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TEXAS CANDIDATES COMPETE IN AUSTIN

A total of 56 players competed at the Commodore Perry Hotel in Austin over the Thanksgiving weekend in the Texas Candidates and Texas Open tournaments. The two five-round, Swiss system events were jointly sponsored by the Texas Chess Assn. and the Austin Chess Club, and were directed by Dr. Arnulfo Gutierrez, Austin Chess Club president.

Eric Bone of Baytown won the candidates event with a game score of 4-1. Three players had game scores of $3\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$, but tie-breaking points put C. Bill Jones of Houston, Robert Brieger of Houston, and John Dunning of San Antonio, second, third, and fourth. David Lees of Waco, co-holder of the state title with Kenneth R. Smith of Dallas, gave up his spot in next year's state championship in order to compete in this event. It almost cost him dearly, as his game score of 3-2 was equalled by Richard Owen of Kingsville, but tie-breaking points gave Lees the nod, and he will join the other four when they compete with Kenneth Smith next year for the state title.

The complete cross table appears on page 2.

There were 42 players who took part in the Texas Open; Ross Carbonell of Houston for $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$. W. Grinnell of Garland was second, James Showen of Austin was third, Frank Carter of Houston was fourth, and J. R. Coltharp of Fort Worth was fifth, as all scored 4-1.

Those scoring $3\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$ were Lynn Green of Dallas, Dan Chambers of Austin, Alan Laverty of College Station, Olin Chiam of Fort Worth, Fred Crowder of College Station, and M. Jensen of Houston.

U. S. Senator Ralph Yarborough participated in awarding of prizes.

CHESS OPENING ANALYSIS

by John B. Payne

Two Knights Defense

White: George Smith Black: John Payne
Played at the 1965 Southwestern Open

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|----------|-------|---------|-------|
| 1. P-K4 | P-K4 | 5. O-O | NxP |
| 2. N-KB3 | N-QB3 | 6. R-K1 | P-Q4 |
| 3. B-B4 | N-B3 | 7. BxP | QxB |
| 4. P-Q4 | PxP | 8. N-B3 | Q-KR4 |

The usual continuation is ...Q-QR4.

The text avoids prepared variations.

9. NxN B-K3
10. N-N5?

A typical mistake. White plays as if Black's Queen were at QR4 instead of KR4. The right way is 10. B-N5, B-N5; 11. NxP, QxQ; 12. KRxQ, NxN; 13. R-N, B-K2; and White has, if anything, a slight pull. However, with reasonable play by both parties, a draw is the likely result.

- 10..... O-O-O 12. RxP B-Q3
11. NxB PxN 13. B-N5?? QR-K1?

With 13..., QR-B; Black most likely does much better. The double threat to the KRP and the B (after 14..., R-N) can only be parried by 14. P-KR4 when ...P-KR3 promises a tremendous attack against White's weakened King's position.

14. Q-K1???

The only move is 14. R-R, R-R;
15. B-Q2, leaving Black with a superior game, but not a winning one.

- 14..... N-K4!
15. R-N

White loses material, however he plays. The text loses only the exchange.

- 15..... BxR
16. Q-R5 B-B3

As most of us would, White chose to play on. However, the reader should not be expected to emulate the player's interest in the remaining 30 or so moves; therefore, they are not given. Black Won. This article is continued on page 2.

CHess Opening Analysis

by John B. Payne

In the Two Knights Defense, after

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|----------|-------|---------|------|
| 1. P-K4 | P-K4 | 5. O-O | NxP |
| 2. N-KB3 | N-QB3 | 6. R-K1 | P-Q4 |
| 3. B-B4 | N-B3 | 7. BxP | QxB |
| 4. P-Q4 | PxP | 8. N-B3 | |

The usual continuation for Black is S..., Q-QR4. However, in the only "book" line, supposedly leading to equality, or better, for Black, Robert Brieger had unveiled an improvement for White against this move in his game with David Lees, from the 1965 Texas Championship, as follows: S..., Q-QR4

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|----------|-------|----------|------|
| 9. NxN | B-K3 | 12. RxP | B-Q3 |
| 10. N-N5 | O-O-O | 13. B-N5 | QR-B |
| 11. NxB | PxN | 14. Q-K2 | K-Q2 |

So far, so bookish; Black is supposed to stand well.

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|-----------|-------|---------|------|
| 15. R-K | RxN | 18. K-R | QxQ |
| 16. B-Q2! | Q-R4 | 19. PxQ | B-Q3 |
| 17. QxR | RxPch | | |

White's material advantage should be sufficient to win.

