	
5 P-QB3	P-Q4	
6 PxP	NxP	
7 P-K3	R-K2	
8 R-N5+	P-B3	
9 B-Q3	NxN	
10 PxN	P-QB4	
11 P-K4	N-B3	
12 B-N2	R-QB1	
13 Q-K2	PxP	23... KxB
14 BxP	O-O	24 QxR/7 Q-B1
15 O-O	B-B3	25 Q-R5+ K-N1
16 QR-Q1	N-R4	26 QxP+ Q-B2
17 KR-K1	B-B3	27 QxB N-B5
18 P-Q5	PxP	28 Q-Q7 R-G1
19 P-R5	B-K2	29 QxB QxQ
20 P-R6	B-QR5	30 RxB NxB
21 PxP+	RxP	31 P-Kx4 P-R4
22 Q-K6	BxP	32 N-N5 N-B5
		33 N-K6 R-QB+
		34 K-R7 NxP
		35 P-R5 N-R5
		36 BxP+ K-R1

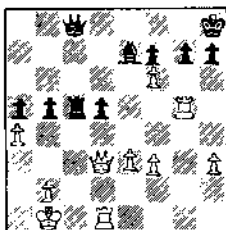
And White won on move 39



SPAIN: Larry Christiansen turned in the finest result of his career with his 8-3 score tying him for first place with World Champion Anatoly Karpov in Linares in January. Christiansen scored six wins and only one loss (to Karpov). Among his victims were Spassky, Portisch, and Gligoric. Only Robert Byrne's third place at the 1973 Interzonal at Leningrad behind Karpov and Korchnoi can be considered so important a result for an American. Here is Christiansen's first round defeat of Boris Spassky:

CHRISTIANSEN-SPASSKY

1 d4 d5 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Nf6 4 cxd5 exd5 5 Bg5 Be7
6 e3 O-O 7 Bd3 Nbd7 8 Nge2 Re8 9 Qc2 Nf8 10 h3 c6
11 g4 h7 12 O-O-O Re8 13 Kbl b5 14 Nf4 a5 15 Bf5
a4 16 Nd3 Bxf5 17 gxf5 Nbd7 18 Rh4 Bf8 19 Rg2 c5
20 dxc5 Nxc5 21 Nxc5 Rxc5 22 Qd3 Kh8 23 Ne4 Rxe4
24 Qxe4 Qc8 25 Qd3 Ne4 26 f3 Nxg5 27 Rxg5 Re7
28 f6



28...Bxf6 29 Rxd5 h6 30 Rxc5 Qxc5 31 Rcl 1-0

Harold Lommer, author of 1234 Modern Endgames and 1357 Modern Endgames and a noted composer in his own right died in Valencia on December 17, 1980 at the age of 77. A more detailed appreciation will appear in a future issue.

USSR: Alexander Kotov, winner of the second Interzonal died in early January at the age of 68. In recent years Kotov devoted his energies to writing, producing two excellent instructional books (*Think Like a Grandmaster* and *Play Like a Grandmaster*) as well as a polemic biography "rehabilitating" Alekhine.

CHESS OSCAR GOES TO KARPOV... To almost no one's surprise, the XIV Chess Oscar went to World Champion Anatoly Karpov, his seventh in the last eight years. Karpov garnered 1258 weighted points to Korchnoi's 1103. Garry Kasparov took third spot with 890 ahead of Dutch star Jan Timman, Hubner, Miles, Portisch, Larsen, Anderssen, and the sole newcomer, Soviet Relyavsky.



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BOOK REVIEW

THE ART OF CHESS ANALYSIS, by Jan Timman, RHM, 216 pp, Pp, \$9.95

Reviewed by John Tomas

When inexperienced chess players get to the stage of questioning the maxims that have been imposed upon their innocence with specific analysis, they are ready to improve. They are likely to turn to the analytic masterpieces of chess literature to sharpen their own play. These are the books that every generation of young aspiring players studies: Alekhine's My Best Games of Chess 1908-1923 and 1924-37, his annotations to New York 1924, Botvinnik's 1941 USSR Championship, Tal's Tal-Botvinnik 1960, and Fischer's My Sixty Memorable Games. Some might add one or two to this list, but it is essentially complete as it stands. Evidently, the qualities (great playing strength, an intense, almost obsessive love for chess, and a willingness to take chances and make mistakes in pursuit of the truth) that make for such masterpieces are in relatively short supply. Therefore it is all the more satisfying to announce a worthy successor to Alekhine, Tal, Botvinnik, and Fischer--Jan Timman's The Art of Chess Analysis.

