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KENNETH SMITH SW OPEN CHAMP

Kenneth R. Smith again demonstrated his superiority in Southwest chess by claiming the Open title with a 6-1 score. His game score was unmatched in the 79 player field. The state co-champions, Smith and David M. Lees, met in the fourth round in the most exciting game of the tournament. A great crowd gathered around the game to discuss the combination which eventually won for Lees. The score of this game is given in this issue. In the final round, William A. Bills was leading the field by a half point, and was matched against Smith. Smith scored the full point.

Five players were close behind with $5\frac{1}{2}$ points. Tie-breaking points placed Lees second, Bills third, Robert Brieger fourth, John B. Payne fifth, and Eric Bone sixth.

Since the Championship last November, Smith and Lees had met in the Space City Open with a drawn result. They placed 1-2 in that event. Corpus Christi's Bob Payne was last year's Southwest Open champion. Eric Bone gained his USCF Master's rating in the latest listing.

Class A honors were divided between C. Bill Jones of Houston, Jerry Milburn of Lubbock, and Steve Moffitt of Houston with 5-2 scores. Class B cash was also divided three ways between John Hall of Dallas, J. M. Moulden of Dallas and Eddie Carruthers of San Antonio with $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$ scores. J. R. Coltharp of Fort Worth, Clay Kistler of Austin, and Kay Hale of Houston scored 3-4 to share Class C honors. Dell Davis of Conroe and Dr. A. Gutierrez of Austin split the unrated prize with $3\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$ scores.

Genial George Koltanowski directed the tournament in his usual efficient style. He also introduced some surprise awards from the Paul Masson wine company which were well received

even if it did require getting to the 8 o'clock rounds on time to be eligible for them. J. M. Wright tried to make up for the absence of Max Burkett without success on his first effort.

BILLS ELECTED TCA PRESIDENT

At the annual Texas Chess Association business meeting held immediately following the first round of the Southwest Open, William A. Bills of Houston was elected President for this year. Eric Bone was selected as Vice President and Robert S. Brieger was elected Secretary-Treasurer. This Houston area slate of officials is most capable of carrying forward the work of the association.

Dr. Arnulfo Gutierrez made a successful bid on behalf of the Austin Chess Club for the 1965 Texas Candidates and Texas Open. The membership selected the bid over one from San Antonio. The events will be held after Thanksgiving as announced elsewhere in this issue.

Mr. James T. Campion secured the 1966 Southwest Open for the Dallas Chess Club. San Antonio placed a preliminary bid for the succeeding Southwest Open to be held in conjunction with the Hemisfair in that city.

In spite of the increased costs of monthly publication of Texas Knights the association had \$545 in the treasury at the beginning of the new president's term of office. The balance for the previous year was \$620 \$620.

This issue of the bulletin is published by the retiring president, B. G. Dudley. All current business should be addressed to the new officers.

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

In this game White offers the complicated anti-meran gambit, but quickly gets cold feet and attempts to regain his pawn. Black's refutation is simple, brilliant and crushing!

White-F. King Black-S. Jones

Slay Defense

1. N-KB3 N-KB3 4. P-Q4 P-B3
2. P-B4 P-K3 5. B-N5
3. P-Q4 P-B3

Or 5. P-K3, QN-Q2; 6. B-Q3, PxP;
7. BxBP, P-QN4; 8. B-Q3, P-QR3;
9. P-K4, P-B4; which is the meran variation.

5. --- PxP 6. P-QR4
Better is 6. P-K4, P-N4; 7. P-K5,
P-KR3; 8. B-R4, P-N4; with a very
complicated game to follow.

6. --- B-N5 7. P-K3?
Too timid. 7. P-K4 still should have
been tried.

7. --- Q-R4 9. QxN
8. Q-B2 N-K5!

Forced.

9. --- BxNch 11. R-R2 P-B6
10. K-Q1 BxNP

White with a two pawn minus and a
disorganized position is lost.

12. B-QB4 Q-N5! 15. PxP PxP
13. Q-Q3 O-O 16. N-N5 P-N3
14. B-B4 P-QN4! 17. B-Q6

Desperation. If instead 17. BxN,
Q-Nch; wins.

17. --- QxB (Q3)
18. BxNP Q-Q4

Winning another piece!

19. B-B4 QxN 21. QxR QxP
20. Q-K4 Q-KB4

With the murderous threat of mate
on Q7.