A measure of the validity of Brieger's line is given by the following variation: 15.... P-Q6

(If now, 16. PxP, RxN; 17. B-Q2? Q-R4; 18. QxR, QxPch; 19. K-B, Q-R5ch; 20. K-K2, N-Q5ch; 21. K any, QxRch; and Black wins.)

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| 16. QxP | RxN |
| 17. QxR | QxB |
| 18. Q-B7ch | B-K2 |

(If 18...., K-B1?; 19. R-N5ch, RxR; 20. RxRch, N-Q; 21. Q-K6ch, K-N; 22. P-KB4 and White wins the pinned piece, with material ahead and the better game.)

(If 18...., N-K2; 19. RxBch, PxR; 20. Q-K6ch, K-Q1; 21. QxPch, K-K1; 22. Q-N8ch Black can avoid loss of the exchange with 20...., K-B3; but, his game is hopeless after loss of the knight, also.)

19. P-QN4!

Black is helpless. 20. P-KB4 is threatening as well as 20. P-N5.

If 19...., R-K1; 20. R-Q1ch wins.

If 19...., K-Q1; 20. P-KB4 wins.

Of course, Black has other moves than 15...., RxN and 15...., P-Q6; but, White's grip on the king file gives him a significant advantage.

1965 TEXAS CANDIDATES

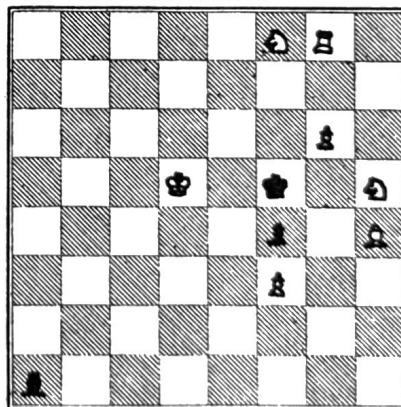
Austin, November 27-28

1. Eric Bone	W4	W5	D2	D3	W7	4
2. Bill Jones	W13	W8	D1	D5	D3	3½
3. Robert Brieger	W12	D9	W7	D1	D2	3½
4. John Dunning	L1	W10	W13	W9	D5	3½
5. David Lees	W11	L1	W9	D2	D4	3
6. Richard Owen	D10	L7	D8	W13	W12	3
7. John Hall	D8	W6	L3	W12	L1	2½
8. Wm. Bills	D7	L2	D6	W10	D11	2½
9. Blake Stevens	W14	D3	L5	L4	Bye	2½
10. Ed Caruthers	D6	L4	W11	L8	W13	2½
11. John Jacobs	L5	D12	L10	Bye	D8	2
12. Gary Simms	L3	D11	Bye	L7	L6	1½
13. Wendell Scott	L2	Bye	L4	L6	L10	1
14. W. Anderson	L9	---	---	---	---	0

THE ART OF THE CHESS PROBLEM

Most of the good chess problems have a theme. These themes usually have names. To mention just a few, there is the Novotny, the Grimshaw, the Plachutta, the Indian, and the Bristol theme. In future issues of TEXAS KNIGHTS, we will define, and give examples of chess problems containing these themes. WE will also give definitions of mirror mates, economic, pure, and model mates.

The following chess problem illustrates Le Theme de la Souriciere.



White to move and mate in 3
Solution on page 4.

Dallas is a two chess club town!

The Dallas Chess Club meets on Tuesday nights at the Hillcrest State Bank.

The North Henderson Chess Club meets at 2201 North Henderson St., Dallas, Texas on Saturdays and Sundays at 2:00 P. M. Visitors are welcome.

SELECT GAMES
(From the 1965 Brazos Open)
by David M. Lees

This sensational first round upset from the Brazos Open was won by David Willis (1756) from Eric Bone (2210)! Dave also scored draws against Bob Brieger and William Bills.

White: E. Bone Black: D. Willis
Pirc Defense

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|----------|-------|----------|-------|
| 1. P-K4 | P-KN3 | 4. N-KB3 | N-KB3 |
| 2. P-Q4 | B-N2 | 5. B-Q3 | |
| 3. P-KB4 | P-Q3 | | |

Payne vs. Willis, round 5 continued
5. N-B3, O-O; 6. B-K2, P-B4; 7. PxP, Q-R4;
8. O-O, QxPch; 9. K-R1, N-B3; 10. N-Q2,
P-QR4; 11. N-N3, Q-N3; 12. P-QR4, N-QN5;
13. P-B5, with even chances.

- 5..... O-O
6. P-B3 P-B4
7. Q-B2?

White's Queen is misplaced on QB2.

