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KENNETH SMITH TAKES SPACE! CITY CHESS TOURNAMENT

By outplaying the Texas Champion John Hall, Ken Smith won $4\frac{1}{2}$ points, and took First place in the Space City Open. No less than 7 players tied for Second place. In the final round, Eric Bone drew with Richard Dean, who had eliminated Master Ray Schutt. Two other players who tied with a $3\frac{1}{2}$ score, were John Payne and Blake Stevens. (Their last round game was drawn) Those who climbed to a 4-1 score by winning the final game were Werner Belke, Rolando Pelaez, and Billy Patteson. There were 54 players in this event held at the Continental Houston Hotel. 101% of the entry fee money was given back in prizes to the 13 players with more than 3 points. Robert Brieger directed this tournament for nothing, and he earned every cent of it!

TEXANS HAVE ROUGH TIME IN WESTERN

Texas players found the going tough in the Western Open played at Milwaukee on the Fourth of July weekend. William Bills won 5 out of 7 games. Eric Bone, Bob Brieger, and Owen Johnson each scored $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$. Curt Brasket and E. Formanek tied for 1st with Popel, Martz, & 2 others, 6-1! There were more than 150 players there.

Mate in 3 chess problem by R. Brieger
White: King on f7, Bishops on c3 and d1,
Knights on d8 and f6, Pawn on h4
Black: King on f5, Pawn on c4
Solution: 1. Nd5, Ke4; 2. Nb7, KxN;
3. Bf3 mate. Or if 2... Kd3; 3. Ne5 mate.
And if 2... Kf5; 3. Nd6 mate.

FOUR OF DALLAS FINEST PLAYERS PREVAIL IN BIG "BIG D"

The four Dallasites who tied for top honors with $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ scores were R. R. McCready, Ken Smith, John Hall, and Texas Jr. Champion John Jacobs. Although he drew the last round game with John Jacobs, McCready won First Place and a trophy on tie breaking points. Ken Smith drew an early round game with Fred King, a high scoring Class A player with 4-1. Texas Champion John Hall had one draw with San Antonio wizard Ed Caruthers. Players with 4 points included John Dunning of San Antonio, Robert Potter of Dallas, Bill Devin of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and the famous Roy DeVault of Garland. James Campion directed this gigantic 81 player event. He sent the cross table of results, but not a list of Class Prize-winners. The complete cross table will be published in the next issue of TEXAS KNIGHTS.

BISGUIER WINS GREAT PLAINS OPEN

Grandmaster Arthur Bisguier of New York, allowed one draw to Texan John Jacobs, and won the tournament easily with $6\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$, a full point ahead of the field. This 7 round Swiss, USCF rated tournament was played at the Pioneer Hotel in Lubbock, Texas the weekend of July 4-7. K. Smith, John Jacobs, and an A player(?) had $5\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$ scores.

GAMES

Last month, we left Brieger tied to the log, headed for the Bills sawmill! In case you missed the first 24 moves which got Brieger into all this trouble, play on! Mac Duffer.

White Bills vrs. Black Brieger

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|-----------|-------|-----------|--------|
| 1. P-Q4 | P-K3 | 13. R-R3 | P-QN4 |
| 2. P-K4 | P-Q4 | 14. PxP | NxBP |
| 3. N-QB3 | N-KB3 | 15. R-N3 | N-K5 |
| 4. B-N5 | B-K2 | 16. R-N6 | Q-B2 |
| 5. P-K5 | KN-Q2 | 17. P-R5! | N-K2 |
| 6. P-KR4 | P-KR3 | 18. N-KR4 | NxN |
| 7. BxB | QxB | 19. PxN | NxR |
| 8. Q-N4 | O-O | 20. NxN | R-K1 |
| 9. B-Q3 | P-KB4 | 21. P-N4 | PxP |
| 10. Q-B4 | P-QB4 | 22. QxP | Q-R2 |
| 11. N-KB3 | N-QB3 | 23. R-N1! | Q-B2 |
| 12. O-O-O | P-QR3 | 24. R-N3 | QxBP?? |

The play's so keen, to catch my foolish queen.