22. RxB QxR

White Resigns.

Any Texas chessplayer will tell
you that wins against Kenneth R.
Smith are hard to come by (so are
draws!). This was a most satisfying
victory for the winner.

White-A. Smith Black-D. Lees

Sicilian Defense

1. P-K4 P-QB4 3. P-Q4 PxP
22. N-KB3 N-QB3 4. NXP P-KN3

The accelerated dragon variation.

5. N-QB3

or 5. P-QB4, the Maroczy Bind.

5. --- B-N2 7. B-QB4

6. B-K3 N-B3

Bobby Fischer's old favorite

7. --- O-O 8. B-N3

Best alternatives are met as follows:

a) 8. P-B3, Q-N3!

b) 8. O-O, NxP!

c) 8. Q-Q2, N-KN5!

8. --- Q-R4

Also playable for Black is 8. ---,
N-KN5; 9. QxN, NxN.

9. P-B3 P-N3 11. O-O-O N-K4

10. Q-Q2 B-QR3 12. K-N1

With the threat of 13. N-Q5, QxQ;

14. NxPch, winning a pawn. Black's next
move prevents this possibility.

12. --- KR-B1 14. BxN

13. B-R6 N-B5

Forced. If instead 14. Q-B1?, NxNP!

14. --- QxB 16. RPxB P-Q3

15. N-N3 BxN 17. P-KN4

This move weakens white's king side
pawns and allows black a clever combi-
nation which was unsound a move with
White's KNP on N2. Correct for White
was 17. BxB, KxB; 18. N-Q5, QxQ;
19. RxQ, NxN; 20. RxN, R-B4; and a
draw is most likely.

17. --- RxN! 18. BxB

White's best chance. The other points
of Black's combination were a) 18.
PxR, NxKP!; 19. PxN, BxP; 20. QxB
(Forced else mate), QxQ; with a winning
material advantage for Black. b) 18.
QxR, QxQ; 19. PxQ, BxB; and Black's
two minor pieces for a rook give him
excellent winning chances.

18. --- RxKBP 19. Q-K2

The end game with 19. QxQ, PxQ; 20.
BxN, RxB (threatening 21. ---, R-B5);
21. KR-B1, RxR; 22. RxR, R-QB1; 23.
K-B1, R-B4; 24. K-Q2, P-R4! is poor
for White.

19. --- R-B5 20. BxN PxB

Not 20. ---, RxB?; 21. R-Q5, Q-N5;
22. KR-Q1!, and Black's Queen is
trapped!

21. RxP

If now 21. R-Q5, Q-N5; 22. R-K1,
R-K1.

21. --- Q-K4 23. Q-B3 R-QB1

22. KR-Q1 RxKP 24. RxBP



Kenneth Smith-David Lees 4th Round Game

The two rook ending with 24 QxP QxQ; 25. RxQ, R-K7; 26. P-B4, K-N2; 27. R(6)-Q6, might have offered better chances for White.

24. --- R-K7 25. R-Q5
Other possibilities were a) 25. R-Q7, R-K8ch; 26. K-R2, Q-R4 mate. b) 25. RxB P, R(7)xBP; 26. R-Q8 (what else?) RxR; 27. KxR, Q-K8!; with the threat of 28. ---, R-Q7ch; wins for Black in all variations.

25. --- R-K8ch 27. K-R2 QxP!
Defending against White's threat and threatening a mate in three himself with 28. ---, Q-N8ch; 29. K-R3, Q-R8ch; 30. K-N4, Q-R4 mate
28. Q-Q3

Alternatives are no better. a) 28. Q-Q5, Q-N8ch; 29. K-R3, Q-R8ch; 30. K-N4, R-K5ch!; 31. QxR, Q-R4 mate. b) 28. R-Q5, R-QN8!; 29. K-R3, R-R8ch!; 30. K-N4, R-B5ch!; 31. PxR, R-R5ch; 32. K-N5, QxP mate.
28. --- Q-B8

Threatens mate in one!
29. P-N4 P-QN4
Threatens mate in two!
30. QxP

what else is there?

30. --- Q-N8ch
31. K-R3
or 31. K-N3, Q-B7ch; 32. K-R3, R-R8 mate.