A list of the players alone should suggest that this book is worth owning. Six of the games are from the world championship matches, an additional four are from the candidates cycle. All of the players have been candidates or are likely to become so (Timman, Ljubojevic, Kasparov, Gulko.) Timman's aim to analyze "tough struggles with a strong tactical element" (Kavalek) has been realized. There are no short draws; all the games are difficult tactical and positional struggles.

As interesting as the games themselves are, Timman's comments are what make the book extraordinary. He spends an equal amount of space on the middle and endgame, preferring to abstract general principles from variations rather than using them as a substitute for concrete analysis. More than once he appends entire games to illustrate and explain endings that arose in subvariations. His comments on the openings are less extensive, but to the point: if an opening is critical and little analyzed he is willing to spend more space on it, but otherwise he allows the reader to do his own research. Only Fischer is Timman's equal in his critical appreciation of chess literature. It is just that Timman is aware, as Gligoric is not, that there is more to chess than the opening.

Perhaps the best part of the book is Timman's comments on the psychology of the games. He manages to synthesize deep psychological insight, personal experience, and his deep knowledge of chess in uniquely penetrating comments.

No extract can do justice to the book. Among the games my personal favorites are the titanic Korchnoi-Karpov struggles and the Karpov-Hort game from 1979--a long ending on which Timman spends twelve pages. Nobody who reads this book, from the rankest beginner to the strongest grandmaster can fail to learn from it. More important by far, however, is the fact that it successfully communicates the exquisite beauty of chess and the joy available to those willing to see it.

No chessplayer can afford to miss this book.

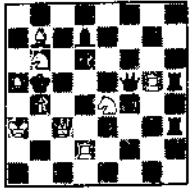
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EVANS ON CHESS



White mates in 2 moves

IRAN BAN

Chess was one of the few hobbies considered safe in all regions and all regimes. "Chess, like love, like music, has the power to make men happy," observed Dr. Siegfert Tarrasch, a perennial contender for the title.

Now it appears that chess, like music, is an endangered species in Iran. Ayatollah Khomeini banned the game because "it hurts memory and may cause brain damage." He also said chess contributes to a war-mongering mentality.

Until the 17th century chess was at various times banned by Muslims, Catholics, Anglicans and Jews. Mohammed listed chess among the abominations to be eschewed by the Faithful in the Koran, objecting to the carved figures that smacked of idolatry.

Finally chess was accepted as long as it was not played for stakes, did not hinder religious observances or lead to profanity. Most orthodox Arab tribes used plain blocks of ivory or wood, which did not resemble any living creature, to avoid offending the deity.

Iran, under the Shah, was the only Arab team at the 22nd Olympiad in Israel (boycotted by the Soviet bloc). That year Libya hosted a "counter-olympiad" attended by the Arab bloc.

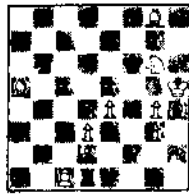
In the very first round the USA defeated Iran 3-1 ultimately nosing out Holland by a half point for the world championship. This save may have provided our team's margin of victory.

My opponent, Kamran Shirazi of Iran, after a brouhaha with immigration officials, now resides in California. He missed a win by 25 Q-R2! PxN 26 R-R7 Q-B1 27 RxB1 (if 22... QxR 23 B-Nbch!)

White: SHIRAZI Black: EVANS
King's Indian Defense 1976

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| 1 P-Q4 | N-KB3 | 25 Q-R2 | RxR |
| 2 N-KB3 | P-KN3 | 27 QxR | R-QN1 |
| 3 B-N5 | B-N2 | 28 B-B7 | B-QB3 |
| 4 QN-Q2 | P-Q3 | 29 Q-R3 | Q-N3 |
| 5 P-K3 | QN-Q2 | 30 Q-N3 | P-QB5 |
| 6 P-QR4 | P-KR3 | 31 Q-Q1 | Q-B4 |
| 7 BxN | NxB | 32 P-R4 | P-R4 |
| 8 P-R5 | Q-O | 33 B-K6 | R-KB1 |
| 9 B-B4 | P-B3 | 34 N-B7 | B-B3 |
| 10 P-B3 | Q-B2 | 35 N-Q4 | BxN |
| 11 Q-N3 | P-K4 | 36 RxB | Q-K2 |
| 12 PxP | PxP | 37 R-Q6 | R-B3 |
| 13 O-O | P-K5 | 38 RxB | RxB |
| 14 N-Q4 | N-N5 | 39 Q-Q5 | RxR |
| 15 P-QB4 | 40 QxR | Q-K4 | |
| 16 N-K2 | N-B3 | 41 K-B1 | Q-N1 |
| 17 N-B4 | K-R2 | 42 Q-Q7ch | K-R3 |
| 18 N-Q5 | NxN | 43 Q-KB7 | Q-Q1 |
| 19 BxN | P-B4 | 44 K-R2 | Q-QN1 |
| 20 N-B4 | Q-QN1 | 45 Q-Q5 | K-N2 |
| 21 KR-Q1 | B-Q2 | 46 K-B1 | K-B3 |
| 22 R-Q2 | P-QN4 | 47 K-K2 | Q-K4 |
| 23 PxBP | PxP | 48 Q-Q4 | K-K3 |
| 24 R-R6 | P-QN4 | 49 K-Q2 | Q-Q3 |
| 25 N-Q67 | R-N3 | | Draw |