- 7..... PxP 9. P-QR3 Q-N3
8. PxP N-B3 10. P-Q5

- Not 10. B-K3?, N-KN5; wins a pawn.
10..... N-Q5 12. N-B3 B-Q2
11. NxN QxN 13. N-K2?

The correct way for White to consolidate his position is 13. N-Q1!, and if QR-B1; 14. B-K3, RxQ; 15. BxQ, RxKNP
16. N-K3, trapping Black's Rook.

- 13..... Q-N3
14. B-Q2? (14. P-R3 is necessary)
...., N-N5!
15. O-O-O B-R5! The Crusher!

White Resigns

C. Bill Jones enjoys playing little known gambits, and being a fine tactician, he is usually successful.

White: O. Chism Black: B. Jones

Queen's Gambit Declined

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|----------|--------|-----------|---------|
| 1. P-Q4 | P-Q4 | 11. N-Q2 | O-O |
| 2. P-QB4 | P-K3 | 12. Q-N3 | Q-N3 |
| 3. N-QB3 | P-QB4 | 13. P-N3 | B-B7 |
| 4. PxQP | BPxP | 14. Q-B4 | QR-Q1 |
| 5. QxP | N-QB3 | 15. P-QR3 | R-Q5 |
| 6. Q-Q1 | PxP | 16. Q-N5 | BxNch |
| 7. NxP? | B-KB4 | 17. BxB | Q-K5 |
| 8. N-KB3 | N-B3 | 18. R-KN1 | KR-Q1 |
| 9. NxNch | QxN | 19. P-B3 | Q-K2 |
| 10. P-K3 | B-N5ch | 20. R-N2 | R(5)-Q4 |

1965 TEXAS OPEN
Austin, Nov. 27-28

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| 1. R. Carbonell | W9 | W21 | D6 | W18 | W2 | 4½ |
| 2. W. Grinnell | W31 | W12 | W4 | W13 | L1 | 4 |
| 3. J. Showen | W33 | W19 | D5 | W6 | D10 | 4 |
| 4. Frank Carter | W41 | W8 | L2 | W15 | W13 | 4 |
| 5. J. R. Coltharp | W28 | W20 | D3 | W14 | D9 | 4 |
| 6. Lynn Green | W29 | W26 | D1 | L3 | W18 | 3½ |
| 7. Dan Chambers | W11 | W27 | D22 | D17 | D8 | 3½ |
| 8. Alan Laverty | W14 | L4 | W42 | W27 | D7 | 3½ |
| 9. Olin Chism | L1 | W31 | W30 | W29 | D5 | 3½ |
| 10. Fred Crowds | W34 | L13 | W21 | W22 | D3 | 3½ |
| 11. M. Jensen | L7 | D24 | W35 | W28 | W17 | 3½ |
| 12. Wes Smitherman | W36 | L2 | D28 | W34 | W19 | 3½ |
| 13. Ray Mc Cune | W16 | W10 | W15 | L2 | L4 | 3 |
| 14. S. Daniels | L8 | W38 | W32 | L5 | W30 | 3 |
| 15. Jay Wilbur | W37 | W39 | L13 | L4 | W27 | 3 |
| 16. N. Godfrey | L13 | W40 | L17 | W31 | W37 | 3 |
| 17. Wayne Bell | L20 | W35 | W16 | D7 | L11 | 2½ |
| 18. R. S. Underwood | D22 | W23 | W25 | L1 | L6 | 2½ |
| 19. Nat Snapp | W30 | L3 | D20 | W23 | L12 | 2½ |
| 20. C. W. Hathway | W17 | L5 | D19 | W25 | L23 | 2½ |
| 21. Thomas Snow | W32 | L1 | L10 | W33 | D22 | 2½ |
| 22. Ben Gebhardt | D18 | W42 | D7 | L10 | D21 | 2½ |
| 23. Clay Kistler | D42 | L18 | W24 | L19 | W20 | 2½ |
| 24. Dr. B. Douglas | L27 | D11 | L23 | W36 | W32 | 2½ |
| 25. Dan McLeod | D35 | W33 | L18 | L20 | W29 | 2½ |
| 26. W. N. Wells | W40 | L6 | L27 | D32 | W38 | 2½ |
| 27. Pete Prattes | W24 | L7 | W26 | L8 | L15 | 2 |
| 28. L. Johnson | L5 | W41 | D12 | L11 | D31 | 2 |
| 29. C. Tennyson | L6 | W37 | W39 | L9 | L25 | 2 |
| 30. Leray McCall | L19 | W36 | L9 | W39 | L14 | 2 |
| 31. James Campion | L2 | L9 | W41 | L16 | D28 | 1½ |
| 32. F. Speck | L21 | W34 | L14 | D26 | L24 | 1½ |
| 33. Glenn Siebert | L3 | L25 | W40 | L21 | D34 | 1½ |
| 34. Marvin Simms | L10 | L32 | W38 | L12 | D33 | 1½ |
| 35. I. Benavides | D25 | L17 | L11 | L38 | W39 | 1½ |
| 36. Jimmy Rumsey | L12 | L30 | D37 | L24 | W41 | 1½ |
| 37. Robert Jones | L15 | L29 | D36 | W42 | L16 | 1½ |
| 38. F. M. Alpiser | L39 | L14 | L34 | W35 | L26 | 1 |
| 39. R. Johnson | W38 | L15 | L29 | L30 | L35 | 1 |
| 40. Johnny Crow | L26 | L16 | L33 | L41 | W42 | 1 |
| 41. J. Richardson | L4 | L28 | L31 | W40 | L36 | 1 |
| 42. J. Rankin Jr. | D23 | L22 | L8 | L37 | L40 | ½ |