31. --- R-K6ch

32. R-Q3

Forced

32. --- RxRch 34. K-R4

33. K-R4 QxQch

Nobody likes to resign! White plays on because Black has less than two minutes to make the time control on move 45. Who knows, Black's flag might fall! It has happened before with

the same opponents, but history does not repeat itself!

34. ---	Q-B7ch	40. KxP	P-R6
35. K-R5	QxP	41. K-N7	R-B8
36. P-KN5	QxR	42. K-N8	P-R7
37. PxQ	P-R4	43. K-R7	P-R8(Q)
38. P-N5	P-R5	44. K-N6	Q-N8ch
39. P-N6	PxPch	White resigns	

Nobody likes to be checkmated!

Ken Smith overthrows the tournament leader after round six, and becomes the 1965 Southwest Open Champion.

White-K. Smith Black-W. Bills
Caro-Kann Defense

1. P-K4 P-QB3 3. N-QB3 P-KN3
2. P-Q4 P-Q4

A novelty that Bills dug up in a Russian chess magazine! 3. ---, PxP; is standard.

4. P-K5 B-N2 6. B-K2 BxN
5. N-B3 B-N5

Unnecessary until White plays P-KR3.

6. ---, P-K3; is preferable.

7. BxB P-K3 8. B-B4 N-Q2
Better is 8. ---, P-QB4; putting immediate pressure on White's center. If White then plays 9. N-N5?, Black simply replies with Q-R4ch.

9. O-O P-QR3 13. B-N5 Q-B2
10. R-K1 N-K2 14. P-KR4 P-QB4
11. N-K2 O-O 15. P-B3 PxP?

12. Q-Q2 R-K1

This benefits only White. Black's game is very constricted in any event.

16. PxP N-QB3 17. P-R5 PxP?

It was definitely better for Black to let White exchange pawns on KN6 and to then recapture with his BP; followed by N-B1; with good defensive chances.

18. BxRP N-B1 19. QR-B1 Q-Q2

20. R-B3 QR-B1

21. R-KR3 N-K2

22. N-N3 R-B3

23. B-Q1 N(2)-N3

24. B-B6 BxB

25. PxB P-K4

26. Q-R6 RxP

27. N-R5 Resigns

Mate in two cannot be avoided.