Solution: 1 P-Q3 threatening 2 R-Q3 threatening



White mates in 2 moves

PRETTY POISON

In San Miguel, Argentina, an unknown named Gustavo Mahio demolished grandmaster Miguel Quinteros in a brilliancy destined for the anthologies. Some journalists dubbed it the best game of 1980.

The opening featured the "poison pawn" variation of the Sicilian Defense that made headlines during the Fischer vs. Spassky title match in 1972. Fischer won the first time but lost when he tried it again; as a result his 7... Q-N3 fell into desuetude despite the lack of a clearcut refutation. The general feeling is that Black can afford to neglect development while foraging with his Queen in enemy territory for a puny pawn.

At the 1986 USA Championship I was the victim of a similar brilliancy by Robert Byrne (except White varied with 12 B-QB4 instead of B-K2). His 15 B-B6! was a shot heard around the world, although subsequent games showed Black can survive by 15... NxB! 16 PxN R-Q1 17 RxB QxR 18 Q-N5 P-KN3, etc.

Quinteros could have avoided danger by 17... B-B4 (or Q-QB4). And he rightly eschewed 18... BxN 19 RxB! KxR 20 QxP followed by P-N8/Q.

Quinteros might have tried one last trick: 23... B-B7! inviting 24 RxB? Q-K6 mate. Or 23 R-KB3? P-B4! 24 R/3xB RxB. White would have to find the stunning refutation 24 Q-B6! Mahio's fantastic Bishop sacrifice on move 24 was a prettier finish.

White: MAHIO Black: QUINTEROS
Sicilian Defense 1980

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| 1 P-K4 | P-QB4 |
| 2 N-KB3 | P-Q3 |
| 3 P-Q4 | PxP |
| 4 NxP | N-KB3 |
| 5 N-QB3 | P-QR3 |
| 6 B-KN5 | P-K3 |
| 7 P-B4 | Q-N3 |
| 8 Q-Q2 | QxP |
| 9 R-QN1 | Q-R6 |
| 10 P-K5 | PxP |
| 11 PxP | KN-Q2 |
| 12 B-K2 | B-N5 |
| 13 R-N3 | Q-R4 |
| 14 O-O | O-O |
| 15 B-B6 | NxB |
| 16 PxN | R-Q1 |
| 17 PxB | RxN |
| 18 Q-R6 | Q-K4 |
| 19 N-K4! | QxN |
| 20 B-B5 | R-Q2 |
| 21 R-Q3 | B-B4ch |
| 22 K-R1 | B-Q5 |
| 23 R-KK3 | N-B3 |

24 B-N6!
25 RxQ
26 RxBP!
27 P-N8! Qch
28 QxPch
29 RxB mate
QxB
N-K2
KxR
NxQ
K-K1
P-KP P-Armor, Italy
SOLUTION: 1 P-Q3 threatening

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We are happy to announce that GM Larry Evans, many times U.S. Champion, and currently U.S. Co-Champion, will appear in our pages from time to time.

Evans writes a regularly appearing feature in the Chicago Sun-Times which is syndicated nationwide.

For the first time ever, state and regional publications will have the opportunity to present Evans On Chess to their readers.

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TO KILL A KING

Why do boys excel at chess? Is it biology or culture?

Why women have not penetrated the ranks of top-level chess is a riddle. Even in Russia, which avidly encourages women in this field, very few can compete on even terms with grandmasters.

Freudians claim that since the aim of the game is to kill the king (father) chess holds little appeal for women. This theory fails to account for the fact that the king is not a male figure in all languages.

Bobby Fischer once boasted that he could give any woman in the world Knights odds. That might have been possible 20 years ago, but certainly not today when more females are invading the male domain.

Maya Chiburdanidze, 20, the women's titleholder, has already demonstrated girls can go far once the burden of tradition is removed. Now Pia Cramling, 17, of Sweden is doing her bit to demolish the myth of male supremacy.