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| 25. N-K7ch | RxN | 47. Q-B3 | K-K2 |
| 26. B-R7ch | KxB | 48. Q-KN3 | K-B1 |
| 27. RxQ | B-N2 | 49. Q-N6 | P-QR4 |
| 28. Q-N6ch | K-N1 | 50. K-N6 | B-Q2! |
| 29. R-N3 | K-R1 | 51. K-B7 | R-K2 |
| 30. R-B3 | K-N1 | 52. K-Q6 | P-R5 |
| 31. R-B6 | R/1-K1 | 53. P-QB3 | B-B1 |
| 32. Q-N4 | K-R2 | 54. Q-Q3 | R-Q2ch? |
| 33. R-N6 | B-B1 | 55. K-B6 | R-R2! |
| 34. Q-B4 | R-Q1 | 56. Q-K3 | R-N2 |
| 35. R-N3 | R-QB2 | 57. P-R3 | K-B2 |
| 36. K-N2 | R-K1 | 58. Q-KN3 | K-B1 |
| 37. R-B3 | K-N1 | 59. P-B4! | K-K1 |
| 38. Q-N4 | R-B2 | 60. Q-N6ch | K-B1 |
| 39. RxR | KxR | 61. P-B5 | PxP |
| 40. Q-Q6 | K-N1 | 62. P-K6 | R-K2! |
| 41. Q-B6 | K-B1 | 63. QxPch | K-N1 |
| 42. K-B3 | K-B2 | 64. KxNP | BxP |
| 43. K-Q4 | K-B1 | 65. Q-B4? | B-B2! |
| 44. K-B5 | K-B2 | 66. K-B5 | R-K5 |
| 45. K-Q6 | R-Q1ch | 67. Q-N3 | K-R1 |
| 46. K-B7 | R-K1 | 68. Q-KB3 | Drawn |

TEXAS CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

Ray Schutt vrs. Gary Simms

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|----------|-------|-------------|--------|
| 1. N-KB3 | P-Q4 | 12. N-R4 | R-B1? |
| 2. P-B4 | P-QB3 | 13. P-K4 | PxKP |
| 3. P-QN3 | P-K3 | 14. N-B5 | B-N1 |
| 4. B-N2 | N-B3 | 15. P-Q5! | N-K4 |
| 5. P-N3 | B-Q3 | 16. NxKP | NxN |
| 6. B-N2 | O-O | 17. BxN | P-B3 |
| 7. O-O | QN-Q2 | 18. P-Q6 | BxB |
| 8. P-Q4 | P-QN3 | 19. N-K7ch | QxN |
| 9. QN-Q2 | B-N2 | 20. PxQ | N-B6ch |
| 10. R-K1 | P-B4 | 21. QxN | BxQ |
| 11. PxQP | KPxP | 22. PxR=Qch | KxQ |
- and White won.