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1. Ken Smith	W43	W25	W14	L 2	W12	W11	W 3	6	49. Colthp	D20W13L29L32L59W77D53	3
2. D. Lees	w76	W27	W28	w 1	D 3	D 7	D 6	5 1/2	50. Eckert	W55D4OD3OL12L42W62L37	3
3. W. Bills	W46	W38	W26	W16	D 2	W 4	L 1	5 1/2	51. Steele	L 5W73L12W69L31W57L32	3
4. Brieger	W59	W18	W45	W40	W15	L 3	D 7	5 1/2	52. Webb	D13L2OD25L31W74L34W76	3
5. J. Payne	W51	W31	L24	W41	W 9	D18	W15	5 1/2	53. Jergnsn	L36W62L33W73D71L27D49	3
6. E. Bone	W54	L45	W34	W23	W10	W38	D 2	5 1/2	54. Thomas	L 6W71L10W73L41W67E27	3
7. S. Jones	W34	W35	D 9	D10	W26	D 2	D 4	5	55. McCents	L50W65W56L27L22L26W68	3
8. H. David	W19	D24	W31	D 9	D38	D13	W16	5	56. Alpser	W72L 9L55W65W67L20L35	3
9. B. Jones	W65	W56	D 7	D 8	L 5	W14	W23	5	57. Kisler	L35L43W44W59L48L51W75	3
10. Moffitt	D64	W21	W54	D 7	L 6	W40	W29	5	58. Hale	L24L19L48W64W77D43D47	3
11. J. Hardy	W47	L28	W46	W36	W27	L 1	W26	5	59. Crowdus	L 4W75L35L57W49L44W69	3
12. Milburn	L17	W33	W51	W50	L 1	W46	W25	5	60. Giron	L23W78L38L42W73L22W67	3
13. McGregor	D52	L49	W64	W47	W33	D 8	W36	5	61. Skinner	L40W72L41W74L36L33W71	3
14. Ballard	W62	W36	L 1	W28	W17	L 9	D18	4 1/2	62. Hathway	L14L53W71L67W70L50W72	3
15. G. Smith	W77	D39	W32	W24	L 4	W19	L 5	4 1/2	63. Clayton	W41L26D22L18W68L21L43	2 1/2
16. Wright	W48	W37	W20	L 3	D19	W39	L 8	4 1/2	64. Rice	D10L29L13L58D72D74W73	2 1/2
17. McClary	W12	W74	D23	D29	L14	W31	D30	4 1/2	65. Seay	L 9L55W75L56L44D66W74	2 1/2
18. Daniels	W75	L 4	D47	W63	W20	D 5	D14	4 1/2	66. Seeger	L37D48L19L21D71D65D70	2
19. J. Hall	L 8	W58	W66	W45	D16	L15	W38	4 1/2	67. Nelson	L33BYEL43W62L56L54L60	2
20. Strange	D49	W52	L16	W48	L18	W56	W39	4 1/2	68. Smith	L26L41W78L34L63W75L55	2
21. Carruther	D29	L10	L27	W66	W47	W63	W41	4 1/2	69. Laverty	L45L46W72L51W76L47L59	2
22. Moulden	W78	L23	D63	L25	W55	W60	W40	4 1/2	70. Campion	L27W76L36L46L62D73D66	2
23. Taylor	W60	W22	D17	L 6	D24	W32	L 9	4	71. Bynum	L32L54L62D72D66W76L61	2
24. Steele	W58	D 8	W 5	L15	D23	D41	D34	4	72. Vogel	L56L61L69D71D64W78L62	2
25. T Ward	BYE	L 1	D52	W22	D32	W35	L12	4	73. Prattes	L31L51W77L54W60D70L64	1 1/2
26. F. King	W68	W63	L 3	W37	L 7	W55	L11	4	74. Wornell	L30L17BYEL61L52D64L65	1 1/2
27. Dunning	W70	L 2	W21	W55	L11	W30	W54	4	75. Cartldg	L18L59L65L44W78L68L57	1
28. Simms	W44	W11	L 2	L14	L46	W53	W48	4	76. Brack	L 2L70W79L53L69L71L52	1
29. R. Dean	D21	W64	W49	D17	L39	W42	L10	4	77. Harvey	L15L42L73W78L58F49For	1
30. Garrett	W74	D32	D50	L39	D34	W27	D17	4	78. King	L22L70L68L77L75L72BYE	1
31. Baker	W73	L 5	L 8	W52	W51	L17	W46	4	79. Lyon	L38L34L76 withdrew	0
32. DeVault	W71	D30	L15	W49	D25	L23	W51	4			
33. R. Gray	W67	L12	W53	L35	L13	W61	W45	4			
34. Snow	L 7	W79	L 6	W68	D30	W52	D24	4			
35. Cunn'ham	W57	L 7	W59	W33	L40	L25	W56	4			
36. Dudley	W53	L14	W70	L11	W61	W45	L13	4			
37. McLemore	W66	L16	W42	L26	D53	D48	W50	4			
38. Douglas	W79	L 3	W60	W43	D 8	L 6	L19	3 1/2			
39. Jacobs	W42	D15	L40	W30	W29	L16	L20	3 1/2			
40. Richardsn	W61	D50	W39	L 4	W35	L10	L22	3 1/2			
41. Patteson	L63	W68	W61	L 5	W54	D24	L21	3 1/2			
42. Davis	L39	W77	L37	W60	W50	L29	D44	3 1/2			
43. Willis	L 1	W57	W67	L38	L45	D58	W63	3 1/2			
44. Gutierrez	L28	L47	L57	W75	W65	W59	D42	3 1/2			
45. Wheelock	W69	W 6	L 4	L19	W43	L36	L36	3			
46. McCune	L 3	W69	L11	W70	W28	L12	L31	3			
47. Hyde	L11	W44	D18	L13	L21	W69	D58	3			
48. Green	L16	D66	W58	L20	W57	D37	L28	3			

NOVEMBER 27-28

TEXAS CANDIDATES AND TEXAS OPEN

Two 5-round Swiss tournaments. Candidates tournament for regional qualifiers: highest rated players present will fill in for absentees. Top four finishers qualify for State Championship. Register for both tournaments by 9 AM at Commodore Perry Hotel, Austin, Texas. Entry fee: \$7 for Candidates, \$5 for Open. Cash prizes as entries permit, and trophies. For further information write Dr. Arnulfo Gutierrez, 7712 Lazy Lane, Austin 78757. GL 2-8052.

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