At an open tourney in Skien, Norway, Pia easily sailed to first with 6 straight wins and 3 draws. Since her brother is also a strong player, it will be interesting to compare their progress.

After White's weak opening 14 P-QB3 was necessary instead of neglecting the safety of his king to snatch material. By move 20 it was already over since if 20 R-B1 (or 20 Q-N7ch K-B3 21 R-B1 QxP) Q-Q4ch! 21 K-K2 Q-Q6 mate.

White: LOTVEIT Black: CRAWLING
Milian Defense 1981

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| 1 P-K4 | P-QB4 |
| 2 N-KB3 | N-QB3 |
| 3 P-Q4 | PxP |
| 4 NxP | P-K3 |
| 5 N-N5 | P-Q3 |
| 6 B-KB4 | P-K4 |
| 7 B-K3 | N-B3 |
| 8 N-N5 | P-QR3 |
| 9 BxN | PxB |
| 10 KN-R3 | P-B4 |
| 11 PxP | BxP |
| 12 N-B3 | P-N4 |
| 13 N-Q5 | B-N2 |
| 14 Q-B3! | N-Q5 |
| 15 N-B7ch | QxN |
| 16 QxRch | K-K2 |
| 17 QxP | P-N5 |
| 18 N-N5 | NxPch |
| 19 K-Q1 | Q-B4 |
| 20 QxPch | QxQ |
| 21 NxQ | R-Q1 |
| 22 K-K2 | RxN |
| 23 R-Q1 | N-Q5ch |
| 24 K-K1 | B-N5 |
| 25 R-Q3 | P-K5 |
- White Resigns

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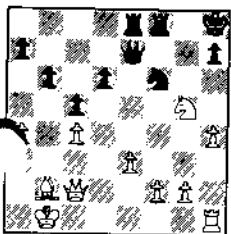
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Chess, anyone?

by Dave Roknic

Everyone can remember the tension involved in the famous Fischer vs. Spassky chess matches. This year a world championship of chess is planned with Russia's champion, Karpov vs. a contender yet to be determined. The match may be televised, providing lots of excitement for chess fans.

Certain people may shun chess, but no one can deny that chess is a world-wide attraction boasting many masters. Many cities and schools have large, well-organized chess programs.

There are many players here on campus, but a lack of organization tends to keep them apart. The U. of I. offers only one chess activity. Players meet once a week on Friday nights in the Union's vending room or one of the second floor meeting rooms.

Last October, the university offered its only tournament of the year. It qualified players for competition in the Feb. 7 and 8 Association of College Unions International Tournament held at ISU. The university's two-player team won an award as well as Glen Gratz, former Allen Hall resident, who won in individual competition.

Freshman Paul Segedin is very interested in organizing a campus tournament for some time in April. Segedin is serious and has an impressive record. He has played in approximately 50 tournaments, and has directed 30 others. Since his first competition in 1975, Segedin has helped direct the 1978 U.S. Open and the 1980 National open. In 1980, he was active secretary for the Illinois Chess Association.

"I am not now spending a lot of time with chess," Segedin said. "I've only played about 24 games since I've been down here. If people are interested though, I am willing to become as involved as necessary."

If the response is good, Segedin will carry out his plans. A one-day tournament would be held on campus for a low entry fee of \$4 or \$5. Money is needed for prizes and tournament expenses.

Although nothing is definite yet, there is a basic plan for the organization of the tournament. Beginners will compete in one section while those more experienced players who are U.S. Chess Federation rated will have their own section.

Segedin will probably use the Swiss system of tournament play. Unlike sports events, this is a non-elimination event. A



Illustration by BM Schlyer

player can play all the rounds. It also involves the system of pairing players with similar scores to keep competition on a fair level.

Eric Sindelar of Parkland College plans to recruit Parkland students for competition at the U of I.

Segedin is looking for anyone who is seriously interested and would appreciate student responses. He can be reached at 332-3304, 261 Allen Hall.

"If all goes well," he said, "The tournament can lead to an organizational meeting for the formation of a chess club." Ultimately he would like to obtain SORF funds so that students can attend the Annual National Collegiate Championship.

The article at the left originally appeared in the student newspaper FREEDOM, published on the University of Illinois Campus, Urbana, Illinois. We reprint it here with permission of the editor.

We think you'll be interested in the good coverage chess receives on campus, especially when determined and experienced organizers like Paul Segedin set to work.

We wish Paul every success at the U of I in his chess promotion efforts! Our readers, of course, will remember Paul as organizer/director at Chess Mates in Evanston, as a TD in many of Chicago's larger tournaments, and as ICA secretary.