SPACE CITY OPEN

June 29 - 30

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|---------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| 1. Kenneth Smith | W22 | W42 | W9 | D2 | W11 | 4 1/2 |
| 2. Eric Bone | W32 | W12 | W24 | D1 | D5 | 4 |
| 3. John Bob Payne | W38 | W21 | W18 | D11 | D4 | 4 |
| 4. Blake Stevens | W31 | W23 | D10 | W25 | D3 | 4 |
| 5. Richard Dean | W16 | D26 | W34 | W10 | D2 | 4 |
| 6. Werner Belke | W47 | W27 | L11 | W19 | W14 | 4 |
| 7. Rolando Pelaez | W44 | L9 | W31 | W24 | W18 | 4 |
| 8. Billy Patteson | W53 | L10 | W35 | W23 | W29 | 4 |
| 9. William Bills | W39 | W7 | L1 | W20 | D12 | 3 1/2 |
| 10. Ray Schutt | W35 | W8 | D4 | L5 | W27 | 3 1/2 |
| 11. John Hall | W36 | W29 | W6 | D3 | L1 | 3 1/2 |
| 12. Ed Caruthers | W51 | L2 | W32 | W15 | D9 | 3 1/2 |
| 13. Tom Nard | W46 | L24 | D16 | W43 | W25 | 3 1/2 |
| 14. Woodrow James | W20 | W30 | L25 | W21 | L6 | 3 |
| 15. Phil Andreasen | D43 | W17 | D26 | L12 | W39 | 3 |
| 16. Fred Stephenson | L5 | W46 | D13 | W28 | D24 | 3 |
| 17. M. Leafner | D30 | L15 | W33 | D34 | W37 | 3 |
| 18. Bill Wheeler | W49 | W28 | L3 | W26 | L7 | 3 |
| 19. Dr. V. Gracia | L28 | W41 | W37 | L6 | W34 | 3 |
| 20. Carl Clayton | L14 | W43 | W39 | L9 | W38 | 3 |
| 21. Fred King | W50 | L3 | W38 | F14 | W35 | 3 |
| 22. Hugh West | L1 | W50 | W42 | L29 | W45 | 3 |
| 23. John Niven | W54 | L4 | W49 | L8 | W36 | 3 |
| 24. John Dunning | W40 | W13 | L2 | L7 | D16 | 2 1/2 |
| 25. A. Gonzalez | D33 | W45 | W14 | L4 | L13 | 2 1/2 |
| 26. Cliff Jewell | W48 | D5 | D15 | L18 | D32 | 2 1/2 |
| 27. David Gonzales | W37 | L6 | D28 | W30 | L10 | 2 1/2 |
| 28. James A. Mack | W19 | L18 | D27 | L16 | W49 | 2 1/2 |
| 29. David Willis | W52 | L11 | D36 | W22 | L8 | 2 1/2 |
| 30. Robert Loomis | D17 | L14 | W51 | L27 | W46 | 2 1/2 |
| 31. Frank Carter | L4 | W44 | L7 | D46 | W43 | 2 1/2 |
| 32. Olin Chism | L2 | W53 | L12 | W44 | D26 | 2 1/2 |
| 33. Robert Chalker | D25 | L34 | L17 | W53 | W42 | 2 1/2 |
| 34. Wm. Kushner | D45 | W33 | L5 | D17 | L19 | 2 |
| 35. Wm. Rathbone | L10 | W47 | L8 | W40 | L21 | 2 |
| 36. Dennis Conlon | L11 | W48 | D29 | D42 | L23 | 2 |
| 37. Charles Viger | L27 | W40 | L19 | W49 | L17 | 2 |
| 38. Herman Scott | L3 | W52 | L21 | W50 | L20 | 2 |
| 39. Ted Mead | L9 | W51 | L20 | W47 | L15 | 2 |
| 40. John Bean | L24 | L37 | W52 | L35 | W50 | 2 |
| 41. Paul Grabiel | L42 | L19 | L44 | W52 | W51 | 2 |
| 42. Tony Campbell | W41 | L1 | L22 | D36 | L33 | 1 1/2 |
| 43. Bob Burgess | D15 | L20 | W45 | L13 | L31 | 1 1/2 |
| 44. Wayne See | L7 | L31 | W41 | L32 | D47 | 1 1/2 |
| 45. Johnny Rhoades | D34 | L25 | L43 | W48 | L22 | 1 1/2 |
| 46. Joe Turner | L13 | L16 | W53 | D31 | L30 | 1 1/2 |
| 47. Wallace Macey | L6 | L35 | D48 | L39 | D44 | 1 |
| 48. David Hydorn | L26 | L36 | D47 | L45 | D53 | 1 |
| 49. Brad Bradford | L18 | W54 | L23 | L37 | L28 | 1 |
| 50. James Dean | L21 | L22 | W54 | L38 | L40 | 1 |
| 51. Valentin Gracia | L12 | L39 | L30 | W54 | L41 | 1 |
| 52. Walter Gracia | L29 | L38 | L40 | L41 | W54 | 1 1/2 |
| 53. Robert Baker | L8 | L32 | L46 | L33 | D48 | 1 1/2 |
| 54. Franklin W. Ray | L23 | L49 | L50 | L51 | L52 | 0 |

THE UNKNOWN FISCHER

by Billy Patteson

Many of Bobby Fischer's games have never been published outside of the official tournament bulletins. The reasons are varied: the editor didn't have the space; or he never received the games; or perhaps he considered them uninteresting. Of course, to us die-hard Fischer fans, all of his games are interesting, if for no other reason but that he played them! Here, in the last round at Santiago, 1959, Fischer pulls a stock sacrifice in a Sicilian vrs. the Chilean master Walter Ader, and wins easily. He thus managed to tie for 4th-6th places with A. Sanchez and R. Sanguinetti with 7½ pts., behind 1st-2nd L. Pachman and B. Sukov, 9 and 3rd H. Pilnik, 8.