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| 21. Q-B4 | N-K4 |
| 22. QxB | NxPch |
| 23. K-Q1 | QxP! |
| 24. K-B1 | NxB |
| 25. R-K2 | N-N6ch |
| 26. K-N1 | R-Q8ch |
| 27. K-R2 | RxR Mate |

FLASH! IT'S LUCKY SEVEN FOR BOBBY FISCHER!

Here are the final scores in the U. S. Championship: Fischer: 8½-2½; Reshevsky & R. Byrne: 7½-3½; Addison & Zuckerman: 6½-4½; Rossolimo: 6; Evans, Benko & Saidy: 5-6; Bisquier & Burger: 3-8; Suttles: 2½-8½

PIRC DEFENSE

White - Zuckerman; Black - Suttles

1-P-Q4	P-KN3	19-BPxP	KBPxP
2-P-K4	B-N3	20-QPxP	BxP
3-N-QB3	P-Q3	21-B-Q4	O-O-O
4-B-K3	P-QB3	22-N-B4	N-B4
5-Q-Q2	N-Q2	23-NxNP	KR-N
6-P-B3	P-QN4	24-BxB	PxB
7-KN-K2	N-N3	25-Q-N5	RxR
8-P-QN3	P-KR4	26-RxR	K-N2
9-P-QR4	P-N5	27-Q-B5	PxP
10-N-Q	P-R4	28-PxP	NxNP
11-N-B2	B-QR3	29-NxF	N-B4
12-R-Q	N-B3	30-N-B6!	N(3)xP
13-P-N3	KN-Q2	31-P-K5	K-N3
14-B-N2	Q-B2	32-R-Q6	N-N2
15-O-O	P-QB4	33-R-B6	P-N6
16-KR-K	P-B5	34-Q-K6	P-N7
17-P-B4	P-K3	35-Q-N3ch	K-B4
18-P-B5	P-K4	36-N-K4	MATE

6TH ANNUAL RIO GRANDE VALLEY OPEN

5-round Swiss, 50/2, to be played at the Los Vecinos Community Building at Filmore and M Streets in Harlingen, Texas, on March 26 and 27, 1966. Cash prizes to first place, handicap winner, and to best Class A, B, and C. Entry fee \$5 plus USCF membership. Register by 9 A. M., March 26. R. E. Swaim, 221 East Lee, Harlingen, Texas.

Solution to the Mate in 3, problem.
(from page 2)

Anyone who can translate French would know that this is a mousetrap problem. The solution is as follows:
1. Rh8! (threat is 2. Ng7ch & 3. Rh5Mate. The Rook is bait for the Black bishop.),
Bxh8 (critical move. The mouse pounces on the cheese, and enters the mousetrap.)
2. Pg7 (the door of the mousetrap clangs shut!)
Bxg7
3. Nxg7 Mate

BROWNSVILLE TWIN TORNADO CHESS TOURNAMENTS

Two 4-round Swiss tournaments with a time limit of 30 moves an hour.

One tournament will be held Saturday, January 29, the other on Sunday, January 30. Each day will be a separate tournament. Trophies given each day, class winners, and to the over-all champion, 2-day accommodations for 2 people at fabulous Sea Island Motel on South Padre Island. Cash prizes will be given, as the entry fees permit. Register for both tournaments by 9a.m. at Stillman Town Hall, Fort Brown Civic Center, Brownsville, Texas. Entry fee: \$4 for each tournament, or \$7 for both events. USCF membership will be required. Inquiries to John D. Taylor, 2408 E. Washington, Harlingen, Texas

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