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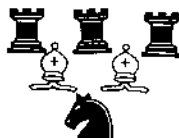
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Winners in the simul receive their entry back!

GM Shamkovich is not only an excellent chessplayer (top American in 1979 Interzonals), but is also an entertaining speaker. He will be able to provide personal details on the upcoming Karnov-Korchnoi match and the 1981 Lone Pine tournament!

1981 N.U. SPRING SWISS

5 round swiss April 20 through May 18 (Monday nights), TL 45/105. Entry fee: \$3.00. Register Monday, April 20 from 6:30-6:50 PM. Rounds at 7:00 PM, Room 2C, Norris Center, 1999 Sheridan Rd., Evanston. A make-up round will be scheduled for those who must miss a round. For more information: Jay Nitschke, 869-5618



TOURNAMENT CALENDAR

APRIL	4-5	AN AMERICAN HERITAGE TOURNAMENT
		THE GREATER CHICAGO OPEN, The Paul Tautvaisas Memorial, Palmer House, 5 SS (A)
	11-12	Midwest Women's, Chicago Chess Center (A)
	11	South Suburban Championship, Homewood-Flossmoore (A)
	18	Chicago State Chess Club, 4 SS
	25-26	Chicago Chess Center (A)
	25-26	GREATER PEORIA OPEN, \$1000 guaranteed, (A)
MAY	2-3	Chicago Chess Center (A)
	9	Chicago Industrial Chess League Tornado, Albright Gym, 4 SS (A)
	16	Peoria Late Spring Tornado
	17	U I Open and Hyde Park Swiss (A)
	23-25	A USCF NATIONAL TOURNAMENT
		The U.S. AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIPS, Palmer House, co-sponsored by the USCF and the ICA (A)
	30-31	Chicago Chess Center (A)
JUNE	6	Second Quarter Novice, Peoria (A)
	6-7	Chicago Chess Center (A)
	19-21	MASTER CHALLENGE III, A GRAND PRIX EVENT, Oak Park-Forest Park (A)
	27	Peoria Summer Tornado, Peoria (A)
	27-28	Chicago Chess Center (A)
JULY	4-5	Chicago Chess Center (A)
	11	Over 1600 Chess Mates Swiss, Evanston (A)
	18-19	Chicago Summer Classic
AUGUST	1	Under 1600 Chess Mates Swiss, Evanston (A)
	1-2	Bradley Summer Open, Peoria (A)
	1-2	Chicago Chess Center (A)
	15-16	Chicago Palmer House Open (A)
	22	Third Quarter Novice, Peoria (A)
	29-30	St Charles, Fox Valley Open, (A)
	29-30	Chicago Chess Center (A)
SEPT.		LABOR DAY WEEKEND: THE ILLINOIS OPEN (site to be announced)
	19-20	Chicago Chess Center (A)
	26	Peoria Fall Tornado (A)
	26	September Chessmates Over 1600, Evanston (A)
	26-27	Chicago Chess Center (A)
OCT.	9-10	Oak Park Autumn Classic, Oak Park-Forest Park (A)
	17	Newcomers' Tournament, Peoria (A)
	17-18	North American Class Championships, Palmer House (A)
	31	October Under 1600, Chessmates, Evanston (A)
NOV.	14	Fourth quarter Novice, Peoria
		THANKSGIVING DAY WEEK-END: THE ILLINOIS CLASS CHAMPIONSHIPS, an ICA event (details to be announced)

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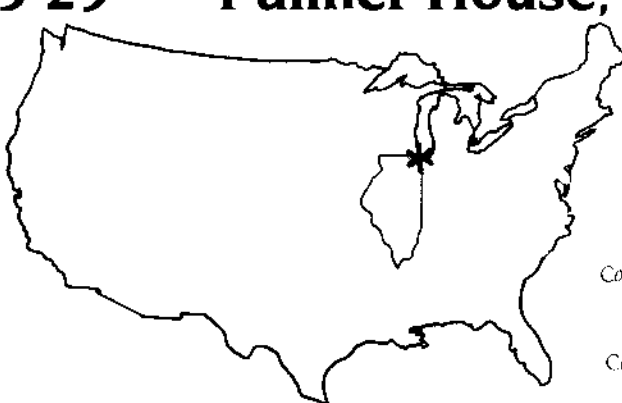
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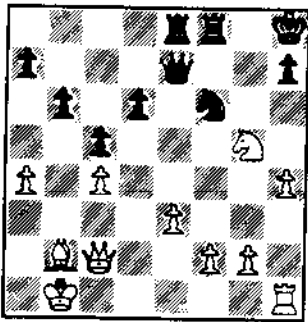
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