White: W. Ader		Black: R. Fischer	
1. P-K4	P-QB4	21. BxP	PxB
2. N-KB3	P-Q3	22. QxP	N-B5
3. P-Q4	PxP	23. Q-N4	QxQch
4. NxP	N-KB3	24. BPxQ	N-B7
5. N-QB3	P-QR3	25. N-N3	NxRPch
6. B-N5	P-K3	26. K-N2	N-B5ch
7. P-B4	B-K2	27. K-N3	N-K6
8. Q-B3	Q-B2	28. R-Q2	NxR
9. O-O-O	QN-Q2	29. NxN	PxP
10. P-B5	P-K4	30. N-N3	B-Q4ch
11. N-N3	P-N4	31. K-R4	R-R1ch
12. P-QR3	B-N2	32. K-N5	R-N1ch
13. P-KR4	R-QB1	33. K-B5	R-B1ch
14. B-Q3	P-KR4	34. K-Q6	N-B5ch
15. K-N1	N-N3	35. K-Q7	NxR
16. N-Q2	N-N5	36. KxR	B-B5
17. BxB	QxB	White	
18. N-B1	RxN	resigns	
19. PxR	P-Q4		
20. Q-K2	O-O		

DISCOUNT RATES

For those who either do not know, or have forgotten about the USCF discount rates for TCA members, here is the explanation again in its simplest form. Every current TCA member is entitled to a 20% discount on any type of USCF membership at any time he wishes to join or that his USCF membership comes due, not just if he pays TCA and USCF dues at the same time. All that is necessary is that the member send his USCF money to the TCA treasurer with the required information - a filled out USCF membership form is best, but not necessary. Do not send it directly to the USCF, as they have no way of knowing who is a TCA member.

GAMES BY TEXANS

Played at the Space City Open Tmt.			
White: John Payne		Black: B. Wheeler	
1. N-KB3	N-KB3	21. NxB	PxN
2. P-QB4	P-K3	22. P-K4	PxP
3. P-KN3	P-Q4	23. BxP	P-QN4
4. B-N2	P-QB3	24. P-QR4	P-N5
5. P-Q4	B-Q3	25. B-Q4	K-R1
6. QN-Q2	O-O	26. B-Q3	P-K4
7. O-O	QN-Q2	27. BxN	PxB
8. Q-B2	P-K4	28. BxP	R-R1
9. PxQP	PxQP/4	29. B-Q3	Q-R2
10. PxP	NxP	30. Q-Q5	R-B3
11. NxN	BxN	31. QR-K1	R/1-KB1
12. N-B3	B-Q3	32. R-K6	RxR
13. B-N5	B-K3	33. QxR	R-B3
14. N-Q4	P-KR3	34. Q-K8ch	B-B1
15. B-Q2	QR-B1	35. R-B1	Q-KB2
16. Q-Q3	KN-Q2	36. Q-K4	P-N4
17. B-B3	N-K4	37. R-B8	Resigns
18. Q-N5	Q-K2		
19. QR-Q1	P-QR3		
20. Q-N3	N-B5		

Played at the Oklahoma City Open			
White: George Hulburt 2022		Black: Mark Hazlewood 1665	
1. P-K4	P-K4	19. B-QR4	R-N1
2. N-KB3	N-QB3	20. Q-B4	P-KR3
3. B-N5	P-Q3	21. B-R4	B-R7ch
4. P-Q4	PxP	22. K-B1	B-Q3
5. NxP	B-Q2	23. R-Q2	B-K4
6. NxN	PxN	24. R/R-Q1	Q-B1
7. B-QB4	N-KB3	25. N-K7	Q-N2
8. N-QB3	B-K2	26. N-B6	P-K6
9. O-O	O-O	27. PxP	N-K5
10. P-KR3	B-K3	28. R-Q7	N-Q3
11. Q-K2	P-Q4	29. Q-Q5	Q-R3ch
12. R-Q1	B-Q3	30. K-K1	B-B6ch
13. B-R6	PxP	31. K-B2	QxB
14. B-N7	R-N1	32. NxR	QxBPch
15. BxP	B-KB4	33. K-B1	B-K5
16. B-KN5	K-R1	34. QxB	QxRoh
17. N-Q5	RxP	35. K-N2	Q-K7ch
18. P-KN4	B-N3	White resigns	

CHANGE OF MEETING NOTICE

The Clear Lake Chess Club now meets at "The Singing Wheel" (Restaurant and Beer Garden) located on the old Galveston road in Webster, Texas.
Time: Thursday Nights - 7:30 P.M.
Bill Rathbone - President

Send chess games or other interesting material for publication in TEXAS KNIGHTS to the chess editor, Robert Brieger, 220 West 18th St., Houston, Texas 77008.

KORCHNOI BEATS TAL IN SEMI-FINAL MATCH

Victor Korchnoi of the Soviet Union moved closer to a possible match for the world chess championship when he defeated his compatriot, former world champion Mikhail Tal, by the close score of 5½-4½.

Here is an interesting game from this event.

Fifth Match Game Ruy Lopez

Tal Korchnoi
White Black

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|-----------|-------|-----------|--------|
| 1. P-K4 | P-K4 | 20. BxN | BxB |
| 2. N-KB3 | N-QB3 | 21. N-Q2 | N-K2 |
| 3. B-N5 | P-QR3 | 22. N-K4 | N-Q4 |
| 4. B-R4 | N-B3 | 23. P-QN3 | NxP |
| 5. O-O | B-K2 | 24. NxBoh | PxN |
| 6. R-K1 | P-QN4 | 25. Q-K3 | PxP |
| 7. B-N3 | P-Q3 | 26. BxP | K-R2 |
| 8. P-B3 | O-O | 27. KR-B1 | P-N5 |
| 9. P-KR3 | N-QR4 | 28. P-R3 | P-K5 |
| 10. B-B2 | P-B4 | 29. PxP | R-Q6 |
| 11. P-Q4 | Q-B2 | 30. Q-K1 | P-K6 |
| 12. QN-Q2 | N-B3 | 31. B-B2 | Q-Q7 |
| 13. PxBP | PxP | 32. PxP | N-K7ch |
| 14. N-B1 | B-K3 | 33. K-R1 | N-N6ch |
| 15. N-K3 | QR-Q1 | 34. K-N1 | R-K7 |
| 16. Q-K2 | P-B5 | 35. Q-Q1 | Q-N2 |
| 17. N-B5 | BxN | 36. P-K4 | R/1xP |
| 18. PxB | KR-K1 | Resigns | |
| 19. B-N5 | P-R3 | | |

SPASSKY LEADS LARSEN

Bent Larsen of Denmark is considered one of the greatest players in the world today. His record of winning five international master tournaments in succession within the last year is almost unparalleled.

Match play against Boris Spassky of the Soviet Union is something else. Based on the early returns, Spassky must be conceded as most likely to succeed. He defeated Larsen three times in succession to start the match, then drew the fourth game to lead by the score of 3½-½.

August 31-September 2 SOUTHWESTERN AND INTERNATIONAL OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT

7-round Swiss, will be held in the River Room of the Convention Center, HemisFair '68, corner of E. Commerce and S. Alamo Streets. Time limit: 45 moves in approx. 2 hours. Director: Master George Koltanowski. First Prize \$1000; Second \$500 guaranteed; other cash prizes as entry fees permit. Trophies, Class prizes, and Merchandise prizes etc. Entry fee is \$15. Register 8 to 12 noon on Saturday, August 31. Inquiries to Homer H. Hyde, 231 Cherry Ridge Dr. San Antonio, Texas 78213. IMPORTANT: Due to the heavy influx of visitors expected for the HemisFair, it is imperative that hotel reservations be made immediately. Recommended are: Crockett Hotel, 301 E. Crockett; St. Anthony Hotel, 300 E. Travis; Bluebonnet Hotel, 4266 N. St. Marys; and El Tropicano, 110 Lexington. Write "Reservation Manager" before August 1, and be sure to mention that you are playing in the chess tournament.

3 MASTERS ARE TIED FOR THE LEAD IN THE UNITED STATES CHAMPIONSHIP

The leaders each won their games in the fifth round of the U. S. Chess Championship at the Empire Hotel in New York. Each has scored 4 points out of 5.

Arthur Bisguier defeated Dr. Anthony Saidy; Robert Byrne defeated Al Horowitz; and Larry Evans defeated Nicolas Rossolimo. Reshevsky beat Weinberger to hold fourth position with 3½-1½. Following him are B. Zuckerman and Pal Benko with 3-2. Lombardy and Rossolimo tied at 2½-2½. Horowitz, 2-3 and Saidy with 1½-3½.

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